



Butterfly Conservation

Saving butterflies, moths and our environment



HERTFORDSHIRE & MIDDLESEX BRANCH

www.hertsmiddx-butterflies.org.uk

Tel 07768 154324
e-mail malcolmhull@icloud.com

President: SIR DAVID ATTENBOROUGH CH FRS

11 Abbey View Rd
St Albans
Herts
AL3 4QL

13th March 2020

Dear Members

POSTPONED – Members' Day & Annual General Meeting - Saturday 28th March 2020

With great regret, I am contacting all branch members with the disappointing news that our annual Members' Day has had to be postponed. This is due to an emergency policy introduced by Butterfly Conservation nationally to try and help limit the spread of Coronavirus. I apologise to all of you who were planning to attend and to those who had prepared talks and been involved with all the many aspects of organising the event.

New date

I don't yet know when we will be able to rearrange the event. Due to the lead in time with hall bookings it's unlikely to be before the autumn and possibly not until next year. We will write to all members at least three weeks in advance.

In the meantime

There is much to look forward to as the butterfly season is already starting.

- The Photo competition will still go ahead with entries posted on the Branch website and available for you to vote from Sat 28th March. All entries to be submitted to Andrew Wood by Thurs 26th March.
- We still plan to go ahead with our programme of butterfly walks & moth events, starting in May. Full details will be in the next newsletter in April and posted on the Events page of the national website.
- We will also be posting slides from some of Members' Day talks on the website, where you can also read our review of last year's activities.

And don't forget you can follow the butterfly season as it progresses through our Sightings page on the website, our Facebook page and via Twitter.

How you can help butterflies

Keep sending in your sightings. And take a look at the "Can you Help? page on the website, which is regularly updated as we take on new activities.

BUTTERFLY CONSERVATION

Registered office: MANOR YARD, EAST LULWORTH, WAREHAM, DORSET BH20 5QP

COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE, REGISTERED IN ENGLAND (2206468). CHARITY REGISTERED IN ENGLAND & WALES (254937) and in SCOTLAND (SCO39268)

Vat No. 565 9070 16

Constitutional Matters

At the formal AGM we usually undertake several tasks required by our constitution. Head office have confirmed that due to exceptional circumstances, the requirements are waived for this year.

- If any members have queries or corrections to last year's minutes, please contact our Branch Secretary, Liz Goodyear.
- Any questions or comments about the accounts, contact our new Treasurer, Clifford Mullet
- If any member is interested in joining the committee or attending a committee meeting (which are held every few months on a weekday evening near Wheathampstead), please contact me.

Contact details are on the rear page of the newsletter and the Committee page of the Branch website. Once again, many apologies, it's a dreadful beginning to the butterfly season and I sincerely hope things soon start to improve.

Yours sincerely



Malcolm Hull
Chair
Butterfly Conservation – Hertfordshire & Middlesex Branch