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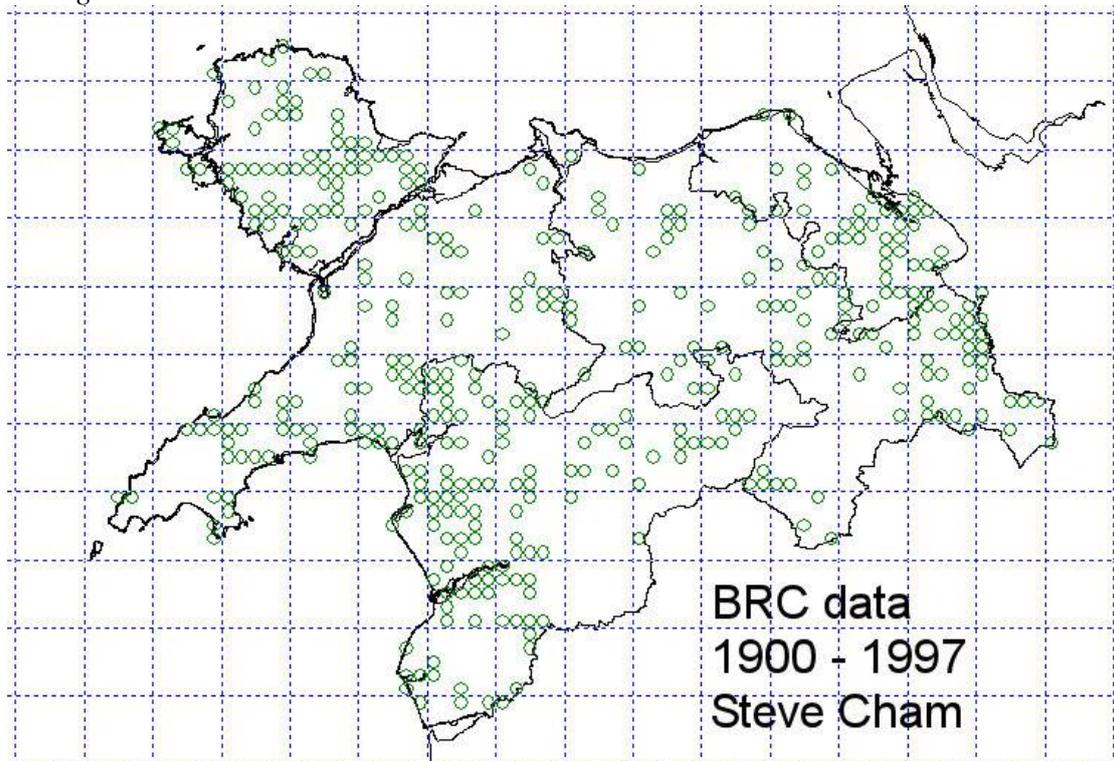
Brown Hawker in Anglesey?

I've recently had an unconfirmed report of a Brown Hawker at Cors Bodeilio, near Pentraeth Anglesey. Dan Brown had a 99% certain sighting of Brown Hawker a week or so ago. If anybody has seen anything like a Brown Hawker in Anglesey would they please let me know.

