

	SIGHTINGS APRIL 2014
BIRDS	
Red-throated Diver	2 in Druridge Bay on 1 st 3 at Football Hole on 10 th
Great Crested Grebe	1 at Branton Ponds on 16 th
Little Grebe	Several pairs around Branton Ponds all month 3 at Newton Pool on 10 th
Egyptian Goose	1 at Druridge Pools on 10 th 1 at Newton Scrape on 13 th and 15 th
Pintail	1 at Cresswell Pond on 8 th
Shoveler	3 at Branton Ponds on 4 th
Pochard	1 at Druridge Pools on 1 st
Common Scoter	1 at Druridge Pools on 1 st 2 at Branton Ponds(including one drake) on 27 th
Garganey	1 at Buston Links on 1 st
Goldeneye	11 at Branton Ponds on 15 th
Gadwall	3 at Branton Ponds on 19 th
Sparrowhawk	1 at Hampeth on 9 th
Red Kite	1 at Linton on 8 th
Kestrel	2 at Smeafield on 16 th 1 at Deanmoor on 3 rd 1 at Swarland on 5 th 1 at Acklington on 9 th
Hen Harrier	1 North Northumberland on 25 th
Grey Partridge	2 at Newton Point on 10 th 3 pairs at Smeafields on 3 rd
Water Rail	1 at Branton Ponds on 2 nd and 2 on 5 th
Woodcock	1 at Linton on 8 th
Avocet	1 at Cresswell Pond on 8 th and 3 on 10 th
Common Sandpiper	1 at Branton Ponds on 17 th 2 on River Breamish on 18 th 1 at Lesbury on 23 rd
Ringed Plover	2 at Branton Ponds on 17 th
Little Ringed Plover	1 at Branton Ponds on 8 th 1 at Cresswell on 3 rd
Golden Plover	2 on Cheviot summit on 6 th
Turnstone	10+ at Low Newton on 25 th
Sanderling	8 at Low Newton on 25 th
Purple Sandpiper	6 at Low Newton on 25 th
Bar-tailed Godwit	7 at Newton Flash on 25 th
Black-tailed Godwit	12 at Druridge Pools on 1 st 4 at Newton Flash on 24 th and 6 on 27 th
Ruff	3 at Newton Flash on 15 th 4 at Newton Flash on 24 th
Curlew	80 at Smeafield on 7 th and 150 on 8 th
Whimbrel	1 at Newton Point on 13 th 1 at Fieldhouse on 22 nd
Greenshank	1 at Branton Ponds on 28 th 1 at Alnmouth on 18 th
Herring Gull	54 at Branton Ponds on 19 th
Lesser Black-backed Gull	14 at Branton Ponds on 19 th
Black-headed Gull	468 at Branton Ponds on 19 th 130 at Swarland on 4 th
Mediterranean Gull	2 at Alnmouth on 1 st
Arctic Tern	4 at Newton Pool on 27 th
Sandwich Tern	Several at Newton Point on 13 th 3 at Snipe Point on 16 th 15 at Guile Point on 20 th
Cuckoo	1 at Titlington Mount on 27 th 1 at Shepherds Law on 26 th
Kingfisher	1 at Lesbury on 15 th

Skylark	8 at Smeafield on 21 st
Swallow	1 at Branton Ponds on 3 rd 9 at Fieldhouse on 22 nd 2 at Newton Pool on 10 th 2 at Elwick on 14 th
Sand Martin	3 at Druridge Pools on 1 st 2 at Hedgeley on 5 th 50+ at Branton Ponds on 22 nd
House Martin	1 at Branton Ponds on 17 th 2 at Newton Pool on 10 th 1 at Alnmouth on 16 th
Meadow Pipit	100+ at The Snook on 16 th
Tree Pipit	Several at Thrunton Woods on 26 th 1 near Newton Point on 27 th
Yellow Wagtail	1 at Newton Scrape on 27 th
Black Redstart	1 at Low Newton on 3 rd
Redstart	1 at Hedgeley on 20 th 1 near Beanley on 19 th
Stonechat	2 at Low Newton on 25 th
Wheatear	2 at Newton Point on 15 th 2 at Holy Island on 16 th 2 at Newton Point on 3 rd 2 at Smeafield on 21 st
Mistle Thrush	2 at Smeafield on 13 th
Fieldfare	30 at Ellingham on 10 th
Ring Ouzel	2 at Hawsen Burn on 12 th and 6 on 15 th
Grasshopper Warbler	1 near Beanley on 19 th 1 at Low Newton on 25 th 2 at St Mary's Island on 29 th
Sedge Warbler	1 at Branton Ponds on 19 th several at Newton Pool on 25 th several at Branton Ponds on 27 th
Blackcap	1 at Branton Ponds on 4 th 7 singing males at Branton Ponds on 16 th
Garden Warbler	1 at Branton Ponds on 24 th and 3 on 27 th
Willow Warbler	1 at Branton Ponds on 5 th 1 at Newton Pool on 6 th 1 at Alnmouth on 13 th
Lesser Whitethroat	2 at Low Newton on 25 th 1 at East Chevington on 13 th
Whitethroat	2 at Branton on 30 th 4 at St Mary's Island on 29 th
Willow Tit	2 at Branton Ponds all month 1 at Newton Dunes on 3 rd
Spotted Flycatcher	1 at Smeafield on 13 th
Nuthatch	2 at Lesbury on 4 th
Raven	2 at Holy Island on 11 th
Crossbill	15 at Thrunton Woods on 26 th 40 at Beanley Woods on 26 th
Goldfinch	Up to 6 daily at Swarland
Siskin	Up to 4 daily at Swarland
Lesser Redpoll	1 at Royal Oak Gardens on 5 th 1 at Lesbury on 5 th 3 at Swarland until 15 th
Brambling	2 at Swarland on 7 th 1 at Lesbury on 11 th 3 at Swarland on 11 th
REPTILES	
Slow Worm	1 at Branton Ponds on 6 th
Adder	6 at Branton Ponds on 5 th
PLANTS	
Wood Anemone	At Crawley Dene on 10 th
Sea Spleenwort	At Howick on 13 th
Thrift	At Holy Island on 16 th
MAMMALS	
Otter	Otter prints at Branton on 11 th
Fox	1 at Swarland on 8 th

Grey Squirrel	1 between Felton and Old Swarland on 18 th
Red Squirrel	1 at Ellingham on 10 th 1 near Hedgeley Hall on 24 th
Hedgehog	1 at Smeafield on 20 th
Pipistrelle	4+ at Newton Pool on 14 th
Brown Hare	4 at Smeafield on 30 th
Roe Deer	9 on Holy Island on 16 th 2 (1 st summer) at Newton Pool on 14 th
Grey Seal	1500+ off Guile Point on 16 th 800 at Fenham Flats on 21 st
INSECTS	
Peacock Butterfly	1 at Ellingham on 10 th 2 at Yearle on 16 th 1 at Smeafield on 10 th
Green-veined White	Several at Branton Ponds on 19 th
Orange Tip	1 at Branton Ponds on 21 st
Small Tortoiseshell	Several on Holy Island on 16 th 5 at Yearle on 16 th 3 at Smeafield on 14 th
Speckled Wood	1 at Branton Ponds on 23 rd
Common Carder Bee	Several at Branton Ponds on 23 rd
Tawny Mining Bee	2 at Branton on 14 th
Twenty Plume Moth	1 at Branton on 14 th
Red Green Carpet	1 at Branton on 15 th
Herald moth	1 at Branton on 23 rd
RAINFALL	38.1 mm
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