

BIRD RECORDS OCTOBER 2017

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| Whooper Swan | 1 at Branton Ponds on 6 th & 2 on 9 th (I&KD), 14 over Hornccliffe on 27 th (JDL), 9 flew past Stag Rocks on 31 st (PS). |
| Pink-footed Goose | 5000 at Harper's Heugh from 1 st /7 th (NS), 2000 on Fenham Flats on 10 th (GB). |
| Cackling Goose | 1 with Barnacles at Budle Bay on 14 th (I&KD). |
| Barnacle Goose | 26 at Budle Bay on 6/7 th (NS), 120 over Branton on 12 th (I&KD), c.6000 at Budle Bay on 10 th (GB) & 4000+ on 14 th (I&KD). |
| Brent Goose | c.3500 at Fenham Flats by the end of the month (JPL). |
| Wigeon | 8000 at Fenham Le Moor on 30 th (JPL). |
| Pintail | 12 at Fenham Le Moor on 4 th (JDL), many more by end of month (JPL). |
| Great Northern Diver | 1 off Low Newton on 4 th (NS) & off Stag Rocks on 10 th (GB). |
| Little Egret | 1 colour ringed at Budle Bay on 1 st (NS) had been ringed in May 2016 at Hartlepool. 2 at Fenham Flats on 4 th (JDL), 1 at Branton Ponds on 6 th & 2 on 8 th (I&KD), 7 at Holy Island on 8 th (GB), 2 at Hornccliffe on 9 th (JDL). |
| Great White Egret | 1 at Goswick on 15 th (AD). |
| Avocet | 1 at Monk's House Pool from 10 th /31 st (GB,JPL). |
| Black-tailed Godwit | 1 at Monk's House Pool from 29 th /31 st (JPL,GB). |
| Ruff | 12 at Fenham Flats on 2 nd & 5 on 6 th (NS). |
| Green Sandpiper | 1 at Brandon Ford on 27 th (I&KD). |
| Spotted Redshank | 2 at Budle Bay on 1 st (NS), 1 at Fenham Le Moor on 4 th (JDL). |
| Greenshank | 2 at Holy Island on 21 st (GB). |
| Wood Sandpiper | 1 at Monk's House Pool on 4 th (NS). |
| Long-tailed Skua | 1 juvenile at Goswick from 8 th /15 th (I&KD,GB,AD). |
| Great Skua | 1 off Newton Point on 30 th (I&KD). |
| Black Tern | 1 at Stag Rocks on 2 nd in winter plumage (NS). |
| White-winged Black Tern | 1 at Stag Rocks on 1 st in winter plumage (NS,et al). |
| Arctic Tern | 1 at Stag Rocks on 10 th (GB). |
| Lesser Black-backed Gull | 54 at Branton Ponds on 3 rd (I&KD). |
| Glaucous Gull | 1- 2 nd year at Budle Bay on 9 th (MV) & 10 th (GB). |
| Short-eared Owl | 1 at Holy Island on 15 th (GB). |
| Merlin | 1 at Holy Island on 8 th (GB). |
| Hobby | 1 juvenile at Holburn Mill on 18 th (CD). |
| Peregrine | 1 at Fenham flats on 4 th (NS), 1 at Shepherd's Law on 15 th (I&KD). |
| Sand Martin | 149 over Hornccliffe moving south on 2 nd (JDL). |
| Crossbill | 20+ at Thrunton Woods on 7 th & 23 rd & 5 at Beanley Wood on 29 th (I&KD). |
| Little Bunting | 1 at Low Newton on 21 st (I&KD). |
| Snow Bunting | 10 at Fenham Le Moor on 30 th (JPL). |