



Photographs from Purbeck's Chalk Ridge

Referring to the first butterfly book I owned, *The Complete British Butterflies in Colour* (1968) by E. Mansell and L.H.Newman, I noticed on the inside cover I had written a note '*31 species sighted in Purbeck between Aug 11th- Sept 4th 1978*'.

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Adonis Blue (*Polyommatus bellargus*) male.

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Adonis Blue (*Polyommatus bellargus*) attracted to flowers like this Wild marjoram by sight and scent.

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Adonis Blue (*Polyommatus bellargus*) using its long tongue to suck nectar from the flower.

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Adonis Blue (*Polyommatus bellargus*) male. ab. *Puncta* with black dots.

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A male and two female Common Blues (*Polyommatus icarus*).

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Brown Argus (*Aricia agestis*) male.

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Dark Green Fritillary (*Speyeria aglaja*) male, nectaring on a Nodding thistle.

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Pyramidal orchids (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*).

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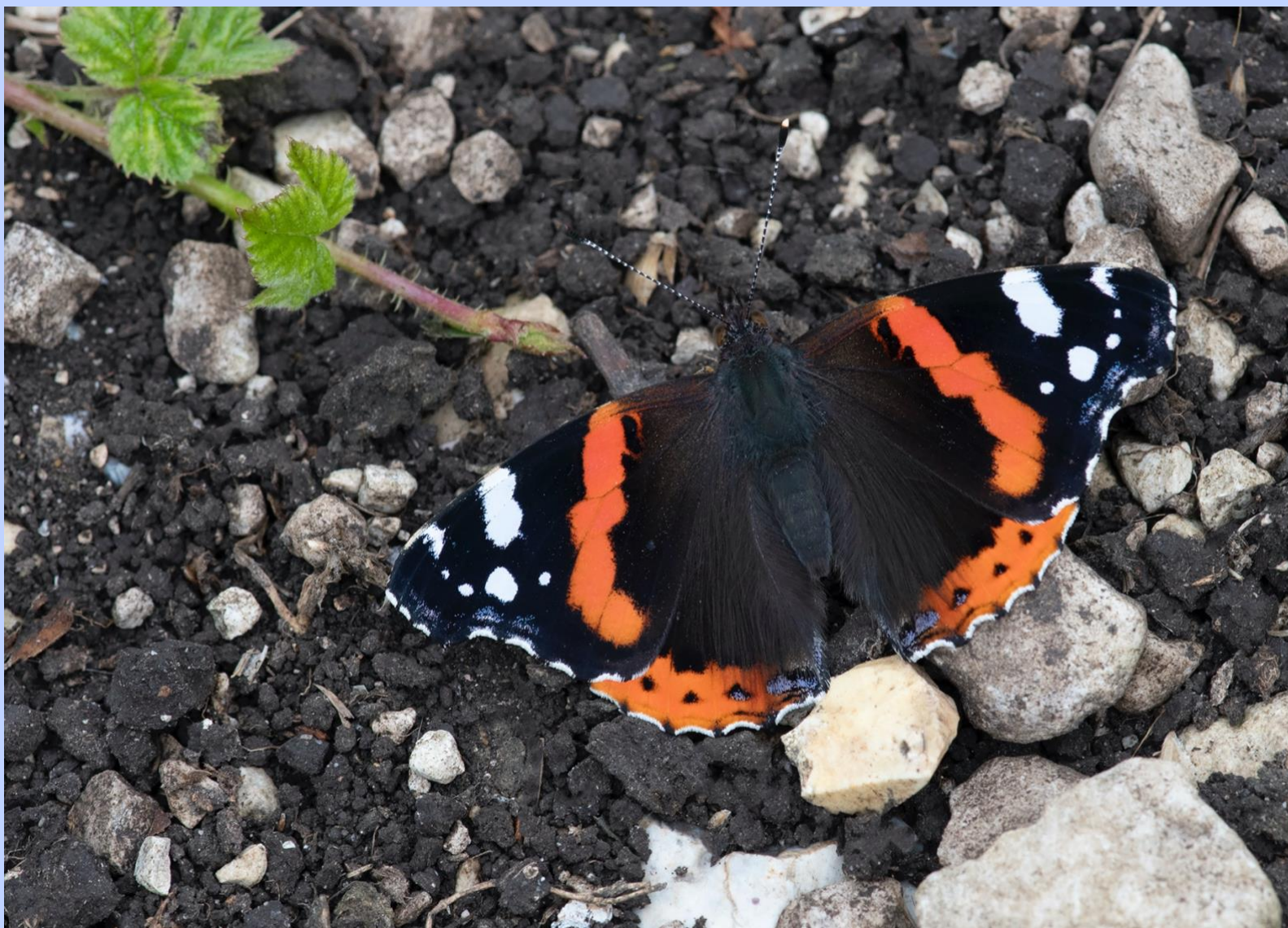
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Small Copper (*Lycaena phlaeas*) resting on Ragwort.

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Red Admiral (*Vanessa atalanta*).

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Green Hairstreak (*Calloprys rubi*).

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Small White (*Pieris rapae*) underwing.

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Brimstone (*Gonepteryx rhamni*) female, underwing.

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Brimstone (*Gonepteryx rhamni*) female, underwing. Nectaring on Hemp agrimony.

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Large Skipper nectaring on Wild marjoram.

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Golden-ringed Dragonfly (*Cordulegaster boltonii*) female roosting.

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Hornet robberfly (*Asilus Crabroniformis*).

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Graylings pairing (*Hipparchia semele*).

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Dingy Skipper (*Erynnis tages*).

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Marbled White (*Melanargia galathea*)

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Lurid bolete (*Suillellus luridus*).

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