

BUTTERFLY CONSERVATION

EAST MIDLANDS BRANCH AGM

December 2020

Chairman's Introduction – Adrian Russell

I am sure that I don't need to say that this has been a very difficult year for many of us and our thoughts go to those members and their families who may have been particularly affected by the Covid-19 epidemic. As with most other similar organisations, Butterfly Conservation has also struggled to deal with the many challenges that this has presented, and we are grateful for the ongoing support of our membership – thank you!

Normally, our AGM and Members' Day at this time of year is a special day when we can come together across our region and share our news and enthusiasm for butterflies and moths in the East Midlands. Obviously a coming together of this nature is not possible this year and we were left with the decision as to what to do with regards to our 2020 AGM. After careful consideration of the options, we have decided that whilst constitutionally an AGM is not an essential requirement, there is a need for us to complete some of the "business" aspects of the Branch, including providing members with some key information about activities over the last year. Naturally, there is less to report in a year where so many of our activities have been significantly constrained by Covid-19 measures.

Therefore, we have decided to try and complete the business side of the AGM by way of this written report for your consideration and support. Unfortunately, it would be unduly costly to post this information out to all of our members and we are therefore emailing this report out to all those members who have opted-in to receiving emails as well as posting this information on our website. Please do not hesitate to contact me by email (adrianpaulrussell@btinternet.com) should you have any questions and/or for you to express your support (or otherwise!) for the Committee's proposals.

It is hoped that the situation with regards to Covid-19 will improve over the coming months and it would be really nice if we could hold some form of Members' Day in the spring of 2021. We will monitor the situation closely and let you know if this or other events will be possible next year. Once again, thank you for your continuing support.

Minutes of the 2019 AGM: These can be found on our website: <https://www.eastmidlands-butterflies.org.uk/downloads/EMBCAGM&MembersDay171119.pdf>

It is proposed that these are accepted as a true record.

BRANCH OFFICERS' REPORTS

Branch Organiser & Treasurer's Report – Jane Broomhead

The EMBC Accounts for the Year Ending 31st March 2020 are appended to this report. The finances for all Branches of Butterfly Conservation are regulated and prepared by Head Office and checked by myself on a monthly basis. Although all Branches Accounts are now amalgamated into one large Head Office account, the Branch still has control over how our money is spent.

The Severn-Trent Water Funding Bid which we hope will be successful in early 2021, will provide for a part time local Regional Officer and the hope that more work can be done in the East Midlands for habitat management especially for the Grizzled & Dingy Skipper's. These improvements, in conjunction with other partner organisations, will also be of benefit to other Brownfield Butterflies such as Common Blue, Small Heath and Brown Argus. We anticipate that the Bid will require some Match Pot Funding. The Branch is indebted to our BC Regional Officer, Rhona Goddard and Northern Area Officer, Dave Wainwright for all their hard work in putting the bid together.

The Income for the year up to the end of March 2020 was £11,213.37. This comprised of £7,044.00 from EMBC membership, £1,227.84 from Donations and talks, £2941.53 from the sale of stock and raffles. The Donations included a £608.22 cheque from Pete Clark (Derbyshire).

£2,000 had been allocated for work parties for the Grizzled Skipper Project during the winter of 2019/20 which were carried out on our behalf by Notts CC in conjunction with Notts BAG, the Invoice for this work was not paid until after March 2020 so will not be shown in this year's accounts. The £1,000 allocated for contractors on the Leicestershire GS Project has been put on hold for the time being.

The Expenditure consists of £314.70 for committee member's mileage (mostly for 3 days at the Rutland Water Birdfair). £2,448.65 for Newsletter and Branch leaflet Printing, postage and stationery. £660 was the balance on the 2018 AGM. The 2019 AGM which was moved at the last minute due to flooding was not paid for until after the end of the financial year and will be shown in the 2020/21 Accounts. Other expenditure shown is £30 for the hire of the village hall for the 2 committee meetings, £123 for subscriptions to 3 Wildlife Trusts, the branch contribution to Head Office Insurance for events and Field Trips £34.73. Purchase of sales goods and donation for stands at events £1616.24.

During the 2019/20 year £1,356.63 was donated by the Branch. This included £467.69 towards the ongoing purchase and planting of disease resistant Elms by Jim Steele, the Derbyshire Conservation Officer for the White Letter Hairstreak, £428.50 towards enhancing the site for butterflies and moths at Little Eaton, Derbyshire and £310 to Nottinghamshire County Council to renew and upgrade existing tools (owned by the Branch) for work on the Grizzled Skipper Project. Total expenditure: £6553.31.

