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Silver-bordered Fritillary	Boloria selene
White Admiral	Limenitis arthemis arthemis
Red-spotter Purple	Limenitis arthemis astyanax
Viceroy	Limenitis archippus
Harris's Checkerspot	Chlosyne harrisii
Pearl Crescent	Phyciodes tharos
Baltimore Checkerspot	Euphydryas phaeton
Question Mark	Polygonia interrogationis
Eastern Comma	Polygonia comma
Green Comma	Polygonia faunus
Gray Comma	Polygonia progne
Milbert's Tortoise Shell	Aglais milberti
Compton Tortoise Shell	Nymphalis vaualbum
Mourning Cloak	Nymphalis antiopa
American Lady	Vanessa virginiensis
Painted Lady	Vanessa cardui
Red Admiral	Vanessa atalanta
Northern Pearly Eye	Enodia anthedon
Eyed Brown	Satyrodes eurydice
Little Wood Satyr	Megisto cymela
Inornate Ringlet *	Coenonympha inornata
Jutta Arctic	Oeneis jutta
Common Wood Nymph	Cercyonis pegala

The Friends of Pondicherry is grateful to Warren Kiel, formerly of Whitefield, for providing this inventory of the Butterflies of Pondicherry. There are 64 species currently on this list. Lepidopterists are encouraged to provide reports of species at Pondicherry not on this list to David.Govatski@gmail.com Butterfly enthusiasts are also urged to post all of their sightings on iNaturalist.

Reference: **Kiel, Warren J. 2003.** <u>The Butterflies of the White Mountains of New Hampshire</u>. Globe Pequot Press and New Hampshire Audubon. Illustrations by Lois DeLuca.

The common and scientific names have been updated to 2023 standards using: https://www.butterfliesandmoths.org/checklists?species-type=0&tid=48294
Butterflies of Coos County, NH Checklist. The Coos County list currently has 83 species of butterflies.

Two species on the Pondicherry list, marked by an asterisk, are not on the Coos County Checklist and need documentation. There are several species on the Coos County list that could be at Pondicherry but have not been documented. Steve Mirick found and photographed an Ocola Skipper on 8 July 2023, on spreading dogbane flowers at Airport Marsh. Steve Mirick also photographed an Arctic Jutta on alder next to the viewing platform at Mud Pond on 28 May 2023. The Jutta was previously listed as historic.

The Bog Elfin (*Callophyrs lanoraieensis*) is a rare species that favors acidic black spruce and tamarack bogs and <u>might be present</u> at Pondicherry due to the extensive habitat found here.

David Govatski 29 November 2023