

BIRD RECORDS NOVEMBER 2015

Whooper Swan	3 at Branton Ponds on 2 nd , 21 on 3 rd , 27 on 4 th 11 on 15 th & 2 on 20 th (I&KD), 4 over Horncliffe on 5 th , 2 on 20 th & 15 on 26 th (JDL), 9 at Ross Back Sands on 14 th .
Pink-footed Goose	110 over Horncliffe on 4 th & 250 on 18 th (JDL).
Barnacle Goose	536 at Fenham flats on 15 th (I&KD).
Brent Goose	1555 at Fenham Flats on 15 th (I&KD) & 710 on 24 th (JDL).
Pintail	20 at Fenham Le Moor on 12 th & 5 on 24 th (JDL).
Wigeon	2300 at Fenham Flats on 12/15 th (JDL,I&KD) was highest total.
Common Scoter	15 at Ross Back Sands on 1 st (PS).
Velvet Scoter	1 off Newton Point on 21 st (NNBC).
Goldeneye	7 at Branton Ponds on 2 nd (I&KD), 3 at Horncliffe on 5 th & 9 on 20 th (JDL).
Red-breasted Merganser	8 off Ross Back Sands on 14 th & 3 at Guile point on 15 th (I&KD).
Red-throated Diver	1 at Fenham Le Moor on 12 th (JDL), 5 off Stag Rocks on 24 th & 1 on 25 th (JDL,I&KD).
Great Northern Diver	3 at Stag Rocks on 25 th (I&KD).
Slavonian Grebe	1 at Stag Rocks on 24 th (JDL).
Little Egret	2 at Holy Island on 1 st & 15 th (I&KD), 5 on 24 th (JDL).
Great White Egret	1 at Branton Ponds on 19 th (I&KD).
Hen Harrier	1 at Low Newton on 21 st (NNBC).
Peregrine	1 at Holy Island on 19 th (EH) & 1 regular around Beadnell/North Sunderland (JPL).
Merlin	1 regular all month between Bamburgh & Beadnell (JPL).
Golden Plover	2500+ at Fenham Flats on 1 st (I&KD).
Purple Sandpiper	109 at Stag Rocks on 24 th (JDL) was highest total.
Green Sandpiper	2 at Hedgeley Lakes on 1 st (I&KD).
Little Auk	40+ off Newton Point on 21 st (NNBC).
Short-eared Owl	1 at Holy Island on 1 st (I&KD) & 1 on 24 th (JDL), 1 over Lowick on 12 th (PB), 1 at Low Newton on 21 st (NNBC).
Barn Owl	1 at Hedgeley on 1 st (I&KD), 1 at North Sunderland on 3 rd & 24 th (GF), 1 at Lowick on 13 th (EH), 1 at Yearle & 2 at Doddington Bridge on 19 th (SVM&AJM), 1 at Branton on 22 nd & 1 near Glanton & Broome Park on 25 th (I&KD).
Kingfisher	3 at Horncliffe on 16 th (JDL) & 2 all month at Branton Ponds (I&KD).
Blackcap	3 at Holy Island on 1 st (I&KD).
Chiffchaff	2 at Holy Island on 1 st (I&KD).
Treecreeper	1 at Branton Ponds on 22 nd (I&KD) & 1 at Yearle on 25 th (SVM).
Bullfinch	9 at Branton Ponds on 8 th (I&KD).
Snow Bunting	12 at Ross Back Sands on 1 st & 6 th (PS) & 8 on 14 th (I&KD).

Observers Paul Brittain (PB), Ian & Keith Davison (I & KD), Graham Fairs (GF), Elizabeth Harrison (EH), James D Lough (JDL), John P Lumby (JPL), Stewart & Alison McCormick (SV&AJM), Paul Snell (PS), Club field excursion = NNBC.

December Records: please submit no later than 4th January to the Recorder, John Lumby, Shearwater, 2 St Cuthberts Close, North Sunderland, NE68 7WG TEL: 01665-720654. e-mail: j.lumby@yahoo.co.uk or .com if any difficulty.

Note: have now moved to North Sunderland. Current species order will be revised for next newsletter. John Lumby.