

LANDGUARD BIRD OBSERVATORY

SYSTEMATIC BIRD LIST 2022

BRENT GOOSE *Branta bernicla*

Last noted in spring June 7th, max. 181 north May 20th. First autumn record September 7th, max. three north 6,810 south October 19th & 5,843 south November 13th. 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	7	28	346	11	607	2	0	0	5	31	55	17
S+in	59	37	46	37	2	1	0	0	139	8453	7698	70

CANADA GOOSE *Branta canadensis*

One west February 15th, two east March 5th, three south-west April 20th, one north 25th & a total of 65 noted May 18th to June 15th, max. 17 south June 7th & 14 north 8th.

BARNACLE GOOSE *Branta leucopsis*

Three south January 21st then noted March 2nd to June 10th, max. 65 south March 15th. Later on two north September 1st & one south November 13th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	40	0	16	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
S+in	3	0	111	4	26	2	0	0	0	0	1	0

GREYLAG GOOSE *Anser anser*

Local wanderers noted on 31 dates February 27th to June 15th, max. 19 south May 6th. Later on four south July 18th.

WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE *Anser albifrons*

17 north February 9th.

MUTE SWAN *Cygnus olor*

Noted on ten dates, max. three March 28th, June 2nd & November 4th.

EGYPTIAN GOOSE *Alopochen aegyptiaca*

Two south January 28th.

SHELDUCK *Tadorna tadorna*

Small numbers noted moving offshore most of the year with prospecting on the reserve February 2nd to July 6th by at least 18 birds. None noted July 7th to August 11th. The largest movement was 36 south November 1st.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	1	3	3	27	21	19	0	0	1	13	0	7
S+in	34	13	22	31	11	2	0	32	27	68	151	69

SHOVELER *Spatula clypeata*

Seven south January 1st, two north March 1st, three north 20th, two north 27th, two south May 10th, four south June 10th & a total of 70 south September 4th to December 17th, max. 20 south November 13th.

GADWALL *Mareca strepera*

Two south April 12th & noted July 3rd to December 14th, max. 17 south November 15th.

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	4	0
S+in	0	0	0	2	0	0	3	4	11	0	30	1

WIGEON *Mareca penelope*

Noted on eight dates January 1st to March 6th, max 78 south January 1st. In autumn two south July 20th then noted August 25th to December 31st, max. 323 south November 13th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	26	0	0	0
S+in	102	4	2	0	0	0	2	0	236	701	552	6

MALLARD *Anas platyrhynchos*

Noted in seven months, max. five south November 17th. On site two April 5th & three October 19th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0
S+in	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	11	2

PINTAIL *Anas acuta*

Five south January 1st, one south 8th & three south February 10th. Autumn passage September 7th to November 21st, max. 132 south November 13th. Later on three south December 19th.

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	0	0
S+in	6	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	25	193	3

TEAL *Anas crecca*

Ten south January 1st & three south 9th. In spring two north March 4th & four offshore 5th. Autumn passage July 27th to December 25th, max. 251 south November 13th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	5	10	3	0	0
S+in	13	0	0	0	0	0	31	496	478	490	999	33

POCHARD *Aythya ferina*

Two south May 15th, five south November 13th & one south December 30th.

TUFTED DUCK *Aythya fuligula*

One north April 23rd, one north May 10th, three south 28th, one south July 20th, one south August 2nd, one south September 26th & a total of one north 15 south October 20th to November 17th, max. five south November 17th.

EIDER *Somateria mollissima*

Six north January 4th, two north one west March 6th, one south May 25th, one offshore 30th, six north July 22nd, two south November 18th, four north December 3rd, one south 4th & one south 7th.

VELVET SCOTER *Melanitta fusca*

Two south December 25th.

COMMON SCOTER *Melanitta nigra*

Noted in all months. Peak count 13 north 94 south December 27th. Ones & twos occasionally offshore.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	8	2	12	16	7	39	7	5	35	15	100	57
S+in	3	42	0	0	3	0	4	21	10	58	171	182

LONG-TAILED DUCK *Clangula hyemalis*

One November 20th.

GOLDENEYE *Bucephala clangula*

S+in	1	4	1	2	1	2	0	0	0	4	13	0
MAX ON	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

BLACK-NECKED GREBE *Podiceps nigricollis*

One on sea November 13th.