At the present time we have £15,114.06 in the bank up to the end of October 2020. £3,000 of this money has already been allocated and approved by Head Office towards the Grizzled Skipper Project. At the time of writing (December 2020) the work parties have been put on hold due to Government Covid restrictions. Please continue to check the web site www.eastmidlands-butterflies.org.uk for updates.

Lastly, a big thank you to all the committee members for all their hard work over a really difficult year and to all those Branch members who continue to support us. We are all looking forward to being able to arrange Field Trips, Training and Events in 2021.

If there are any questions regarding the Branch Accounts please email me at malcsmonkeys@hotmail.com.

Membership Secretary's Report – Christine Maughan

The following information is based on statistics provided by Butterfly Conservation up to 1 November 2020.

For the organisation as a whole, membership has continued to rise quite dramatically. The national total now stands at over 42,000 individual members from over 30,000 households.

Since 1 November 2019, recruitment within the East Midlands Branch has again been positive with 192 new household members recruited. This represents a net gain of 57 households for the year after taking account of lapsed/cancelled memberships which continue to be quite significant. The overall increase in branch membership is slightly down on last year.

The total branch membership as of 1 November 2020 was 1355 households (an increase of 4.4% since the same time last year), representing 1942 individual members.

The branch has retained its ranking as 8th biggest within Butterfly Conservation by household membership.

These figures are again very encouraging, especially during the testing times we have all experienced during 2020. I have been heartened by some of the messages I have received from new members this year. It is good to know that taking an interest in butterflies, and indeed all other forms of wildlife, has helped us to survive lockdown and the additional time we have spent in our gardens or local areas has rekindled old interests or developed new enjoyment in being close to nature.

At a local level, a breakdown of branch membership by county shows that numbers are fairly evenly split with 34% of our total membership from Derbyshire, 30% from Nottinghamshire, 32% from Leicestershire and Rutland, and the remaining 4% from other areas.

Field Trips Organiser's Report – Max Maughan

Thirteen field trips were organised for this year. Unfortunately, all were cancelled due to Covid-19 and the government restrictions imposed.

I would like to express my thanks to all the people who had volunteered to lead the trips. Hopefully, they will be happy to lead the same trips next year if we are able to reschedule them. We hope an easing of restrictions will enable them to go ahead.

If anyone else fancies leading a walk next year either locally or further afield please contact me. It can be just for common species, or for more specialist ones. I also urge you to attend field trips - you don't have to be an expert - the leaders will help with identification.

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Derbyshire Conservation Officer – Jim Steele

East Midlands Regional Conservation Strategy

High Priority species in Derbyshire: Grizzled Skipper, Dingy Skipper, White-letter Hairstreak. The Mosaic Project still intended, to address brownfield sites for key butterfly species.

Planning issues

Many planning issues involve liaison with Derbyshire Wildlife Trust. I am grateful for the excellent support of Lesley Parker for her volunteering help in accessing the Derbyshire County Council planning website portal and filtering the applications for attention.

Planning Applications and Consultations:

Glapwell Void. Planning application withdrawn for this important site. Good!

Ashbourne, Lathkill Drive. Ongoing; Dingy Skipper site destroyed; remedial action still to be undertaken.
Woodville link road, Swadlincote. Wildflower meadow verges; liaison with County Council.
Langley Mill station site. Dingy Skipper site to be destroyed; mitigation proposed.
Asher Lane, Butterley, Ripley. Planning Application submission. Dingy Skipper.
Derby, Friar Gate. Large brownfield site. Planning Application submission. Dingy Skipper. Site now lost, unfortunately.
Manners, Ilkeston. Planning Application submission. Dingy Skipper.
Whitwell Pit (Holding Objection sustained). Important brownfield site with Open Mosaic Habitat.
Derbyshire Dales. Developer Consultation. Supplementary Planning Document submission.

