

# LANDGUARD BIRD OBSERVATORY

## SYSTEMATIC BIRD LIST 2019

**RED-LEGGED PARTRIDGE** *Alectoris rufa*

One January increasing to two March 22nd then three 27th to May 24th then up to two to July 9th then one to years end.

**PHEASANT** *Phasianus colchicus*

One January 9th (+head on tide line), one May 14th & one October 6th to 19th.

**BRENT GOOSE** *Branta bernicla*

Last noted in spring June 4th, max. 91 north, 17 south March 16th. First autumn record September 20th, max. 2450 south October 5th. Very small numbers occasionally sit on site or offshore.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	22	10	480	38	299	0	0	0	0	76	67	137
S+in	29	80	110	23	8	1	0	0	619	5611	772	371

**PALE-BELLIED BRENT GOOSE** *Branta bernicla hrota*

One south 16th September.

**CANADA GOOSE** *Branta canadensis*

One south March 22nd, one north April 6th, one west 12th, one west 18th, five north 28th, three on sea May 26th, six north two south June 2nd, 38 south 9th, 15 west 15th, one west July 11th, 40 west September 14th & two south 17th.

**BARNACLE GOOSE** *Branta leucopsis*

Noted March 5th to August 31st plus two south October 8th & five south 17th, max. 40 north March 5th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	48	7	15	6	0	75	0	0	0	0
S+in	0	0	28	7	5	19	0	15	0	7	0	0

**GREYLAG GOOSE** *Anser anser*

Local wanderers noted on 31 dates February 14th to July 3rd, max. two north, seven west, two out March 19th. Later on five west October 2nd, one south 3rd, two north one south 30th, one north four east November 21st & three north 30th.

**TUNDRA BEAN GOOSE** *Anser serrirostris*

One north November 21st.

**WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE** *Anser albifrons*

Two north November 26th.

**MUTE SWAN** *Cygnus olor*

Three north February 26th, one April 16th, two east 23rd, three north May 13th, one August 28th & one October 28th.

**WHOOPE SWAN** *Cygnus cygnus*

Two west October 27th & one west 28th.

**SHELDUCK** *Tadorna tadorna*

Small numbers noted moving offshore most of the year with prospecting on the reserve February 13th to July 19th by at least 24 birds. Two broods of one duckling June 12th & eight ducklings July 10th. The largest movement was 80 south December 28th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	1	7	6	14	4	45	13	5	14	0	2
S+in	30	18	33	19	24	8	5	12	30	163	78	156

**SHOVELER** *Spatula clypeata*

Four south September 9th, one south 20th, two south 25th, five south October 30th & three south December 29th.

**GADWALL** *Mareca strepera*

Noted in seven months, max. 13 north November 1st.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	15	0
S+in	0	0	0	3	0	0	2	0	0	9	2	7

**WIGEON** *Mareca penelope*

One south January 7th, one offshore 9th & two south February 1st. None in spring. Seven south July 26th & one south 31st. In autumn noted September 4th to December 31st, max. 14 north 203 south October 6th & 17 north 164 south December 28th.

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	2	69	29	24
S+in	1	2	0	0	0	0	8	0	395	902	251	330

**MALLARD** *Anas platyrhynchos*

Noted in ten months, max. four north, one west October 30th. Pair bred with female with ten young on observatory pond June 5th & 6th.

Monthly totals were:-

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

**PINTAIL** *Anas acuta*

Noted September 20th to December 29th, max. 14 south December 28th.

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	0	0	0	0
S+in	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	14	6	44

**TEAL** *Anas crecca*

Four south January 22nd & one south February 6th. Spring passage March 22nd to April 9th, max. four north April 9th. Autumn passage June 14th to December 29th, max. 252 south September 9th & 248 south December 28th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	2
S+in	4	1	2	0	0	3	78	103	519	386	103	530

**POCHARD** *Aythya ferina*

Eight south July 10th & one south December 29th.

**TUFTED DUCK** *Aythya fuligula*

Two south March 12th, two south 16th, four south May 9th & two south July 20th. Total of 23 south September 9th to December 1st, max. six south November 20th.

**SCAUP** *Aythya marila*

One south October 4th.

**EIDER** *Somateria mollissima*

One south March 9th, two north April 1st, three north 17th, two south 22nd, four 23rd, one June 23rd, two July 9th, ten north October 30th, nine south November 7th & two south December 28th.

**VELVET SCOTER** *Melanitta fusca*

Two south January 7th, one north April 25th, one south October 17th & one south November 27th.

**COMMON SCOTER** *Melanitta nigra*

Noted in all months. Peak count 43 north 70 south November 15th. Occasional singles or groups offshore max. 40 October 28th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	11	0	17	67	82	6	35	6	17	167	165	57
S+in	18	16	33	25	123	0	99	33	25	62	148	27

**LONG-TAILED DUCK** *Clangula hyemalis*

One south October 29th.

**GOLDENEYE** *Bucephala clangula*

Two south February 8th. In autumn one north six south November 6th to 27th plus later on one south December 20th & four south 28th.

**GOOSANDER** *Mergus merganser*

One south January 10th, three south 30th, one south March 2nd, one south October 8th, two south November 21st, one south 28th, one south December 8th & one south 28th.

