

Oct 2011



The month commenced with a **Clancy's Rustic**, trapped on the seafront, and after a couple of quiet nights the Bay's first record of the nationally scarce **DOTTED CHESTNUT** was recorded on the 4th (photo on right by Ian Hodgson). A few windy and cold nights followed, enlivened by the capture of a second Merveille du Jour of the autumn on the 7th, a **Red-green Carpet** on the 8th, the immigrant **Scarce Bordered Straw** on the 9th and a third Merveille du Jour on the 14th. With the onset of the first frosts of autumn numbers fell back considerably, but despite a cold night on the 18th **November Moth** and **Feathered Thorn** were both recorded for the first time this year and **Yellow-line Quaker** was recorded on the 21st. This brought the macro species total for the year to 346, equalling the second-highest total recorded at the Bay in 2009.

It became very quiet with little variety and low numbers until a very warm night on the 28th that produced the Bay's first ever record of **STREAK**.