Projects and Initiatives

Mosaic Project support. Major project to address brownfield sites for butterflies. Ongoing.
Hoe Grange Quarry NR, Aston Brickyards LNR, West Hallam Screens, Toyota –all courtesy Ken Orpe.
Pennywell Ponds. Ongoing work to try and re-establish Dingy Skipper.
Stanton Lagoons, Ilkeston. Liaison with Local Authority, Dingy Skipper.
Weleda, Shipley, Ilkeston. Liaison with company regarding management for key butterflies; first Dingy Skipper records this year.
Bennerley Viaduct, Ilkeston. Advice for creation of butterfly areas on large bank and ramp.
Shipley Eco-Action Group, Community Garden. Advice for improving wildflower meadow and creation of large butterfly bank, now built, and partially planted.
Lloist, Whitwell. Company Biodiversity Area advice. Creation of two, large butterfly banks.
Grizzled and Dingy Skipper extant Branch Project from original Regional Action Plan 2000 – ongoing.

Management Advice

DFS Warehouse, Somercotes, Industrial Estate verge. Ongoing.
Derbyshire Wildlife Trust Woodside NR.
Stanton Lagoons. Management advice.
Coton Park Local Nature Reserve. Management advice; liaison with Local Authority. Dingy Skipper.
Langley - former pit site. Mowing regime. Dingy Skipper.
Mead (Woodland Trust, Shipley). Habitat creation and management advice.
The Forge, Ironville. Ongoing management advice for Dingy Skipper and other key species.
Waingroves Community Woodland. Planting suggestions for more DR Elms.
Broomfield, Derby College. More DR Elms provided and planted.
Overseal Community Orchard. Liaison with local community. Grassland plots. Provision of DR Elm.
Private Landowners: Ongoing support. Chris Ragg, Darley Dale; Nigel Davidson, Heage

White-letter Hairstreak – Disease-Resistant Elms Project

Continuation of planting at several sites in Lowland Derbyshire.
'Ademuz' native Spanish field elm, 'Sapporo Autumn Gold', 'Columella', LUTECE, FL493/'Wingham', White Elm *Ulmus laevis*
Trees being monitored

Grizzled Skipper Derbyshire Re-introduction Project - ongoing

Ticknall Lime Yards, Calke Park, National Trust. Joint Project with local National Trust.
Habitat Management. On-site meeting with Rhona Goddard (BC Midlands Conservation Manager).
Continued consultation with Mike Slater, BC Warwickshire.
First 'Derbyshire-bred' adults emerged in May.

Nottingham/Leicestershire Conservation Officer – Melanie J. Penson

Like the Lepidoptera I love, I am going through some massive changes in my life. I am, metaphorically speaking, in the chrysalis stage of my journey to somewhere I will be a lot happier.

Most of my activity this year has been in Nottinghamshire; providing management advice to Newark and Sherwood District Council on three of their sites to benefit dingy skipper, common blue, small copper and other grassland butterflies. I have also had input into the information boards at Sherwood Heath, Vicar Water and Sconce/Devon Park.

I have continued monitoring dingy and grizzled skippers throughout the region when possible. A visit to the Misson/Newington area in June enabled me to find two wall browns in an area of restored gravel pits. There had been no Notts records since 2017 but it seems they must have been there all along. I spread the word amongst the birdwatching community which will, hopefully, generate more records.

I now have a moth trap (thank you Paul Batty) which is battery operated and has a solar switch. I have teamed up with the Ranger Service in Newark and will be running regular moth traps at Sconce/Devon Park throughout the 2021 season. We had a practice run in early October and, although the equipment worked and we attracted a few insects, not one of them was a moth!

In my new career in adult social care, I had planned a suite of nature walks in our Region, raising awareness of butterflies and moths. We managed to do some of these over the summer and autumn before the second lockdown. I shall be running more moth trapping events in gardens through 2021 and beyond.

Grizzled Skipper Project

We would like to welcome Mark Searle as our new Grizzled Skipper Project Officer – see Election of Officers.

For details of the 2020 Dingy and Grizzled Skipper project, see Bill Bacon's report in the Autumn 2020 edition of the Branch Newsletter.

Butterfly Distribution Maps Co-ordinator's Report – Christine Maughan

Species distribution maps have been produced up to and including 2018, and these have all been published on the branch website. Maps for 2019 will be added as soon as data is available.

BUTTERFLY & MOTH RECORDERS:

Derbyshire Butterfly Report – Ken & Pat Orpe

We were able to carry out 3 Transect Training Sessions (2 in Derbyshire and 1 in Nottinghamshire) before the Corona virus restrictions came into force during March 2020. Consequently, over 100 butterfly transects were carried out in Derbyshire during this year with volunteers maintaining social distancing and by using the time to get their daily exercise completed. However due to the different number of completed weeks at each site, comparisons with 2019 will not be easy to do.