**RED-BREASTED MERGANSER** *Mergus serrator*

One south February 8th. In spring one south March 7th & two south April 14th. In autumn one north 59 south October 7th to December 31st, max. eight south October 24th & six south December 28th.

**SWIFT** *Apus apus*

Noted May 2nd to October 2nd, max. 1,505 south June 8th. Small numbers also occasionally fed on site, max. 29 June 18th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
IN/N	0	0	0	0	7	108	250	3	1	1	0	0
S	0	0	0	0	29	1630	612	278	19	0	0	0

**CUCKOO** *Cuculus canorus*

Singles May 27th, June 15th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 25th, 27th, July 22nd & 31st.

**FERAL PIGEON** *Columba livia*

Present all year with peak count of 44 February 5th.

**STOCK DOVE** *Columba oenas*

One January 23rd. In spring singles March 5th, 9th, 18th & 20th. One May 19th & a dispersing juv June 4th. In autumn one October 10th & a total of 1,301 south 17th to 28th, max 1,100 south 20th plus later singles 29th & November 18th.

**WOODPIGEON** *Columba palumbus*

Up to 40 present all year. 12 to 15 pairs bred. 16 birds from previous years retrapped with the oldest from April 2011. In spring total of 29 north 83 south March 18th to April 21st, max. 37 south March 18th plus a later one south June 6th. Autumn total of 228 north 6,372 south October 10th to November 18th, max. 1,063 south October 17th & 3,821 20th.

**TURTLE DOVE** *Streptopelia turtur*

Singles May 31st, June 4th, 11th, August 22nd & September 13th.

**COLLARED DOVE** *Streptopelia decaocto*

Present all year with two pairs nesting with no success. Extra birds often present on site with max. day count eight August 28th.

**WATER RAIL** *Rallus aquaticus*

Singles January 29th & April 8th.

**MOORHEN** *Gallinula chloropus*

Singles April 18th & September 10th.

**GREAT CRESTED GREBE** *Podiceps cristatus*

Noted in all months except September, max. one north two on February 10th, three on May 9th & three south October 15th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
S+in	3	1	8	2	0	1	2	1	0	8	3	4
MAX ON	0	2	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	2

**STONE CURLEW** *Burhinus oedicephalus*

One April 3rd (N.Odin, C.Ryde *et al*). Fifth site record.

**OYSTERCATCHER** *Haematopus ostralegus*

Up to six on the reserve January to September. One pair bred in the adjoining dock rearing one young with another youngster flat on View Point Road just prior to fledging. Largest movements 34 south August 21st & 29th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	9	0	9	22	30	7	7	3	4	1	5	3
S+in	1	3	17	22	43	15	132	251	38	15	1	6

**AVOCET** *Recurvirostra avosetta*

One north April 22nd, one south May 9th, one south 27th, four south June 1st, two south 13th, four south September 21st, two south October 2nd, four north November 18th & one south 23rd.

**LAPWING** *Vanellus vanellus*

Noted in all months except February & May, max. 16 south November 9th. Up to six on the reserve on 20 dates.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
IN/S	0	0	1	0	0	0	13	0	0	3	21	0
TOTALS ON	1	0	1	0	0	2	6	1	0	1	6	1

**GOLDEN PLOVER** *Pluvialis apricaria*

In spring noted March 10th to April 9th. Autumn passage from July 31st, max. six south July 31st & August 7th. Singles on the reserve April 5th, 9th & August 3rd.

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	0	0	0	0
S+in	0	0	16	0	0	0	6	13	2	2	1	1

**GREY PLOVER** *Pluvialis squatarola*

Two south March 12th, two south 16th, two west May 18th plus singles on the beach March 21st & May 20th. Autumn passage July 29th to November 7th, max. 12 south July 31st.

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	1	0	0
IN/S	0	0	4	0	2	0	13	40	13	34	1	0

**RINGED PLOVER** *Charadrius hiaticula*

Breeding birds started returning February 5th. Four flew north May 17th & 25 north 21st. Six pairs bred rearing three young. Autumn passage at least July 31st to September 26th, max. four south September 9th. Roosting attempted on the beach at high tide on several November/December dates, max. 30 November 23rd.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	0	0	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
S+in	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	6	0	0	1
MAX ON	4	6	11	9	10	9	12	8	0	8	30	22

**LITTLE RINGED PLOVER** *Charadrius dubius*

One May 2nd.

**WHIMBREL** *Numenius phaeopus*

In spring a total of 87 noted April 11th to May 17th, max. seven north two south April 19th & 25th. In autumn a total of 117 noted July 9th to September 3rd, max. 26 south July 10th.

**CURLEW** *Numenius arquata*

One south January 22nd. Spring passage February 24th to May 9th, max. 29 north April 24th. Autumn passage May 28th to November 26th plus December 20th to 28th, max. 32 south June 14th. Additional birds are occasionally heard & not seen in the migration seasons.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
E+N	0	1	0	33	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	0
IN/S	1	0	2	10	4	122	89	12	5	7	6	6

**BAR-TAILED GODWIT** *Limosa lapponica*

Spring passage two south April 23rd & one north 25th. Autumn passage July 18th to September 24th, max. eight south September 4th.