OYSTERCATCHER *Haematopus ostralegus*

Small numbers on the reserve all year, max, six April 20th. None bred. Largest movements 18 south August 2nd & 38 south November 1st.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	6	17	12	8	4	8	4	2	1	0
S+in	1	13	7	21	42	19	50	83	20	8	47	0

AVOCET *Recurvirostra avosetta*

Three south April 10th, two on beach May 2nd, three north June 9th, three south August 6th, one south 25th, two south November 1st, two south 15th & one north 19th.

LAPWING *Vanellus vanellus*

Noted in ten months. Seven south January 31st, one February 27th & one April 24th. Autumn passage from June 5th, max. 91 south November 2nd & 168 south December 18th. 17 on reserve December 9th & 23 19th.

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
S+in	7	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	3	5	225	184
TOTALS ON	0	1	0	1	0	7	7	1	0	7	0	41

GOLDEN PLOVER *Pluvialis apricaria*

Singles on reserve February 14th & March 31st. Autumn passage July 20th to November 18th, max. 140 south November 17th. Singles on the reserve August 28th & 31st. In December 13 on reserve 15th, two south 17th & one heard 22nd.

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	0	0	0
S+in	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	28	4	0	146	2

GREY PLOVER *Pluvialis squatarola*

One south May 1st. Autumn passage July 24th to November 18th, max. 11 south November 3rd. One on beach September 27th. Later on one south December 19th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
IN/S	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	13	0	1	16	1

RINGED PLOVER *Charadrius hiaticula*

Breeding birds started returning January 12th. Five pairs early on with four breeding rearing no young. Breeding birds included two ringed here in May 2010 & May 2014. Four flew south April 10th. Autumn passage from July 18th, max. eight south August 15th. Roosting attempted on the beach at high tide on several dates in low numbers, max. 25 August 23rd.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S+in	0	0	0	4	0	0	3	10	0	5	4	0
MAX ON	6	5	10	10	11	8	7	25	12	15	12	3

WHIMBREL *Numenius phaeopus*

In spring a total of 105 noted April 12th to May 15th, max. 22 north April 18th. In autumn a total of 59 noted June 29th to September 3rd, max. 24 south July 30th.

CURLEW *Numenius arquata*

One north January 20th. Spring passage March 4th to May 14th, max. one north four south April 18th. Autumn passage May 29th to November 26th, max. 112 south June 29th. Later on one north two south December 14th to 21st. 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
N+out	1	0	8	4	0	3	1	0	3	3	1	1
S+in	0	0	3	5	3	210	131	25	7	8	19	2

BAR-TAILED GODWIT *Limosa lapponica*

Spring passage April 22nd to May 8th, max. 21 north April 25th. One on reserve May 2nd. Autumn passage June 29th to September 6th plus two south November 15th & one south 22nd.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	0	39	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
S+in	0	0	0	4	1	3	7	6	1	0	3	0

TURNSTONE *Arenaria interpres*

Noted up to June 6th & from July 21st, max. 11 south November 13th. Peak count on reserve nine May 21st.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	9	4	2	18	0
MAX ON	4	6	4	3	9	1	1	0	2	5	5	7

KNOT *Calidris canutus*

Two south January 3rd, one south 8th, one south February 6th, three south April 6th, one on May 3rd & one south 11th. Autumn passage August 23rd to November 18th, max. 210 south November 1st. One on November 9th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
S	3	1	0	3	1	0	0	2	1	10	284	0

RUFF *Calidris pugnax*

One west October 30th.

SANDERLING *Calidris alba*

Spring passage March 17th to June 4th, max. 44 on March 23rd. April 11th, 12th & 14th. Autumn passage from July 20th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	0	0	0	10	4	33	0	0	0	0
S+in	0	0	0	35	0	0	8	1	0	5	4	0
MAX ON	10	7	44	44	9	8	5	4	2	0	1	2

DUNLIN *Calidris alpina*

One south February 16th & two March sightings on site, max. two March 16th. Spring passage April 13th to June 1st, max. nine south May 11th. Autumn passage one June 20th then July 20th to November 21st plus two south December 19th, max. 384 south November 1st. On the beach up to two noted on 11 dates.

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	1	0	4	9	0	7	41	44	77	823	2

{2022 correction: should read – Autumn passage July 8th to November 15th, max. 468 south October 29th.}

PURPLE SANDPIPER *Calidris maritima*

Up to two January 1st to May 14th. None later in the year.