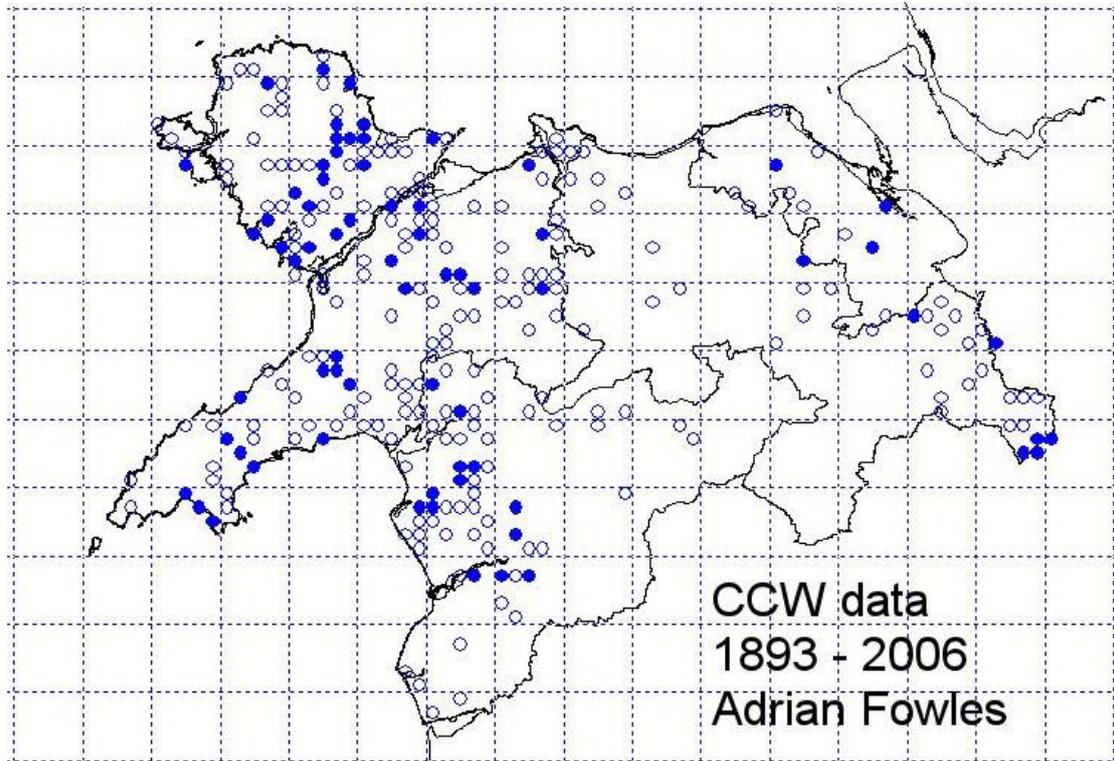
North Wales dragonfly datasets

The following four maps are plots of the four main North Wales Odonata datasets currently entered through/on/in? the NBN Gateway. As with the species distribution maps, open circles are tetrads with only pre-2000 records and filled in circles are tetrads with 2000 onwards records regardless of whether there are coincident older records or not. The species distribution maps are a made up of a combination of all these datasets and some minor, miscellaneous records.

