

# SUPPLEMENTAL SURVEY RESULTS 2017

## EXMOOR NATIONAL PARK

Somerset Otter Group, summary of the James Williams Survey, 2 day Event.

### Greater Exmoor

In 2009 the Devon side of Exmoor National Park was included in the 2 Day Survey of Somerset for the first time. The 'Greater Exmoor' survey area includes Clatworthy Reservoir, part of the River Tone, Donniford stream and waterways running beyond the Park.

### Totals

This years 2 day Survey results shown alongside those of 2009.

EXMOOR TOTALS	2009	2017
Total sites checked	187	188
Sites Positive	151	133
% Sites positive	81%	71%
Hits	44	21
Near Misses	8	9
Total Score	52	30
Adjudicated ranges	23	22
% of total sites with hits	23%	11%
% of positive sites with hits	29%	16%
Blank Patches	3	8

### Survey Records

Relevant records are sent to the Devon Environmental Records Centre.



This year's 2 day event took place on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2017. 13 people surveyed 13 patches on the Devon side of the Park. 69 sites were checked, 51 of these were positive for otter evidence with one fresh spraint, a hit, recorded on the second day. 7 near misses, assumed fresh, were found on the Saturday. There were 3 Blank patches.

22 people covered 33 patches on the Somerset side. 119 sites, 82 of which were positive for otter signs, 21 fresh signs, hits, on Sunday. 2 near misses, fresh on the Saturday but no fresh found on the Sunday. There were 5 Blank patches.

There were 22 Adjudicated otter ranges.



The map omits the Donniford stream.