

LANDGUARD BIRD OBSERVATORY

SYSTEMATIC BIRD LIST 2011

MUTE SWAN *Cygnus olor*

Noted on six scattered dates, max. three north September 14th.

BEWICK'S SWAN *Cygnus columbianus*

(2010 record. Nine in off the sea October 16th 2010 was left out of last years report).

WHOOPEE SWAN *Cygnus cygnus*

Six south October 29th (J.Zantboer *et al*), three north November 7th (O.R.Slessor *et al*), one south December 13th (W.J.Brame, N.Odin). Ninth to eleventh site records.

BEAN GOOSE *Anser fabalis*

One south January 20th (N.Odin). Ninth site record.

PINK-FOOTED GOOSE *Anser brachyrhynchus*

Three north January 16th. In autumn one south October 13th, two south 15th, one south 25th, ten north November 6th, two north 7th & 33 north 14th.

WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE *Anser albifrons*

Two north January 14th, eight south 19th & two north one south 24th. In autumn an adult spent nearly the entire day on the reserve November 8th.

GREYLAG GOOSE *Anser anser*

Local wanderers noted on 16 dates March 4th to June 5th, max. three north two south March 30th. Later in the year one out October 2nd, three north November 17th & 14 south December 30th.

GREY GOOSE Sp. *Anser sp.*

c.200 north November 23rd.

CANADA GOOSE *Branta canadensis*

Local wanderers noted on eight dates March 21st to June 7th, max. three out/north three south March 21st. Later in the year two south August 9th.

BARNACLE GOOSE *Branta leucopsis*

58 north January 24th, 61 north 25th, 40 south February 18th, ten north 19th, 38 south 21st, 13 north 22nd, two south March 21st, three south April 25th, four south May 8th, three north 20th, three south June 8th, two on 18th, 24 north August 6th, 57 north 8th & 19 south December 26th.

BRENT GOOSE *Branta bernicla*

Last noted in spring May 11th. First autumn record September 10th, with notable counts 10,008 south October 9th, 11,697 south 13th, 2,016 south 14th, 3,007 south 25th & 1,574 south November 3rd. An all white bird was noted October 9th. Also 5 present on site March 31st & singles May 4th & September 30th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	92	27	167	31	1	0	0	0	0	149	178	12
S+in	48	29	10	8	1	0	0	0	1001	28599	3714	67

PALE BELLIED BRENT GOOSE *Branta bernicla hrota*.

One south September 16th. Seventh site record.

SHELDUCK *Tadorna tadorna*

Small numbers noted moving offshore most of the year with prospecting on the reserve in the spring and early summer by at least 20 birds. The largest movement was 111 south November 14th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	1	14	1	12	1	0	7	0	2	6	0
S+in	5	18	15	24	10	4	4	10	29	143	289	163

WIGEON *Anas penelope*

Two south January 15th, 37 south 16th & one south February 7th. No spring passage. In autumn noted August 23rd to December 31st with a peak count of 2066 south October 9th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	83	13
S+in	39	1	0	0	0	0	0	19	887	2909	444	124

GADWALL *Anas strepera*

Two south February 6th. Spring movements April 21st to June 13th & autumn movements August 23rd to December 24th, max. 11 south November 12th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0
S+in	0	2	0	2	6	1	0	0	3	4	18	7

TEAL *Anas crecca*

Two north January 2nd, five north 12 south 16th, 15 north 22nd & six south February 7th. No spring passage. Autumn passage July 8th to December 23rd, max. 380 south September 16th & 333 south December 8th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	22	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	7	0	0	0
S	12	6	0	0	0	0	11	327	1179	492	477	345

MALLARD *Anas platyrhynchos*

Noted in all months except January, August & December, max. ten south November 11th & 37 south 12th. Up to two on site on 17 dates March 28th to May 17th with the female then probably nesting & the male disappearing. One present October 29th & two offshore November 12th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	0
S+in	0	2	0	2	0	4	1	0	2	14	62	0

PINTAIL *Anas acuta*

Three north January 20th. None in spring. Autumn passage September 2nd to December 14th, max. 158 south November 12th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S+in	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	101	168	33

GARGANEY *Anas querquedula*

One south August 6th (T.Holland, N.Odin). Eighth site record.

SHOVELER *Anas clypeata*

None in spring. In autumn a total of 106 south on 13 dates August 13th to November 12th, max. 66 south November 12th. Five later birds south December 11th.

POCHARD *Aythya ferina*

Two south November 12th & two south 29th.

TUFTED DUCK *Aythya fuligula*

One in river March 29th. A total of 15 south on five dates May 6th to June 8th, max. five south May 26th, In autumn a total of one north nine south one in on eight dates

August 13th to November 8th, max. four south August 13th. Also one south December 8th.

EIDER *Somateria mollissima*

Noted on eight dates January 20th to May 8th. In autumn noted September 15th to December 13th, max. 22 north November 6th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	10	0	4	1	1	0	0	0	6	13	76	2
S	0	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	20	10	0

LONG-TAILED DUCK *Clangula hyemalis*

One north March 2nd.

COMMON SCOTER *Melanitta nigra*

Seen in all months. Peak counts 176 south October 13th & 247 south December 8th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	1	8	14	16	25	4	5	10	13	25	69	82
S	0	0	0	4	6	30	8	39	165	281	101	370

VELVET SCOTER *Melanitta fusca*

Female north May 1st, female south August 13th, female south 31st, one north one south September 15th, one south November 12th & one south December 19th.

GOLDENEYE *Bucephala clangula*

Two south March 5th. In autumn a total of two north 44 south on 18 dates October 9th to December 19th, max. eight south November 11th.

