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**Hampshire and
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Monday 31st March

Dave Pearson reports from Harestock, Winchester (SU466308) where the following observations were made: Orange-tip (1).

Mark G Painter reports from Mansbridge (SU4415) where the following observations were made: Peacock (7), Brimstone (1), Orange-tip (1 "Near Mansbridge Lock"), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Comma (1 "Laying eggs on Ash buds?").

David Tining reports from Haslar(north-west),Gosport (SZ613986) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1 "taking nectar from wallflower & grape hyacinth"), Comma (1. "1400;in my garden".

John Moon reports from Abbots Ann (SU3243) where the following observations were made: Orange-tip (1 "First of year here"), Brimstone (2), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Peacock (1).

Sunday 30th March

Peter Hunt reports from Madeira Lane,Freshwater,IOW (SZ330877) where the following observations were made: Small White (2 "Flying around my garden").

Mike Wildish reports from Foxcotte (SU345475) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Small Tortoiseshell (3).

Peter Hunt reports from Madeira Lane,Freshwater,IOW (SZ335877) where the following observations were made: **Large White** (1 "Flying strongly in the garden").

David Wallace reports from Titchfield Common (SU520065) where the following observations were made: **Large White** (1 "In the garden.").

Ashley Whitlock reports from Portsdown Hill (SU620067) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Orange-tip (1), Peacock (4), Small White (2), Brimstone (40), Small Tortoiseshell (12). "An excellent day to visit the transect route, with nil wind and very warm conditions. The Brimstone were everywhere again, but there were more females to be seen. On the females, I espied a Orange Tip feeding on Dandelion, the first time I've ever seen a female Orange Tip in March. Other good numbers were courting pairs of Small Tortoiseshells, and a good sprinkling of Peacock with the odd Comma thrown in. Disappointing Speckled Wood and still no Holly Blue.".

john hunt reports from Hook, Back Garden (SU727544) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Peacock (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1).



Small Tortoiseshell

Sue Lambert reports from Horns Drove Wood (SU381166) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2), Peacock (1), Holly Blue (1), Speckled Wood (1). "My first holly blue and speckled wood of the year".

Chris Cobb reports from S. Wonston Garden (SU463359) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (1). "1100".

Mark tutton reports from Rake Bottom (SU711208) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (10), Peacock (12), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Wood tiger (10 Larval).

Sue Lambert reports from Bakers Drove Field/Cromarty Road (SU382162) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (2), Small Tortoiseshell (6), Peacock (5), Comma (2). "The butterflies were sunning themselves on the paths as usual.".



Peacock



Comma

Mark G Painter reports from Hook Lake, Warsash (SU491050) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (2).

Sue Graham reports from Alresford (SU583316) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2 "at least one male and one female"), Peacock (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), **Large White** (1).

Steve Mansfield reports from Alton River Wey (SU7239) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (5), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (1). "30+ Coltsfoot in flower".

Steve Mansfield reports from Upper Farringdon (SU7135) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2).

Paul Harfield reports from Hedge End (SU5014) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "male"), Peacock (3), Small Tortoiseshell (5). "Seen in warm sunshine between 12 & 12.30pm".

Chris Rose reports from Four Marks Area (SU6632) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (63 "Seemed to be everywhere"), Peacock (15 "More were flying today"), Small Tortoiseshell (5 "Not so easy to find today"). "Brimstones appeared to be everywhere along the warm sheltered south facing paths. Peacocks too were on the wing. <http://fourmarksbirding.blogspot.co.uk/>".

David Tining reports from Ewer Common.Gosport (SZ608988) where the following observations were made: Comma (1 "basking on Alexanders"), Speckled Wood (1). "1040".

David Tining reports from Old Railway Line(north),Alverstoke,Gosport (SZ607993) where the following observations were made: Comma (1 "basking on Alexanders"), Speckled Wood (1). "1045".

Jean Hadwen reports from Garden Denmead (SU646126) where the following observations were made: **Painted Lady** (1).

David Tinling reports from Anglesey Gardens,Gosport (SZ606993) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1 "basking on Alexanders"), Comma (1 "basking on Alexanders"). "1050".

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east),Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2 "males"), Small Tortoiseshell (2 "taking dandelion nectar"), Comma (1), Speckled Wood (5). "1115-1200".

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(west),Gosport (SU598002) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "male"), Small White (1 "male"), Small Tortoiseshell (3 "taking celandine nectar"). "1200-1210".

David Tinling reports from Hermitage Garden,Gosport (SU596005) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1 "taking celandine nectar"), Peacock (1 "taking blackthorn nectar"), Comma (1 "taking celandine nectar"), Speckled Wood (1 "taking celandine nectar"). "1215-1235".

David Tinling reports from Sultan Path,Gosport (SU593001) where the following observations were made: Small White (1 "female"), Small Tortoiseshell (2 "basking on nettles"), Peacock (1 "basking on Alexanders"). "1245-1250".

David Tinling reports from Polo Path,Gosport (SZ549999) where the following observations were made: Small White (1 "male"). "1255".

David Tinling reports from Carter's Copse,Gosport (SU585001) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (6 "1 female taking celandine & dandelion nectar and 5 males"), Small White (1 "male"), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Peacock (4), Comma (2). "1300-1335".

David Tinling reports from Browndown North(south-west) (SZ579996) where the following observations were made: Small White (1 "male"), Small Tortoiseshell (3 "basking on nettles"), Peacock (3), Comma (2). "1510-1520".

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay,Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (16), Peacock (1), Comma (3). "1610-1640;along & near the Gosport coast on Sun 30th March I recorded 85 butterflies:Brimstone 9,Small White 5,Small Tortoiseshell 30,Peacock 18,Comma 15,Speckled Wood 8".

Martin Hampton reports from south Havant (SU720060) where the following observations were made: Orange-tip (1 "male; first for me this spring"), Brimstone (2 "male and female (not interacting) - we have planted Buckthorns in community areas so hope to encourage egg-laying!"), Small Tortoiseshell (3 "including a spiralling, 'fighting' pair"), Peacock (1), Small White (1). "all either in garden or community areas adjacent to Lower Grove Road, Havant".

