

MAMMALS AT LANDGUARD

2011

This is a summary of casual records collected at Landguard Bird Observatory for the Landguard recording area in 2011. Many sightings, particularly of common species, go undocumented & the species list and dates should be treated as an absolute minimum.

HEDGEHOG *Erinaceus europaeus*

One dead View Point Road by Customs May 28th.

RABBIT *Oryctolagus cuniculus*

Abundant.

GREY SQUIRREL *Sciurus carolinensis*

Singles May 22nd, 31st, June 2nd, 13th, 14th & 20th.

BROWN RAT *Rattus norvegicus*

Singles May 21st, 26th, 27th (dead View Point Road), June 27th & August 29th (dead aggregate yard).

RED FOX *Vulpes vulpes*

One July 31st. Fresh diggings at an existing sett in November.

WEASEL *Mustela nivalis*

One January 4th. Singles seen regularly March 11th to May 14th, October 4th & 25th to November 15th.

COMMON SEAL *Phoca vitulina*

Singles noted on 17 dates March 10th to November 9th.

GREY SEAL *Halichoerus grypus*

Singles noted on 36 dates in all months except January.

SEAL Sp.

Noted on five dates, including 35 on Cork Sands May 20th & 40 on Cork Sands December 31st.

MUNTJAC *Muntiacus reevesi*

Singles on five dates May 4th to June 1st & three dates August 19th to 29th.

HARBOUR PORPOISE *Phocoena phocoena*

Two April 19th, one+ May 1st, one July 26th, two 29th, one dead (not fresh) on riverbank August 8th, one August 31st, one September 9th & one November 6th.

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