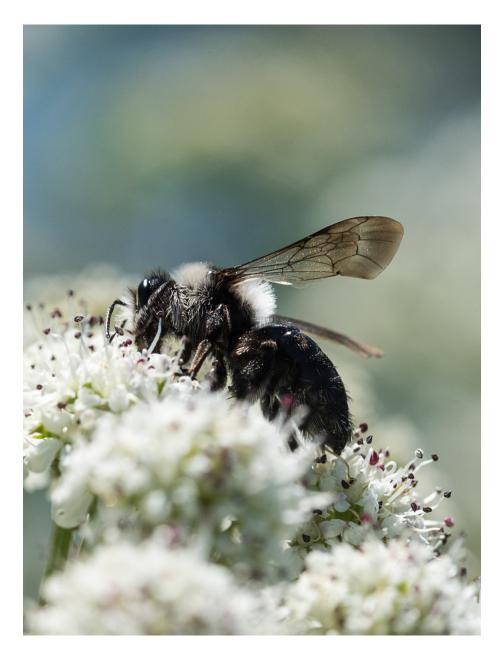
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Part 3 of a series of booklets that illustrate some of the common (and a few rarer) insects found in Richmond Park and the adjacent Ham Common, especially the Woods. This volume covers the Hymenoptera, Ham Common Woods is good with a good colony of Ashy Mining Bee and its clepto-parasite Lathburys Nomad Bee. as well as other mining and nomad bees (some identified and some not!)

Such an interesting group with Sawflies, Bees, Solitary Wasps (I have not worried with the social wasps...) and of course the clepto-parastic wasps many of which prey on other bees and wasps!

The photographs are grouped by taxonomic group although not necessarily in the correct order.

Nigel

Front cover - Lathburys Nomad Bee and photo on the left is an Ashy Mining Bee



Top - Flying ants , Bottom left - Larva of an Oak Sawfly (one of three species) and Bottom right - Alder Sawfly larva





Top - Un-speciated Sawfly larva and Bottom - Un-identified Sawfly





To - Honey Bee, Bottom left - Anthophora plumipes and Bottom right Anthophora sp.



A group of Andrena sp. Not too easy to speciate



Top - Ashy Mining Bee and Bottom - Andrena labiata, a red bodied species easily confused with Blood Bees



Tawny Mining Bee



Top left - *Chelostoma* sp. and Top right - Yellow Loosestrife Bee (male) Bottom left - *Megachile centuncularis* and Bottom right - *Colletes* sp.



Top - mating Nomada lathburiana, Bottom left - Nomada flava and Bottom right - Nomada fabriciana



Top left - Nomada signata, Top right - Nomada goodeniana, the commonest of the Nomad Bees Bottom - Large Shaggy Bee





Top left - Oxybelus sp., Top right - Crabro peltarius (with a mite) and Bottom - Astrata boops (probably)



Top - Ectemnius sp., Bottom - face patterns of Cerceris species, left - C.rybyensis and right - C.arenaria



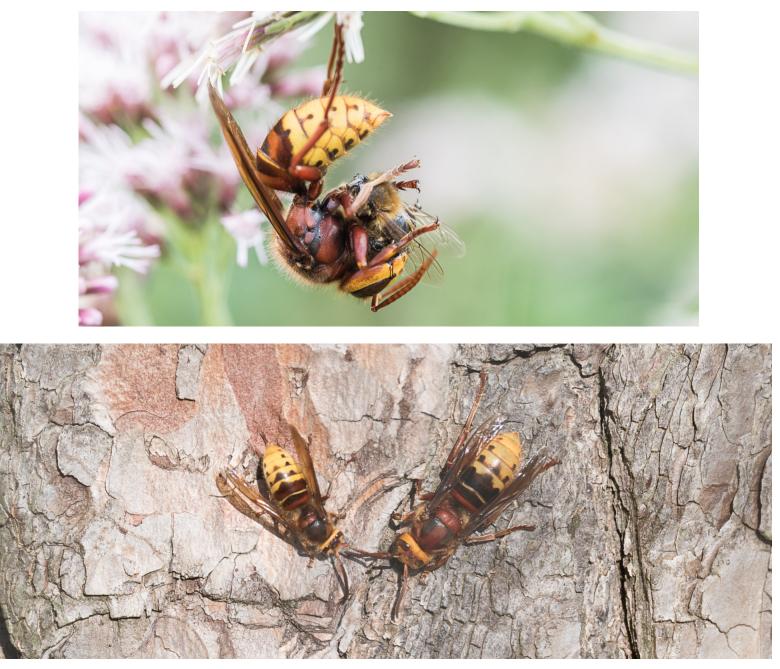
Cerceris arenaria with its weevil prey used to feed the larva



Top - Cerceris arenaria carrying a weevil and Bottom - mating Cerceris rybyensis



Top - Bee Wolf and Bottom - Agrogorytes sp.



Hornet - Top with a Honey Bee as prey



Top - nesting wasps probably *Trypoxylon* sp. and Bottom *Hedychrum niemelia/nobile*. This clepto-parasite targets *Cerceris* sp. and is common around their nest holes







Top left - the all blue-green *Trichrysis cyanea,* and Top right - the rather small *Ormyrus nitidulus* that lays its eggs in galls Bottom - a Ruby-tailed Wasp (*Chrysis* sp.)







Parastitic wasps



Ichneumon xanthorius