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	0	0	0	0
S+in	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	9	9	0	0	0

**TURNSTONE** *Arenaria interpres*

Noted up to June 6th & from July 26th, max. 19 south August 16th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	5	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	2
S	0	0	9	5	3	0	15	36	14	0	2	2
MAX ON	3	1	3	2	0	4	0	2	1	7	3	1

**KNOT** *Calidris canutus*

14 south January 16th. One south March 16th. Autumn passage July 31st to November 11th, max. 33 south October 18th. One on the reserve August 26th to 27th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
S	14	0	1	0	0	0	2	23	29	47	27	0

**RUFF** *Calidris pugnax*

One south July 28th.

**SANDERLING** *Calidris alba*

Spring passage March 17th to June 3rd, max. 35 March 21st. Autumn passage July 29th to October 28th, max. five October 2nd.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S+in	0	0	4	0	3	0	0	2	4	6	0	0
MAX ON	0	0	35	1	2	4	4	1	2	5	0	0

**DUNLIN** *Calidris alpina*

One south February 10th. Spring passage March 2nd to June 8th, max. 19 south March 4th. Autumn passage July 12th to December 19th, max. 438 south October 18th. On the beach one March 2nd, one 17th, 15 21st, 15 July 12th, five August 11th, one September 11th, ten October 10th, 15 November 23rd & two December 22nd.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	4	0	16	0	0	3	0	0	10	0
S+in	0	1	44	10	21	4	11	55	129	812	17	3

**PURPLE SANDPIPER** *Calidris maritima*

One or two regular January 2nd to April 15th. In autumn two August 20th then noted irregularly September 10th to years end, max. three November 10th, 18th & December 27th.

**WOODCOCK** *Scolopax rusticola*

Singles January 8th & 18th. In spring singles on five dates March 20th to 31st. In autumn eight noted October 21st to December 15th, max. two October 29th.

**JACK SNIPE** *Lymnocyptes minimus*

One March 31st.

**SNIPE** *Gallinago gallinago*

In spring one March 25th, five north 28th, two south April 1st & one north 8th. In autumn 17 noted August 26th to November 22nd, max. four October 6th.

**COMMON SANDPIPER** *Actitis hypoleucos*

In spring four May 18th & one 20th. In autumn one July 24th, one 25th, six 28th, one 31st, one August 16th, one 20th & two September 18th.

**REDSHANK** *Tringa totanus*

None in spring. One north May 18th. Autumn passage June 13th to October 24th, max. 15 south August 19th. One heard June 13th & three heard August 12th going over.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S+in	0	0	0	0	0	1	8	30	15	3	0	0

**WOOD SANDPIPER** *Tringa glareola*

Singles July 27th & August 5th.

**GREENSHANK** *Tringa nebularia*

One heard April 25th, one north May 2nd & one north 7th. In autumn nine noted July 18th to September 3rd, max. three south July 27th.

**KITTIWAKE** *Rissa tridactyla*

Noted up to June 27th & from November 22nd, max. 68 January 13th early in the year & 87 south December 21st later on.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	0	0	2	5	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
S+in	45	51	2	1	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	135
MAX ON	68	10	4	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	18

**BLACK-HEADED GULL** *Chroicocephalus ridibundus*

Present all year with peak count 143 January 4th. Some movements all year with spring passage from at least February 25th, max. 112 south March 25th and in autumn from mid June, max. 435 south July 18th & 2,500 east 22 south August 23rd.

**LITTLE GULL** *Hydrocoloeus minutus*

One north February 1st, one 4th & one west April 28th.

**MEDITERRANEAN GULL** *Ichthyaetus melanocephalus*

Present all year, max. 35 south April 28th, seven south 12 on September 16th, 29 west 18th & 21 October 1st.

Monthly max:-

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
3	3	2	35	7	8	5	3	29	21	2	5

**COMMON GULL** *Larus canus*

Present all year although few records mid summer and none June 6th to July 9th, max. 500 January 17th early in the year & 37 later on December 28th. Only small numbers noted moving at passage times, max. 21 south March 25th in spring and in autumn two north 62 south October 5th & 65 south 24th.

**GREAT BLACK-BACKED GULL** *Larus marinus*

Present all year although few present in the summer months, max. 300 March 7th early in the year & 1,000 November 14th later on. Small numbers noted moving at passage times, max. 34 south October 15th.

**HERRING GULL** *Larus argentatus*

Present all year and nesting in the adjoining docks with one pair rearing three young on the museum roof. 432 flew south February 10th. Peak counts 1,200 March 7th in spring & later in the year 2,500 November 14th.

**YELLOW-LEGGED GULL** *Larus michahellis*

Singles April 28th, May 26th & August 17th.

**LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL** *Larus fuscus*

Noted all year although only in very small numbers early & late in the year. Nested in the adjoining docks. Count of 65 May 27th.