Arthur Greenwood reports from Kingswood Firs, Grayshott (SU869349) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (12), Peacock (3).

Roy Symonds reports from Elizabeth Road, Waterlooville (SU686086) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Female").

Roy Symonds reports from Portsdown Hill (East) (SU657063) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (4 "Males"), Small Tortoiseshell (3). "In hazy sunshine temperature 15 degrees."

Roy Symonds reports from Fort Widley, Portsdown Hill (SU657066) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2 "Males").

Anne McCue reports from Newport Road,Gosport (SU597004) where the following observations were made: Comma (1 "private garden").

Anne McCue reports from Wilmott Path,Gosport (SU594001) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1).

Graeme Davis reports from Charlton Place,Lloyds Bank (SU362460) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Saturday 29th March

Jenny Simmonds reports from North Farnborough (SU876564) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Peacock (1).

Bob Whitmarsh (RWh) reports from Farley Mount (SU4329) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (49), Small Tortoiseshell (4), Peacock (4), Orange-tip (1 "nectaring on violets").

Mike Wildish reports from Weyhill (SU315465) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (4).

Mike Wildish reports from Monxton Lane (SU315455) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (5), Peacock (2), Small Tortoiseshell (3).

Mike Wildish reports from Sarson Lane (SU305455) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1).

Mike Wildish reports from Monxton Village (SU315445) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (7), Orange-tip (2 "Males"), Peacock (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Mike Wildish reports from Ampot Village (SU305445) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (5). "Spring is back! Brimstones everywhere, my first Tips and heard my first Willow Warbler. Can't be bad!".

Ashley Whitlock reports from Milton Allotments (SZ672995) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (13), Peacock (2), Small White (4), Comma (1). "A breezy day, which took the edge off of the temperature slightly but the Small Tortoiseshells were still on territory and mating mode, with several pairing up and giving chase. Several males were seen just sat behind a female just waiting for her next move, whilst other males looked on. Several new Small Whites were flying about with the odd Peacock and Comma."

nick lawrence reports from straits inclosure (SU800396) where the following observations were made: Orange-tip (1), Comma (6), Small White (1), Peacock (15), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Brimstone (1).



Orange-tip



Small White

Mike gregory reports from Noahs Lake(SU5700) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (6 "Males"), Small Tortoiseshell (5).

Graeme Davis reports from Charlton Lakes (SU346469) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (5).

Graeme Davis reports from Charlton Road (SU352466) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2), Brimstone (3).

Graeme Davis reports from Harewood Forest (SU395441) where the following observations were made: Peacock (2), Small Tortoiseshell (2).

Mark Tutton reports from Chappetts copse (SU652237) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (9 "Two females"), Comma (2), Peacock (0).

Arthur Greenwood reports from Kingswood Firs, Grayshott (SU869349) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (10 "First females seen"), Peacock (3), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

David Levy reports from Derwent Rd Basingstoke (SU603503) where the following observations were made: Common Quaker (7 "came to MV skinner trap"), Early Thorn (2 "came to mv skinner trap"), Hebrew Character (1 "came to MV skinner trap"), Early Grey (5 "came to MV skinner trap"), Yellow Horned (1 "came to MV skinner trap"), Small Quaker (4 "Came to MV skinner trap"). "125 MV skinner trap was put out about 9.30pm and only left until 11.30pm .There was a lot of activity around 10.30 then it slowed right off".

Roy Symonds reports from Elizabeth Road, Waterlooville (SU686086) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Male"). "Single male Brimstone flying in my sister's garden."

Roy Symonds reports from Bidbury Mead, Bedhampton (SU703064) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Male").

Roy Symonds reports from Bedhampton Railway Crossing (SU708066) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Male").

Roy Symonds reports from Chalton Down, Old Idsworth (SU736156) where the following observations were made: Comma (5), Peacock (3). "After seeing a few Brimstones around Waterlooville/Bedhampton areas, I took a trip to Chalton Down, which until recently was impassable in places due to flooding. No Brimstones were seen but several Comma's including 3 in more sheltered and hotter areas on the hillside. Temperature was 15 degrees."

Sue Lambert reports from Horns Drove Wood (SU381166) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2).

Steve Mansfield reports from Fleet Pond (SU8255) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (22), Comma (2), Peacock (9 "5 together"), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Speckled Wood (1). "Alton Natural History Society walk around Fleet Pond. Sightings from the 4 squares round the pond rather than precise to stated grid ref."

Paul Harfield reports from Fareham (SU564064) where the following observations were made: Peacock (2). "Seen in warm afternoon sunshine between 2 and 3pm".

Chris Rose reports from Four Marks Area (SU6632) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (58 "Counted as i walked around the patch, all mostly flying although a few did allow some photographs"), Peacock (8 "Mostly on the dry ground by the edge of the fields"), Small Tortoiseshell (14 "High number at Swellinghill"). "The totals were of the number seen while walking around the patch <http://fourmarksbirding.blogspot.co.uk/>".

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place,Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1 "in my garden").

Sam Mackenzie reports from Oakmount Ave, Highfield, So'ton (SU420144) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Peacock (2).

Thursday 27th March

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place,Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Small White (1 "female in my garden").

Sunday 23rd March

Alan Butterworth reports from Pennington Marsh (SZ325934) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1 "First one of the year for me, sunning itself sheltered from the cold northerly wind.").

Saturday 22nd March

Mike Wildish reports from Finkley Down (SU385475) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1). "On a chilly morning, it's as mad as I am!".

John Willis reports from Passage Lane Car Park,Warsash (SU489062) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

Graeme Davis reports from Ladies Walk Meadows (SU371447) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (5).