SMEW *Mergellus albellus*

Three south October 25th (N.Odin *et al*).

RED-BREASTED MERGANSER *Mergus serrator*

Two north January 16th, one south February 18th, two south March 1st, two north 9th & one north April 5th. In autumn four north 219 south October 9th to December 22nd, max. 139 south November 12th.

GOOSANDER *Mergus merganser*

Singles north October 9th, north November 6th, three south 8th, one out of the river and north 19th, one south 27th, one south 29th & two in off December 31st.

RED-LEGGED PARTRIDGE *Alectoris rufa*

Three birds surviving from 2010 to March 22nd and one pair from then onwards. Brood of four young end of August/early September with four birds in total then present October to years end

PHEASANT *Phasianus colchicus*

Female January 2nd to 3rd, male February 8th to March 10th & male October 11th.

RED-THROATED DIVER *Gavia stellata*

Early in the year noted on 24 dates to March 31st with later records of two north April 13th, one south 19th & one north May 1st, max. three north 16 south January 15th. Later on noted on 48 dates September 15th to years end, max. 54 south December 18th & 36 north 24th.

BLACK-THROATED DIVER *Gavia arctica*

Singles north January 14th, north October 6th, north 22nd, three south November 9th, singles north 10th, south 29th, north December 3rd, on then south 11th, north 13th & in off 17th.

GREAT NORTHERN DIVER *Gavia immer*

One north September 15th and a record day count of two north five south November 12th.

DIVER SP.

Singles south March 1st, north 13th, south September 26th & south October 12th.

FULMAR *Fulmarus glacialis*

Noted March 2nd to June 17th & August 16th to September 30th, max. five north one south September 16th.

CORY'S SHEARWATER *Calonectris diomedea*

One south October 9th (W.J.Brame, N.Odin, E.W.Patrick). Fourth site record.

GREAT SHEARWATER *Puffinus gravis*

One September 16th (J.Clarke, K.Perry). Second site record.

SOOTY SHEARWATER *Puffinus griseus*

Three north September 16th & one north October 22nd.

MANX SHEARWATER *Puffinus puffinus*

One south September 17th.

SHEARWATER Sp.

One north September 10th.

GANNET *Morus bassanus*

Noted March 1st to December 24th, max. 25 north 32 south October 9th & 39 north 17 south 13th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	0	0	11	4	1	5	4	19	44	122	27	8
S	0	0	0	1	15	28	1	4	22	65	6	1

CORMORANT *Phalacrocorax carbo*

Present all year with the turnover of individuals moving about or loitering in the area making data difficult to interpret. Increasing numbers are apparent in recent winters. 270 were offshore January 27th & 40 the next day. Other counts over 40 were 44 out February 5th, nine out 48 south December 4th, 31 north 12 south 82 out 10th, 31 north 30 south 11th & 53 south 12 offshore 30th.

SHAG *Phalacrocorax aristotelis*

Singles north March 22nd & north October 29th.

CATTLE EGRET *Bubulcus ibis*

One south December 2nd (D.T.Langlois, N.Odin, E.W.Patrick). First site record.

LITTLE EGRET *Egretta garzetta*

One south January 4th. Two north April 6th. A total of 10 noted on seven dates June 17th to July 20th & 33 on 12 dates September 4th to November 10th, max. 15 north September 15th. In December one south 12th.

GREY HERON *Ardea cinerea*

Spring movements totalling four north seven south one in and one present on 11 dates March 24th to June 19th. Autumn movements totalling four north five south, five in off & one present on seven dates July 3rd to November 6th, max. five in off August 23rd.

SPOONBILL *Platalea leucorodia*

One in off April 30th (O.R.Slessor *et al*). Seventh site record.

GREAT CRESTED GREBE *Podiceps cristatus*

One north January 8th & four north 27th. In spring a total of three north, six south & one offshore February 22nd to May 29th, max. three south February 22nd. In autumn totals of six north 67 south five offshore September 10th to December 28th, max. one north 21 south November 12th.

RED-NECKED GREBE *Podiceps grisegena*

One north April 28th.

SLAVONIAN GREBE *Podiceps auritus*

Three offshore November 12th (D.Pearsons *et al*). Third site record.

GREBE Sp.

Three north November 6th.

MARSH HARRIER *Circus aeruginosus*

Singles south May 6th, July 10th. A total of 14 south August 29th to October 6th, max. four south September 14th. Later in the year three south November 30th & one south December 4th.

HEN HARRIER *Circus cyaneus*

Ringtails south September 14th, October 14th, on site October 20th & 26th, immature male south November 30th & a ringtail in then south December 6th.

MONTAGU'S HARRIER *Circus pygargus*

Immature male in off April 26th (T.Holland, D.T.Langlois, B.Mackie, N.Odin). Sixth site record.

SPARROWHAWK *Accipiter nisus*

Singles regularly noted January to May 31st plus two April 8th & May 9th. One or two regularly noted again from June 27th to the years end plus three October 26th. Singles noted going south September 29th, October 2nd, in off 19th & south 26th.

BUZZARD *Buteo buteo*

Singles south March 8th & September 14th.

OSPREY *Pandion haliaetus*

Singles south August 29th & September 27th.

KESTREL *Falco tinnunculus*

One January 1st was the only record early in the year after which one or two regularly on site from March 2nd to December 22nd. In autumn singles south on ten dates August 16th to November 30th with two south September 20th & one north December 3rd.

MERLIN *Falco columbarius*

One August 31st then a total of 15 noted October 9th to November 30th, max. four October 10th.