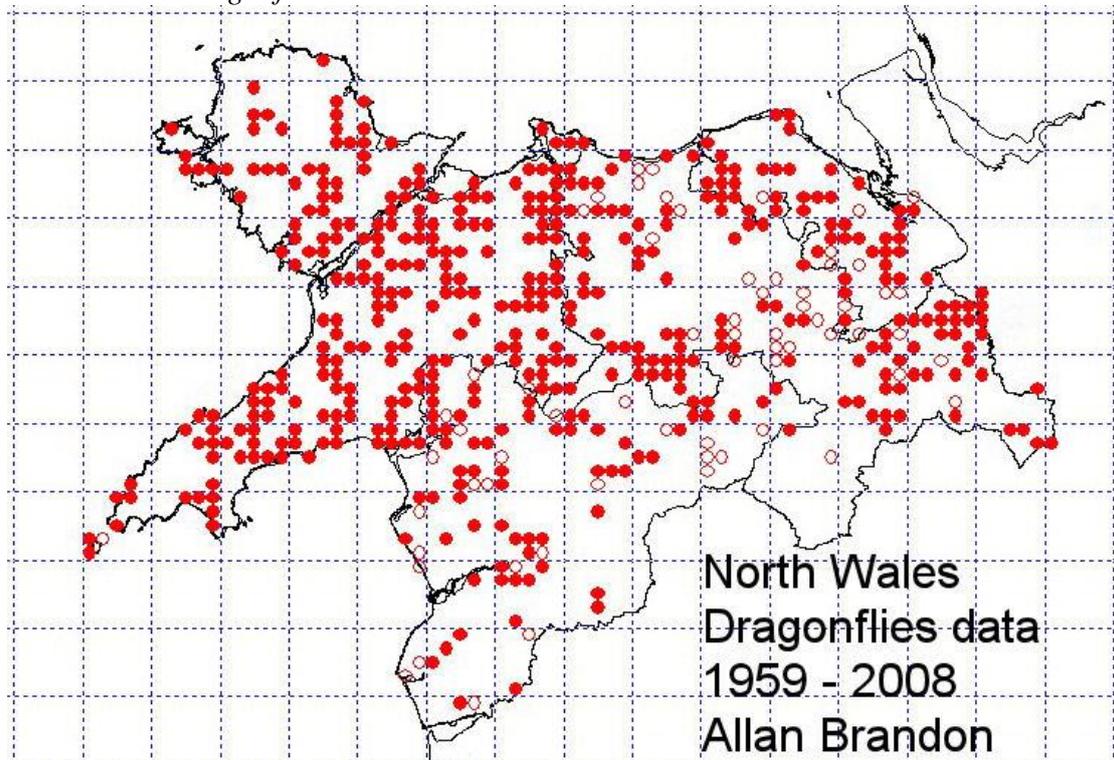
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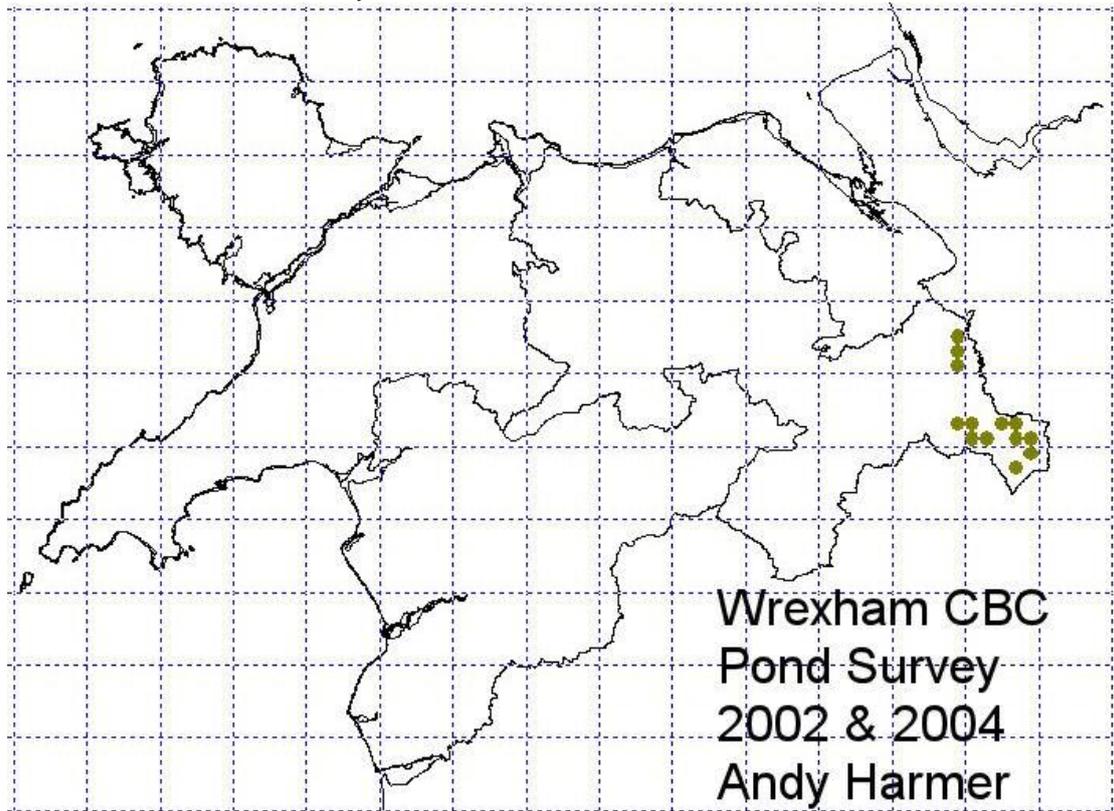
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North Wales Dragonflies dataset:

