

## Ringling on Holt Island 14 - 15 July 2021

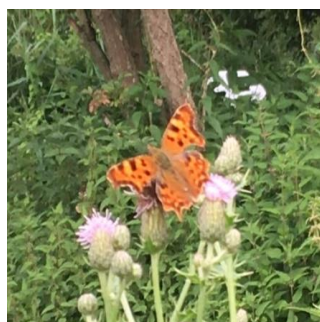
The weather was close, overcast and fairly still. Seven nets were used targeting warblers, but they proved hard to catch, more Blue Tits were caught than anything else. The moult season is well advanced hence so few adult bird which, if they have finished breeding, are hiding away as they become very vulnerable from predators while moulting.

It is noticeable this year that Great Tit numbers are down compared to Blue Tits from a ratio of one to two down to one in three. Two of the Blue Tits were reared in Box 13.

It was nice to get a young Great Spotted Woodpecker. The Robins, Blackbirds and Song Thrushes continue to do well.

Also seen on the Island were Musk Beetles, and several Comma butterflies had just emerged. Also present were Brown Hawker, and Emperor Dragonflies and Common Blue and Banded Damselflies

Species	New Adults	New Juveniles	Re-trap Adults	Re-trap Juveniles	Total
Great Spotted Woodpecker		1			1
Wren		3			3
Dunnock	1	3		4	8
Reed Warbler		3	4		7
Blackcap		3			3
Chiffchaff		1		1	2
Robin		3		1	4
Blackbird		1	4		5
Song Thrush		2			2
Blue Tit		13		4	17
Great Tit		5	1	1	7
Reed Bunting		1			1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>60</b>



Comma Butterfly



Juvenile Reed Bunting



Musk Beetle



Great Spotted Woodpecker, blinking