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Hi all,



I seem to have found a solution to the image problem at long last.

Yet more Red-veined Darters (*Sympetrum fonscolombii*)

About eight Red-veined Darters were seen on the 5th July along Gronant beach [SJ 095 845] by Colin Davies and Ray Banks (see photos). The discovery was reported in Colin's blog: <http://birdingsthe lens.blogspot.com/>



Male Red-veined Darter, Gronant, 5 July 2009. Colin Davies.



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More Black-tailed Skimmers (*Orthetrum cancellatum*)

On the 5th July Paul Triggs and Rob Cockbain came across a male at Shotton Steelworks Nature Reserve.

While busy discovering Red-veined Darter at Gronant beach, Colin Davies and Ray Banks saw about 10 Black-tailed Skimmers flying around. That must have been quite a day.

Two new Small Bluetail (*Ischnura pumilio*) localities on Anglesey

Les Colley reports two new Small Bluetail localities for Anglesey. The one at Cors Bodeilio NNR is the first time the species has been recorder there. The other is in Compartment 22f of Cors Erddeiniog NNR, where the species has long been known to occur in other places.

Variable Bluet or Damsel (*Coenagrion pulchellum*) and Hairy Hawker (*Brachytron pratense*) at Rhoscolyn, Anglesey in June

In his blog (<http://www.surfbirds.com/blog/>) Andrew Spottiswood reports Variable Bluet as the only *Coenagrion* species present on the 5th June at a pond [SH 2582 7713] at Porth-y-garan, Rhoscolyn. He reported this species and Hairy Hawker from the same pond in May 2008. On the same day in June, from a nearby pond [SH 264 763], he saw a Hairy Hawker and got a further two along the permissive summer section of the coastal path on the west side of Coed Tan-y-bryn [SH 276761].



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