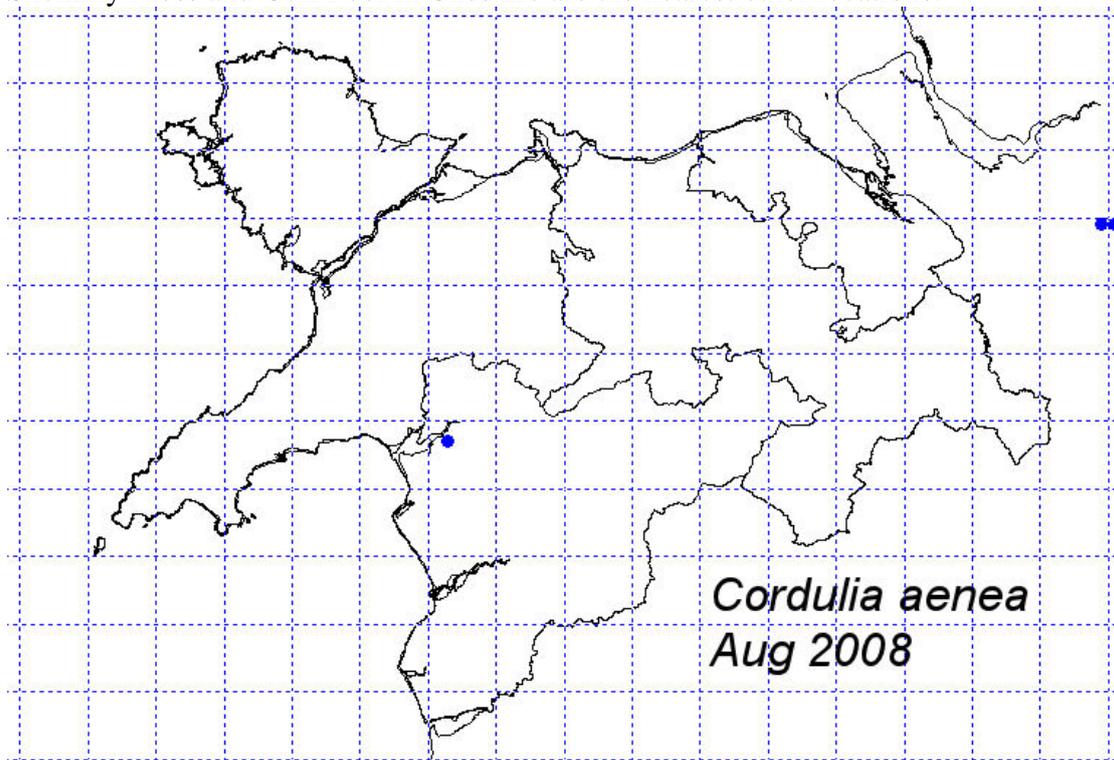


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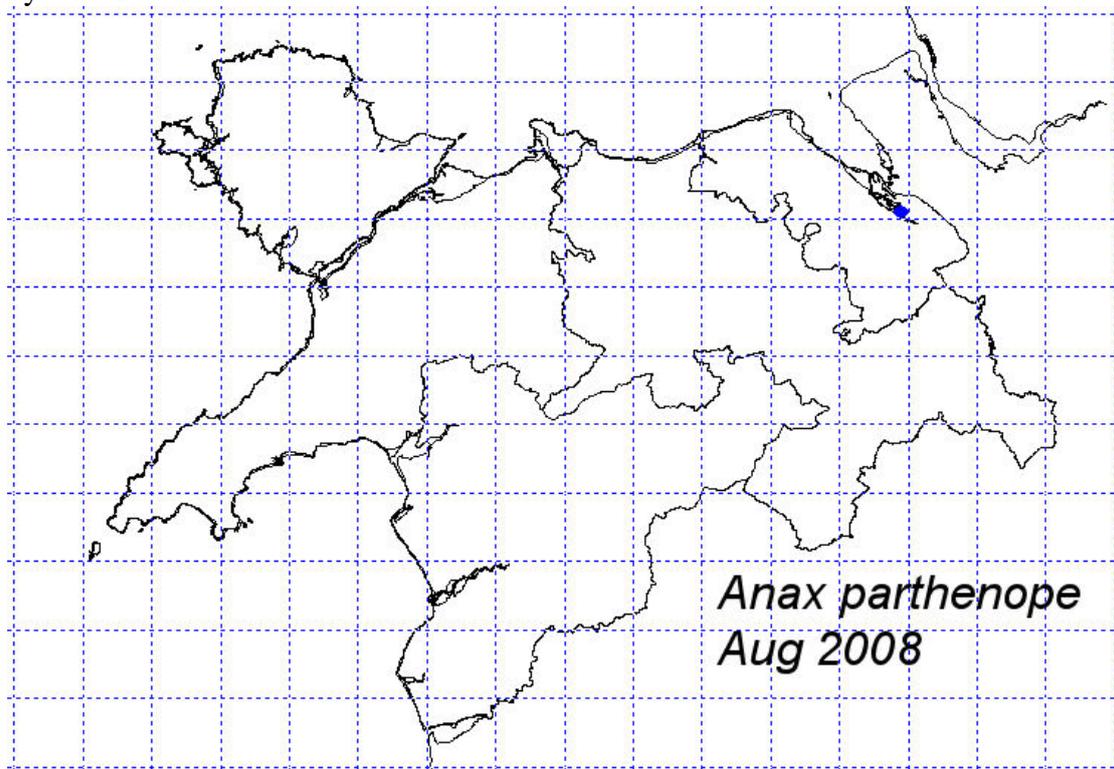


Rare and vagrant dragonfly distribution maps

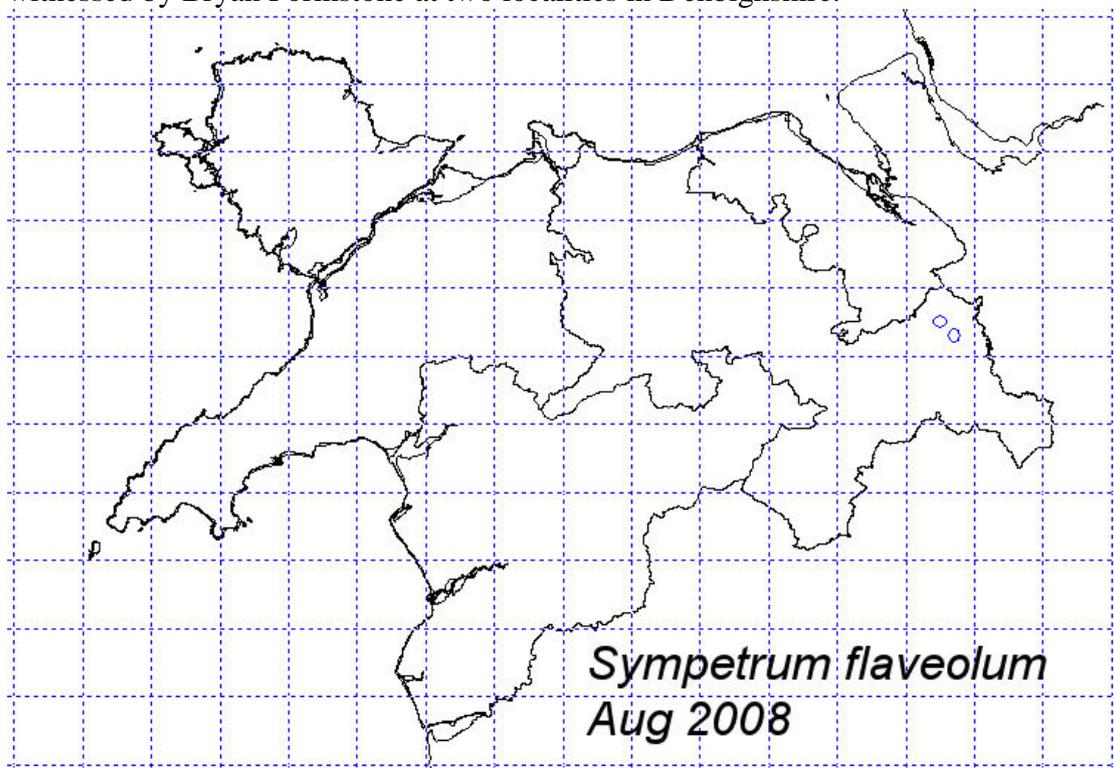
Llyn Tecwyn Isaf is the only known locality in North Wales for the Downy Emerald (*Cordulia aenea*). It requires tree-lined ponds and lakes as the larvae live in leaf litter. Shemmy Moss and Gull Pool in Cheshire are the nearest other locations.