**SANDWICH TERN** *Thalasseus sandvicensis*

Noted April 14th to October 17th with peak movements 21 north May 8th & 35 north August 21st with max. on site 60 August 28th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	0	27	70	14	55	63	52	3	0	0
S+in	0	0	0	1	9	9	42	18	36	8	0	0
MAX ON	0	0	0	0	3	1	5	60	13	2	0	0

**LITTLE TERN** *Sternula albifrons*

Noted April 22nd to July 31st, max. 17 north April 22nd & peak offshore count 27 May 28th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	0	21	18	9	1	0	0	0	0	0
S+in	0	0	0	4	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MAX ON	0	0	0	0	27	5	8	0	0	0	0	0

**COMMON TERN** *Sterna hirundo*

Noted April 1st to September 29th, max. 95 north May 8th in spring & 26 south September 4th in autumn. The max. offshore was 30 July 28th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	0	19	173	18	95	40	3	0	0	0
S+in	0	0	0	11	19	14	52	32	35	0	0	0
MAX ON	0	0	0	0	18	10	30	20	2	0	0	0

**ARCTIC TERN** *Sterna paradisaea*

In spring 16 noted May 4th to 8th, max. five north May 8th. In autumn one north August 14th.

**BLACK TERN** *Chilidonias niger*

28 north May 8th, five north 9th & one north 17th.

**GREAT SKUA** *Stercorarius skua*

Early in the year singles January 1st & 12th. In March one 13th, two 15th, one 17th & one 21st. In autumn one south October 2nd & one north 2nd then noted on 11 dates November 26th to December 28th, max. four November 7th.

**POMARINE SKUA** *Stercorarius pomarinus*

Two south May 4th. Singles November 7th, December 9th & 12th.

**ARCTIC SKUA** *Stercorarius parasiticus*

One north May 5th. In autumn one north August 9th, one north 24th, one north September 20th, three south 21st, one north one south October 5th & one north 13th.

**LITTLE AUK** *Alle alle*

Three south November 6th, one north 20th & one north 22nd.

**GUILLEMOT** *Uria aalge*

Noted on 17 dates January to March 16th, max. six January 17th & 22nd. Later on noted on ten dates September 25th to December 23rd, max. four south December 6th.

**RAZORBILL** *Alca torda*

Singles April 29th, September 20th, October 15th, November 15th & December 9th.

**PUFFIN** *Fratercula arctica*

Singles north November 9th (W.J.Brame) & 15th (W.J.Brame, N.Odin *et al.*).

**AUK SP.**

Singles July 13th, October 23rd & November 23rd.

**RED-THROATED DIVER** *Gavia stellata*

Noted up to April 30th, May 29th & from September 16th, max. 142 north 35 south January 1st early on then five north 67 south December 19th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	424	32	138	20	1	0	0	0	2	16	27	189
S	194	43	44	11	0	0	0	0	1	12	59	148
MAX ON	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	6

**BLACK-THROATED DIVER** *Gavia arctica*

One south November 7th.

**GREAT NORTHERN DIVER** *Gavia immer*

Singles March 17th, south 22nd, north May 7th, south October 5th, south November 7th, north 14th, south 20th & south 24th.

**DIVER Sp.**

Singles south April 15th & north November 21st.

**FULMAR** *Fulmarus glacialis*

Noted on 60 dates January 17th to September 21st, max. four north four south April 27th. One south December 12th.

**STORM PETREL** *Hydrobates pelagicus*

One September 20th (W.J.Brame, T.Holland, E.W.Patrick *et al.*). Seventh site record.

**BALEARIC SHEARWATER** *Puffinus mauretanicus*

One north August 23rd (W.J.Brame, N.Odin, A.Wetherhill *et al.*). Fourth site record.

**GANNET** *Morus bassanus*

Noted in all months, max. 71 north March 31st & 73 south 13 offshore November 7th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	3	2	129	140	65	28	7	12	48	46	25	17
S	1	0	12	11	30	2	0	4	6	22	118	2
MAX ON	0	3	21	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	18	1

**SHAG** *Phalacrocorax aristotelis*

Singles January 4th, 16th, April 17th, October 24th, November 30th, December 10th, 16th, 28th & 29th.

**CORMORANT** *Phalacrocorax carbo*

Present all year, max. 3,400 out January 20th with numbers declining to three figures February 27th & double figures from March 19th except for 24 north 168 south April 28th. Numbers increasing again to three figures from October 15th & four figures from 20th, max. 3,678 out November 19th.

**SPOONBILL** *Platalea leucorodia*

Singles south September 28th & October 17th.

**GREY HERON** *Ardea cinerea*

Spring singles February 24th, March 26th, April 23rd & May 2nd. Total of 29 noted July 4th to October 27th, max. eight south September 20th.

**GREAT WHITE EGRET** *Ardea alba*



Three south September 5th (M.James, N.Odin *et al.*).

**LITTLE EGRET** *Egretta garzetta*

Total of nine noted April 12th to May 13th, max. four north May 13th. Total of 21 noted July 1st to October 20th, max. 11 south July 1st. Finally one south December 3rd.

**OSPREY** *Pandion haliaetus*

Singles south August 13th & 18th.

**SPARROWHAWK** *Accipiter nisus*

Singles on eight dates January to March 8th. Singles on 13 dates March 19th to May 4th with two April 28th. Up to two again August 7th to December 30th.

**MARSH HARRIER** *Circus aeruginosus*

One west January 17th, two south April 28th. Total of one north nine south August 15th to November 2nd, max. three south September 30th. Later on one south December 8th.

**BUZZARD** *Buteo buteo*

Two north March 29th, one west May 21st & three south October 27th.

**BARN OWL** *Tyto alba*

Singles September 18th, October 12th & 25th.

**LONG-EARED OWL** *Asio otus*

One October 18th.

**SHORT-EARED OWL** *Asio flammeus*

In spring one April 7th. In autumn singles October 13th, 14th & 21st.