Small Tortoiseshell

Friday 21st March

Ashley Whitlock reports from Milton Allotments (SZ672995) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (6). "The weather is distinctly cooler of late and the Small Tortoiseshell was seen on the fringes of the Milton Allotment. Several were seen basking in the sunny weather in-between lengthy periods of cloud, on the small shoots of Common Nettle, and several others were giving chase up and down the fringes of the Allotment. I suspect there were more here as at times many were sitting with their wings folded making it very hard to find them."

Graeme Davis reports from Charlton Place,Lloyds Bank (SU362460) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Graham Dennis reports from Pamber Forest (SU615609) where the following observations were made: Orange-tip (1).

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east),Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (5 "taking dandelion nectar"), Speckled Wood (2). "1015-1115".

Thursday 20th March

David Levy reports from 61 Derwent Rd Basingstoke (SU603503) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1 "On an Aubretia"), Small Tortoiseshell (2 "in the garden"), Early Thorn(moth) (2 "Came to 125W MV Skinner trap"), Common Quaker (3 "Came to 125W MV Skinner trap"), Hebrew Character (1 "Came to 125W MV Skinner trap").

John Webb reports from Old Railway Line(south),Alverstoke,Gosport (SZ605984) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "male").

Wednesday 19th March

Belinda Inwood reports from Cox ford down (SU326170) where the following observations were made: Large Tortoiseshell (1 "Think it had hibernated in house. ").

Anne McCue reports from Botley Wood(north) (SU545105) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2), Peacock (1).

Monday 17th March

David Tinling reports from Browndown North(south-west) (SZ574994) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (4), Peacock (1). "1100-1135".

Sunday 16th March

Betty Hansell reports from Fellows Road garden (SU878543) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Comma (1), Peacock (1).

Mike Wildish reports from Andover, Winchester Rd Area (SU365445) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (2), Brimstone (1).

Sam Mackenzie reports from Oakmount Ave, Highfield, So'ton (SU420144) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Peacock (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2).

nick lawrence reports from straits inclosure (SU803400) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (8 "males"), **Holly Blue** (1), Comma (6), Peacock (5), Small Tortoiseshell (2).

Chris Cobb reports from Shedfield Common (SU562129) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1).

Chris Cobb reports from Fareham Garden (SU573069) where the following observations were made: Peacock (2), Brimstone (1), **Orange-tip** (1).

michael gregory reports from Noahs Lake (SU5700) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (10 "Males"), Small Tortoiseshell (8), Comma (1 "female"), Peacock (4).

Steve Mansfield reports from Chawton (S) (SU7036) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Steve Mansfield reports from Alton (W) (SU7038) where the following observations were made: Comma (3), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Peacock (1), Brimstone (4).

Mark tutton reports from Farlington (SU681056) where the following observations were made: Peacock (2).

Mark tutton reports from Fort purbrook (SU677064) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (5), Comma (1), Peacock (1).

Mark tutton reports from Creech wood (SU641116) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (16 "Two females"), Comma (9), Peacock (15).

Bob Whitmarsh (RWh) reports from Otterbourne Hill (SU4522) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (4).

Bob Whitmarsh (RWh) reports from Kiln Lane, Otterbourne (SU4622) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3), Peacock (1).

Bob Whitmarsh (RWh) reports from Twyford Moors (SU4723) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (4), Peacock (3).

Bob Whitmarsh (RWh) reports from Shawford Down (SU4724) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (5), Comma (1).

Bob Whitmarsh (RWh) reports from Shawford (SU4725) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2).

Graeme Davis reports from Shepherd Spring Lane (SU366461) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2 "Coupling").

Graeme Davis reports from Andover Town Centre (SU363454) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Graeme Davis reports from Sainsburys Andover (SU366463) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2).

Graeme Davis reports from Andover College (SU363458) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2).

Graeme Davis reports from 203 Pilgrims Way (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (0 "Freshly emerged").

Paul Harfield reports from Itchen Way (SU4617) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (16 "all male"), Peacock (6), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Comma (3). "Seen in sunny conditions between 10am and 12.30".

Paul Harfield reports from Itchen Way (SU4516) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (8 "all male"), Peacock (2), Small Tortoiseshell (1). "seen in sunny conditions between 12.30 and 1pm".

Paul Harfield reports from Itchen Valley (SU4515) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3 "all male"), Peacock (3), Comma (4), Small Tortoiseshell (8). "seen in sunny conditions between 1 and 2pm".

Paul Harfield reports from West End (SU4615) where the following observations were made: Comma (7), Peacock (6), Small Tortoiseshell (5). "seen in sunny conditions between 2 and 3pm".

Stuart Read reports from Parkhurst Forest (SZ4691) where the following observations were made: Peacock (30 "can't recall seeing this many in the forest in March!"), Comma (26 "all very frisky, aggressively engaging intruders entering their territories!"), Brimstone (7 "all male."), Red Admiral (1 "Rather dishevelled, but didn't he do well to survival the winter!"). "Recorded in Parkhurst Forest between 14:30-16:30 on a warm, sunny afternoon."

Martin Hampton reports from Havant (SU720060) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Small Tortoiseshell (3 "still feeling thrilled to see these!").

Paul Harfield reports from Hedge End (SU4915) where the following observations were made: Comma (4), Peacock (6). "seen in sunny conditions between 3.15 and 3.30pm".

Ashley and Jackie Whitlock reports from Redlands Grove (SZ671996) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Small White (2). "Out in the garden on a very warm day, and noticed the first Brimstone flying by for 2014 in the garden. The Small Tortoiseshells were very active, and one was sunning itself on a the garden wall for quite a long time very early in the morning. Small Whites are beginning to emerge, but still havent reached any good numbers as yet."

David Tinling reports from Ewer Common.Gosport (SZ608988) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1 "basking on nettles"), Peacock (1), Speckled Wood (1 "very fresh"). "0930-0945;on a warm sunny day's walk along and near the Gosport coast I recorded 86 butterflies of 7 species:Brimstone 5 males,Small White 1 male,Red Admiral 1,Small Tortoiseshell 27,Peacock 26,Comma 23,Speckled Wood 3".

