

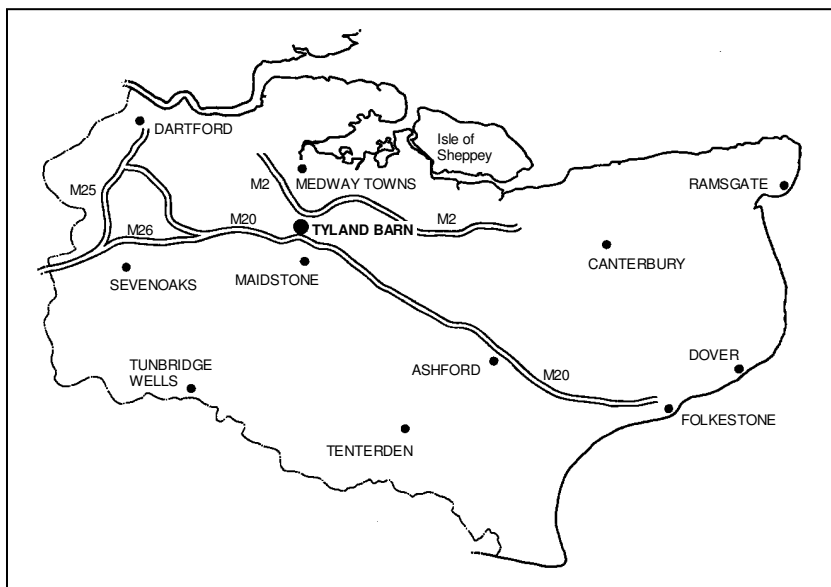
## Kent Wildlife Trust Wildlife Study Day Information Sheet

No.	<b>17</b>	Title	<b>Kentish Butterflies</b>	Date	<b>Sunday 6th June 2010</b>
No. of students	<b>15</b>	Start time	<b>10am</b>	Finish time	<b>3-4pm</b>
Leader	<p><b>Steve Weeks KWT Medway Valley Warden</b> has worked with Kent Wildlife Trust for 9 years, the last 5 as warden managing the Medway Valley group of reserves.</p> <p>Steve has a great knowledge of managing varied habitats for wildlife with a keen personal interest in butterflies. He has been involved in several successful butterfly re-establishment programmes.</p>				
Who should attend	Beginners and those wishing to improve their Identification skills				
Meeting place	Tyland Barn Map Ref.TQ753594. See directions overleaf.				
Other sites to be visited	Queendown Warren Map Ref. TQ 827629				
Programme	<p>This study day begins with a session (and coffee) in the classroom at Tyland Barn. A wander round the grounds before an early lunch should find some common butterflies, and their foodplants.</p> <p>A visit to Queendown Warren, an internationally important chalk downland reserve, in the afternoon should yield some less common chalk downland species.</p>				
Subjects to be covered	<p>Identification of common butterflies likely to be seen at end of May/June</p> <p>Lifecycles</p> <p>Food plants for caterpillars and adults</p> <p>Habitat management</p> <p>Species reintroductions</p>				
What to bring	<p>Packed lunch (or pre order from the shop at Tyland Barn)</p> <p>A drink</p> <p>Sunscreen and sunhat</p> <p>Clothing suitable for the season</p> <p>Sturdy shoes (walking on rough ground on Nature reserves)</p> <p>A small pair of binoculars is helpful</p>				
Other information	<p>Tyland Barn (parking and toilets, plus coffee shop)</p> <p>Queendown Warren (parking, no toilets)</p> <p>Other reserves may be visited depending on the season and the weather</p> <p>Please note the visibility of adult butterflies does depend on the weather.</p>				

## Kent Wildlife Trust HQ and Visitor Centre

Tyland Barn, Sandling, Maidstone, Kent ME14 3BD Tel: 01622 662012

Tyland Barn is four miles north of Maidstone, on the junction of Chatham Road and Tyland Lane, Sandling, just off the A229 between the M20 and the M2.

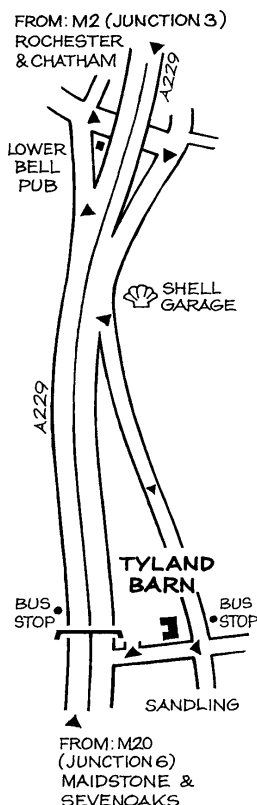


### Travel to Tyland Barn by public transport

Nearest railway stations: Maidstone East and Chatham (both a bus ride away, or about a 40 minute walk from Maidstone East).

Arriva Bus 101. From Chatham: stops outside Tyland Barn.

From Maidstone: stops on the A229 (if requested!), opposite the Barn, at Cobtree Golfcourse (take footbridge over A229 and the Tyland Barn entrance is immediately on your left). Further details from Arriva (0871 2002233), [www.arriva.co.uk](http://www.arriva.co.uk) Stagecoach East Kent (08456 002299), [www.stagecoachbus.com](http://www.stagecoachbus.com) and Metrobus (01293 449191) [www.metrobus.co.uk](http://www.metrobus.co.uk) NB. Not all services are frequent!



### Travel to Tyland Barn by car

The Barn is adjacent to the A229 (just north of J6 of the M20), but it is only accessible via Chatham Road off the southbound carriageway of the A229, taking the turning immediately beside the entrance to the Shell garage on the southbound carriageway.

**Follow the brown 'badger signs'** on the Maidstone to Chatham road (A229), between the M2 (Junction 3) and the M20 (Junction 6).

If you are travelling northwards from Maidstone on the A229 dual carriageway, you have to go past the Barn (with a blue butterfly sign) on your right and go up to the next junction in order to return down the southbound carriageway. So, from the A229 northbound, north of the M20 (J6), take the left turn after the golf course entrance, proceed to the crossroads by the Lower Bell Pub, turn right, pass under the A229, and turn right and back onto the A229 going south. You have to turn off the A229 again almost immediately after joining it, immediately after/beside the Shell garage!