**UNIDENTIFIED OWL**

One November 18th.

**HOOPOE** *Upupa epops*

One June 23rd (W.J.Brame, N.Odin, E.W.Patrick *et al.*). Sixth “modern” record.

**KINGFISHER** *Alcedo atthis*

One October 22nd.

**BEE-EATER** *Merops apiaster*

Two south June 24th (S.H.Piotrowski *et al.*). Sixth site record.

**GREAT SPOTTED WOODPECKER** *Dendrocopos major*

One January 24th. In autumn singles on 25 dates June 16th to October 27th plus two October 3rd.

**GREEN WOODPECKER** *Picus viridis*

Singles on eight dates July 23rd to September 30th plus two July 23rd & August 1st.

**KESTREL** *Falco tinnunculus*

Singles January 9th, February 28th, April 5th & May 19th. Dispersing juveniles from July 4th with up to two present to end October with one to the years end. In autumn one south August 23rd, one south 26th, one west October 1st, one south one west 15th.

**RED-FOOTED FALCON** *Falco vespertinus*

Juvenile September 13th (W.J.Brame, T.Holland, E.Lucking). Fourth site record.

**UNIDENTIFIED FALCON Sp.**

One flew out to sea May 2nd (W.J.Brame, N.Odin) was probably the above species.

**MERLIN** *Falco columbarius*

In spring singles April 2nd, 14th & 22nd. In autumn one October 2nd.

**HOBBY** *Falco subbuteo*

Singles May 10th, June 20th & 21st. Noted on 13 dates August 7th to October 6th, max. two September 3rd.

**PEREGRINE** *Falco peregrinus*

Pair present throughout the year nested at this end of the dock rearing one young to full size when it disappeared June 26th. Additionally immature male March 13th, immature August 18th, juvenile 21st, juvenile September 9th, immature October 6th & juvenile 19th.

**GREAT GREY SHRIKE** *Lanius excubitor*

One October 22nd.

**JAY** *Garrulus glandarius*

One June 11th. In autumn 12 noted October 3rd to 23rd, max. three 20th.

**MAGPIE** *Pica pica*

Present all year with four pairs nesting, two of these rearing four young. Spring max. 12 on several dates, summer peak 12 July 3rd with autumn max. 17 October 1st & 20th.

**JACKDAW** *Coloeus monedula monedula*

One showing characteristics of the nominate form October 23rd (W.J.Brame *et al.*).

**JACKDAW** *Coloeus monedula*

In spring total of eight north 14 south two on site February 16th to May 29th, max. five south February 28th. In autumn total of eight south six on site September 30th to October 25th, max. three south September 30th & October 25th.

**ROOK** *Corvus frugilegus*

In spring total of three north ten south March 4th to April 20th, max. three south March 17th & three north April 20th. In autumn two south October 3rd, ten south 17th, one south 20th & one south November 4th.

**CARRION CROW** *Corvus corone*

Present all year. Two pairs nested in the near adjoining dock with one pair rearing two & the other four young. Intruders occasionally turn up on site and are soon seen off by the locals. Spring max. of 21 March 23rd & 24 November 10th in autumn. Spring passage movements of 51 north 76 south five west February 24th to June 3rd, max. 17 south March 23rd. One south August 20th. Visible movement in autumn 18 north 20 south September 19th to November 15th, max. 15 north November 10th.

**COAL TIT** *Pariparus ater britannicus*

18 noted May 28th to July 13th, max. four June 23rd. In autumn 12 noted August 23rd to October 28th. A record year.

**BLUE TIT** *Cyanistes caeruleus*

Present all year with one pair nesting rearing five young. Six birds from previous years survived the winter, the oldest from June 2014. Three new birds January 1st was unusual. Spring passage February 11th to April 8th, max. four March 25th. First juvenile May 26th with dispersing juveniles from elsewhere June 5th to July 13th. Autumn passage was the largest since 1983 from August 15th to November 12th plus a later bird 24th, max. 22 September 19th.

**GREAT TIT** *Parus major*

Present all year with four pairs nesting. 14 birds from previous years survived the winter with the oldest from May 2014. Spring passage February 20th to April 9th, max. 12 March 20th. First juveniles May 19th with dispersing juveniles turning up on site from elsewhere from then to August 3rd, max. 20 May 29th & June 4th. Autumn passage September 12th to November 9th, max. 15 October 20th.

**BEARDED TIT** *Panurus biarmicus*

Two south 27th October (M.Ferris). Sixth site record.

**WOODLARK** *Lullula arborea*

In spring singles February 20th, April 6th & 9th. In autumn a record total of 32 south September 30th to October 20th, max ten south October 10th & 11 south 15th.

**SKYLARK** *Alauda arvensis*

One south January 1st. Spring passage February 6th to April 8th, max. two. Later spring singles May 29th, 30th & June 9th. Dispersing juveniles noted on ten dates June 25th to August 15th, max. three July 13th. Autumn passage September 26th to December 30th, max. 116 south October 17th with up to two grounded during this period.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	4	5	0
IN/S	1	9	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	391	58	19
MAX ON	0	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	2	0	0

**SHORE LARK** *Eremophila alpestris*

One October 28th (P.J.Holmes *et al.*).