Anne McCue reports from Cherque Way,Gosport (SZ570990) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (6 "males"). "1045".

Anne McCue reports from Cherque Way,Gosport (SU570000) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3 "2 males & 1 female"), Peacock (3). "1100".

Anne McCue reports from Newgate Lane(south),Gosport (SU571027) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1). "1110".

Anne McCue reports from Carter's Copse,Gosport (SU585001) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3 "males"), Small White (1 "male"), Small Tortoiseshell (4), Peacock (6), Comma (6). "1200 & 1330".

Anne McCue reports from Wilmott Path,Gosport (SU594002) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1). "1210".

Anne McCue reports from West of River Alver(west),Gosport (SU579002) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "male"), Peacock (2), Comma (3). "1345".

David Tinling reports from Clayhall Road(east),Gosport (SZ613985) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1 "basking on a window"). "0850".

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east),Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "male"), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Comma (2), Speckled Wood (1 "very fresh"). "1015-1040".

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(west),Gosport (SU598002) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1). "1040-1050".

David Tinling reports from Anglesey Gardens,Gosport (SZ606993) where the following observations were made: Comma (1 "basking on Alexanders"). "0950".

David Tinling reports from Old Railway Line(north),Alverstoke,Gosport (SZ607993) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1 "very fresh"). "0945".

David Tinling reports from Hermitage Garden,Gosport (SU596005) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (1 "taking celandine nectar"). "1050-1105".

David Tinling reports from Wilmott Path,Gosport (SU594002) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2 "basking on nettles"). "1115".

David Tinling reports from Carter's Copse,Gosport (SU585001) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3 "males"), Small White (1 "male taking nectar from red dead nettles"), Small Tortoiseshell (6), Peacock (6), Comma (2). "1125-1205".

David Tinling reports from Home Heath,Gosport (SU585003) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "male"), Comma (1). "1205-1210".

David Tinling reports from Browdown North (SZ583997) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (3), Peacock (8), Comma (10). "1215-1515".

David Tinling reports from Browdown North(south-west) (SZ579996) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (3), Peacock (3). "1400-1410".

David Tinling reports from Sandhill(south-west),Gosport (SZ578997) where the following observations were made: Peacock (2), Comma (3). "1410-1425".

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay,Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (6), Peacock (5), Comma (1 "basking on Alexanders"). "1530-1555".

David Tinling reports from Old Railway Line(south),Alverstoke,Gosport (SZ605984) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2 "in aerial combat"), Comma (3 "basking on Alexanders"). "1610-1620".

Andy Bolton reports from Sleepers Copse, Ashford Hill. (SU564612) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (10 "2 female "), Comma (3), Peacock (1).

Saturday 15th March

Mark tutton reports from Portsdown hill (SU671063) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Graeme Davis reports from Harewood Forest (SU386432) where the following observations were made: Comma (13 "one pair in mating flight").

Graeme Davis reports from Track at back of Hampshire Golf Course (SU374430) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2), Peacock (1), Comma (2).

Graeme Davis reports from Corunna Main Grass verge (SU366459) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

T Marsh reports from Lower test nature reserve (SU367149) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2). "Either side of railway crossing".

T Marsh reports from Testwood Totton (SU359142) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1).

david levy reports from 61 Derwent Rd Basingstoke (SU603503) where the following observations were made: Early Grey (moth) (2 "Came to actinic Heath trap"), Common Quaker (moth) (3 "Came to actinic Heath trap"), Small Quaker (moth) (1 "Came to actinic Heath trap").

Michael Scoggins reports from Overton Station (SU517508) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2 "Two males nectaring on Primroses on South facing bank.").

Barrie Roberts reports from North Baddesley (SU390196) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1 "Sun bathing before flying off"), Peacock (1), Brimstone (2). "Speckled

David Tinling reports from Alverstoke Crescent Garden,Gosport (SZ604984) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1). "1400;along & near the Gosport coast from 1350-1640 I recorded Small Tortoiseshell 21,Peacock 4,Comma 9,Total 34.".

Friday 14th March

Bob Whitmarsh (RWh) reports from Winall Moors (SU488302) where the following observations were made: Comma (7), Peacock (2), Small Tortoiseshell (3).

Mike Wildish reports from River Way, Andover (SU375465) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Mike Wildish reports from Walworth Ind Est (SU385465) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place,Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Six-spot Burnet (1 Larval "small,in my garden"), Comma (1).

Thursday 13th March

Sam Mackenzie reports from Oakmount Ave, Highfield, So'ton (SU420144) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Ashley Whitlock reports from Portsdown Hill Transect Route (SU626070) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (45), Comma (1), Peacock (3), Small Tortoiseshell (6). "Walked along the transect route for the first time in 2014, on the warmest day of the year, and the Brimstone was everywhere, with just a single female being courted by a male. The Small Tortoiseshell was again seen in good numbers this is going to be a good year for them I suspect, (not before time) and there were a modest amount of Peacock's and a single Comma. I was surprised not to see a Speckled Wood or a Small White, on the route. There were several Heavy Horses grazing on the area known as area (5) and they are keeping the scrub well in check, there were also good numbers of Violets dotted up- and down the route. A glorious day for a walk.".

Stuart Read reports from Parkhurst Forest (SZ4791) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (17 "all male"), Peacock (10), Comma (10), Red Admiral (1). "Above tally recorded on a ride around the forest between 13:00-14:00. Was my first trip to Parkhurst this spring.".

Peter Short reports from Warnford (SU626223) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (10), Peacock (3), Small Tortoiseshell (4).

T Marsh reports from St Micheal Road Winchester (SU479289) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Peter Hunt reports from Walters Copse,Newtown,IOW (SZ569775) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (7 "including 1 female"), Comma (10 "common in this copse"), Peacock (7), Small Tortoiseshell (2). "Sallow in flower and all species above seen nectaring on it.".

Mike Wildish reports from Watson Acre, Andover (SU351459) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1), Comma (1). "On Spring Heathers in garden".

