

ADDENDUM TO ECOLOGICAL REPORT SRL/WE/001.9

Since the report was issued, the beetle listed on page 62 as *Meloe* sp. has been identified by Darren Mann as *Meloe rugosus*, which is a Nationally Rare (RDB3) oil beetle.

An extract from Darren's confirmation (dated 11 April 2006) of this identification is as follows:

The Oil Beetle found at Radley was *Meloe rugosus*. This species is regarded as a red data book three (rare) species in the UK, with recent records from only five counties. In Oxfordshire area (vice-counties Oxon and Berks) I know of the following records:

Berkshire (VC 22)

Streatley [SU58]: Fowler & Donisthorpe, 1913: 300 (Joy, -1913)

Hitchcopse Pit [SU49]: OBRC (Denton, 1996; Harrison, 1998); HEC coll. (Newman,

1999); Aitkin, 2001 pers comm. (2001)

Dry Sandford Pit [SU49] Whitton, 1999 pers comm. (1976)

Hill End Camp [SP40]: OBRC (Bee, 1995, 1996)

Oxfordshire (VC 23)

Shotover [SP50]: Walker, 1928: 89 (Munro, 1927)

Taynton Quarries [SU21]: OBRC (Campbell, 1991, 1993)

Emmer Green [SU77]: RMS coll. (Notton, 1992)

Chambers Copse [SU77]: RMS coll. (Notton, 1985)

Hartslock [SU67]: Raper, 2001 pers comm. (1995)

Warburg [SU78]: Raper, 2001 pers comm. (d'Ayala, 1999)

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