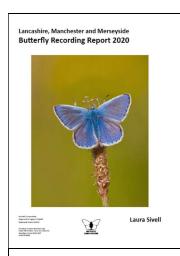


Welcome to the June 2021 update from the Lancashire branch of Butterfly Conservation



Lancashire, Manchester and Merseyside Butterfly Report 2020

The Lancashire, Manchester and Merseyside Butterfly Report 2020 is now available to download from our website. Find out how species across our region fared last year, including distribution maps and first, last and highest sightings. Thank you to County Butterfly Recorder, Laura Sivell, for producing the report.

Download the Lancashire, Manchester and Merseyside Butterfly Report 2020 here: https://bit.ly/34mq4Nj

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Spring 2021 newsletter

In case you missed it in our last email update, the Lancashire branch spring 2021 newsletter is now available to download. It features 44 pages packed full of news, articles and reports about butterflies and moths in our area. Find out about our 2021 members day and AGM, the Myers Allotment 10-year anniversary celebration event and our field trip programme (government restrictions allowing). Read about the Morecambe Bay Green Recovery Woodlands Project and the exciting new book being written about moths in Lancashire. There are articles from Peter Hardy on urban butterflies and butterfly recording in Greater Manchester, plus an article by Dave Jackson on the 1976 Camberwell Beauty invasion in Lancashire!

Download the spring 2021 newsletter here: https://bit.ly/3abLOPn



Lancashire branch 2021 field trips

Details of our 2021 field trips are now available on our website. Field trips will take place at Heysham Moss and Heysham Nature Reserve, Holme Stinted Pastures and Holme Park Fell, Myers Allotment reserve, Ainsdale sand dunes and Huncoat Colliery. Please note, all field trips will be subject to national and local Covid regulations in place at the time of each walk. Registration beforehand is essential.

View the events page on our website to find out more: https://butterfly-conservation.org/events?field branches target id=119



Save the date! Myers Allotment 10th anniversary celebration

Myers Allotment will celebrate its 10th anniversary on Wednesday 7th July, 2021. We'll be holding a celebration event at the reserve in Silverdale – further details will be sent out soon.



Butterfly and moth sightings

Please continue to send in your butterfly and moth sightings using the sightings page on our website: www.lancashire-butterflies.org.uk/report/

You can also look at the latest sightings page to see what butterflies and moths people have seen: www.lancashire-butterflies.org.uk/sightings/



Photographic competition – last chance to enter!

Our photo competition deadline has been extended until 14th June to give you extra time to submit your entries! The overall winner's photograph will appear on the front cover of our autumn 2021 newsletter and receive a £25 NHBS voucher, with 2nd place being printed on the back cover. Full details of how to enter are on our website: https://butterfly-conservation.org/news-and-blog/photo-competition-lancashire-branch



Lancashire Moth Atlas Update – free Zoom webinar, Saturday 19th June 2021, 9:30am - 10:30am

Come along to hear an update from Steve Palmer on the Lancashire Moth Atlas project. Steve will be going through the target species and habitats for the coming months. Register here: https://bit.ly/3hSSORc



Cumbria and Yorkshire branch events and field trips

Lancashire branch members have an open invitation to attend our neighbouring branches' events and trips, please take a look at their events pages to find out what's planned:

Cumbria branch events page: https://bit.ly/3bVy2kP

Yorkshire branch events page (click the events drop down menu at the top of the page): https://www.yorkshirebutterflies.org.uk/events



Bike for butterflies

Simon Saville (Chair of Surrey & SW London branch) will be cycling 1200 miles from Land's End to John O'Groats in 30 days to bring attention to the plight of the environment and to the climate emergency - and to raise money for Butterfly Conservation. Simon will be cycling through Lancashire on Monday 5th, Tuesday 6th and Wednesday 7th July 2021, visiting Hyndburn Butterfly Project in Milnshaw Park, Accrington, Lancashire's Coronation Meadows in the Forest of Bowland AONB, and our Myers Allotment Reserve in Silverdale. See Simon's webpage for details of how and where to cheer him on, join the ride, and other ways to get involved. Our Lancashire Chair, Jane Jones, will be joining Simon for the Manchester to Whalley leg! Please do get in touch if you'd like to help in some way or would like to join in,



email: chairman@lancashire-butterflies.org.uk



Help to save the butterfly habitat at Huncoat Colliery – public consultation

The former Huncoat Colliery site in Huncoat, Lancashire is home to 22 species of butterfly. The site is under threat from housing development. Hyndburn Council is holding a third public consultation to gather people's views on the proposals – you can find out more at https://hyndburnbutterflyproject.wordpress.com/huncoat-colliery/

The deadline for consultation responses is Sunday 13th June 2021.



Pendle Hill Landscape Partnership – Spring Wood wildlife count

Help the Pendle Hill Landscape Partnership to count the wildlife in Spring Wood, Whalley. They'll be holding several events including 'Meadows & Bees', 'Minibeast Hunting' and 'Tremendous Trees'. Please visit their website for further details and event registration: http://www.pendlehillproject.com/spring-wood-big-wildlife-count