

BIRD RECORDS DECEMBER 2016

Whooper Swan	10 at Horncliffe on 5 th with 9 & 38 on 14 th (JDL), 13 at Branton Ponds on 8 th & 7 at Low Newton Scrape on 11 th (I&KD).
Pink-footed Goose	300+ over Branton on 19 th (I&KD), 1500 at Doddington on 30 th (SV&AJM).
Brent Goose	2000 at Fenham Flats 6 th & 9 th (GB).
Pintail	7 at Fenham Le Moor on 9 th & 9 on 28 th (JDL).
Scaup	1 at Newton Point on 11 th (I&KD).
Long-tailed Duck	6 at Budle Point on 6 th (SV&AJM), 1 at Stag Rocks on 28 th (JDL).
Common Scoter	50 at Bamburgh on 6 th (GB).
Velvet Scoter	5 at Holy Island causeway on 30 th (Spa).
Goldeneye	21 at Newton Point on 11 th (I&KD).
Red-throated Diver	7 off Newton Point on 11 th (I&KD), 2 off Stag Rocks on 28 th (JDL).
Black-throated Diver	2 off Stag Rocks on 6 th (SV&AJM).
Little Egret	1 at Branton Ponds on 1 st with 2 on 19 th (I&KD), 1 at Budle Bay all month (JPL,GB), 1 at Fenham Le Moor on 9 th (JDL).
Slavonian Grebe	1 at Stag Rocks on 28 th (JDL).
Water Rail	1 at Low Newton Pool on 11 th (I&KD).
Green Sandpiper	1 at Branton Ponds on 10 th (I&KD).
Kingfisher	1/4 at Branton Ponds all month & 1 at Low Newton Pool on 11 th (I&KD), 1 at Horncliffe on 14 th (JDL).
Great Spotted Woodpecker	1 at Etal on 29 th (JJ), 2 at Spindleston Wood on 12 th (JDL).
Merlin	1 at Holy Island on 28 th & 1 at Stag Rocks on 29 th (PS).
Peregrine	1 over Branton Ponds on 6 th (I&KD).
Great Grey Shrike	1 at Ford Moss on 7 th (AD).
Jay	2 at Spindleston Wood on 12 th (JDL) & 2 at College Valley on 12 th (EH,MW).
Raven	2 at College Valley on 12 th (EH,MW).
Willow Tit	1 at Branton Ponds on 6 th & 1 near Brandon Ford on 27 th (I&KD).
Long-tailed Tit	15 at Branton Ponds on 8 th (I&KD).
Waxwing	1 at Lowick on 2 nd & 3 on 9 th (PB) also 1 over Alnwick on 9 th (I&KD) with 8 at Branton Ponds on 6 th (A&MG).
Rose-coloured Starling	1 at Belford on 12 th feeding at garden bird table (AA).
Stonechat	1 pair at Bamburgh on 13 th & 28 th (GB,JDL).
Brambling	5 at Yearle all month (SV&AJM,GB).
Bullfinch	12 at Lowick on 18 th (EH), 10 at Langleeford on 27 th (SV&AJM), 6 at Branton Ponds on 30 th (I&KD).
Crossbill	3 at College Valley on 12 th (EH,MW).
Siskin	30 at Branton Ponds on 8 th (I&KD), 24 at College Valley on 12 th (EH,MW).
Snow Bunting	8 at Branton on 24 th (I&KD).
Yellowhammer	12 at Yearle on 27 th (G&RB).