

## **Sept 2007 Insect Sightings - Sandwich Bay Bird Observatory**

The month began promisingly with a Clouded Yellow at the entrance to Restharrow Scrape and at the end of the first week an influx of Large Whites, which have been scarce so far this year. At least 40 were on New Downs on the 8th, along with 300 or more Small Whites, presumably also including some immigrants. Though numbers declined fairly rapidly, Small Coppers were still showing in mid month, as were a few Brown Argus, and another Clouded Yellow was seen by the Elms on the 16th. The final ten days of the month featured an influx of fresh Peacocks and increasing numbers of Red Admirals, of which there were at least 17 on the 25th, including several flying in off the sea. Several were even flying about in steady rain early on the 29th, when 20 moved through during the morning.