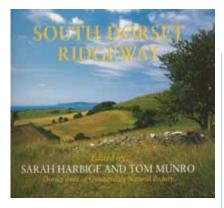


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Just 48mm of rain fell during May



South Dorset Ridgeway

The Dorset ANOB team have produced a delightful small book on aspects of life and history along the Ridgeway available from the County Museum @ £7.95, The natural history chapter was written by David Emery and Jon Campbell with some minor alterations by John N. The chapter is beautifully illustrated with "I wish" photographs of birds, butterflies and plants of the Ridgeway. There are chapters on archaeology, geology, farming and communities together with a gazetteer. The associated exhibition runs at the Museum until 25th June.

Garden Wildlife

Our garden bird watch week coincided with the Chelsea Flower Show. It is the oneweek, when I will watch the television to see and hear the latest garden thinking. On the one hand, we saw these major show gardens, which bare little relation to the average garden then the presenters constantly plug plants with open flowers, which encourage insects and other wildlife. In the village Garden Warbler turned up again in a garden and the lists showed animals from Water Vole to Common Lizard. Colin Marsh drew my attention to a Bee Orchid on Puddledock Lane and in the same area Serotine bat was picked up with the bat detectors.





Pond at St Gabriel's

With so little rain since the beginning of March, I have become concerned at low water levels in Dorset streams and ponds and the effects on animal communities associated with water. I was pleased to receive the National Biodiversity Newsletter, which ran a feature on ponds. It was timely that the latest edition of the NBN News has an update on ponds:

http://www.nbn.org.uk/Newsand-Events/NBN-news/NBNpowers-ponds.aspx including a link to the Pond Conservation Trust featuring a booklet on creating garden ponds for wildlife.



Bat walk Waterworks 9.30p.m. 15th June weather permitting

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

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SUTTON POYNTZ BIODIVERSITY GROUP Garden Wildlife Watch - Month 6 – 19th - 25th June 2011

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Yellowhammer

Post Code Grid.Ref. Date **Species** Number Comment 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

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

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