Fortunately, the remoteness of the first Butterfly Nature Reserve at Hoe Grange Quarry at the southern end of the Peak District did result in all 26 weeks of transects being walked and this resulted in the highest number of butterflies seen on transects there (over 2,500), since it was started in 2015. The four butterfly species that had their highest count in a single day were Small Copper, Gatekeeper, Small Heath and the Small Tortoiseshell. Interestingly the latter species has been very scarce in Southern England this year and the cut-off point appears to be around Warwickshire and Northamptonshire, so we have been very fortunate to be able to see good numbers of the Small Tortoiseshell here in the East Midlands

Again, Hoe Grange Quarry had a good number of Wall Browns present on site this year and it proved once again that compared to 7 other top sites for butterflies in the Peak District, Hoe Grange Quarry easily came out on top for this iconic species.

With luck next year should prove to be more like normal so hopefully the new transect season will start in earnest on the 1st of April 2021 (Maundy Thursday).

With the Purple Emperor extending its range into nearby North West Leicestershire during 2020 it would be great if His Imperial Majesty should make an appearance for the first time here in Derbyshire – who will have the acclaim to be the first person to see this spectacular insect in the County – preferably with a photograph to prove it!

Leicestershire and Rutland Butterfly Report – Richard Jeffery

The restrictions imposed upon us by the Coronavirus pandemic somewhat curtailed our recording activities this year. Although the Transect recording season was foreshortened, with recording commencing in June, 15 out of the regular 16 transects were covered each to a greater or lesser degree dependent entirely on recorder availability. The proposed new transects at Bagworth Heath and New Lount Nature Reserve unfortunately had to be put on hold until the 2021 season.

With restrictions on movement under lock-down, it became apparent that more records were likely to be submitted this year via the Garden Butterfly Survey facility provided by Butterfly Conservation than from out in the field. The glorious weather early in the season also supported this theory. Only time will tell when the final GBS results are sent to me in the weeks ahead. Nevertheless, despite the constraints, many observers still managed to get out and about on their daily exercise walks, and further afield when restrictions were lifted, to record and submit records. Many, myself included, were witness to a magnificent display of Dark Green and Silver-washed Fritillaries at the LRWT reserve at Bloody Oaks Quarry, and at nearby Ketton Quarry, with numbers of the former reaching well over one hundred by the middle of June.

This was also the year that the two counties well and truly declared themselves Purple, as His (and Her) Imperial Majesty ventured into pastures new. In total, the Purple Emperor was recorded in 15 different locations. How many of these sites are likely to hold a sustainable population is still open to debate, but sites such as Bardon Hill Quarry and Rutland Water are already producing year-on-year results.

It is hoped that something resembling normality will have returned by the start of the 2021 'butterfly season' but that awaits to be seen. Whatever happens, even if we still have a few restrictions in place, I'm sure that we will be able to get out and about to some extent and record our local butterflies. I, for one, wait with eager anticipation to find out what surprises we have in store.

My thanks go out to all those who have recorded and submitted butterfly data throughout this year, and wish each and every one all the very best for the season ahead.

Nottinghamshire Butterfly Report – Suzanne Halfacre

Casual Recordings

I am still getting in the odd record coming in and am furiously trying to add the ones I have got to the master list as HQ are on the ball this year and wishing to analyse results earlier than they have in previous years due to the production of the new Atlas book.

I have had ninety odd spreadsheets submitted to me, most of them regulars as people made the most of their half hour walks at the beginning of restrictions and their gardens. Once allowed to roam free the sites became more varied. I have managed to put 38 odd onto the master list which has yielded 1000 records (give or take a handful) revealing twenty-nine species.

Meadow Brown has so far done well with 1,917 entries. Green Hairstreak was seen at Skylarks again this year and purple hairstreak at Blidworth, Cotgrave and Newstead. There has been single silver-washed fritillary reported as singletons in places they have not been recorded before such as East Leake. A single white admiral was seen at Blidworth. Next year there is going to be an effort to look for purple emperor in areas that have the right habitat. One individual was seen Edwinstowe way this year and there is evidence of breeding, so fingers crossed. It would seem they are moving North.

