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Lordship Recreational Ground

REPORT ON SPECIES AND SITE DATA

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Species

Species data related to Lordship Recreational Ground consists of 1,245 records. This covers 390 different species in 16 taxon groups. The most recorded taxon group were Higher Plants - Flowering Plants. A full breakdown can be found in the appendix 1. In figure 1 you can see the taxon group spread with the Higher Plants combined to make easier viewing.

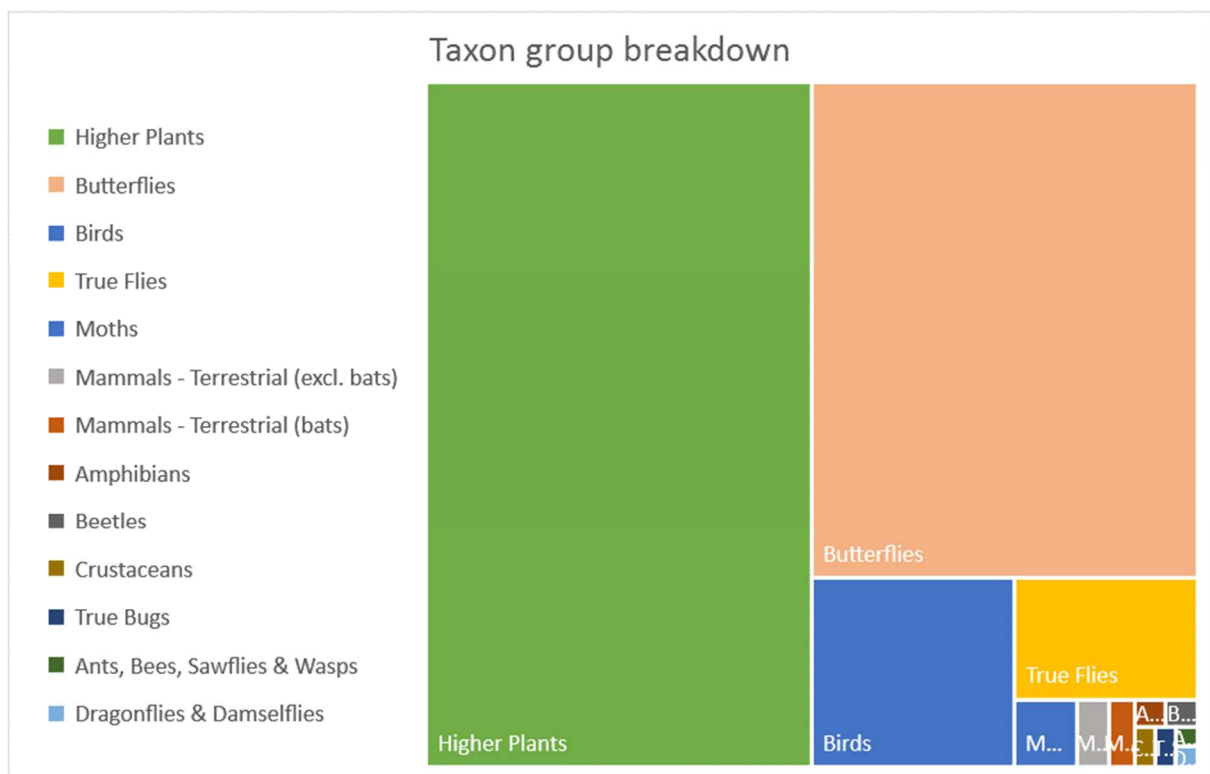


Figure 1. Taxon tree diagram with combined groups

As can be seen in figure 1, there were also a large number of Butterflies, the most frequent of which was the Speckled Wood with 57 records.

The top 5 most recorded species were all butterflies despite them not being the most recorded group (Fig. 2)

Common name	Taxon name	# of recs
Speckled Wood	Pararge aegeria	57
Large White	Pieris brassicae	50
Small White	Pieris rapae	50
Meadow Brown	Maniola jurtina	35
Large Skipper	Ochlodes sylvanus	23

Figure 2. Top 5 most recorded species

Dates

The timeframe for this dataset spans nearly 60 years with the oldest record being from 1964 and the most recent in 2021. Figure 3 below shows that GiGL hold little consistent data for Lordship recreational ground throughout the 70s and 80s however there was spike of 204 records in 1976, the table behind this chart can be found in the appendix (2).

