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SITE OF SPECIAL SCIENTIFIC INTEREST CITATION

MONMOUTHSHIRE

BROCKWELLS MEADOW

Date of Notification: 1976, 1983

National Grid Reference: ST 469987

O.S. Maps: 1:50,000 Sheet number: 171
1:25,000 Sheet number: ST 48

Site Area: 4.6 ha

Description:

The best example in the county of species rich ancient pasture on lime rich soils overlying Carboniferous Limestone and Triassic rocks. The sward includes a number of herbaceous plant species which are now of limited distribution in the county. These include autumn lady's tresses *Spiranthes spiralis*, large wild thyme *Thymus pulegioides* and green winged orchid *Orchis morio*. An additional interest is the diverse macro-invertebrate fauna which includes the rare robber fly *Asilus crabroniformis* and the great green bush cricket *Tettigonia viridissima*.

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