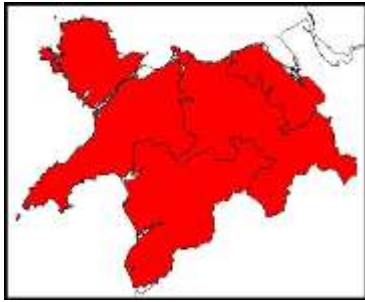
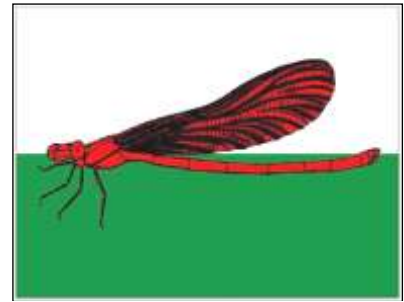




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**Odonata news and events from across the vice counties of
Anglesey, Merionethshire, Caernarvonshire, Denbighshire and Flintshire**



Hi all,

The continued dispersal of recent new species across North Wales

Two Odonata species new to North Wales in recent years have now been observed at other sites. The Small Red *Erythromma viridulum* was first spotted on the 23rd July 2024 at a pond at Parc Menai by Jonni Price (see Newsletter No. 102). It has now been confirmed on Anglesey by Eva Pyra and Ian Simms. They took this photo in a ditch at RSPB Cors Ddygfa [SH453718] on the 7th July.



Male *Erythromma viridulum* at Cors Ddygfa. Photo copyright Eva Pyra and Ian Simms.

The Green-eyed Hawker (previously referred to as Norfolk Hawker) *Isoaeschna isocles* was first spotted on the Welsh side of the border at Whixall Moss on the 5th July 2025 by Nathan Brake (see Newsletter No. 104). Its continued presence there has been independently reconfirmed by Steven Croft and Harry Gardiner on the 16th June this year. This may indicate local breeding but no confirmation of this has yet been obtained.

Sean Dunkin spotted a solitary male on the 7th July this year at Prestatyn Gutter, Gronant

Dunes [SJ08848419], and took this photo.



Isoaeschna isosceles at Gronant Dunes. Photo copyright Sean Dunkin.

The Lesser Emperor *Anax parthenope* has not been reported in North Wales since its 16th June 2025 sighting at Brickfields Pond, Rhyl by Jac French (see Newsletter No. 103).

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