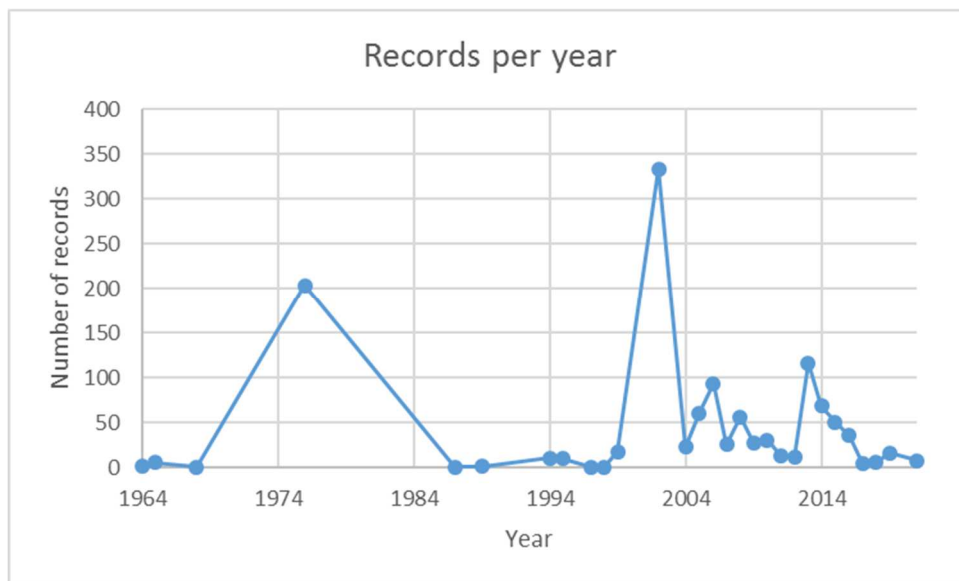


Figure 3. Records per year

Site data

Designations

Parts of Lordship Recreational ground are covered by non-statutory designations. 49% of the site is covered by SINC HgL04, this is a Local grade SINC. It is also designated as Metropolitan Open Land and has been awarded Green Flag (2016) and Community Green Flag (2012) awards.

Habitats

Lordship Recreational Ground is split into 8 survey parcels a combined breakdown of habitat types can be found below (Fig. 4)

Habitat type	% land cover
Amenity grassland	72%
Scattered trees	7%
Semi-improved grassland	5%
Scrub	4%
Bare artificial	3%
Native hedge	3%
Shrubbery	2%
Ruderal	2%
Still water	1%
Bare ground	1%
Tall herb	1%

Figure 4. Percentage cover of habitat

Appendix

1)

Taxon Group	# of recs
Amphibians	2
Birds	90
Higher Plants - Conifers	5
Higher Plants - Ferns	4
Higher Plants - Flowering Plants	613
Higher Plants - Horsetails	1
Invertebrates - Ants, Bees, Sawflies & Wasps	1
Invertebrates - Beetles	2
Invertebrates - Butterflies	451
Invertebrates - Crustaceans	2
Invertebrates - Dragonflies & Damselies	1
Invertebrates - Moths	10
Invertebrates - True Bugs	2
Invertebrates - True Flies	52
Mammals - Terrestrial (bats)	4
Mammals - Terrestrial (excl. bats)	5

2)

Year	# of records	Year	# of records
1964	2	2006	94
1965	6	2007	26
1968	1	2008	57
1976	204	2009	28
1987	1	2010	31
1989	2	2011	13
1994	11	2012	12
1995	10	2013	117
1997	1	2014	69
1998	1	2015	51
1999	18	2016	36
2002	334	2017	5
2004	23	2018	6
2005	61	2019	17
		2021	8