WOODCOCK *Scolopax rusticola*

One January 28th. Singles on five dates March 5th to 24th. In autumn singles October 21st, November 12th, 17th & 21st.

JACK SNIPE *Lymnocyptes minimus*

Singles September 30th, October 20th & December 7th.

SNIPE *Gallinago gallinago*

One April 3rd. In autumn 21 noted September 29th to December 22nd, max. three October 21st & November 17th.

COMMON SANDPIPER *Actitis hypoleucos*

In spring one April 29th & three May 3rd. In autumn four July 12th, three 18th, two 19th & two August 6th.

REDSHANK *Tringa totanus*

Two north May 7th. Autumn passage July 17th to August 25th plus singles on beach August 19th & September 16th, max. 11 south August 24th. Later movements October 18th to December 11th

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S+in	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	32	0	3	2	2

GREENSHANK *Tringa nebularia*

Two north April 24th. In autumn two south July 20th, one south 24th, three south August 2nd & three south 18th..

KITTIWAKE *Rissa tridactyla*

Few records March/April & none July 28th to October 18th, max. offshore 42 January 2nd early in year & 57 south December 31st later on.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	1	0	5	0	2	0	0	0	2	3
S+in	0	19	1	0	44	4	2	0	0	13	1	98
MAX ON	42	8	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	24

BLACK-HEADED GULL *Chroicocephalus ridibundus*

Present all year. Two adults ringed here January 2010 & one January 2013 noted. Early year max. 120 south ten on January 18th. Some movements all year with spring passage from end February, max. 77 south April 15th and in autumn from at least May 21st, max. 308 south July 20th & 287 south November 18th. Numbers wintering are declining, max. 25 November 18th.

LITTLE GULL *Hydrocoloeus minutus*

11 south October 20th. Total of 72 noted November 15th to 22nd, max. 60 south one offshore 19th. Later on one December 31st.

MEDITERRANEAN GULL *Ichthyaeetus melanocephalus*

Present all year, max. 20 October 4th. On passage max. one north 16 south April 18th. Adult ringed here January 2010 present to February.

Monthly max:-

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
7	5	3	17	8	10	7	9	15	20	3	3

COMMON GULL *Larus canus*

Present all year although no records May 19th to June 28th, max. 50 January 20th early in the year & later on 57 south December 27th. Small numbers noted moving from March 12th, max. 26 south April 9th in spring and in autumn passage from June 29th, max. 87 south November 18th.

GREAT BLACK-BACKED GULL *Larus marinus*

Present all year although few present in the summer months. Bred in the adjoining docks. Peak counts 200 January 3rd early in the year & 500 November 9th later on. Small numbers noted moving at passage times.

GLAUCOUS GULL *Larus hyperboreus*

Immature March 13th & adult November 8th.

HERRING GULL *Larus argentatus*

Present all year and nesting in the adjoining docks. One pair reared two young on the museum roof. Peak count 500 January 7th with later in the year 1,500 November 9th.

CASPIAN GULL *Larus cachinnans*

First-winter October 18th.

YELLOW-LEGGED GULL *Larus michahellis*

Singles February 15th & 24th.

LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL *Larus fuscus*

Noted all year although only in very small numbers up to end February and from mid October. Nested in the adjoining docks. Count of 40 June 27th.

SANDWICH TERN *Thalasseus sandvicensis*

Noted April 9th to October 22nd with peak movement 37 south September 24th with max. feeding offshore 50 August 23rd to 25th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	0	11	19	12	42	4	20	4	0	0
S+in	0	0	0	1	11	10	38	24	87	16	0	0
MAX ON	0	0	0	1	2	2	8	50	11	1	0	0

LITTLE TERN *Sternula albifrons*

Noted May 15th to August 24th, max. nine north June 13th & 23rd with peak offshore count ten June 24th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	0	0	6	27	0	0	0	0	0	0
S+in	0	0	0	0	1	16	0	0	0	0	0	0
MAX ON	0	0	0	0	4	10	3	7	0	0	0	0

COMMON TERN *Sterna hirundo*

Noted April 11th to October 2nd plus a later bird 19th, max. 11 north May 3rd in spring & 250 south August 23rd. The max. offshore was 200 August 24th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	0	12	27	9	34	280	16	2	0	0
S+in	0	0	0	5	1	12	54	97	4	9	0	0
MAX ON	0	0	0	1	5	2	9	200	9	0	0	0

ARCTIC TERN *Sterna paradisaea*

In spring three north April 24th. In autumn one July 29th, ten August 23rd, one south September 8th, one October 21st & one 31st.