Techer Jones reports from Lane End (SU557257) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (12), Brimstone (20 "Two of which were female"), Peacock (1 "A blind Peacock with no 'eyes' on the hind wings").

S East reports from Vernham Dean (SU342564) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Possibly female (quite yellowy green). First butterfly of 2014."), Dont know... (1 "Medium/large, direct straight flight without flapping, wings held about 20° from horizontal. Dark coloured, appeared very brown."). "Unknown" seen on 14/03/14. Sorry that i didn't get a better look.".

Graeme Davis reports from Charlton Place,Lloyds Bank (SU362460) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Peacock (2), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Roy Symonds reports from Staunton Country Park, Havant (SU717091) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (8 "7 Males 1 Female"), Comma (2). "A new site visited for me within 4 miles of my home. Walked as far as the first lake. Several Brimstones were flying on a sunny day. Temperature was 15 degrees.".

Roy Symonds reports from Elizabeth Road, Waterlooville (SU686086) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2 "1 Male 1 Female"). "A pair of Brimstones flying together in the sunshine in my sister's garden.".

Sam Mackenzie reports from Oakmount Ave, Highfield, So'ton (SU420144) where the following observations were made: Peacock (2), Brimstone (1).

David Tinling reports from Haselworth Drive,Gosport (SZ609984) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1). "1005;along & near the Gosport coast 1005-1615 I recorded Brimstone 8 males,Small Tortoiseshell 21,Peacock 14,Comma 13,Total 56".

David Tinling reports from Ewer Common.Gosport (SZ608988) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1 "taking nectar from Alexanders & red dead-nettles"). "1020".

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east),Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3 "males taking primrose nectar & searching for females"). "1100-1125".

David Tinling reports from Hermitage Garden,Gosport (SU596005) where the following observations were made: Peacock (2), Comma (3 "taking celandine nectar"). "1135-1200".

David Tinling reports from Carter's Copse,Gosport (SU585001) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3 "males"), Small Tortoiseshell (5), Peacock (2), Comma (4). "1225-1310".

David Tinling reports from Home Heath,Gosport (SU585003) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2 "males"), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (1). "1310-1320".

David Tinling reports from West of River Alver(east),Gosport (SU585003) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1). "1325".

Wednesday 12th March

T Marsh reports from 5 Bridges Rd Winchester (SU477269) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2 "On grass verge 2 males vertical fighting").

Geoff Jones reports from Lee on the Solent (SZ576997) where the following observations were made: Small White (1 "Flying around my South facing garden"), Small Tortoiseshell (1 "Basking on garden pavers").

Roy Symonds reports from Portsdown Hill (East) (SU657063) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1). "An afternoon walk along Portsdown Hill where the sun was out temperature 15 degrees. Both butterflies were sunning themselves on the path."

Roy Symonds reports from Fort Widley, Portsdown Hill (SU657066) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

Maya Whitmarsh reports from Weeke, Winchester (SU472305) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2).

Michael Scoggins reports from Woodlands allotments (SU512494) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2 "Basking in sun").

Anne McCue reports from Fort Gilkicker,Gosport (SZ607975) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (5 "including a courting couple"). "1340-1400".

Anne McCue reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east),Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1), Comma (3). "1300-1320".

David Tinling reports from Sandhill(south-west),Gosport (SZ578997) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2), Peacock (2), Comma (3). "1455-1515".

David Tinling reports from Browdown North(south-west) (SZ579996) where the following observations were made: Comma (2). "1450".

David Tinling reports from Browdown Field (SZ573996) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (8), Peacock (1). "1430-1440".

David Tinling reports from Browdown South(west) (SZ574994) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (8), Comma (2). "1355-1430".

David Tinling reports from Browdown South(east) (SZ583992) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (3), Peacock (1). "1335-1355".

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay,Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (14), Peacock (2). "1115-1335;along & near the Gosport coast 1050-1630 I recorded Small Tortoiseshell 36,Peacock 6,Comma 7,Total 49".

David Tinling reports from Clayhall Road(east),Gosport (SZ613985) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1). "1050".

Tuesday 11th March

Alex Hogg reports from Chilland (SU522327) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1).

Monday 10th March

Geoff Jones reports from Lee on the Solent (SZ576997) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1 "Basking on garden path").



Small Tortoiseshell

John & Julie Moon reports from Abbots Ann Down (SU319414) where the following observations were made: Peacock (2).

Mike Wildish reports from Anton Lakes East (SU365465) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (5).

Ashley Whitlock reports from Milton Lock Foreshore (SZ570776) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (19), Peacock (1), Small White (2). "Another walk along Milton Lock Foreshore, where the Small Tortoiseshell is out in force, with several courting pairs and other males chasing each other in three's and fours. All were in reasonable condition, despite the weather throughout January, it may well be a bumper year for the species if the weather behaves itself. I personally have never seen this many so early on in the season, which goes to show just how mild the winter has been."

Geoff Jones reports from North Browdown/Carters Copse, Gosport (SZ581999) where the following observations were made: Comma (7), Peacock (5), Brimstone (2), Small Tortoiseshell (2).

Mark tutton reports from Victoria park (SU639003) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "First female of the year").

Mark Wagstaff reports from Titchfield Haven (SU535026) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2), Comma (3), Red Admiral (1), Peacock (3), Small Tortoiseshell (3). "5 species seen in the afternoon sun at Titchfield Haven this afternoon. Common Lizards also basking in the sun - definitely felt like Spring!"

T Marsh reports from Romsey (SU359228) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2).

Roy Symonds reports from Elizabeth Road, Waterlooville (SU686086) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Male"). "Flying in my sister's garden, temperature was 15 degrees."

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place, Gosport (SZ595999) where the following observations were made: Small White (1 "male"), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (1). "in my garden".

David Tinling reports from Browdown South(west) (SZ574994) where the following observations were made: Small White (1 "male"), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Peacock (5). "1350-1415".

David Tinling reports from Browdown South(east) (SZ583992) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (4). "1330-1350".