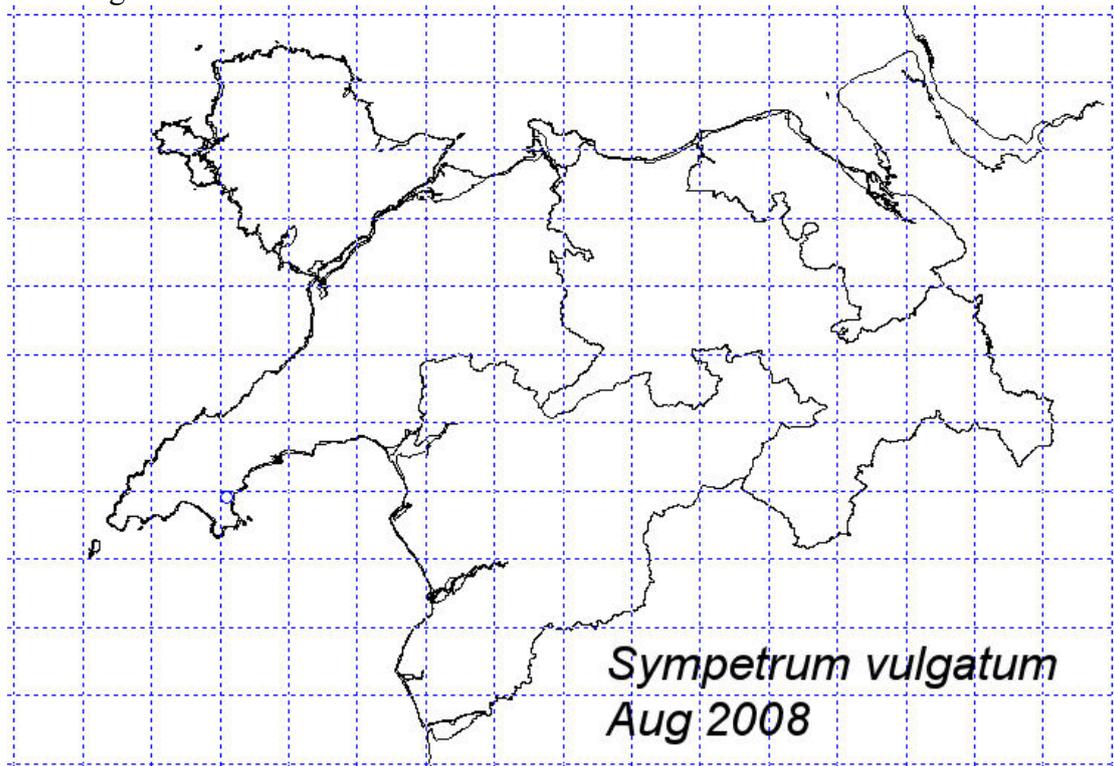
The next species are vagrants from southern Europe. Our first Lesser Emperor (*Anax parthenope*) was found in a mist net at Shotton Steelworks in July 2006 and identified by Rob Cockbain.