BLACK TERN *Chlidonias niger*

Three August 23rd.

GREAT SKUA *Stercorarius skua*

One September 14th & two south November 18th.

POMARINE SKUA *Stercorarius pomarinus*

One south November 1st.

ARCTIC SKUA *Stercorarius parasiticus*

One north April 28th. In autumn one south August 23rd, one north September 17th, one north 19th & eight south October 19th.

LITTLE AUK *Alle alle*

One south November 20th & one north December 5th.

GUILLEMOT *Uria aalge*

Singles January 2nd, 6th & 12th (dead), May 10th & on five dates September 3rd to 22nd.

RAZORBILL *Alca torda*

Singles September 21st, December 2nd, 5th, 18th & 24th (dead).

RED-THROATED DIVER *Gavia stellata*

Noted up to April 19th & from August 31st, max. 12 north seven south February 13th early on & 59 north one south December 27th later in the year.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	15	33	24	2	0	0	0	0	1	5	9	146
S	25	34	3	5	0	0	0	1	2	9	29	80
MAX ON	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1

BLACK-THROATED DIVER *Gavia arctica*

One north March 31st.

GREAT NORTHERN DIVER *Gavia immer*

Singles south January 8th, west 18th, west 31st, north February 12th, south October 1st, November 20th & south December 21st.

LEACH'S PETREL *Hydrobates leucorhoa*

One north October 12th (W.J.Brame, P.Newton).

FULMAR *Fulmarus glacialis*

Noted on just 19 dates January 2nd to June 18th, max. two March 23rd & May 27th.

SOOTY SHEARWATER *Ardenna grisea*

One south October 19th.

GANNET *Morus bassanus*

Noted in ten months, max. 20 north 36 offshore December 5th. Adult dead on reserve August 15th.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	1	0	9	3	1	1	0	6	18	14	10	38
S	0	0	3	0	0	4	0	8	11	5	36	4
MAX ON	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	36

CORMORANT *Phalacrocorax carbo*

Present all year. Early in the year max. 94 January 19th, 76 north 784 south March 5th with numbers declining to double figures from April 5th. Numbers increasing again to three figures from November 2nd, max. 1,346 out December 5th with numbers then declining going out early morning and very erratic to years end.

SHAG *Gulosus aristotelis*

One south January 1st, two south 12th & one 21st. Later in the year one November 20th.

SPOONBILL *Platalea leucorodia*

Five south October 8th.

GREY HERON *Ardea cinerea*

Spring singles March 5th, April 3rd, 21st & 29th. One west June 18th. Total of 20 noted August 1st to October 23rd, max. nine south September 22nd.

GREAT WHITE EGRET *Ardea alba*

Singles north March 25th, west August 4th & north east November 14th.

LITTLE EGRET *Egretta garzetta*

Total of 35 noted March 13th to December 11th, max. three north three south July 5th. Moribund bird December 10th found dead under Holm Oaks next day.

SPARROWHAWK *Accipiter nisus*

Singles intermiantly January to early March. Spring passage at least from March 12th to May 19th, max. two. One June 21st. Up to two present August 6th to years end with three October 8th & November 10th.

MARSH HARRIER *Circus aeruginosus*

One south January 9th, two south April 8th, one south 13th, one north May 8th, one south June 1st, one south August 15th, one west September 25th, one north October 22nd & one south November 18th.

HEN HARRIER *Circus cyaneus*

Immature male south September 10th & 'ringtail' south November 19th.

RED KITE *Milvus milvus*

Two south March 17th & one south June 12th.

BUZZARD *Buteo buteo*

Noted on eight dates March 17th to June 20th and ten dates August 20th to December 14th, max. three April 18th.

LITTLE OWL *Athene noctua*

One heard November 21st.

SHORT-EARED OWL *Asio flammeus*

Singles March 16th, April 2nd, May 2nd & November 28th.

BEE-EATER *Merops apiaster*

One heard flying north June 18th (N.Odin).

WRYNECK *Jynx torquilla*

One August 19th to 20th.

GREAT SPOTTED WOODPECKER *Dendrocopos major*

Singles January 13th, March 20th & May 8th. In autumn singles on 25 dates June 21st to October 21st with two July 15th. Later bird November 12th.

GREEN WOODPECKER *Picus viridis*

Singles on 13 dates July 11th to August 12th plus two July 26th.

