

MAMMALS AT LANDGUARD

2020

This is a summary of casual records collected at Landguard Bird Observatory for the Landguard recording area in 2020. Many sightings, particularly of common species, go undocumented & the list and dates should be treated as an absolute minimum.

An Audio Moth bat detector was run for a week once a month April to October with the data being analysed to be added when available.

NATTERERS' BAT *Myotis nattereri*

One entangled in Halloween decorations in the Fort October 18th.

BAT Sp.

Singles July 17th, on seven dates September 13th to October 18th, November 11th & 13th.

HEDGEHOG *Erinaceus eurpaeus*

Singles View Point Road near Dog compound March 24th, April 26th & June 17th. Two in cottage garden from July 31st with one on track to cottage August 17th presumed one of same.

RABBIT *Oryctolagus cuniculus*

Abundant.

GREY SQUIRREL *Sciurus carolinensis*

Singles on 39 dates May 8th to September 16th.

BROWN RAT *Rattus norvegicus*

Noted in all months, becoming abundant in the autumn.

WOOD MOUSE *Apodemus sylvaticus*

Up to two noted on peanut feeders March 7th to November 26th.

RED FOX *Vulpes vulpes*

Seen sporadically on 40 dates. Droppings & scent throughout all year.

MUNTJAC *Muntiacus reevesi*

Two May 1st then singles on nine dates May 13th to July 4th. Droppings noted on several additional dates.

COMMON SEAL *Phoca vitulina*

Noted on 130 dates in all months, max. four April 3rd.

GREY SEAL *Halichoerus grypus*

Up to two noted on 45 dates in all months except September.

SEAL Sp.

Noted on eight dates, max. 30 on sand banks offshore October 19th.

HARBOUR PORPOISE *Phocoena phocoena*

Noted on nine dates April 18th to July 16th plus a later on September 3rd, max. two July 16th.

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