**SAND MARTIN** *Riparia riparia*

Spring total of six noted April 18th to May 18th. In autumn a total of 395 noted June 30th to October 1st, max. 116 south September 11th.

**SWALLOW** *Hirundo rustica*

Noted from April 7th to November 6th plus later birds 15th & 29th. Spring max. seven north 69 south May 2nd. Autumn passage from at least July 11th, max. 3,827 south September 12th with next highest count 276 the previous day. Small numbers also occasionally loiter on site, max. five.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	0	0	0	47	44	4	0	1	4	13	0	0
IN/S	0	0	0	60	472	43	108	465	5082	741	12	0

**HOUSE MARTIN** *Delichon urbicum*

Noted April 17th to July 1st & August 16th to October 19th. The peak movement was 384 south September 12th. 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	3	10	0	0	0	0	9	0	0
S+in	0	0	0	0	30	12	1	12	689	243	0	0

**CETTI'S WARBLER** *Cettia cetti*

One April 19th (N.Odin, R.Spiers *et al.*). Ninth site record.

**LONG-TAILED TIT** *Aegithalos caudatus*

One January 1st, four 2nd & five February 14th. In spring five March 20th, two 23rd, one 24th & two April 1st. A record autumn with a total of 386 bird-days, with only two birds known to have visited twice, October 13th to November 24th, max. 44 November 3rd.

**WOOD WARBLER** *Phylloscopus sibilatrix*

Singles May 20th, August 12th & 22nd.

**YELLOW-BROWED WARBLER** *Phylloscopus inornatus*

Singles noted on eight dates October 2nd to 17th plus two October 19th.

**WILLOW WARBLER** *Phylloscopus trochilus*

Spring passage April 7th to June 9th, max. 15 May 2nd. Autumn passage July 22nd to October 14th, max. 20 August 8th, 12th, 28th & 30th.

**CHIFFCHAFF** *Phylloscopus collybita*

Spring passage March 6th to June 10th, max. ten March 20th, April 9th & 17th. At least nine dispersing juveniles July 2nd to August 17th. Autumn passage September 2nd to November 29th plus a late bird December 25th, max. 25 September 30th.

**SIBERIAN CHIFFCHAFF** *Phylloscopus collybita tristis*

Singles April 6th & June 28th.

**SEDGE WARBLER** *Acrocephalus schoenobaenus*

Spring singles April 16th & May 2nd. In autumn 11 noted on nine dates July 17th to September 12th, max. two August 12th & September 1st.

**REED WARBLER** *Acrocephalus scirpaceus*

Spring passage May 6th to July 4th, max. three May 18th & June 4th. In autumn July 17th to October 22nd, max. two August 4th, 6th & September 12th.

**BLACKCAP** *Sylvia atricapilla*

Spring passage March 23rd to June 20th plus a later new female July 3rd, max. 18 April 17th. Two pairs bred with young and dispersing juveniles from elsewhere June 21st until autumn passage August to November 15th, max. 30 September 15th.

**GARDEN WARBLER** *Sylvia borin*

In spring one May 22nd. Autumn passage singles on six dates August 8th to September 20th.

**LESSER WHITETHROAT** *Sylvia curruca*

Spring passage April 17th to May 30th, max. eight May 2nd. A later new adult turned up July 11th. One bird from 2018 returned. Four pairs bred with juveniles noted from June 9th. Autumn passage from at least August 1st to October 14th, max. five on seven dates.

**WHITETHROAT** *Sylvia communis*

Spring passage April 20th to May 21st, max. eight May 2nd. Four pairs bred, with one of these birds a returnee from 2018. Juveniles noted from June 16th with a max. 18 counted June 17th. Autumn passage from at least mid July to October 5th plus a later bird 22nd, max. 13 August 1st.

**DARTFORD WARBLER** *Sylvia undata*

One October 16th (M.Marsh, N.Odin *et al.*). Eighth site record.

**FIRECREST** *Regulus ignicapilla*

Spring passage March 8th to May 19th, max. four March 21st. Autumn passage September 6th to November 5th, max. eight October 23rd & 24th.

**GOLDCREST** *Regulus regulus*

Three birds from autumn 2017 present to March 5th, 11th & 13th. Spring passage March 4th to April 24th, max. eight March 23rd. A dispersing juvenile June 11th. Autumn passage September 6th to November 17th, max. 20 October 7th, 21st, 22nd & 24th.

**WREN** *Troglodytes troglodytes*

At least ten birds over wintered surviving from previous years with the oldest from June 2017 but two of these not noted after mid April so only wintered. Spring passage March 15th to May 1st plus a later new female 23rd. Three or four pairs bred, with juveniles appearing from June 9th. Dispersing juveniles from elsewhere turned up on site from then to September 9th. Autumn passage September 18th to November 3rd with peak count of 20 October 17th.

**STARLING** *Sturnus vulgaris*

Present all year, although few in the winter months. Spring max. 90 March 3rd. None nested. Mid-summer peak of 2,500 August 3rd. Visible movements in autumn of 2,876 in off the sea or flying south October 9th to November 24th, max. 463 in/south October 15th. Later in the year highest count in December was ten.

**RING OUZEL** *Turdus torquatus*

Spring passage on eight dates April 6th to 26th, max. two 6th. Autumn passage October 6th to 21st plus a later bird November 15th, max. 15 October 8th.