David Tinling reports from Stanley Park, Gosport (SZ592989) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "male"). "1130".

David Tinling reports from Stanley Park, Gosport (SZ592989) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "male"). "1130".

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay, Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (30), Peacock (3), Comma (1), Small White (1 "male"). "1045-1110 & 1315-1330".

David Tinling reports from Gilkicker(north-west), Gosport (SZ602982) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1). "1035".

David Tinling reports from Gilkicker(south-west), Gosport (SZ603979) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1). "1020".

David Tinling reports from Gosport & Stokes Bay Golf Course(north-east) (SZ612981) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1). "0945; along & near the Gosport coast 0945-1505 I recorded Brimstone 1 male, Small White 2 males, Small Tortoiseshell 48, Peacock 13, Comma 5, Total 69".

Leanne Baker reports from Southampton Old Cemetary (SU412136) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1), Comma (1).

Sunday 9th March

Bob Whitmarsh (RWh) reports from Abbots Barton (SU4831) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (6).

Bob Whitmarsh (RWh) reports from Martyr Worthy (SU5132) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (4).

Bob Whitmarsh (RWh) reports from Itchen Stoke (SU5532) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (7).

Mike Wildish reports from Andover Town Centre (SU365455) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2), Brimstone (1).

Bob Whitmarsh (RWh) reports from Avington (SU5232) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (5).

Mike Wildish reports from Watson Acre, Andover (SU355452) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2).

Graham Dennis reports from Pamber Forest (SU615609) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (28 "All males"), Comma (5 "Mostly nectaring on Sallow"), Peacock (6 "nectaring on Sallow"), Small Tortoiseshell (4 "nectaring on Sallow"), Orange Underwing/Light Orange Un (1 "On sallow blossom, probably orange underwing but not 100%").

Neil Ludford reports from West Street Portchester (SU608057) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Male"), Peacock (1).

T Marsh reports from Rownhams Allotments (SU388150) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Allotments").

T Marsh reports from Kern Close (SU386150) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (1).

T Marsh reports from Southampton Common (SU416144) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (8 "Southampton Common and old cemetary within 1 hr").

Graeme Davis reports from Anton lakes nature reserve, Andover (SU360469) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (4 "3 males, 1 female"), Peacock (1).

Mark G Painter reports from Bitterne Park (SU443142) where the following observations were made: Hummingbird Hawk-moth (1 "Nectaring on Primulas in garden.").

Roger Forster reports from Western Way, Gosport (SU592993) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1).

Mark tutton reports from Farlington (SU681057) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1). "First garden butterfly tick of the year".

Mark tutton reports from Cosham (SU648050) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (5).

Mark tutton reports from Sandy point (SZ749986) where the following observations were made: Peacock (3), Small Tortoiseshell (7).

john hunt reports from bartley heath (SU729532) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (6 "All males").

john hunt reports from Hook, Back Garden (SU727543) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Ashley Whitlock & Jackie Whitlock reports from A33 (SU706606) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (8), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Red Admiral (1). "I went up to Reading today and along the A33 there were plenty of Brimstones to be seen by the side of the road, between Basingstoke, and Wellington Country Park. In my Fathers Back garden a rather large Red Admiral had got trapped in one of his greenhouses, as some of the glass is missing due to the storms over the last few weeks. Another Brimstone and Small Tortoiseshell were also seen in the back garden. The sky was also filled with Red Kites, at least (10) were seen circling over the house like vultures in a scene from some old western movie."

E raynor reports from Drove Lane and river valley Alresford (SU579332) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (51) a walk down drove lane and the river past the eel house was memorable for the 51 Brimstones we counted included two females.

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1 "Basking on path"). "Visited Titchfield Haven NNR p.m. On the East trail saw 3 Commas, one male Brimstone and 6 Peacocks. The Peacocks were basking on the boardwalks, on dried reeds and on willow trees."

Chris Cobb reports from Fareham Garden (SU573069) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2), Peacock (1). "10.30 - 11.00".

Chris Cobb reports from Bere Mill Whitchurch (SU478480) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (5), Small Tortoiseshell (4). "13.50 - 14.50".

Steve Mansfield reports from Walkers Copse Dummer (SU5844) where the following observations were made: Comma (1).



Comma

Peter Sketch reports from Testwood Lakes (SU3415) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "First butterfly of the year."), Peacock (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2).

Steve Mansfield reports from Hill Copse, Dummer (SU5743) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1), Brimstone (2).



Peacock

Peter Sketch reports from Testwood Lakes (near northernmost hide) (SU344160) where the following observations were made: Comma (1).

Steve Mansfield reports from Woodmancott (SU5643) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Steve Mansfield reports from Woodmancott (SU5642) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1), Brimstone (3).

Steve Mansfield reports from Brown Candover (SU5740) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3).

Steve Mansfield reports from Brown Candover (SU5739) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2).

Steve Mansfield reports from Brown Candover (SU5839) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2).

Steve Mansfield reports from Brown Candover (SU5738) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2), Peacock (1).

Steve Mansfield reports from Totford (SU5737) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2), Peacock (2).

Steve Mansfield reports from Abbotstone (SU5635) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2), Peacock (2).

Steve Mansfield reports from Abbotstone (SU5634) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2).

Steve Mansfield reports from Alresford Oxdrove Way (SU5733) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (4).

Steve Mansfield reports from Alresford Pinglestone Farm (SU5833) where the following observations were made: Peacock (2), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Brimstone (2 "1 male 1 female - all other Brimstones today were male").

Steve Mansfield reports from Bighton (SU6033) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2).



Small Tortoiseshell

Stuart Read reports from Hersey Nature Reserve (SZ6291) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (4). "A warm, sunny day and I saw my first butterflies of the year!".

Stuart Read reports from Walter's Copse, Newtown (SZ431903) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (4), Comma (2), Peacock (2). "Hibernating butterflies beginning to emerge!".

Maya Whitmarsh reports from Weeke, Winchester (SU4730) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Peacock (2).