KESTREL *Falco tinnunculus*

One or two all year. One south May 5th. Dispersing juveniles from June 11th, max two. One south July 23rd, one west September 3rd, one south 10th, one south October 21st & one in off November 22nd.

MERLIN *Falco columbarius*

Singles October 23rd & 25th.

HOBBY *Falco subbuteo*

Singles June 8th, 12th, 27th, September 13th, 15th & October 14th.

PEREGRINE *Falco peregrinus*

Present sporadically all year with few records May to September. Additional bird January 4th & March 12th. Several sightings of dispersing juvs July 21st onwards.

JAY *Garrulus glandarius*

Singles April 9th, 17th, 19th & June 15th.

MAGPIE *Pica pica*

Present all year with four pairs nesting, two of these rearing three young, one pair two young & one pair one young but none of these are known to have survived to the years end. Spring max. 28 March 25th, summer peak 22 June 15th, August 7th & 10th with autumn max. 15 October 18th.

JACKDAW *Coloeus monedula*

In spring total of 14 north 40 south 28 on site February 26th to June 9th, max. seven north three south March 14th. In autumn total of one south 15 on site September 21st to October 31st, max. nine October 29th.

ROOK *Corvus frugilegus*

In spring total of eight north 18 south March 14th to April 24th, max. seven north March 18th. In autumn one north 15 south September 27th to November 4th, max. ten south October 14th.

CARRION CROW *Corvus corone*

Present all year. Three pairs nested in the near adjoining dock rearing three, two + two young although only one of these young survived to the years end. Intruders occasionally turn up on site and are soon seen off by the locals. Spring max. 30 March 16th & 23 October 14th in autumn. Spring passage movements of 41 north 34 south March 13th to May 26th, max. four north 24 south March 24th. In autumn two south October 3rd.

WAXWING *Bombycilla garrulus*

One November 29th.

COAL TIT *Periparus ater britannicus*

Eight noted June 1st to 11th, one July 10th & one October 11th.

MARSH TIT *Poecile palustris*

One June 16th (N.Odin *et al*). Sixth site record.

BLUE TIT *Cyanistes caeruleus*

Present all year with one pair nesting. Five birds from previous years survived the winter with the oldest from June 2019. Spring passage March 7th to April 14th plus a later new bird May 26th, max. five March 19th & 29th. First juvenile June 1st with dispersing juveniles from elsewhere June 5th to August 2nd. Autumn passage August 13th to November 2nd, max. 24 September 22nd.

GREAT TIT *Parus major*

Present all year with four pairs nesting. Ten birds from previous years survived from previous years with the oldest from July 2017. Spring passage February 24th to April 9th, max. six. First juvenile May 24th with dispersing juveniles turning up on site from elsewhere from then to July 22nd, max. 20 June 8th. Autumn passage August 21st to October 26th, max. 18 October 16th.

WOODLARK *Lullula arborea*

In autumn 14 noted October 1st to October 28th, max three south October 8th, 9th & 14th.

SKYLARK *Alauda arvensis*

Spring passage total of 22 noted February 2nd to April 19th, max. two. Dispersing juveniles noted June 2nd, 22nd & August 2nd. Autumn passage total of 388 noted September 30th to December 15th, max. 69 south October 25th.

SAND MARTIN *Riparia riparia*

Spring total of eight noted April 19th to May 13th, max. three May 1st. In autumn a total of 241 noted June 7th to September 11th, max. 55 south August 2nd.

SWALLOW *Hirundo rustica*

Noted April 11th to November 26th. Spring max. one north 110 south May 10th. Autumn passage from at least July 13th, max. 395 south September 5th. Small numbers also occasionally loiter on site.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	0	0	0	27	130	12	5	7	12	0	2	0
S+in	0	0	0	27	878	53	58	620	2850	595	16	0

HOUSE MARTIN *Delichon urbicum*

Noted May 10th to June 14th, on six dates June 24th to August 3rd & August 24th to November 11th. The peak count was 450 on site October 3rd with the only other records of loitering birds singles September 18th & 21st.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N+out	0	0	0	0	5	6	0	0	5	0	0	0
S+in	0	0	0	0	69	8	3	12	180	221	3	0

CETTI'S WARBLER *Cettia cetti*

Singles March 17th to 18th & October 2nd.

LONG-TAILED TIT *Aegithalos caudatus*

One June 3rd, 13 October 15th, two 25th, 12 November 4th, six 12th, 11 13th & one 14th.