HOBBY *Falco subbuteo*

Singles on six dates April 22nd to June 11th plus two May 24th & singles on 13 dates July 21st to October 13th plus two September 5th.

PEREGRINE *Falco peregrinus*

Adult male & female seen occasionally to April 4th. Juvenile July 27th. Adult male & female again occasionally October 4th to years end. Also two juvenile males south October 19th & an immature November 12th.

WATER RAIL *Rallus aquaticus*

One November 13th.

MOORHEN *Gallinula chloropus*

Singles October 26th & November 13th.

COOT *Fulica atra*

One October 29th.

OYSTERCATCHER *Haematopus ostralegus*

Up to four were occasionally on the reserve especially in the spring and summer. None nested although a pair bred in the near adjoining dock but failed. Autumn movements from at least July 6th to November 12th, max. 58 south August 6th. Later singles noted south December 1st to 24th.

Monthly totals were:-													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
N+out	1	0	1	6	9	1	3	5	3	5	1	0	
S+in	1	20	19	21	49	9	25	240	86	8	23	6	

AVOCET *Recurvirostra avosetta*

Three south April 19th, two south May 9th, two south June 1st, six south July 5th, two flying around 10th, two south September 26th & six south October 9th.

RINGED PLOVER *Charadrius hiaticula*

Roosting birds occasionally at high tide from January to mid-March peaked at 46 January 18th and again later in the year from mid-October to December peaking at 90 November 11th. Four pairs bred rearing no young. Autumn passage July 17th to November 8th, max. 62 south September 17th.

Monthly totals were:-													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
N+out	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	4	0	
S+in	1	0	0	0	1	0	5	57	85	32	1	0	

DOTTEREL *Charadrius dubius*

One August 23rd (J.Zantboer). Ninth site record.

GOLDEN PLOVER *Pluvialis apricaria*.

One January 2nd. In autumn 109 in/south, one out plus six singles on the reserve July 6th to December 8th, max. 45 south November 12th.

GREY PLOVER *Pluvialis squatarola*

In spring one south May 22nd. Autumn passage July 17th to December 8th plus a later bird 31st, max. 20 south August 16th. Singles on the beach January 2nd to 6th & November 22nd.

Monthly totals were:-													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
N	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	
IN/S	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	44	54	20	15	3	

LAPWING *Vanellus vanellus*

Seven south January 8th. Singles noted in spring on the reserve March 12th, 14th, April 10th, May 6th & one south 8th. One May 20th preceded the main autumn passage with singles on the reserve June 11th, 28th, July 4th, three 9th, singles 12th, 22nd, August 31st, two September 23rd, one 27th, one south 30th, 11 south October 9th with later movements November 3rd to 30th, max. 48 north 41 in off 6th. A later bird flew south December 16th.

Monthly totals were:-													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
N	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75	0	
IN/S	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	11	81	1	

KNOT *Calidris canutus*

325 south January 14th was unusual. In spring 12 north May 3rd, three south 8th, one south 10th, one south 28th & one south 30th. Autumn passage August 7th to December 11th, max. 185 south November 4th.

Monthly totals were:-													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
S	325	0	0	0	6	0	0	11	97	45	219	5	

SANDERLING *Calidris alba*

Up to five January to March 21st plus six April 12th, two May 7th, one 9th, eight 12th, one 14th & five south 28th. In autumn six south July 17th, one south August 11th, three 24th, three south October 9th, two south 24th, 11 south 25th, five south

26th, three south November 11th & six south 12th. Up to two were on the beach December 7th to 13th.

CURLEW SANDPIPER *Calidris ferruginea*

Two south August 8th, two south 25th, six south 27th, one south September 7th & one south 9th.

PURPLE SANDPIPER *Calidris maritima*

Up to three occasionally present January 3rd to April 10th. One August 27th to 29th, two September 27th & 28th & up to three noted occasionally October 18th to December 24th.

DUNLIN *Calidris alpina*

Three south February 27th & one south March 10th preceded spring passage April 5th to May 22nd. Four south June 18th & two south 25th preceded autumn passage July 17th to December 17th, max. 1338 south November 4th. Singles were on the shore August 27th, September 13th, October 8th & five 23rd.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	0	13	11	0	0	0	0	0	12	0
S+in	0	3	1	94	6	6	21	60	347	820	1596	7

RUFF *Philomachus pugnax*

One in off August 24th & eight south 25th.

JACK SNIPE *Lymnocyptes minimus*

One south November 4th.

SNIPE *Gallinago gallinago*

None in spring. A total of six in autumn September 30th to December 8th, max. two October 9th.

WOODCOCK *Scolopax rusticola*

Spring singles February 18th, 22nd & March 19th. In autumn singles October 9th, 24th & 14 noted November 5th to November 13th, max. seven November 6th.

BLACK-TAILED GODWIT *Limosa limosa*

Two south June 25th.

BAR-TAILED GODWIT *Limosa lapponica*

In spring one south April 5th, seven south 19th & a total of 956 north 28th to May 2nd, max. 866 north May 1st. One south May 28th & three north June 4th. Autumn passage June 10th to December 13th, max. 26 south August 13th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	0	0	0	52	904	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
S	0	0	0	8	1	8	16	49	13	16	3	7

WHIMBREL *Numenius phaeopus*

In spring a total of 52 noted April 13th to May 25th. max. 12 north May 1st. In autumn a total of 52 noted June 10th to September 13th, max. 16 south August 6th.

CURLEW *Numenius arquata*

Spring passage February 11th to May 11th, max. 52 out/north April 19th. Two on the reserve May 4th. Autumn passage May 22nd to December 18th, max. 70 south June 13th. Singles on the reserve August 23rd, November 8th & 11th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
E+N	0	3	9	107	3	0	3	0	0	0	3	0
IN/S	0	6	4	4	8	325	75	10	27	39	19	2

COMMON SANDPIPER *Tringa hypoleucos*

Singles May 13th & July 30th.

