

The month began very nicely with a **Brindled Green** – the third record for the Observatory and the first since 1998 – a **Brick** on the 4th and a **Green-brindled Crescent** on the 6th. **Brown-spot Pinion** was trapped on the 10th, along with the first record for the Observatory of **RED-HEADED CHESTNUT**, a rare immigrant from across the Channel, records of which have been largely confined to south-east England in the last hundred years or so. A **Feathered Thorn** was recorded on the 12th and, remarkably, another Red-headed Chestnut was captured on the 13th, followed by a **November Moth** on the 14th. There can be little doubt that the lovely **Merveille du Jour** is one of the most beautiful on the British list and it was a real pleasure to find one on the 18th, bringing the total of macros recorded this year to 368. Things went very quite as temperatures fell away significantly, but after several warm nights at the end of the month a **Scarce Umber** - only the second for the Bay - was captured on the 30th.