WOOD WARBLER *Phylloscopus sibilatrix*

One July 29th.

YELLOW-BROWED WARBLER *Phylloscopus inornatus*

One September 29th.

PALLAS'S WARBLER *Phylloscopus proregulus*

One October 20th (P.J.Holmes, N.Odin *et al*).

WILLOW WARBLER *Phylloscopus trochilus*

Spring passage April 6th to May 18th, max. ten April 13th. Autumn passage August 1st to September 26th, max. 20 August 4th.

CHIFFCHAFF *Phylloscopus collybita*

Spring passage March 7th to June 26th, max. 12 April 10th & 13th. At least six dispersing juveniles June 25th to July 20th with birds remaining on site into August. Autumn passage August 26th to November 14th plus a later bird December 4th, max. 20 September 30th.

SIBERIAN CHIFFCHAFF *Phylloscopus collybita tristis*

One November 12th.

SEDGE WARBLER *Acrocephalus schoenobaenus*

Spring singles May 2nd & 22nd. In autumn singles August 4th, 15th, 25th, September 10th, 11th & 13th.

REED WARBLER *Acrocephalus scirpaceus*

Spring passage May 4th to June 9th, max. two May 12th & 19th. In autumn July 22nd to September 16th, max. two August 25th.

BLACKCAP *Sylvia atricapilla*

Spring passage March 23rd to June 15th, max. 12 April 13th & 14th. Failed breeding adults from elsewhere turned up July 8th & 11th. At least 12 dispersing juveniles turned up June 23rd to July 26th with a couple staying to the start of autumn passage August 16th to November 11th, max. 20 September 10th & 40 11th the only double figure counts.

GARDEN WARBLER *Sylvia borin*

In spring singles May 2nd, 3rd & 12th. Autumn singles on 12 dates July 29th to September 30th & two September 11th.

LESSER WHITETHROAT *Curruca curruca*

Spring passage April 18th to at least June 1st, max. 14 May 3rd. Five pairs bred with juveniles noted from June 21st. Autumn passage from at least end July to September 29th, max. 14 September 11th.

WHITETHROAT *Curruca communis*

Spring passage April 13th to June 1st, max. six. Three pairs bred. Two birds from 2021 returned. Juveniles noted from June 26th. Autumn passage from at least July 8th to September 14th, max. seven August 16th.

DARTFORD WARBLER *Curruca undata*

One October 29th & presumed same 31st.

FIRECREST *Regulus ignicapilla*

Spring passage March 12th to April 21st, max. three March 14th. Autumn passage October 19th to 25th, max. three 25th.

GOLDCREST *Regulus regulus*

Spring passage singles March 8th, 19th, 21st & 23rd. Autumn passage September 19th to November 16th with one staying to 25th, max. 20 October 21st.

WREN *Troglodytes troglodytes*

Present all year. At least seven survived from previous years with the oldest from July 2018. Spring passage March 6th to April 25th plus later new females June 2nd & 10th. Four or five pairs bred, with juveniles appearing from June 7th. Dispersing juveniles from elsewhere turned up on site from then to August 22nd. Autumn passage October 9th to November 21st with peak count of ten on seven dates October.

STARLING *Sturnus vulgaris*

Present all year, although few in the winter months. Spring max. 59 March 24th. One pair nested at cottage. Summer peaks of 700 June 22nd & 750 August 7th. Visible movements in autumn of 1,747 in off the sea or flying south October 10th to November 28th, max. 520 in/south October 30th.

SONG THRUSH *Turdus philomelos*

At least two over wintered with a new bird turning up February 2nd. Spring passage March 6th to May 5th, max. five March 6th. One pair bred rearing no young. Dispersing juveniles from elsewhere noted July 13th & 18th. Autumn passage September 10th to December 26th, max. ten September 25th, November 1st & 2nd.

MISTLE THRUSH *Turdus viscivorus*

Singles January 19th, February 11th & March 13th. In autumn five singles noted October 20th to November 6th plus two November 19th.

REDWING *Turdus iliacus*

Singles January 6th & February 10th Spring passage March 10th to April 30th, max. 40 March 14th & 80 29th. Autumn passage September 24th to December 7th plus 12 later birds 27th, max. 27 October 4th.

