

SIGHTINGS MARCH 2011

BIRDS

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| Red-throated Diver | 2 off Ross Back Sands (20th) and 1 at Stag Rock (24th) |
| Great Crested Grebe | 2 at Big Waters (15th), 2 at Branton Ponds (19th) and 1 at East Chevington (19th) |
| Red-necked Grebe | 3 at Ross Back Sands (20th) |
| Slavonian Grebe | 6 at Ross Back Sands (20th) and 3 at Stag Rock (24th) |
| Black-necked Grebe | 1 at Beadnell dunes (3rd) |
| Whooper Swan | 60 at Ross Back Sands (6th), 35 at Branton Ponds (8th), 37 at Linton Lane (11th) and 1 at River Breamish (4th) |
| Ross's Goose | 1 at Doddington 31st |
| Pinkfoot Goose | 50 at Cresswell (27th) |
| American Wigeon | 1 at Cresswell Pond (27th) |
| Pintail | 3 at Druridge Pools (27th) |
| Pochard | 1 at Hedgeley Ponds (4th) |
| Wigeon | 150 at Beadnell dunes (3rd) |
| Shoveler | 2 at Branton Ponds (31st) |
| Long-tailed Duck | 5 at Stag Rock (24th) |
| Common Scoter | 70 at Holy Island (13th), 150 (20th) and 100 (24th) at Stag Rock |
| Goldeneye | 55 at Holy Island (13th) |
| Red-breasted Merganser | 2 at Druridge (1st) |
| Peregrine | 1 at Branton Ponds (1st), 1 at Cresswell (21st) and 1 at Harehope (21st) |
| Bittern | 1 at Cresswell (5th) |
| Ring Plover | 2 at Hedgeley Ponds (22nd) and 24 at Beadnell (3rd) |
| Golden Plover | 40 at Swarland (24th) |
| Woodcock | 1 at Widdrington Station (27th) |
| Curlew | 200 at Long Nanny (3rd) |
| Green Sandpiper | 1 on (4th & 19th) at River Breamish |
| Kingfisher | 1 at Branton Ponds (12th) |
| Green Woodpecker | 1 at Bigwaters (15th), 1 at Widdrington Station (12th) and 1 at East Lilburn (19th) |
| Great Spotted Woodpecker | 2 at Widdrington Station all month and 2 at Swarland (2nd) |
| Skylark | 15 at Branton (12th) |
| Sand Martin | 1 at Branton Ponds (28th), 1 at East Chevington (19th) |
| Grey Wagtail | 1 at Alnwick (5th) and 2 in the Carey Burn (26th) |
| Dipper | 1 at Powburn 24th feeding a fledgling |
| Waxwing | 48 (19th) and 40 (21st) at Ashington |
| Chiffchaff | 1 at Branton Ponds (22nd), 1 at Druridge 23rd and 1 at Bamburgh (24th) |
| Treecreeper | Many in Alnwick (5th) and 1 at Old Bewick (12th) |
| Hooded Crow | 1 at Cresswell (12th) |
| Raven | 2 at Branton (8th) and 1 in Carey Burn (26th) |
| Marsh Tit | 2 at Widdrington Station (23rd) and 1 at Swarland (1st) |
| Brambling | 1 at Hauxley (21st) and 1 at Swarland (13th) |
| Lesser Redpoll | 1 at Harehope (15th) |
| MAMMALS | |
| Stoat | In ermine at Branton Ponds (8th) and Newton Lowsteads (7th) |
| Roe Deer | 2 at Newton Lowsteads (11th) |
| Hedgehog | 1 at Branton (25th) |
| Red Squirrel | 1 at Widdrington Station (25th) and 1 at Hedgeley (30th) |
| Otter | 1 at Hauxley (23rd) |

PLANTS

Coltsfoot

Branton Ponds (9th)

Primrose

Carey Burn (26th) and East Lilburn (19th)

Barren Strawberry

East Lilburn (19th)

Sweet Violet

East Lilburn 19th

INVERTEBRATES

Peacock butterfly

1 at Branton Ponds (21st0)

Tortoiseshell

2 at Branton Ponds (21st0)

Comma

1 at Powburn (21st)

REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS

Adder

3 (7th) and 7 (19th) at Branton Ponds

Toad

100's at Branton Ponds (26th) {spawning}

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