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Aberrations new to me and new or unusual records for Surrey (VC17)

70.081 *Thera obeliscata* (Hübner, 1787). Oxshott, on heathland, Surrey (VC17); TQ13956095. 21 viii 2023 at mv. wild-caught unfamiliar aberration. A photograph of the underside (top L) and the sub-genital plate (top R) is provided as well as the specimen. I am fairly sure it is this species but let me know if you know otherwise. I could not find any illustrations- even in Lepiforum.

73.191 *Agrochola haematidea* (Duponchel, 1827). Thursley Common, Surrey (VC17); SU90054143. 1 x 2023 at mv. First Surrey record as far as I can check. We had permission to trap and to collect critical specimens- mostly material we couldn't identify in the field. We recorded Trichoptera and craneflies (as listed in Stubbs, 2021- BENHS), too- almost entirely as by-catch. If anyone is interested in searching-and recording for these or other insects more systematically, please contact me. I am sure your records would be wanted and expect permission would readily be granted.

73.136 *Nonagria typhae* (Thunberg, 1784). Chobham, Surrey (VC17); SU977625. 21 viii 2023 at garden mv. ab. fraterna. A type specimen from Worplesdon, Surrey (2003) is also exhibited for comparison.

73.295 *Mythimna vitellina* (Hübner, 1808). Chobham, Surrey (VC17); SU977625. 30 ix 2023 at garden mv. Photograph at foot of page). I have enough specimens of this species and would like to hope it is establishing itself here. Other VC17 records I know of, from 2023, are from Send, Thursley Common and Dawcombe.