BLACKBIRD *Turdus merula*

At least 14 males 13 females survived the winter with the oldest from 2018. Present all year with 11 - 12 pairs nesting. New birds turned up January 15th & February 12th. Spring passage March 3rd to April 14th plus four new wandering first year males arriving May 25th to June 7th, max. day count 18 March 13th. First juvenile noted April 14th with dispersing juveniles turning up on site from then to July 30th. Autumn passage August 23rd to December 14th, max. 40 November 13th & 35 19th.

FIELDFARE *Turdus pilaris*

Noted on nine dates January to February 12th, max. seven January 4th. Spring passage singles on eight dates March 24th to May 3rd. Autumn passage October 15th to December 2nd plus two later birds 18th & one 27th, max. eight October 20th.

RING OUZEL *Turdus torquatus*

Spring singles April 23rd to 30th & May 3rd. Autumn passage singles September 29th, October 1st, 20th & November 6th.

SPOTTED FLYCATCHER *Muscicapa striata*

Spring passage May 12th to June 4th, max. five May 14th. Autumn passage singles September 11th & 13th.

ROBIN *Erithacus rubecula*

13 birds are known to have successfully over-wintered on site, with the oldest from only May 2021. Spring passage March 3rd to May 22nd, max. eight March 29th. Four pairs bred. First juvenile noted May 16th with dispersing birds from elsewhere

arriving on site from then to autumn passage from early August to November 18th, max. 30 October 21st. At least 12 birds attempting to winter December.

NIGHTINGALE *Luscinia megarhynchos*

One May 10th. Juvenile June 11th & adult female 13th. Calls regularly heard from then until autumn passage with what is thought to be the juvenile staying to July 26th & the female, which was retrapped after moulting August 3rd. Additional new autumn passage juveniles July 27th & August 3rd.

PIED FLYCATCHER *Ficedula hypoleuca*

Autumn passage August 10th to September 29th, max. two August 23rd & September 11th.

BLACK REDSTART *Phoenicurus ochruros*

Spring passage from March 13th, max. three March 30th. Male sang sporadically to May 31st. Singles June 26th, July 8th & 19th Autumn passage September 29th to November 14th, max. two November 4th.

REDSTART *Phoenicurus phoenicurus*

In spring singles April 6th, 13th & May 13th. Autumn passage singles on seven dates August 13th to September 30th with two September 11th & 13th.

WHINCHAT *Saxicola rubetra*

One May 3rd & two 14th. Autumn passage August 10th to September 13th, max. seven September 11th.

STONECHAT *Saxicola rubicola*

None in spring. Singles August 7th & September 5th predated autumn total of a further 13 September 20th to November 4th, max. two November 2nd.

WHEATEAR *Oenanthe oenanthe*

Spring passage April 4th to June 10th, max. 21 April 13th & 22 May 14th. Autumn passage August 3rd to November 12th, max. 16 September 11th.

TREE SPARROW *Passer montanus*

One September 27th.

HOUSE SPARROW *Passer domesticus*

Present all year with 30 pairs nesting at the cottage and Fort. Only four birds retrapped from previous years with the oldest from May 2019. The year's peak count was 120 August 21st, September 9th & October 13th.

DUNNOCK *Prunella modularis*

At least 12 birds successfully survived the winter, with the oldest from October 2017. Present all year with at least 12 pairs nesting. Spring passage very poor March 7th to at least 18th. 30 counted April 19th, First juveniles noted May 26th with dispersing juveniles turning up on site from then to August 18th. Autumn passage at least September 2nd to at least October 12th, max. 25 on several dates.

YELLOW WAGTAIL *Motacilla flava*

Total of 16 noted April 17th to May 19th, max. three May 15th & 19th. Autumn passage total of 46 July 17th to September 21st, max. ten south September 12th.

GREY WAGTAIL *Motacilla cinerea*

In spring nine noted February 22nd to May 21st, max. two May 21st. Seven noted mid-summer June 25th to July 27th. In autumn a total of 90 noted August 20th to November 14th, max. 11 September 20th.

PIED WAGTAIL *Motacilla alba*

Present all year. At least four pairs nested in the near adjoining dock with these birds and their offspring regularly on site, max 35 August 16th. In autumn a total of 35 south October 2nd to November 19th, max. nine south October 8th.

WHITE WAGTAIL *Motacilla alba alba*

Singles on six dates March 15th to May 18th & one September 20th.