GREENSHANK *Tringa nebularia*

11 north April 30th. In autumn five singles south July 28th to August 30th.

REDSHANK *Tringa totanus*

Three January 1st, singles 2nd, 3rd & 14th. Spring singles March 22nd, south April 13th & south May 13th. Autumn passage July 1st to September 17th plus later singles November 6th, 11th & 17th, max. 34 south September 17th. One on the reserve July 10th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
S+in	0	0	0	1	1	0	12	23	43	0	2	0

TURNSTONE *Arenaria interpres*

Last seen in spring June 6th apart from six south June 24th. In autumn noted from August 7th. Peak movement eight south October 26th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	0	0	0	7	4	1	0	0	0	2	4	1
S	0	0	2	0	1	6	0	19	9	18	10	7
MAX ON	13	8	14	9	5	0	0	1	2	6	15	10

GREY PHALAROPE *Phalaropus fulicarius*

One October 6th (N.Odin) & one south 9th (P.Oldfield, N.Odin. E.W.Patrick).

POMARINE SKUA *Stercorarius pomarinus*

One January 15th. A total of four north, nine south & two offshore noted on ten dates September 10th to November 29th, max. four south September 10th. In December singles noted on ten dates to 31st.

ARCTIC SKUA *Stercorarius parasiticus*

Three north May 1st. Two offshore June 5th. In autumn a total of 41 noted August 23rd to November 23rd, max. 16 south September 10th.

LONG-TAILED SKUA *Stercorarius longicaudus*

Singles south September 16th & October 22nd.

GREAT SKUA *Stercorarius skua*

One south April 2nd. In autumn a total of 49 noted August 26th to November 29th, max. 17 October 13th & 12 on 24th.

SKUA Sp.

Two south September 16th.

MEDITERRANEAN GULL *Larus melanocephalus*

Present all year, max. 14 October 13th. Juveniles noted from July 10th.

Monthly max:-

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
7	9	7	5	8	2	5	4	11	14	11	7

COMMON GULL *Larus canus*

Present all year although very few noted early June to early September, max. 8,000 February 6th early in the year & later on 750 December 20th. Only very small numbers noted moving at passage times, max. 184 north May 1st.

LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL *Larus fuscus*

Noted all year except December although only in very small numbers early & late in the year. Very common all summer from mid-March to mid-November due to nesting in the adjoining docks.

YELLOW-LEGGED GULL *Larus michahellis*

First-winter September 9th.

HERRING GULL *Larus argentatus*

Present all year due to nesting in the adjoining docks. 3,500 February 18th & 26th were the largest counts early in the year & 1,500 December 30th later on. Some small offshore movement is noted in the migration periods. An albino noted May 11th.

GREAT BLACK-BACKED GULL *Larus marinus*

Present all year although few present in the summer months, max. 150 February 6th & December 27th.

LITTLE GULL *Hydrocoloeus minutus*

13 out April 15th & three out then north 19th. A first summer May 12th to 14th. In autumn one south August 24th, three south 25th, 15 south October 14th, one north November 8th, one south 9th & one offshore 12th.

BLACK-HEADED GULL *Chroicocephalus ridibundus*

Present all year with a peak count of 1,250 February 18th. Spring movements noted April 3rd to 17th plus 13 south May 20th, max. 1,340 south April 3rd. Juveniles noted from July 13th. Autumn passage from at least July 25th with three figure southerly movements of 217 September 18th, 180 October 2nd, 168 9th, 240 13th, 176 14th, 152 16th, 168 20th & 127 21st.

KITTIWAKE *Rissa tridactyla*

Early in the year noted up to February 28th, max. 30 January 28th. A total of six north seven south noted April 27th to May 14th. One south August 5th. One north September 12th, two north 16th with ten north five south two on noted October 5th to November 10th. More regular November 25th to years end, max. 45 December 25th.

LITTLE TERN *Sterna albifrons*

Noted April 20th to July 27th plus one south September 11th, max. 90 May 22nd with the largest movement 44 north one out May 4th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	0	10	75	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
S+in	0	0	0	0	11	1	1	0	1	0	0	0

BLACK TERN *Chlidonias niger*

In spring three north April 22nd, two north May 1st, four north 4th & one north 20th. In autumn five south August 23rd, 14 on then south 24th & six south September 10th.

SANDWICH TERN *Sterna sandvicensis*

Noted April 16th to October 29th with a peak count of 14 north ten south September 16th. Small numbers occasionally feed offshore & in the river mouth, max. 17 August 25th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	0	18	12	32	17	37	41	2	0	0
S+in	0	0	0	0	9	11	12	24	66	5	0	0

COMMON TERN *Sterna hirundo*

Noted April 9th to October 23rd max. 107 north April 28th, 270 north 30th, 321 north May 1st & 117 north 4th. Up to 40 birds noted offshore throughout the period with 104 May 12th, 48 13th, 66 27th & 58 July 27th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	0	476	632	7	28	59	14	19	0	0
S+in	0	0	0	7	19	4	21	163	205	32	0	0
MAX ON	0	0	0	14	104	23	58	30	28	8	0	0

ARCTIC TERN *Sterna paradisaea*

In spring a total of 120 out and north one on April 19th to May 12th, max. 58 north May 4th. In autumn a total of two north 16 south two on August 23rd to October 24th, max, four south October 9th & four south 18th.

