

Number 5
February 2011

Fritillary

The Journal of the Ashmolean Natural History Society of Oxfordshire
and the Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust



Photo – The Fritillary count on Iffley Meads by Debbie Lewis

ISSN 0959-4310

© Ashmolean Natural History of Oxfordshire
and the Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust 2006



Berkshire
Buckinghamshire
Oxfordshire



Copyright © Ashmolean Natural History of Oxfordshire and the Berkshire,
Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust 2011

All rights reserved. No part of the publication may be produced, stored in a retrieval system, or transmitted, in any form or by means electronic, mechanical, photocopying, recording or otherwise, without the prior permission of the publishers.

ISSN 0959-4310

Published by the Ashmolean Natural History of Oxfordshire and the Berkshire,
Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust

The opinions expressed in *Fritillary* are those of the writers and do not necessarily reflect those of the publishers.

Editor: Dr A. W. McDonald

Editorial Panel: Dr C. R. Huxley-Lambrick, Mrs F. H. Watkins, Mrs D Lewis

Fritillary

The Journal of the Ashmolean Natural History Society of Oxfordshire
and the Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust

Contents

Editorial

F. Watkins and D. Lewis 5

Introduction

C. R. Lambrick 7

The conservation of flood-plain meadows in Great Britain: an overview

R.G. Jefferson & C.E. Pinches 11

What goes wrong? Why the restoration of beetle assemblages lags behind plants during the restoration of a species rich flood-plain meadow

B A Woodcock and A W McDonald 25

The History of North Meadow, Cricklade

R. S. Wolstenholme. 35

Hay meadow management for birds

A D McVey 41

The paleoecology of alluvial hay meadows in the Upper Thames valley

M. Robinson. 47

A brief history of Port Meadow and Wolvercote Common and Picksey Mead, and why their plant communities changed over the last 90 years

A. W. McDonald 58

The effect of management on the biodiversity of a recreated floodplain meadow in the upper Thames valley: a case study of Somerford Mead

A. W. McDonald 79

Over

Government Initiatives applied to the future of flood meadows

A. Newson 96

Guidelines for Contributors 103