Transect Recordings

At the beginning of the season there were not many forays from transecters through no fault of their own. Some who could walk to their transect carried on but overall, there is a big dent in the records. Once restrictions eased off a lot of people managed to resume their route. Understandably some were shielding and the transect will have to resume next year.

Twenty-six sites were visited and 21,109 butterfly recordings submitted. As with casual records, the gatekeeper seems to have done well. Meadow brown, ringlet and the whites had high numbers as expected. Marbled white (312) were seen at five sites, the best being Freckland Wood along with silver-washed fritillary and white admiral. Purple hairstreak was seen at Beeston sidings transect which was good to see. It would seem certain woods are the best places to go to see the less common species in Nottinghamshire.

Big Butterfly Count

There are 8,583 records to sift through reflecting 17 species which will be a job over the festive period. Not all of these will make the grade, though that said there are no out of place ones yet. So far, the small white and large white are topping the polls. Again, gatekeeper is in the top five. Red admiral has fared much better than the casual records, coming in at seventh. There were concerns as it was noticeable absent this year for some local recorders. There were 33 marbled whites from 13 sites, not all gardens, which was interesting.

Roundup

If you go down to the woods you are sure of a good find especially Blidworth, Freckland and Sherwood. It will be fascinating to see how the marbled white, gatekeeper, red admiral and silver-washed fritillary map out once all the records are filtered and finalized.

Leicestershire & Rutland Moth Report -Adrian Russell

It is a real shame that Covid-19 restrictions proved a major obstacle to moth recording in the wider countryside. On the other hand, garden moth trapping was largely unaffected by these constraints and in Leicestershire & Rutland we now have over 70 people regularly running garden moths traps and submitting records, which really helps improve our knowledge and status of moths in the county.

This year has seen at least three new species for the county (details of which I hope to share with members at the next Member's Day), but other highlights include a number of *Convolvulus* Hawk-moth records (including one in my garden trap!) and a fair number of Clifden Nonpareil (Blue Underwing) building on the flurry of records in 2019 – I strongly suspect that this is now resident in the East Midlands.

Derbyshire & Nottinghamshire Moth Report – Mick Ball

With help from Ken, who has passed on my email address to many BC members, I have been doing something different this year. I have set up an identification service, via email, for any unidentified species members find whilst doing their transects or moth trapping. The response has been greater than I thought but it has kept me busy during the lockdowns. Since late March I have received 221 requests for moth ID's and have identified 242 species. I look forward to being able to provide more details at a future Members' Day, as I am still going through the hundreds of records I have been sent. I have also received 107 requests for other insect ID's and have identified 56 species.

PUBLICITY & PROMOTIONS

Sales & Promotional Displays – Jane Broomhead

I was all set to begin my 2020 season with a full programme of events and a wonderful new array of Butterfly related sales items when the coronavirus struck. I really hope that in 2021 we can get back to some form of normality.

Newsletter Editor's Report – Eliot Taylor

Both issues of the branch newsletter were affected by Covid-19 this year.

The Spring edition was different to normal, as there was no field trip programme. However, we were still able to provide interesting content, with articles on the Fritillary butterflies of Derbyshire and the conservation partnership with Weleda (UK) Ltd., as well as the minutes of the 2019 AGM.

Due to lockdown distribution of the Spring issue was carried out by email (as was also the case with the national magazine).

We wanted the Autumn issue to be posted out in the normal way, to engage better with our membership, unfortunately head office were not able to provide volunteers to help with the mailing out this year, but were able to facilitate this through one of their printers. Again, the content was a change from the usual format, with no Field Trip Reports or AGM / Members Day notice. But once more I received some good articles, including: 25 years Survey of the Wall Brown in Derbyshire, The Purple Emperor in Leicestershire and The Dingy and Grizzled Skipper Project.

Although the Hoe Grange Quarry Open Day had to be cancelled, we were able to report on a visit to the site by Derbyshire's High Sheriff. There was also an article by Jim Steele, about butterflies in members gardens. This has prompted gentleman to contact me with the promise of an article for the next issue about his recording experience. It's always nice get content for the newsletter from the wider membership.

One sad note in a difficult year was the passing of Peter Gamble, a past Chairman of the Branch. An obituary of this well-respected naturalist can be found in the Autumn newsletter.

Publicity Officer's Report – Gary Atkins

The Covid-19 pandemic ensured there was less activity – and, so, fewer publicity opportunities – which was reflected at both the national and local media level.