ROSEATE TERN *Sterna dougallii*

One south August 23rd (J.Zantboer).

GUILLEMOT *Uria aalge*

Noted on six dates September 16th to November 9th, max. seven north November 7th. Up to two noted on 11 dates November 26th to December 29th.

RAZORBILL *Alca torda*

One north June 4th, one south August 25th, one north October 9th, one north 12th & one north 13th..

LITTLE AUK *Alle alle*

One south October 29th, one north November 7th, one north one out three offshore 8th, one offshore December 4th & one north 8th.

PUFFIN *Fratercula arctica*

Singles north November 7th (N.Odin *et al*), 8th (E.Lucking) & 9th (W.J.Brame, E.W.Patrick, J.Zantboer *et al*). Sixth to eighth site records.

AUK Sp.

Singles north November 6th & south 30th.

FERAL PIGEON *Columba livia*

Present all year with peak counts of 30 July 31st & October 28th.

STOCK DOVE *Columba oenas*

One or two noted on 16 dates January 10th to June 29th plus two south March 22nd & two south May 4th. One August 12th, one October 19th, two south 30th & singles November 6th, 7th, 22nd & December 16th.

WOODPIGEON *Columba palumbus*

Up to 30 present all year except for 67 October 31st, 150 November 6th & 75 12th. At least ten pairs bred. A total of 347 south noted on six dates March 21st to May 19th, max. 123 south April 7th, 126 south 8th. In autumn three south September 18th and a total of 67 south on four dates October 15th to 26th plus five later birds south November 21st, max. 47 south October 15th.

COLLARED DOVE *Streptopelia decaocto*

Present all year with three pairs nesting. Extra birds are often present on site peaking at eight April 24th, May 1st and 31st & up to ten end June to early August with locally bred offspring.

TURTLE DOVE *Streptopelia turtur*

One August 31st.

CUCKOO *Cuculus canorus*

None in spring. Adults noted on seven dates June 21st to 29th and juveniles July 21st, August 5th & 13th to 15th.

BARN OWL *Tyto alba*

One November 5th.

LITTLE OWL *Athene noctua*

Present all year with one pair rearing four young.

LONG-EARED OWL *Asio otus*

Singles November 13th & 18th.

SHORT-EARED OWL *Asio flammeus*

One March 20th. In autumn a total of 27 noted on 12 dates October 4th to November 20th, max. 11 October 13th. A record year.

ASIO OWL Sp.

Singles October 11th, 16th, 19th & November 3rd.

SWIFT *Apus apus*

Noted April 30th to September 13th, max. 534 south July 18th & 111 south 29th.

Small numbers occasionally feed on site, max. 15 June 15th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
IN/N	0	0	0	1	5	6	19	0	0	0	0	0
S	0	0	0	0	146	143	800	87	29	0	0	0

PALLID SWIFT *Apus pallidus*

One south October 31st (W.J.Brame, P.Oldfield, O.R.Slessor). First site record.

WRYNECK *Jynx torquilla*

Singles April 13th & September 16th.

GREEN WOODPECKER *Picus viridis*

Singles on nine dates July 29th to August 20th.

GREAT SPOTTED WOODPECKER *Dendrocopos major*

Singles on nine dates June 26th to October 15th.

MAGPIE *Pica pica*

Present all year with two pairs nesting rearing four & three young declining to three and two young by October. Spring max. 12 April 7th & a max. of 14 October 2nd later in the year.

JAY *Garrulus glandarius*

Singles April 8th, 19th & two May 11th.

JACKDAW *Corvus monedula*

In spring a total of two north 24 south 11 on site on 16 dates February 27th to June 1st, max. seven south March 11th & six south 21st. In autumn a total of 12 south seven on site on 11 dates September 4th to October 30th, max. three south October 2nd.

NORDIC JACKDAW *Corvus monedula monedula*

One March 29th to 30th (P.J.Holmes, G.J.Jobson, P.Oldfield *et al*). Second site record.

ROOK *Corvus frugilegus*

Spring passage totals of eight north 22 south on 12 dates March 16th to May 12th. In autumn 14 south on nine dates October 13th to November 23rd, max. three south November 12th.

CARRION CROW *Corvus corone*

Present all year. Two pairs nested in the near adjoining docks rearing three & two young. Intruders occasionally turn up on site and are soon seen off by the locals with a spring max of ten March 9th and nine September 23rd & October 11th in autumn. Four north January 31st preceded spring passage movements of five north 57 south plus four in off on 20 dates February 27th to May 19th, max. 12 south April 3rd. Visible movements in autumn were four south October 2nd, seven south 14th & eight south 16th.

GOLDCREST *Regulus regulus*

Spring passage March 12th to April 3rd, max. 12 March 26th. Autumn passage September 10th to November 17th, max. 14 October 14th.

FIRECREST *Regulus ignicapilla*

Spring passage March 2nd to April 15th, max. three April 5th. In autumn one September 14th then noted October 24th to November 11th with one bird lingering to 18th, max. two October 25th & November 11th.

BLUE TIT *Cyanistes caeruleus*

Present all year with one pair nesting. Five birds from previous years survived the winter. Spring passage March 1st to April 15th, max. seven March 23rd. First juvenile June 2nd with dispersing juveniles turning up on site from elsewhere May 28th & June 10th to July 8th plus a later bird 29th. Autumn passage August 19th to October 25th, max. 12 September 18th.

GREAT TIT *Parus major*

Present all year with three pairs breeding. 11 birds from previous years survived the winter. Spring passage February 28th to April 15th, max. 25 March 13th. First juveniles from May 28th with dispersing juveniles turning up on site from elsewhere June to July 31st, max. 15 June 3rd to 16th. Autumn passage September 2nd to October 31st, max. ten September 18th.

