

Re: Susie

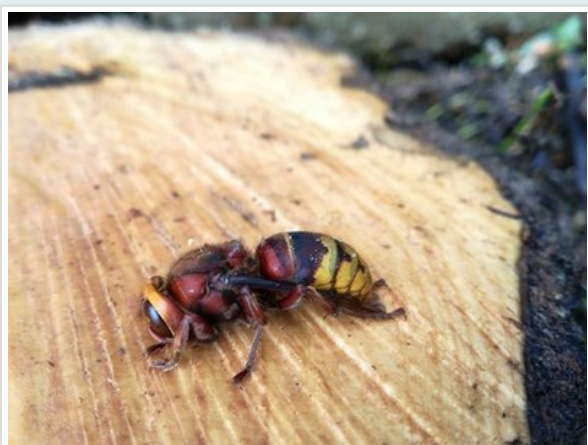
by Susie, 05-Feb-17 09:19 PM GMT

My brown hairstreak master tree at the end of my road is no more! Looks like it was cut down on Friday. When I saw it today I turned over a log and found a hibernating hornet, who must have been made homeless when the tree was cut down. I relocated her to a hole in the tree stump so hope she will survive the next couple of months. I guess the brown hairstreaks will gather elsewhere 😊



Re: Susie

by Susie, 05-Feb-17 09:19 PM GMT



Re: Susie

by NickMorgan, 05-Feb-17 10:01 PM GMT

What a shame. I can sense your frustration. The destruction of habitat really infuriates me.

Re: Susie

by Susie, 06-Feb-17 07:56 PM GMT

Thanks Nick, the only consolation is that the habitat here has deteriorated rapidly in the last few years. The blackthorn is either very overgrown or trimmed to oblivion. The request that the highway authority only cut part of the adjoining hedge disregarded. All this has resulted in the abundant hairstreak population dropping to the point that I didn't see one last year. 😊

A positive is that I carted home a load of the ash and it burns beautifully in the log burner. I'll certainly be cosy for the rest of the winter 😊

Re: Susie

by Wurzel, 06-Feb-17 10:16 PM GMT

At least there was some consolation – with the cold weather returning this week you'll be glad for it I'm sure 😊

Have a goodun

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