

Willows in the dawn sunlight at Waterside © John Newbould

## Eight species of butterfly seen during March Garden Bird Watch



Adder © J A Newbould

Richard Porter drew my attention to this collection of Adders under corrugated sheeting. A recent discussion at a National Trust volunteers meeting about Adder bites came up with the following recommendation: It is best not to move about in order that the toxin remains at the site of the sting. Call for ambulance assistance. where you should be taken to Accident & Emergency for observation. Keep limbs covered in potential adder areas.

A record 25 gardens supplied a bird list for March recording a total of forty-two birds. The 407 records averaged 16 per garden with Janet Craig on Old Bincombe Lane managing 33 species. Grey Wagtail seems to have disappeared again, after being present in the winter months. Thrush numbers have dropped with nobody reporting Mistle Thrush.

There were three sightings of the tiny Goldcrest, which was the top bird in the RSPB garden bird watch. Goldfinch numbers seem to have dropped in gardens although I have seen 30 most days in Waterside Caravan park. Ruth Eggerton reported a Black Redstart from Northdown Farm on 15<sup>th</sup> March. Chiffchaff are back, but nobody reported a Swallow or Sand Martin, although Caroline Crisp reported the latter from Lodmoor. Jon Campbell and I saw Swallow on 31<sup>st</sup> March at Lower Bockhampton.

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 Email john newbould@btinternet.com

## April 2011

Sutton Poyntz Biodiversity Group News



Pine Beauty © J A Newbould

Moth trapping began in earnest on 11<sup>th</sup> March and by early April, fourteen species had landed in my trap, including the two illustrated, which I have not seen before. At least ten people reported butterflies with Brimstone. Small **Tortoiseshell and Peacock** being frequent.

Lead-coloured Drab below



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Brambling																										2	1	2	2	2
Bullfinch	4		2							1																	3	4	1	2
Buzzard	3	2							2		1			1	2		2								1		8	3	1	2
Carrion Crow	3		1	2		1	2	2	2		3	2			3			6		3	5		6	1	3	5	17	6	1	3
Chaffinch	10		2	2		3		4	5	1	4		6	4	3		4	5		1	9	3	1		5	2	19	10	1	4
Chiffchaff				2				1	2						1			1								2		2	1	2
Coal Tit	2	4				1			1				2	1							2					3	8	4	1	2
Collared Dove	12		2			2	2	2	6	2	2	2	3	2	3		1	2	3	1		2		2	2	4		_	1	2
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Mallard			2						3													3			6		4	6	2	<b>3</b>
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Moorhen																							2		2	3	3	3	2	2
Nuthatch																											0		0	##
Pied Wagtail												1	1		5			1		2		2				2	7	5	1	2
Redstart																											0	0	0	##
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Robin	2	6	1		1	2	1	3	6	2	2	2	3	1	4		3	2	2	1	2	2		1	1		23		1	2
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## SUTTON POYNTZ BIODIVERSITY GROUP

Garden Wildlife Watch - Month 4 - 25th - 30th April 2011

	Post Code Grid.Ref.								
Date	Species	Number	Comment						
	Blackbird								
	Blackcap								
	Blue Tit								
	Brambling								
	Buzzard								
	Carrion Crow								
	Chaffinch								
	Chiffchaff								
	Coal Tit								
	Collared Dove								
	Common Pheasant								
	Dunnock								
	Goldcrest								
	Goldfinch								
	Great Tit								
	Greater Spotted Woodpecker								
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	Grey Wagtail								
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	Herring Gull								
	House Martin								
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	Swallow								
	Swift								
	Treecreeper								
	Wood Pigeon								
	Wren								
	Yellowhammer								

Please return to 3 Brookmead Close, Sutton Poyntz, DT3 6RS after 1<sup>st</sup> May. Thank you If you wish to email the information, I can send an electronic list. Please email me.

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