

BIRD RECORDS APRIL 2013

Whooper Swan	2 near Monk's House Pool on 17 th .
Gadwall	4 at Branton Ponds on 25 th .
Tufted Duck	64 at Branton Ponds on 30 th .
Long-tailed Duck	4 at Annstead on 14 th , 4 at Stag Rocks all month.
Common Scoter	120 at Stag Rocks on 9 th , c.15 in Beadnell Bay all month.
Velvet Scoter	1 at Stag Rocks on 9 th .
Goldeneye	17 at Branton Ponds on 1 st , 14 off Annstead on 13 th .
Goosander	1 pair at Alnwick on 21 st .
Black-throated Diver	4 off Holy Island on 18 th , 1 off Annstead on 22 nd .
Little Egret	1 at Fenham Flats on 14 th & 25 th .
Merlin	1 at Beadnell on 8 th .
Peregrine	1 perched at Tughall on 2 nd , 1 at Lucker on 10 th , 1 at Fenham Flats on 14 th .
Water Rail	2 at Branton Ponds on 11 th .
Coot	6 at Holy Island Lough from 18/29 th , 2 at Monk's House Pool all month.
Common Crane	7 flew over Shipley Lane on 22 nd .
Little Ringed Plover	2 at Holy Island on 23 rd .
Ruff	1 at Elwick Pool on 23 rd .
Black-tailed Godwit	2 at Monk's house Pool on 9 th , 1 at Budle Bay on 21 st , 1 at Holy Island on 23 rd , 20 at Newton Scrape on 30 th .
Whimbrel	4 at Howick from 23rd/30 th , 3 at Fenham Flats on 25 th .
Common Sandpiper	1 at Branton Ponds on 11 th & 4 by the 30 th , 1 at Alnwick on 21 st .
Arctic Skua	2 off Holy Island on 29 th .
Iceland Gull	1 at Branton Ponds on 10 th was a 2 nd winter bird.
Sandwich Tern	Along coast all month, maximum 110 off Holy Island on 29 th .
Arctic Tern	Several at Stag Rocks, Annstead & Beadnell on 17 th , 1 at Branton Ponds on 30 th .
Barn Owl	1 at Doddington on 11 th .
Short-eared Owl	1 at Alnwick Moor on 24 th .
Swift	3 at Branton on 26 th .
Kingfisher	1 at Branton Ponds all month, 1 at Alnwick on 21 st .
Sand Martin	20 at Branton Ponds on 13 th , 15 at Howick on 19 th were among first.
Swallow	2 at Branton Ponds on 13 th & 1 at Burton & Seahouses etc on 14 th .
House Martin	1 at Branton on 13 th & 2 returned to nest at Beadnell on 14 th , were first.
Tree Pipit	5 at Thrunton Wood on 27 th .
Yellow Wagtail	1 at Branton Ponds on 18 th , 2 at Annstead from 19/26 th .
Pied/White Wagtail	80 at Bamburgh on 17 th , 16 of the White race at Annstead on 19/26 th .
Black Redstart	1 male at North Sunderland on 2 nd .
Redstart	1 at Lowick on 20 th , 1 at Alnwick on 21 st , 1 male at Holy Island on 22 nd , 1 at Thrunton Wood on 27 th .
Wheatear	3 at Dunstanburgh on 11 th , 2 at Seahouses on 18 th .
Ring Ouzel	1 at Harthope Valley on 13 th & 2 pairs by 20 th , 1 pair on 28 th .
Sedge Warbler	1 at Branton Ponds on 22 nd , 1 at Low Newton on 30 th .
Whitethroat	1 at Branton Ponds on 28 th .
Garden Warbler	1 at Newton Pool on 29 th .
Blackcap	2 at Yearle on 16/17 th , 4 at Alnwick on 17 th , 1 at North Sunderland on 19 th
Chiffchaff	1 at Howick on 7 th , 3 at Branton Ponds on 9 th were the first.
Willow Warbler	Several at Branton Ponds on 16 th were earliest.
Pied Flycatcher	1 at East Bolton on 17 th .
Brambling	3 still at Alnwick all month, 4 at Wooler on 17 th , 7 at Yearle on 25 th .
Siskin	24 at Alnwick on 15 th , 8 at Wooler & 24 at Yearle all month.