BC HQ did put out a few releases, most of which were picked up by a handful of national newspapers, and one or two of which received coverage from local media as well, but generally the volume and apparent media interest was lower than last year.

Those national releases covered the early emergence of species due to the sunniest May ever (in June), a slightly more downbeat story on the Big Butterfly Count: lowest numbers in 11 years (in August), and a 'taster' for the Moth Night at the end of August.

Earlier in the year, there has also been a release quoting Richard Fox that urged the general public to help plug the gap in scientific data generated during the lockdown (with casual sightings in gardens and local sites, in the absence of formal transects) as part of the need to measure accurately the impact of climate change on wildlife.

Locally, Hoe Grange Quarry continues to be a 'jewel in the crown' for EMBC and it was disappointing that the popular annual open day could not take place, but the site did still get its moment in the spotlight during 2020 with a visit by Derbyshire's High Sheriff. The site was also the subject of a calendar by its owner, Longcliffe Group, which featured some brilliant wildlife photos, including a number of butterflies, and some taken by EMBC members.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

In accordance with branch rules, the following committee members are due to stand down but are willing to stand for re-election:

Jane Broomhead	Branch Organiser, Treasurer & Sales & Promotional Displays Organiser
Melanie Penson	Conservation Officer for Nottingham & Leicestershire
Richard Jeffery	Leicestershire Butterfly Recorder
Ken Orpe	Derbyshire Butterfly Recorder
Mick Ball	Moth Recorder for Nottinghamshire & Derbyshire
Eliot Taylor	Newsletter Editor

Bill Bacon has, after many years of excellent service, has stood down from the Committee and it is proposed that Mark Searle takes over as Grizzled Skipper Project Officer

Members are asked to support these proposals

Proposed by Christine Maughan and seconded by Gary Atkins.

Adrian Russell
Branch Chairman

East Midlands Branch
Treasurer - Jane Broomhead

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General Funds Period To: FINAL March 2020

Description	Actual Budget	Actual to date	Still to raise/spend
Opening balances (cashbook)	5,912.12	5,693.75	
Branch VAT Control		(311.10)	
Income			
Subscriptions - branch	6,171.00	7,044.00	873.00
Donations - Individual - restricted			
Donations - Individual - unrestricted	183.00	459.02	276.02
Donations - corporate - restricted			
Donations - corporate-unrestricted	80.00	608.22	528.22
Sales - primary - bought-in	151.98	411.70	259.72
Sales - own publications U			
Sales - Non-primary - brought-in	2,782.56	2,450.83	(331.73)
Sales of donated items	55.00	160.60	105.60
Raffle Income		79.00	79.00
Fundraising Income	460.00		(460.00)
Sale of products	83.33		(83.33)
Total Income	9,966.87	11,213.37	1,246.50
Expenditure			
T & S - convs volunteers	(30.00)	(314.70)	(284.70)
Training - conservation volunteers			
Consultants (conservation)			
Field equipment	(819.55)	(1,356.63)	(537.08)
Printing (conservation)	(120.00)	(223.70)	(103.70)
Events - conservation (Inc workshops)	(59.50)	(115.00)	(55.50)
Grants outwards	(1,500.00)		1,500.00
Reserve maintenance			
Reserve interpretation			
Branch newsletters	(2,148.02)	(2,016.24)	131.78
E-mail newsletters			
Website costs			
Purchase of stock for resale	0		
Cost of Sales (Calc)	(1,860.21)	(1,501.24)	358.97
Stationery & other office consumables	(13.20)	(27.49)	(14.29)
Postage	(172.52)	(181.22)	(8.70)
Computer consumables			
Subscriptions & text books	(123.00)	(123.00)	
Committee expenses	(30.00)	(30.00)	
AGM expenses	(336.00)	(660.00)	(324.00)
Insurance	(2.84)	(34.73)	(31.89)
Other expenditure			
Total expenditure	(7,214.84)	(6,583.95)	630.89
Transfers			
Fund transfers (normal)			
Fund transfers (HO/Branch)			
Total Transfers			
Closing balance	8,664.15	10,012.07	1,347.92

2019/20 VAT on Purchases (571.04)
2019/20 VAT on Sales 490.18

Bank reconciliation 9,931.21

Payment not yet cleared
National Brewery Centre AGM costs (1/05/20) 648

Stock adjustment (554.54)

Closing bank balance @ 31 March 2020 **10,024.67**