

Orkney Field Club

Founded in 1959

Aim: To encourage the study and conservation of the natural and cultural heritage of the county



Perhaps the most important event of the Club's year is the publication of our annual Bulletin, the *Orkney Naturalist*. October saw the publication of the 2009 edition, although the hope is to publish much earlier in future years. Copies are being made available through local bookshops or may be obtained at our meetings.

Regular items in the Bulletin are the reports from County Recorders, each covering records and occurrences in their specialism during the year. However every Bulletin also has a number of special articles covering particular research or developments. Altogether we aim to provide an interesting account of wildlife, and the work of naturalists, in the County during the year.

The content of the 2009 Bulletin was as follows:

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| 1 | Field Club Office Holders and Membership Details | |
| 2 | OFC's Second Quarter-Century | <i>Roger Davies</i> |
| 6 | Survey of Autumn Sea Trout Migration in the Burn of Eyrland | <i>Malcolm Thompson</i> |
| 19 | <i>Limnephilus elegans</i> (Trichoptera): A Previously Unrecorded Species of Caddis Fly for Orkney | <i>Ross H Andrew</i> |
| 22 | Great Yellow Bumblebee Survey | <i>John Crossley</i> |
| 23 | House Martin Breeding in Orkney | <i>Dick Matson</i> |
| 26 | The Two-barred Crossbill Irruption | <i>Dick Matson</i> |
| 29 | The RSPB Local Group and Orkney Field Club Bird Race | <i>Dick Matson</i> |
| 31 | Beetle Report 2008 | <i>Brian Ribbands</i> |
| 34 | Dragonfly Report 2008 | <i>Keith Fairclough</i> |
| 38 | Grasshopper Report 2008 | <i>Keith Fairclough</i> |
| 40 | Ant Report 2008 | <i>Keith Fairclough</i> |
| 40 | Lepidoptera Report 2008 | <i>Sydney Gauld</i> |
| 41 | Bees and Wasps Report 2008 | <i>John Crossley</i> |
| 43 | Fish Report 2008 | <i>Chris Booth</i> |
| 44 | Amphibia Report 2008 | <i>Chris Booth</i> |
| 45 | Reptile Report 2008 | <i>Chris Booth</i> |
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| 47 | Cetacean Report 2008 | <i>Chris Booth</i> |
| 51 | Vascular Plant Report 2005-2008 | <i>John Crossley</i> |
| 56 | Minutes of the 2009 Field Club AGM | <i>Dick Matson</i> |
| 58 | Ted Kellock – In Memoriam | |
| 59 | Treasurer's Report 2008 | <i>Dennis Paice</i> |
| 60 | Recording and County Recorders for Orkney | |

The Field Club is extremely grateful to those who take the trouble to write Reports for the Bulletin, and also to the wide range of those who have contributed sightings to the Recorders.