

Newsletter: September 2009

## New foodplants for *Lyonetia clerkella* (Lep: Lyonetiidae)

### (a) on Hop:

The range of foodplants mined by the polyphagous leafminer *Lyonetia clerkella* continues to increase.

Jon Clifton found a mine of *L. clerkella* on Hop (*Humulus lupulus*) at Stody, North Norfolk, VC28 on September 12th (photo right).

As far as we are aware this is the first record of this miner on this host in the UK (and possibly in Europe).

A more detailed photo is below:



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### (b) on Pyracantha:

Paul Boswell found a mine of *L. clerkella* on Firethorn (*Pyracantha*) in his garden in Greywell, Hampshire, VC12 on September 11th.

Although this garden plant is known as a host in Europe we believe this is the first occurrence in the UK.

A photo of the miner is opposite:



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