Maya Whitmarsh reports from Farley Mount (SU4229) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (12), Peacock (1), Speckled Wood (1).

Peter Short reports from Warnford (SU626223) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (10), Peacock (4), Small Tortoiseshell (5).

Andrew Brookes reports from Longstock Park (SU368386) where the following observations were made: Peacock (2).

Andrew Brookes reports from Castle Street, Portchester (SU621049) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Male").

Chris Hall reports from Church Crookham (SU8252) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (8 "widespread, including females"), Comma (3), Peacock (3), Small Tortoiseshell (2 "north edge of Tweseldown Racecourse"), Red Admiral (1), Orange Underwing (1 "north edge of Tweseldown Racecourse"). "A warm and sunny day. The above were all seen during a walk around parts of Aunts Pool Heath, the edge of Tweseldown and Velmead Common, on the edge of Church Crookham. Possibly the first time I have ever seen all five early spring butterflies on the same day so early in the season. The close views of an orange underwing coming down to mud was an added bonus. Also good numbers of ladybirds (mainly 7-spot) and several gorse shield bugs.".

John & Julie Moon reports from Abbots Ann (SU3243) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3), Peacock (2), Small Tortoiseshell (6).

Robert Guest reports from Yateley (SU821603) where the following observations were made: Peacock (2), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Comma (1), Brimstone (1).

Martin Hampton reports from south Havant (SU720060) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2 "males"), Peacock (2 "sometimes feeding on Grey Willow flowers along with hundreds of bees"), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2). "all seen whilst doing management work in the Grove Copse / Lymour Triangle wildlife areas; especially delighted with the Turtles, which I don't usually see here in spring".

Arthur Greenwood reports from Kingswood Firs, Grayshott (SU869349) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (10), Peacock (2), Small Tortoiseshell (2).

Paul Harfield reports from Hedge End (SU4914) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (5 "all males"), Peacock (1), Small Tortoiseshell (3). "All seen in warm sunny conditions between 11.15 and 12.30".

Paul Harfield reports from Hedge End (SU5014) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (7 "all males"), Peacock (1), Small Tortoiseshell (5). "All seen in warm sunny conditions between 11.15 and 12.30".

Paul Harfield reports from Fleming Park (SU441187) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (5), Peacock (1). "seen in warm sunny conditions between 1.45 and 3pm".

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place, Gosport (SZ595999) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1 "basking & flying in my garden").

Anne McCue reports from Carter's Copse, Gosport (SU585001) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2 "males"), Small Tortoiseshell (5), Peacock (3), Comma (1). "1220-1245".

Anne McCue reports from Browdown North (SZ584997) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2 "males"), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Peacock (1), Comma (2). "1245-1400".

Anne McCue reports from Browdown North(south-west) (SZ579996) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (3), Peacock (1), Comma (2). "1315".

Sam Mackenzie reports from Oakmount Ave, Highfield, So'ton (SU420144) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2).

Techer Jones reports from Longwood Warren (SU535260) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Brimstone (20 "of which 2 Female").

Graeme Davis reports from 203 Pilgrims Way (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2).

David Levy reports from 61 Derwent road (SU603503) where the following observations were made: Yellow Horned moth (1 "came to mv Skinner trap"), Common Quaker moth (4 "came to mv Skinner trap"), Early Grey moth (1 "came to mv Skinner trap").

Alex Hogg reports from Horsebridge (SU344304) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1).

David Tining reports from Fort Gilkicker,Gosport (SZ606975) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1). "1700".

David Tining reports from Stokes Bay,Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (27 "males in aerial combat;courting couples;nuptial flights of upto 16 individuals together"). "1545-1615".

David Tining reports from Sandhill(south-west),Gosport (SZ578997) where the following observations were made: Peacock (3), Comma (1 "taking blackthorn nectar"). "1445-1500".

David Tining reports from Browdown North(south-west) (SZ579996) where the following observations were made: Peacock (2), Comma (3). "1430-1510".

David Tining reports from Browdown North (SZ583997) where the following observations were made: Peacock (3). "1350-1430 & 1510-1525".

David Tining reports from Carter's Copse,Gosport (SU585001) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (4 "3 males & 1 female"), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Peacock (2), Comma (2). "1315-1350".

David Tining reports from Hermitage Garden,Gosport (SU596005) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "male"), Peacock (2 "taking nectar from crocuses & celandines"), Comma (3 "taking celandine nectar & in aerial combat"). "1145-1250".

David Tining reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east),Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2 "male & female in nuptial flight"), Peacock (1 "so extremely old that it might have overwintered twice"), Comma (1 "taking celandine nectar"). "1045-1125".

David Tining reports from Gosport War Memorial Hospital (SZ601997) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "male"), Small Tortoiseshell (1). "1030-1040".

David Tining reports from Old Railway Line(north),Alverstoke,Gosport (SZ607993) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "male"), Small Tortoiseshell (1 "basking & flying "), Comma (1 "basking on Alexanders"). "1000-1020;along & near the Gosport coast 1000-1700 I have recorded Brimstone 7 males & 2 females,Small Tortoiseshell 33,Peacock 13,Comma 11,Total 66".

Saturday 8th March

Terry Stevens reports from Sycamore Walk (SU348450) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (2).

Mark Tutton reports from Creech Wood (SU639113) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (7), Purple Hairstreak (5 Egg).

Mark Tutton reports from Fort Purbrook (SU677063) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (5).

Bob Whitmarsh (RWh) reports from Weeke, Winchester (SU472305) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1).

Bob Whitmarsh (RWh) reports from Highcliffe, Winchester (SU488290) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1).

Graeme Davis reports from Charlton Lakes (SU347469) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3).

Graeme Davis reports from Swattons Field,Penton (SU338469) where the following observations were made: Peacock (2).

Graeme Davis reports from Harrow Way,Andover (SU332464) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Graeme Davis reports from Harrow Way, Andover (SU336465) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2).

Sue Lambert reports from Horns Drove Wood (SU381166) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (10), Comma (1). "The first butterflies seen in the wood this year".



