

BIRD RECORDS MAY 2020

Shoveler 2 pairs at Monk's House Pool all month (JPL), 1 pair at Branton Ponds on 25th (IB&KDa).

Gadwall 2 pairs at Monk's House Pool all month (JPL,DG&RHB).

Tufted Duck 3 pairs at Monk's House Pool all month (JPL).

Quail 1 at Branton on 26th (IB&KDa).

Avocet 1 pair at Low Newton Scrape on 15th hatched 4 young, 3 remaining 26/31st (KHP, etal).

Black-tailed Godwit 2 at Low Newton Scrape on 1st & 13th (WMB).

Turnstone few at Stag Rocks most of month (JPL).

Purple Sandpiper few at Stag Rocks most of month (JPL).

Woodcock 1 at Beanley Wood on 24th (IB&KDa).

Common Sandpiper 1 at River Aln on 1st / 4th (A&MG), 1 pair at Happy Valley on 8th (DG&RB).

Greenshank 2 at Hedgeley Ponds on 2nd (IB&KDa).

Little Tern 12 + pairs at Long Nanny on 14th (A&MG).

Arctic Tern 1000 pairs at Long Nanny on 14th (A&MG).

Cuckoo 1 at Brandon on 2nd , 2 at Beanley Wood on 6/9th , 3 at Shepherds Law on 9th , 1 at Chillingham on 16th all (IB&KDa), 3 at Harthope Valley from 20/30th (IB&KDa,DG&RHB), 1 pair at Ford Moss on 25/28th (A&MG,SVM) and 1 at Holburn all month (CD).

Barn Owl 1 at Branton on 26th (IB&KDa), 1 at Holburn all month (CD).

Little Owl 1 pair at Embleton all month (PAs,WMB).

Nightjar 1 at Beanley Wood on 24th (IB&KDa).

Swift 4 at Branton Ponds on 5th were the earliest (IB&KDa).

Sand Martin c.10 at Beadnell & Seahouses dunes all month (JPL,DG&RHB).

House Martin c. 50+ nesting Beadnell & Seahouses all month (JPL).

Willow Warbler many at Harthope Valley all month (DG&RHB).

Chiffchaff many at Harthope Valley all month (DG&RHB).

Sedge Warbler 2 at Alnwick all month (A&MG).

Grasshopper Warbler 1 at Embleton Quarry on 5th (WMB), 1 at Beanley Moor on 6th (IB&KDa).

Blackcap 2 at Happy Valley on 8th & 1 at Yearle on 23rd (DG&RHB).

Garden Warbler 2 at Happy Valley on 8th (DG&RHB), 1 at Ford Moss on 25th (A&MG).

Lesser Whitethroat 2 at Alnwick all month (A&MG).

Whitethroat 4 at Beanley Moor on 6th & 2 at Bewick Moor on 16th (IB&KDa).

Fieldfare 3 at Shepherds Law on 9th (IB&KDa).

Spotted Flycatcher 1 at Branton on 29th (IB&KDa).

Pied Flycatcher 2 at Harthope Valley on 20th (IB&KDa).

Redstart 1 at Hedgeley Ponds on 2nd , 3 at Beanley Woods on 6th & 1 at Branton on (IB&KDa).

Whinchat 8 at Harthope Valley on 13/20th (SVM,IB&KDa).

Stonechat 1 at Beanley Moor on 6th , 4 at Shepherds Law on 9th , 12+ at Berwick Moor on 16th & many in Harthope Valley on 20th (IB&KDa).

Wheatear 1 at Newton Links on 14th (A&MG), 6 at College Valley on 31st (SV&AJM) .

Observers Paul Ashdown (PAs), Winnie Banks (WMB), Graham & Rosemary Bell (DG&RHB), Ian & Keith Davison (IB&KDa), Chris Duncan (CD), Alan & Margaret Goodall (A&MG), John P Lumby (JPL), Stewart & Alison McCormick (SV&AJM), Kathryn Potts (KHP).