



The Large Skipper Butterfly

## Sutton Poyntz Biodiversity Group News Newsletter

### Big Butterfly Count 16-31<sup>st</sup> July



River Jordan

One of the questions, I am asked is the name of the white water buttercup in the Jordan alongside East Brookmead. It is a water crowfoot, which specialises in chalk streams. There are just 200 of these rivers in Europe, with the majority in England. By July, the white flowers are over, but we can see Water Speedwell, Watercress (a chalk specialist), Duckweed and Fool's Water-cress. We also regularly see a sea trout.

### Garden Wildlife

With the bird breeding season all but over, we are beginning to see some quite ragged looking birds as they start their summer moult. Janet Craig managed a good photo of Bullfinch at her garden feeding station. This is a bird where numbers have increased here over the past three years. House Martin, on the otherhand is not doing so well after such a dry summer. Stonechat suffered quite badly nationally in the last winter but are about above the Springhead. Grey Wagtail seems to have disappeared again.



Comma Janet Craig

Butterfly Conservation are organising the big Butterfly Count this month. I have included a form on the reverse of your garden bird form. One of the amazing developments in recording wildlife is the way organisations adapt new technology. On 16 July, the Telegraph published a butterfly poster. On the reverse, readers are invited to hold their smart phone over one of the images and slowly move it closer. This then takes the reader to the webpage for facts on the species.

Alternatively

[www.telegraph.co.uk/butterflies](http://www.telegraph.co.uk/butterflies).



The Roadside verge to the north of Came Down Golf Course was looking good this week despite a cut during orchid flowering.

Wildlife Walks – Mondays from Fox Cottage near the Mission Hall at 9.30am. All welcome.

Newsletter – John Newbould who welcomes your notes and pictures 01305 837384

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**SUTTON POYNTZ BIODIVERSITY GROUP**  
**Garden Wildlife Watch - Month 7 – 24<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

**Name**

**Address**

**Post Code**

**Grid.Ref.**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Species</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Comment</b>
	Blackbird		
	Blackcap		
	Blue Tit		
	Brambling		
	Bullfinch		
	Buzzard		
	Carrion Crow		
	Chaffinch		
	Chiffchaff		
	Coal Tit		
	Collared Dove		
	Common Pheasant		
	Dunnock		
	Goldcrest		
	Goldfinch		
	Great Tit		
	Greater Spotted Woodpecker		
	Green Woodpecker		
	Greenfinch		
	Grey Wagtail		
	Grey Heron		
	Herring Gull		
	House Martin		
	House Sparrow		
	Jackdaw		
	Kestrel		
	Long-tailed Tit		
	Magpie		
	Mistle Thrush		
	Moorhen		
	Nuthatch		
	Pied Wagtail		
	Robin		
	Rook		
	Song Thrush		
	Sparrowhawk		
	Starling		
	Swallow		
	Swift		
	Treecreeper		
	Wood Pigeon		
	Wren		
	Yellowhammer		

Please return to 3 Brookmead Close, Sutton Poyntz, DT3 6RS after 26<sup>th</sup> June. Thank you  
 If you wish to email the information, I can send an electronic list. Please email me.

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# big butterfly count

16th - 31st July



Spend 15 minutes in a sunny spot and record how many of each species you see.  
Log your sightings at [www.bigbutterflycount.org](http://www.bigbutterflycount.org)

Date	Location (tick one):			
	Garden	Park	School	Grassy field
	Arable field	Wood		



Large White



Small White



Green-veined White



Brimstone



Large Skipper



Six-spot Burnet moth



Silver Y moth



Common Blue



Holly Blue



Small Copper



Ringlet



Meadow Brown



Gatekeeper



Wall



Speckled Wood



Marbled White



Peacock



Small Tortoiseshell



Painted Lady



Red Admiral



Comma