

DRAGONFLIES AT LANDGUARD

2016

The following is a summary of casual records collected at Landguard Bird Observatory for the whole of the Landguard recording area in 2016. Many sightings, particularly of common species, go undocumented and the species list and dates for first & last sightings should be treated as an absolute minimum.

WILLOW EMERALD DAMSELFLY

Singles August 10th, September 11th & 19th.

LARGE RED DAMSELFLY

Noted Butts pond May 13th to July 20th, max. 40+ May 17th. Also at Observatory & Helli ponds between the above dates, max. 10 Helli pond June 11th.

AZURE DAMSELFLY

Noted Butts Pond June 5th to August 1st, max. six August 1st.

COMMON BLUE DAMSELFLY

Singles Butts pond June 27th & August 4th.

BLUE-TAILED DAMSELFLY

Noted Butts pond June 6th to September 1st, max. seven August 12th.

MIGRANT HAWKER

Noted July 16th to October 22nd, max. 15 August 22nd. One in moth trap September 22nd.

SOUTHERN HAWKER

Noted July 4th to September 20th, max. two August 5th & 6th.

EMPEROR DRAGONFLY

Up to three noted on 23 dates July 10th to September 12th, with eight August 12th.

FOUR-SPOTTED CHASER

One May 15th.

COMMON DARTER

Noted July 6th to November 16th, max. five August 12th.

RUDDY DARTER

Singles Butts August 4th & 5th, in the Helli August 6th & in the observatory compound August 25th & 26th.

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