

## BIRD RECORDS FEBRUARY 2019

<b>Whooper Swan</b>	12 at Budle Bay on 25 <sup>th</sup> (FS).
<b>Barnacle Goose</b>	800 at Harper's Heugh on 1 <sup>st</sup> (JPL) & c.400 on 10 <sup>th</sup> (SV&AJM).
<b>Pink-footed Goose</b>	several hundred in the Newham area all month (JPL).
<b>Whooper Swan</b>	15 at Harper's Heugh on 1 <sup>st</sup> (JPL).
<b>Shelduck</b>	2 at Branton Ponds on 13 <sup>th</sup> & 4 on 16 <sup>th</sup> (I&KD).
<b>Shoveler</b>	30 at Budle Bay on 10 <sup>th</sup> (SV&AJM).
<b>Gadwall</b>	11 at Hedgeley Ponds on 17 <sup>th</sup> (I&KD).
<b>Wigeon</b>	103 at Branton Ponds on 16 <sup>th</sup> (I&KD).
<b>Pintail</b>	1 at Branton Ponds on 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 1 on 21 <sup>st</sup> (I&KD).
<b>Pochard</b>	5 at Branton Ponds on 14 <sup>th</sup> (I&KD).
<b>Goldeneye</b>	7 at Branton Ponds on 16 <sup>th</sup> & 10 on 21 <sup>st</sup> (I&KD).
<b>Red-throated Diver</b>	5 off Stag Rocks on 10 <sup>th</sup> (SV&AJM).
<b>Black-throated Diver</b>	1 in mouth of the River Tweed on 7 <sup>th</sup> (JP&MFN).
<b>Little Egret</b>	1 over Branton on 2 <sup>nd</sup> (I&KD).
<b>Red Kite</b>	1 over Humbleton Hill on 24 <sup>th</sup> (SB).
<b>Oystercatcher</b>	55 at Branton Ponds on 16 <sup>th</sup> (I&KD).
<b>Lapwing</b>	172 at Hedgeley Ponds on 17 <sup>th</sup> (I&KD).
<b>Woodcock</b>	1 at Branton on 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 1 at Beanley Woods on 13 <sup>th</sup> (I&KD).
<b>Green Sandpiper</b>	3 at Hedgeley Ponds on 17 <sup>th</sup> (I&KD).
<b>Barn Owl</b>	1 at Branton all month & 1 at Broome Park on 12 <sup>th</sup> (I&KD), 1 on Holy Island 14 <sup>th</sup> (SV&AJM), 1 near Alnwick on 19 <sup>th</sup> (JPL).
<b>Short-eared Owl</b>	2 at Holy Island from 11/14 <sup>th</sup> (J&CV,SV&AJM).
<b>Merlin</b>	1 at Newham on 6 <sup>th</sup> (JPL), 1 male near Berwick on 11 <sup>th</sup> (D&TLB).
<b>Red-backed Shrike</b>	1 female on Holy Island on 11 <sup>th</sup> (J&CV), a very early record, one for climate change.
<b>Jay</b>	1 at Beanley Woods on 13 <sup>th</sup> (I&KD).
<b>Raven</b>	1 over Branton Ponds on 13 <sup>th</sup> & 1 over Fawdon on 16 <sup>th</sup> (I&KD).
<b>Willow Tit</b>	1 at Branton Ponds on 15 <sup>th</sup> (I&KD) & 1 near Branton all month (I&KD).
<b>Skylark</b>	7+ near Branton on 16 <sup>th</sup> (I&KD).
<b>Twite</b>	30 at Holy Island on 14 <sup>th</sup> (SV&AJM).
<b>Goldfinch</b>	50 at North Sunderland all month (JPL).

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