MEADOW PIPIT *Anthus pratensis*

One south January 29th & three south February 9th. Spring passage March 3rd to May 2nd, max 12 north one on March 28th. In summer one south July 13th, one south 19th & one on August 6th. Autumn passage August 21st to December 1st with later on two 24th & one 26th, max. 338 south plus 30 on site September 12th & 235 south October 2nd.

Monthly totals were:-

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
N	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S+in	1	3	13	3	0	0	2	3	809	1444	219	4
Max on	0	0	2	6	1	0	0	1	50	30	19	2

TREE PIPIT *Anthus trivialis*

Singles September 3rd, 9th & 11th.

ROCK PIPIT *Anthus petrosus*

One from January 11th sporadically to February 12th. Spring passage February 22nd to April 2nd, max. two. In autumn a total of 24 bird-days September 18th to December 1st plus later birds 11th & 13th, max.two.

CHAFFINCH *Fringilla coelebs*

One or two January to February 10th. Spring passage February 23rd to May 25th, max. four April 9th. Two flew north March 23rd & two south April 6th. Dispersing juveniles June 7th, 13th, 16th, July 10th & 24th. Autumn passage September 4th to November 29th with a total of six north 371 south/in off the sea, max. 35 in/south October 14th & 33 in off November 8th. Autumn max. of grounded birds was 12 November 4th. One noted on site in December with two 1st.

BRAMBLING *Fringilla montifringilla*

Spring passage total of 23 February 22nd to May 12th, max. three March 21st. Autumn passage total of 24 noted September 19th to November 29th, max. five October 20th.

HAWFINCH *Coccothraustes coccothraustes*

One March 23rd with plucked remains found 24th probably predated by Sparrowhawk

BULLFINCH *Pyrrhula pyrrhula*

Singles March 26th, & November 5th.

GREENFINCH *Chloris chloris*

Noted all year except January. Spring max. four March 9th & April 4th. Two south May 15th. In autumn visible migration total of 89 south September 20th to November 26th, max. 14 south October 25th with autumn max. on site six October 10th, 13th & 21st. Last noted December 15th.

LINNET *Linaria cannabina*

Two January 1st then noted all year from January 24th, with an early year max. 45 February 28th. Numbers increased from end February. Spring max. of 100 April 25th, 26th & May 2nd. An estimated 30 pairs nested with several more nearby. 23 adults retrapped from previous years, with the oldest from May 2018. Summer max. count 110 June 22nd. Autumn total of 1,494 south October 2nd to November 26th, max. 380 south October 22nd. December max. five 14th.

COMMON REDPOLL *Acanthis flammea*

Singles October 25th, 26th & November 5th.

LESSER REDPOLL *Acanthis cabaret*

None in spring. In autumn total of 591 noted September 24th to November 29th, max. 115 November 10th.

GOLDFINCH *Carduelis carduelis*

Present all year. Up to five present January to early March. Four birds from previous years noted during the breeding season from 2020. Visible migration total in spring of 74 south March 28th to May 25th, max. 11 south April 5th. One pair bred with young from May 31st. Summer peak of 45 June 22nd. Autumn visible passage total of 8,521 south September 14th to November 29th, max. 1,280 south October 25th with an autumn max. of grounded birds 36 October 13th. Later in the year max ten December 1st.

SERIN *Serinus serinus*

Singles April 5th (P.J.Denyer *et al*), May 7th (N.Odin *et al*) & June 10th (W.J.Brame, P.J.Holmes, N.Odin *et al*).

SISKIN *Spinus spinus*

In spring a total of 39 noted March 10th to May 1st, max. ten south March 16th. In summer two June 7th, one 21st, one 24th, one July 12th & five August 2nd. Autumn total of 477 September 11th to November 26th, max. 137 south November 10th.

LAPLAND BUNTING *Calcarius lapponicus*

Singles south October 4th & November 19th.

SNOW BUNTING *Plectrophenax nivalis*

One October 8th to 10th, three November 5th & one 9th to 21st.

YELLOWHAMMER *Emberiza citrinella*

One February 23rd, one March 15th & one April 9th. In autumn two south November 21st & two south 26th.

REED BUNTING *Emberiza schoeniclus*

In spring two March 9th, one 15th, one 21st & one May 7th. In autumn a total of 32 noted September 24th to November 12th, max. four October 6th, 7th & 25th. Later bird December 24th.

ESCAPEES

BOURKE'S PARROT *Neopsephotus bourkii*

One May 14th (P.J.Denyer, N.Odin *et al*). First site record.

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