**BLACKBIRD** *Turdus merula*

At least eight males six females survived the winter with the oldest from July 2012 although one male & one female probably only wintered. Present all year with seven pairs nesting with very limited success. A new bird turned up February 25th. Spring passage March 11th to May 13th, max. 15 April 21st & 22nd. First juvenile noted June 2nd with dispersing juveniles turning up on site from then to August 3rd. Autumn passage September 25th to December 5th, max. 50 October 28th & 29th. A later new male arrived December 21st.

**FIELDFARE** *Turdus pilaris*

One January 23rd. Spring passage March 1st to April 22nd, max. four April 8th. Autumn passage October 20th to November 18th plus later singles December 4th, 18th & 23rd, max. 26 October 21st.

**REDWING** *Turdus iliacus*

One January 6th. Spring passage March 7th to April 20th, max. 50 March 23rd. Autumn passage October 3rd to December 6th, max. 22 November 1st.

**SONG THRUSH** *Turdus philomelos*

At least one successfully over wintered from November 2018. A new bird turned up January 5th. Spring passage February 28th to May 7th, max. eight April 17th. One pair bred plus a spare male present with nil success. Five dispersing juveniles noted July 17th to 25th. Autumn passage August 27th to December 2nd, max. 60 October 15th.

**MISTLE THRUSH** *Turdus viscivorus*

In spring singles March 27th & April 17th. In autumn four October 8th, one 21st & one 29th.

**SPOTTED FLYCATCHER** *Muscicapa striata*

Spring passage May 3rd to June 9th, max. three May 28th. Autumn passage singles on six dates August 3rd to September 26th.

**ROBIN** *Erithacus rubecula*

At least eight birds successfully over-wintered on site, with the oldest from August 2016 although three of these only overwintered. Spring passage February 28th to April 26th, max. eight March 23rd. Three pairs bred. First juvenile noted May 26th with dispersing juveniles from elsewhere arriving on site from June 7th to July 8th. Autumn passage July 23rd to November 25th, max. 120 October 7th & 15th. At least 18 birds attempting to winter December.

**RED-SPOTTED BLUETHROAT** *Luscinia svecica svecica*

Female May 20th (A.Kettle *et al*).

**NIGHTINGALE** *Luscinia megarhynchos*

Singles July 26th, August 1st to 3rd, 4th, 9th & 11th to 12th.

**RED-FLANKED BLUETAILED** *Tarsiger cyanurus*

One March 23rd (M.May *et al*). Third site record.

**PIED FLYCATCHER** *Ficedula hypoleuca*

One May 2nd. Autumn passage July 31st to September 19th, max. two August 9th, 24th, September 2nd & 6th.

**RED-BREASTED FLYCATCHER** *Ficedula parva*

One September 22nd (P.J.Holmes *et al*).

**BLACK REDSTART** *Phoenicurus ochruros*

Spring passage March 22nd to June 5th with a male singing intermittently June 20th to July 1st, max. two April 2nd, 17th, 18th & 22nd. Single juvenile July 14th & 16th. Autumn passage October 21st to November 4th, max. four October 22nd, 25th & 27th.

**REDSTART** *Phoenicurus phoenicurus*

Spring singles April 16th, 29th & May 2nd. Juvenile July 6th to August 5th. Autumn passage August 24th to October 21st, max. four September 9th.

**WHINCHAT** *Saxicola rubetra*

Spring passage April 24th to May 16th, max. two April 24th & May 16th. Autumn passage August 19th to October 6th, max. three October 6th.

**STONECHAT** *Saxicola rubicola*

Two from 2018 remained to February 14th & one to 15th. Spring singles February 20th, 21st & 27th. In autumn September 15th to November 6th with one wintering bird 13th to years end, max. two October 17th.

**WHEATEAR** *Oenanthe oenanthe*

Spring passage March 18th to May 21st, max. 15 April 19th & 26th. Autumn passage July 31st to October 28th, max. nine October 9th.

**HOUSE SPARROW** *Passer domesticus*

Present all year with 30 - 40 pairs nesting at the cottage and Fort. 15 birds retrapped from previous years with the oldest from December 2014. The years peak count was 180 September 4th.

**HOUSE X TREE SPARROW HYBRID**

One September 7th.

**TREE SPARROW** *Passer montanus*

Noted on 21 dates July 20th to November 10th, max. seven September 8th.

**DUNNOCK** *Prunella modularis*

At least nine birds successfully survived the winter, with the oldest from June 2013. Present all year with at least ten to 12 pairs nesting. Spring passage March 17th to May 26th. First juveniles noted May 29th with many dispersing juveniles turning up on site from then to August 29th. Autumn passage September 10th to November 9th, max. 30 September 12th.

**YELLOW WAGTAIL** *Motacilla flava*

Total of 26 noted April 12th to May 19th, max. one south three on April 26th & four south May 7th. Autumn passage total of 71 June 30th to October 17th, max. four south five on August 26th.

**BLUE-HEADED WAGTAIL** *Motacilla flava flavissima*

One May 20th.

**GREY WAGTAIL** *Motacilla cinerea*

In spring singles February 25th, March 18th, May 10th & 30th. In autumn total of 79 noted August 20th to November 8th, max. eight south September 6th.