COAL TIT *Periparus ater britannicus*

Two June 14th, three 20th & two 23rd.

WOODLARK *Lullula arborea*

Singles October 12th to 13th & 19th.

SKYLARK *Alauda arvensis*

Singles noted on site on five dates January 1st to 19th. Spring passage at least February 8th to May 8th, max. seven February 21st & 24th. One north April 2nd. Autumn passage September 28th to December 2nd plus a later bird on 17th, max. 116 in/south October 9th with up to four grounded on 16 dates plus nine north on two dates.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
IN/S	0	1	5	1	1	0	0	0	2	700	147	2

SHORELARK *Eremophila alpestris*

Two January 1st & 3rd, four February 11th, one 12th, three April 17th to 19th with one remaining to May 5th. In autumn one October 25th.

SAND MARTIN *Riparia riparia*

In spring a total of 31 noted April 7th to May 26th, max. one north 11 south April 7th. In autumn a total of four north 627 south June 21st to October 5th, max. 68 south September 9th.

SWALLOW *Hirundo rustica*

Noted from March 28th to November 26th. Spring passage noted up to at least June 29th, max. 126 south May 9th & 12th. One pair bred in the caravan site just outside the recording area largely accounting for small numbers occasionally loitering on site, max. nine July 1st & 3rd. Autumn passage from at least July 11th, max. 1394 south September 13th & 1086 south 14th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	0	0	1	31	4	2	0	1	0	3	0	0
IN/S	0	0	0	234	1125	32	99	3068	8798	548	12	0

RED-RUMPED SWALLOW *Cecropis daurica*

One south May 14th (M.Angliss). Seventh site record.

HOUSE MARTIN *Delichon urbicum*

Noted April 3rd to June 29th & July 29th to November 19th. The peak movement was 883 south September 18th. Small numbers occasionally loiter on site.

		Monthly totals were:-											
		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0
S+in		0	0	0	2	124	14	8	145	2938	633	4	0

LONG-TAILED TIT *Aegithalos caudatus*

One January 2nd, four 14th, three 30th & six February 3rd. Spring movements on 27 dates March 1st to May 24th included sightings of nest building in April & May, max. ten March 20th. Autumn passage on six dates September 30th to October 31st, max. nine October 21st.

YELLOW-BROWED WARBLER *Phylloscopus inornatus*

Four singles October 9th to 11th, 16th, 24th to 25th & 26th.

CHIFFCHAFF *Phylloscopus collybita*

Spring passage March 13th to June 15th, max. 30 April 6th. Seven dispersing juveniles turned up June 14th to July 4th. Autumn passage September 3rd to November 24th, max. 50 September 25th.

EASTERN CHIFFCHAFF *Phylloscopus collybita tristis*

Singles November 6th (P.J.Holmes, N.Odin, P.Oldfield *et al*) & 8th (P.Oldfield).

WILLOW WARBLER *Phylloscopus trochilus*

Spring passage March 30th to May 30th plus a later bird June 15th, max. 40 April 6th. Autumn passage July 25th to September 15th, max. 30 September 9th.

NORTHERN WILLOW WARBLER *Phylloscopus trochilus acredula*

One June 8th (N.Odin, O.R.Slessor *et al*).

BLACKCAP *Sylvia atricapilla*

Spring passage March 30th to May 30th with later singles June 16th, 20th & 21st, max. 12 April 6th. Males July 20th & 23rd were unseasonal. Three dispersing juveniles turned up June 20th, 25th & 26th with occasional sightings of these birds to mid-August. Autumn passage August 24th to November 11th, max. 25 September 14th.

GARDEN WARBLER *Sylvia borin*

Singles in spring April 21st, May 10th & June 8th. Autumn passage August 16th to September 27th, max. two August 19th, 26th & September 7th.

LESSER WHITETHROAT *Sylvia curruca*

Spring passage April 16th to June 23rd, max. six April 25th. Three pairs bred with juveniles noted from July 8th. Autumn passage August 9th to October 2nd, max. five September 9th & 10th.

WHITETHROAT *Sylvia communis*

Spring passage April 11th to June 1st plus a later bird 16th, max. eight April 25th, May 8th & 10th. Five pairs bred with limited success & juveniles noted from June 7th to July 1st. Autumn passage from at least July 23rd to October 17th, max. 14 September 14th.

BOOTED WARBLER *Iduna caligata*

One October 16th (P.J.Holmes *et al*). First site record.

SEDGE WARBLER *Acrocephalus schoenobaenus*

Singles April 26th, July 15th, 19th, August 4th, 17th & 19th.

REED WARBLER *Acrocephalus scirpaceus*

In spring singles noted on 11 dates May 10th to June 26th with three May 20th & two June 20th. A later bird present July 12th. In autumn singles noted on ten dates July 21st to September 22nd with two September 13th.

WAXWING *Bombycilla garrulus*

One January 20th & 12 south February 8th.

TREECREEPER *Certhia familiaris*

Singles June 22nd & July 4th.

SHORT-TOED TREECREEPER *Certhia brachydactyla*

One March 24th to April 6th (N.Odin, O.R.Slessor *et al*). First site record.

WREN *Troglodytes troglodytes*

At least six birds over wintered surviving from previous year. Spring passage negligible March 15th to April 24th plus a later bird May 25th. Two pairs bred with juveniles appearing from May 31st. Dispersing juveniles from elsewhere turned up on site from June to August 14th. Autumn passage September 13th to November 18th, max. eight October 30th, November 1st & 2nd. At least six birds were attempting to winter later in the year.

