

BIRD RECORDS FEBRUARY 2012

Whooper Swan	6 at Doddington on 4 th & 4 on 17 th , 2 at Monk's House on 16 th
Pink-footed Goose	250 at Doddington on 4 th with highest total being 1800 at Fenham Slake on 12 th
Greylag Goose	650 mixed goose flock (incl. Pink-footed, Barnacle) at Harper's Heugh on 2 nd & Heather Law on 11 th (JL). Barnacle Goose 600 at Budle Bay on 12 th 90 at Fenham Slake on 12 th
Brent Goose	1200 at Fenham Slake on 12 th was highest total.
Green-winged Teal	1 male at Holy Island Lough on 12 th
Shoveler	6 at Monk's House Pool on 16 th
Pochard	3 at Branton Ponds from 23 rd /27 th
Tufted Duck	2 at Monk's House Pool on 16 th
Long-tailed Duck	1 pair at St Cuthbert's Isle on 11 th 2 at Holy Island harbour on 12 th
Common Scoter	8 at Beadnell Bay all month up to 40 at Stag Rocks all month
Goldeneye	25 at Beadnell Bay all month , & 12 at Branton Ponds on 7 th
Red-breasted Merganser	4 in Beadnell Bay all month 4 at Holy Island & 2 at Stag Rocks on 12 th
Red-throated Diver	1 at Stag Rocks on 11 th 5 flew north on 12 th & 1 on 27 th
Black-throated Diver	1 at Ross Back Sands on 21 st
Red-necked Grebe	1 at Holy Island Heugh on 12 th (GB), & 2 on 25 th
Slavonian Grebe	3 at Holy Island Heugh on 11/12 th & 3 at Stag Rocks on 12 th 6 at Ross Back Sands on 21 st feeding by synchronised diving with a raft of Common Scoter
Black-necked Grebe	1 at Holy Island Heugh on 11/12 th
Goshawk	2 at Holystone on 26 th
Merlin	1 on Holy Island on 12 th , 1 at Newham on 11 th , 1 at Chathill on 29 th
Peregrine	1 female at Beal & 1 male at Holy Island on 11 th , 1 on 12 th & 1 on 25 th with 1 at Stag Rocks also on 12 th
Water Rail	1 at Holy Island Lough on 11/12 th
Woodcock	2 at Bamburgh on 14 th
Razorbill	3 at St Cuthbert's Isle on 11 th , 1 at Ross Back Sands on 21 st
Black Guillemot	1 at Stag Rocks on 12 th
Stock Dove	1 at Yearle on 24 th
Barn Owl	1 at Bamburgh all month 1 at Yearle on 7 th 1 at Lilburn on 10 th & 1 Holy Island on 25 th
Tawny Owl	1 pair on the A1 at Felton & 1 pair on the A1 at South Charlton on 29 th
Short-eared Owl	5 at Black Lough on 6 th , 1 at Holy Island on 25 th 1 at Bamburgh on 25 th
Kingfisher	1 at Branton Ponds all month
Dipper	1 at Carey Burn on 7 th (RB, 2 at Waren Burn on 22 nd
Stonechat	1 at Stag Rocks & Holy Island on 12 th
Fieldfare	11 at Branton ponds on 4 th 52 at Yearle on 24 th
Long-tailed Tit	8 at Bellshill on 2 nd 9 to 15 in party in Ford/Etal area all month
Jay	1 at Ford on 12 th
Jackdaw	600 at Branton Ponds on 20 th , 1 partial albino at Beadnell all month
Hooded Crow	1 at Budle Bay on 12 th
Raven	1 at Branton on 23 rd & 2 at Holystone on 26 th
Starling	500+ roosting around Seahouses cemetery, a wonderful flying display at dusk.
Tree Sparrow	c.250 at Mindrum all month was the highest total
Brambling	5 at Branton on 8 th 1 at Yearle all month
Goldfinch	62 at Yearle on 24 th 50 at Beadnell all month were largest numbers.
Siskin	1 at Yearle from 23 rd
Linnet	150 at Branton on 8 th
Twite	50+ at Stag Rocks all month , have been in area most of the winter
Common Crossbill	20+ at Harwood Forest on 26 th
Bullfinch	15 up to 28 in a flock at Ford/Etal area all month (JJ), 2 at Newham on 2 nd

Target species for this year, are all the Owls please report all sightings.

March records: please submit no later than 2nd April to the Recorder, John Lumby, Shearwater, 78 Harbour Rd, Beadnell, NE67 5BE. TEL: 01665-720654. e-mail: j.lumby@yahoo.co.uk or .com if any difficulty.