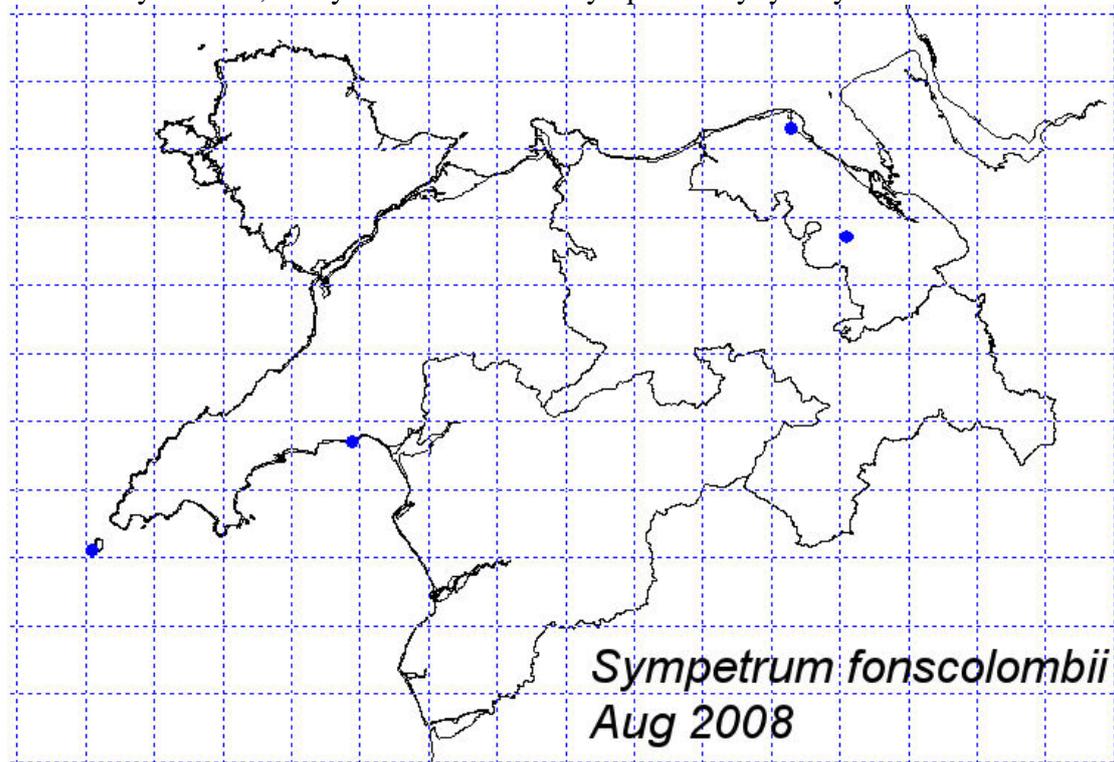
An influx of Yellow-winged Darter (*Sympetrum flaveolum*) in August 1995 was witnessed by Bryan Formstone at two localities in Denbighshire.



For our only occurrence of Moustached or Vagrant Darter (*Sympetrum vulgatum*) we have to go back to J. Arkle's June 1893 Abersoch record.



Invasions of the Red-veined Darter (*Sympetrum fonscolombii*) are becoming more frequent and we have had four North Walean records since the turn of the Millennium. Ian Wallace netted a winter nymph at Point of Ayr Colliery in 2001; Iris Cotgrove recorded an adult at Criccieth in 2002; Ian Stansfield found a female adult on Bardsey in 2006; Andy Harmer netted a nymph at Rhydymwyn in June 2007.





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