**PIED WAGTAIL** *Motacilla alba*

Present all year. Spring max. ten March 18th. At least four pairs nested in the near adjoining dock with these birds and their offspring regularly on site, max 24 August 29th. In autumn a total of 33 south September 12th to October 20th, max. 15 south October 17th.

**WHITE WAGTAIL** *M.a.alba*

Spring singles on seven dates March 17th to May 28th, plus two April 30th, three May 2nd & two 2nd.

**MEADOW PIPIT** *Anthus pratensis*

Seen all year, although very few early and late in the year & only one record May 13th to August 23rd. Spring passage February 25th to May 13th, max 21 in off five on March 17th. Two dispersing juveniles noted July 21st. Autumn passage August 23rd to December 29th, max. 250 south September 27th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	7	2	0

IN/S	0	2	60	7	0	0	0	1	1244	872	126	16
Max On	1	2	5	2	1	0	2	1	40	45	23	2

**TREE PIPIT** *Anthus trivialis*

In spring singles April 18th, May 2nd & 26th. In autumn two south August 17th, three south 19th, one south 20th & one September 15th.

**WATER PIPIT** *Anthus spinoletta*

One April 21st (W.J.Brame). Third site record.

**ROCK PIPIT** *Anthus petrosus*

Singles January 20th & 24th. In spring a total of nine noted February 15th to March 28th. In autumn total of 65 noted September 22nd to November 25th, max. three south two on October 7th. Later on noted on 12 dates November 30th to December 30th, max. two December 28th.

**CHAFFINCH** *Fringilla coelebs*

Up to five noted on site early in the year with two birds from previous years retrapped with the oldest from October 2018. New female turned up January 4th. Spring passage March 2nd to 24th, max. 16 16th. Visible totals of three north 30 south March 16th to 21st. One pair bred but failed. A dispersing juvenile from elsewhere June 16th. None seen July 18th to September 3rd. Autumn passage September 4th to November 30th with a total of 493 south/in off the sea, max. 175 south October 17th. Autumn max. of grounded birds was 20 October 24th. Up to three noted on site in December.

**BRAMBLING** *Fringilla montifringilla*

Spring passage singles on 12 dates March 23rd to April 19th. Autumn passage total of 41 noted October 5th to November 29th, max. eight October 28th.

**HAWFINCH** *Coccothraustes coccothraustes*

Singles October 21st & November 16th.

**BULLFINCH** *Pyrrhula pyrrhula*

One February 11th. Up to two noted on 11 dates October 23rd to November 17th involving five birds.

**GREENFINCH** *Chloris chloris*

Noted all year although only single January & December records, max. 12 November 3rd. Six flew south March 7th. In autumn visible migration total of 90 south October 10th to November 24th, max. 37 south October 20th.

**LINNET** *Linaria cannabina*

Noted all year, with an early year max. of 24 February 14th. Eight flew south February 25th. Numbers increased end March. Spring max. of 60 May 13th. An estimated 30 - 40 pairs nested with several more nearby. 23 adults retrapped from previous years, with the oldest from April 2014. First juveniles noted May 23rd. Summer max. counts 130 July 5th increasing to 350 August 28th & 29th. In autumn total of 878 south October 8th to November 24th plus five later birds south December 25th, max. 217 south October 17th. December max. eight 25th.

**LESSER REDPOLL** *Acanthis cabaret*

In spring one April 2nd. In autumn a total of 14 noted October 22nd to November 24th, max. four October 25th & November 6th.

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One April 8th. Total of seven October 15th to November 7th, max. three October 15th.

**GOLDFINCH** *Carduelis carduelis*

Present all year. Up to nine present January. Visible migration total in spring of 112 south March 17th to May 27th, max. 19 south April 26th. Spring max of seven on site

April 27th. One pair bred with young from May 23rd. A mid-summer peak of 68 July 18th. Two flew south July 3rd & ten south 10th. Autumn visible passage total of 10,936 south September 4th to December 24th, max. 2,438 south October 10th, 1,367 south 15th, 1,640 south 17th & 1,665 south 19th with an autumn max. of grounded birds 70 August 27th. Later in the year a December max. of 15 on 6th.

**SERIN** *Serinus serinus*

Singles May 9th (M.May, N.Odin, P.Oldfield *et al*) & August 13th (W.J.Brame).

**SISKIN** *Spinus spinus*

In spring a total of 11 noted February 14th to April 12th. Two June 6th & one 9th. Autumn total of 77 September 30th to December 16th, max. one north 12 south November 3rd.

**SNOW BUNTING** *Plectrophenax nivalis*

In autumn one October 19th then noted on 22 dates 28th to December 7th plus a later bird 22nd, max. six November 8th, 13th & 14th.

**CORN BUNTING** *Emberiza calandra*

One October 22nd.

**YELLOWHAMMER** *Emberiza citrinella*

Spring singles March 25th & 26th. In autumn one November 2nd, two 3rd, one 9th & one 19th.

**REED BUNTING** *Emberiza schoeniclus*

In spring singles on ten dates February 13th to March 23rd plus two February 24th. In autumn a total of 31 noted September 26th to October 31st plus one south November 25th, max. six south October 9th.

## ESCAPEES

**MUSCOVY DUCK** *Cairina moschata*

One on View Point Road early morning May 25th. (M.May). Third site record.

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