STARLING *Sturnus vulgaris*

Present all year with two pairs nesting. The spring max. was 70 March 18th. First juveniles noted May 12th. Summer peak of 1,200 August 6th. Visible movements in autumn October 14th to November 23rd with a total of 600 north 2926 in off the sea or flying south, max. 842 in off/south November 1st.

RING OUZEL *Turdus torquatus*

In spring singles April 15th & 16th. In autumn September 28th, October 9th & two November 6th.

BLACKBIRD *Turdus merula*

At least 19 males 12 females survived the winter. Present all year with 12 to 13 pairs nesting but with very low productivity due to drought. Spring passage February 20th to June 9th, max. 30 March 14th. First juveniles noted from May 11th with dispersing juveniles turning up on site from end May to August 14th plus a later bird September 5th. Autumn passage September 25th to November 28th, max. 1,000+ November 6th.

FIELDFARE *Turdus pilaris*

Up to four noted on five dates in January plus 50 on 9th. Spring passage February 12th to April 11th, max. three March 30th. Autumn passage October 8th to December 2nd, max. 120 November 6th. Later singles noted December 23rd & 27th.

SONG THRUSH *Turdus philomelos*

At least two over wintered with a new bird turning up January 21st. Spring passage March 1st to April 15th, max. five April 15th. One pair bred at the northern end of the recording area. Dispersing juveniles turned up on site May 15th, June 17th, 20th, July 8th & 21st. Autumn passage September 29th to November 23rd, max. 100 October 9th & 200+ November 6th.

REDWING *Turdus iliacus*

One January 2nd, two 3rd & two February 11th. Spring passage February 25th to April 25th, max. 16 March 30th. Autumn passage October 3rd to November 18th, max. 40 October 13th & 150 November 6th. A later bird noted December 17th.

MISTLE THRUSH *Turdus viscivorus*

In spring singles on five dates March 1st to 7th. In autumn singles on four dates October 29th to November 8th plus two November 9th.

SPOTTED FLYCATCHER *Muscicapa striata*

Spring passage May 8th to June 1st, max. two May 18th. Autumn passage August 22nd to September 22nd, max. two August 24th.

ROBIN *Erithacus rubecula*

At least nine birds successfully over-wintered on site. Spring passage February 22nd to May 19th, max. nine March 30th. Three pairs bred. First juveniles noted May 10th with dispersing juveniles turned up on site from the end of May onwards blending into

autumn passage to November 20th, max. 60 October 13th & 50 November 8th. At least 15 were attempting to winter on site later in the year.

NIGHTINGALE *Luscinia megarhynchos*

Singles July 31st to August 1st & August 3rd.

RED-FLANKED BLUETAIL *Phoenicurus ochruros*

One November 14th (O.R.Slessor *et al*). Second site record.

BLACK REDSTART *Phoenicurus ochruros*

Spring passage March 13th to April 25th, max. three March 28th & 30th. A later male present July 10th. In autumn singles noted on 28 dates August 1st to November 28th.

REDSTART *Phoenicurus phoenicurus*

Spring passage of up to two birds on four dates April 4th to 11th plus a later bird May 9th. Autumn passage August 19th to September 28th, max. three August 23rd & 24th.

WHINCHAT *Saxicola rubetra*

Spring singles May 11th & 25th. Autumn passage August 13th to September 29th, max. three September 9th.

STONECHAT *Saxicola torquata*

Singles March 9th & October 1st.

WHEATEAR *Oenanthe oenanthe*

One March 9th preceded the main spring passage March 25th to May 20th plus a later bird June 6th to 10th, max. 30 April 16th. Juveniles turned up June 29th to July 1st, 11th & 21st preceding autumn passage July 31st to November 10th, max. 40 September 9th.

PIED FLYCATCHER *Ficedula hypoleuca*

None in spring. Autumn passage August 13th to 28th plus a later bird September 22nd, max. two August 23rd.

DUNNOCK *Prunella modularis*

At least 24 birds successfully survived the winter with the oldest ringed in September 2005. Present all year with at least ten pairs nesting. Spring passage very poor March 1st to April 4th plus a later bird May 4th. The first juveniles noted May 13th. Many dispersing juveniles turned up on site from then to August 5th. Autumn passage poor September 9th to November 5th. Visible passage of two south October 9th & one south 17th.

HOUSE SPARROW *Passer domesticus*

Present all year with at least five pairs nesting at the cottage. The years peak count was 80 roosting August 17th.

TREE SPARROW *Passer montanus*

Spring singles April 16th & 18th. Autumn passage August 21st to November 1st, max. 12 south one present September 9th & 12 south 14th.

YELLOW WAGTAIL *Motacilla flava*

A total of four north 23 south plus ten on site April 7th to May 14th, max. two north four south one on April 24th. Autumn passage totals of seven north 169 south one in 21 on site July 4th to October 7th, max. 38 south September 9th, 36 south 14th.

BLUE-HEADED WAGTAIL *M.f.flava*

One May 11th.

ITALIAN WAGTAIL *M.f.cinero-capilla*

One May 10th to 11th showed characteristics of this race (N.Odin *et al*) but may have been a Grey-headed Wagtail *M.f.thunbergi*.

GREY WAGTAIL *Motacilla cinerea*

In spring one south then in March 8th. A summer record of one south June 28th. Autumn totals of 55 south two on site August 29th to November 5th, max. six south September 30th. A later bird noted December 26th.

PIED WAGTAIL *Motacilla alba*

Present all year although with fewer records early & late in the year. One pair nested in the nearby docks and these local birds account for many records. Spring passage negligible. In autumn singles south July 31st & August 16th preceded a total of 339 south August 30th to November 25th, max. 22 south October 7th.