Comma

Sue Lambert reports from St Boniface Park (SU380165) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3), Small Tortoiseshell (1).



Small Tortoiseshell

Sue Lambert reports from Bakers Drove Field/Cromarty Road (SU382162) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (6), Comma (1), Peacock (1).



Peacock

Comma

Mark G Painter reports from Highbridge (SU4621) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (4), Peacock (3), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Roger Forster reports from New Forest, Fritham (SU229142) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (8), Comma (1).

Geoff Baker reports from Hillhead (SU540021) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (3 "3 small tortoiseshells , flying and basking in warm sun (14 c)").

Mike Wildish reports from Mark Lane (SU335465) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (4), Red Admiral (1).

Mike Wildish reports from Charlton Lakes & Harrow Way (SU345465) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2).

Geoff Jones reports from Alver Valley, Gosport (SU577006) where the following observations were made: Comma (1 "Basking in the sunshine").

Geoff Jones reports from Carters Copse, Gosport (SU585001) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1 "Basking on pathway").

John & Julie Moon reports from Norfolk House, Abbotts Ann (SU329438) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2), Peacock (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Arthur Greenwood reports from Kingswood Firs, Grayshott (SU869349) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3), Comma (1).

Paul Harfield reports from My Garden (SU497148) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1). "My first garden butterfly of the year. Flying through at about 1.30pm".

Sam Mackenzie reports from Oakmount Ave, Highfield, So'ton (SU420144) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1).

David Tining reports from West of River Alver(west),Gosport (SU579003) where the following observations were made: Comma (1). "1310;along & near the Gosport coast 1250-1645 I recorded Small Tortoiseshell 4,Peacock & Comma 6".

Friday 7th March

Terry Stevens reports from Rooksbury Road, Andover (SU354448) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1).

Geoff Jones reports from Lee on the Solent (SZ576997) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1 "Basking on garden path").

R Bryant reports from Northington Down (SU545367) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Flying around my garden at 1250hrs, sunny. ").

Ashley Whitlock reports from Milton Lock Foreshore (SZ675995) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Speckled Wood (1), Small Tortoiseshell (7), Small White (3). "My first real look at Butterflies in 2014 and on my local patch of the Allotments on the Milton Lock Foreshore the Small Tortoiseshell did not disappoint, with several male clashes seen in aerial combat. My first Speckled Wood which is the earliest Ive ever seen one, and a rather battered male Brimstone flying around some Ivy bushes. The Small Whites looked as if they were just out."

T Marsh reports from Southampton Common (SU413146) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1 "Basking on the trunk of mature Sliver Birch mid afternoon ").

John Roberts reports from Brockenhurst (SU309030) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2).

Graeme Davis reports from Pilgrims Way (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Comma (1).

Graeme Davis reports from Charlton Place,Lloyds Bank (SU362459) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1).

Graeme Davis reports from Chantry street, Andover (SU363457) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1).

Graeme Davis reports from Charlton Place,Lloyds Bank (SU362460) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Ian Pratt reports from Newport Industrial Estate (SZ500901) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (0 "Sunning itself on a wall").

Ian Pratt reports from Wootton (SZ547928) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1).

Bob Whitmarsh (RWh) reports from Weeke, Winchester (SU472305) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1 "nectaring on heather").



Small Tortoiseshell

PP Short reports from Warnford (SU626223) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2), Small Tortoiseshell (2).

Roy Symonds reports from Dunsbury Way, Leigh Park (SU714079) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Male"). "On a sunny morning the temperature was 15.5 degrees a male Brimstone was flying on a roadside verge."

jim smith reports from liss riverside nature reserve (SU589750) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2), Small Tortoiseshell (1). "periods of good sunshine".

Peter Hunt reports from Walters Copse,Newtown,IOW (SZ569775) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (6), Comma (3), Peacock (1), Red Admiral (1).

Mark Harrison - Jones reports from Portchester Common (SU619068) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Red Admiral (1).

Mark Harrison - Jones reports from Nelson Lane (SU612067) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Seen at aproximately 12:30 on a warm sunny afternoon.").

Arthur Greenwood reports from Kingswood Firs Grayshott (SU869349) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1).

John Willis reports from Fort Gilkicker,Gosport (SZ606975) where the following observations were made: Peacock (2).

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place,Gosport (SZ595999) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "male basking & flying in my garden").

Alex Hogg reports from Chilland, (SU522327) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1).

Thursday 6th March

Techer Jones reports from Lane End (SU557257) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2).

Eric Skinner reports from Alvara Road,Gosport (SZ604989) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1 "basking & flying in my garden").

Wednesday 5th March

Mervyn Grist reports from Weyhill Farm (SU312468) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1). "The butterfly flew up from a horse manure heap which was presumably a warm spot on a cold morning."

Roy Symonds reports from Portsdown Hill (East) (SU657068) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1). "A Small Tortoiseshell sunning itself on the path."

David Tinling reports from Haslar(north-west),Gosport (SZ613986) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1 "basking & flying in my garden").

Tuesday 4th March

Michael Scoggins reports from Woodlands allotments (SU512494) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1 "A single specimen in flight on a much warmer day than of late").

Michael Scoggins reports from House garden (SU513495) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Single female in flight , South facing wall").

Saturday 1st March

Graeme Davis reports from 203 Pilgrims Way (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1).

michael gregory reports from Noahs Lake SU574009) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1 "FIirst one of the year").

Phil Lowe reports from Botley Woods (WGS84) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (6 "All males (warm sunshine, no breeze Botley Woods old pond area)"). (Image didn't download - webmaster)

Sue Lambert reports from Millfield LNR (SU660531) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1 "Pristine").

Julie Thomas reports from Reynolds Dale, Totton (SU348121) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1 "in garden at 1530 hours").

Brian Lawrence reports from Brook Meadow (SU751061) where the following observations were made: Small White (1).

Anne McCue reports from Portsdown Hill(bottom path) (SU640065) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1 "basking & flying").

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