WHITE WAGTAIL *M.a.alba*

Singles March 14th, 23rd & April 8th.

RICHARD'S PIPIT *Anthus richardi*

One south October 1st (D.T.Langlois, E.Lucking, N.Odin *et al*). Tenth site record.

TAWNY PIPIT *Anthus campestris*

One south September 24th (N.Odin *et al*).

TREE PIPIT *Anthus trivialis*

None in spring. In autumn 15 noted August 14th to October 16th, max. two September 7th, 9th, 14th & 17th.

MEADOW PIPIT *Anthus pratensis*

Seen all year, six pairs bred. Spring passage February 24th to mid-April, max. 22 in off April 7th. First juvenile noted April 25th. Breeding success poor. Autumn passage September 7th to December 10th, max. 1,238 south September 9th & 875 south 14th and of grounded migrants 80 September 28th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IN/S	0	0	8	22	0	0	0	0	3619	700	124	1
Max On	3	7	20	20	12	10	12	10	80	30	15	1

ROCK PIPIT *Anthus petrosus*

In spring one March 18th, one south 21st. In autumn a total of 22 south 16 on site September 24th to December 2nd, max. six south one on October 12th.

CHAFFINCH *Fringilla coelebs*

Present all year. Up to six noted on site early in the year. A new bird February 17th preceded spring passage March 5th to May 17th plus a later new adult June 8th, max. 15 March 19th. Visible movements of one south March 6th, five south 31st, 19 south April 1st, seven north 20th & one south 29th. Two pairs bred with juveniles noted from June 15th & dispersing juveniles from elsewhere the next day onwards. Autumn passage September 3rd to December 1st with a total of 1478 south/in off the sea during this period, max. 109 south September 22nd & 138 south October 17th. Autumn max. of grounded birds was ten on four dates. Up to three noted on site in December.

BRAMBLING *Fringilla montifringilla*

In spring singles on seven dates March 22nd to April 12th plus two April 21st. Autumn passage totals of seven in/south & 43 on site September 23rd to November 18th, max. four October 20th.

SERIN *Serinus serinus*

Singles March 16th (D.T.Langlois, N.Odin *et al*), April 20th (P.Oldfield, E.W.Patrick) & June 12th (N.Odin).

GREENFINCH *Carduelis chloris*

Present all year. Two pairs nested with several additional pairs nearby. Juveniles first noted May 20th. In spring visible migration almost non-existent with the highest spring count 11 on February 20th, ten south March 13th, ten on 20th. Up to 30 birds fed on site end-May to mid July & up to 40 from then until the end of August. Visible migration totals in autumn of 885 south September 9th to November 11th, max. 162 south October 17th. Up to 20 birds fed on site in October & November.

GOLDFINCH *Carduelis carduelis*

Present all year in small numbers with at least one pair nesting nearby just outside the recording area. Visible migration in spring totalled 288 south February 27th to May 20th, max. 63 south May 8th. In autumn visible passage of four south July 20th, one south August 10th, two south 30th preceded totals of 16,226 south September 8th to December 17th, max. 1490 south October 12th, 1175 south 19th, 1043 south 21st, 1022 south 26th with an autumn max. of grounded birds 30 September 11th & October 24th.

SISKIN *Carduelis spinus*

In spring a total of 21 south one on March 11th to April 1st plus four south May 6th, max. nine south April 1st. In autumn a total of seven north 1793 in/south six on September 9th to November 12th, max. 352 south September 14th, 284 south October 12th. In December six south 6th, two south 10th & two south 26th.

LINNET *Carduelis cannabina*

Up to eight noted in January, two February 1st, one 14th, one 26th & daily from March 1st. Spring visible migration totals of 30 south April 3rd to May 6th. An estimated 30 to 40 pairs nested with several more nearby. First juveniles noted May 19th. Up to 80 were regularly on site end-April to end-July with up to 100 on site in August increasing to 168 September 17th numbers declining end-October onwards. In autumn a total of 1185 south September 14th to November 13th, max. 167 south October 12th. Five later birds flew south December 2nd. Numbers on site dwindled out in November with a December max. of nine 27th.

COMMON REDPOLL *Carduelis flammea*

Two March 22nd. In autumn singles October 16th, 31st, five November 1st & two 16th.

LESSER REDPOLL *Carduelis cabaret*

In spring singles on five dates March 23rd to April 20th plus two March 24th. In autumn a total of 1092 noted September 14th to November 26th, max. 196 south October 19th.

CROSSBILL *Loxia curvirostra*

A total of 190 noted May 10th to August 24th & 21 October 8th to 19th, max. 38 south July 24th.

SNOW BUNTING *Plectrophenax nivalis*

One January 31st & one on four dates February 17th to 24th. In autumn noted from November 7th to December 22nd, max. 15 November 21st, 27th & 28th.

LAPLAND BUNTING *Calcarius lapponicus*

Singles March 13th, 22nd, October 27th & November 17th.

YELLOWHAMMER *Emberiza citrinella*

One south January 24th. In spring one south March 8th, one south 29th & one on April 23rd. None in autumn.

REED BUNTING *Emberiza schoeniclus*

In spring singles March 14th, 21st & 23rd. In autumn totals of 66 south one in nine on site September 22nd to November 13th, max. ten south October 7th. A later bird noted December 10th.

CORN BUNTING *Emberiza calandra*

One April 17th.

ESCAPEES

COCKATIEL *Nymphicus hollandicus*

One August 22nd.

BUDGERIGAR *Melopsittacus undulatus*

Singles September 18th & October 1st.

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