

	SIGHTINGS MARCH 2014
BIRDS	
Red Throated Diver	1 at Beadnell Bay on 1 st 11 at Stag Rocks on 1 st and 12 on 9 th 2 at Boulmer on 22 nd
Black Throated Diver	1 at Boulmer on 22 nd 1 at East Chevington on 4 th
Little Grebe	2 at Branton Ponds on 15 th and 4 on 25 th
Slavonian Grebe	4 at Stag Rocks on 1 st 1 at Warkworth on 1 st 2 at East Chevington on 4 th
Red Necked Grebe	1 at Stag Rocks on 1 st 1 at East Chevington on 29 th 1 at Old Law on 29 th
Great Crested Grebe	1 at Branton Ponds on 12 th and 2 on 23 rd
Gannet	6 at Boulmer on 22 nd
Little Egret	1 at Fenham Flats on 16 th 1 at Warkworth on 16 th
Whooper Swan	19 at Branton Ponds on 7 th 28 at Craggside on 9 th 16 over Howick on 10 th 5 at Branton Ponds on 21 st and 20 on 23 rd
Greylag Goose	162 at Branton Ponds on 15 th
Pink-footed Goose	80+ over Howick on 10 th 1 at Branton Ponds on 12 th 56 at Fenham le Moor on 16 th 1500 at Stag Rock on 31 st
White Fronted Goose	3 at Newton Scrape on 13 th
Barnacle Goose	100+ over Howick on 10 th
Brent Goose	6 at Fenham Flats on 16 th 63 including 2 Dark Bellied at Fenham le Moor on 16 th
Goldeneye	14 at Branton Ponds on 15 th 6 at Fenham le Moor on 16 th
Teal	31 at Branton Ponds on 15 th
Shoveler	A pair on Branton Ponds on 13 th
Wigeon	300+ at Beadnell Bay on 1 st 48 at Branton Ponds on 15 th 97 at Fenham le Moor on 16 th
Gadwall	A pair on Branton Ponds on 13 th
Garganey	1 at Buston Links on 31 st
Shelduck	12 at Branton Ponds on 1 st 40 at Smeafields on 31 st
Common Scoter	500+ at Stag Rocks on 1 st 1500 at Stag Rock on 31 st
Long Tailed Duck	4 at Stag Rocks on 1 st 2 at Guile Point on 16 th 12 at Old Law on 29 th
Pintail	7 at Fenham le Moor on 16 th
Scaup	1 at Boulmer on 22 nd
Red Breasted Merganser	6 at Stag Rocks on 1 st 3 at Alnmouth Bay on 6 th
Peregrine	1 at Fenham Flats on 16 th 1 at Old Law on 29 th
Merlin	1 at Long Nanny on 9 th 1 near Football Hole on 10 th 1 near Glanton on 11 th
Sparrowhawk	1(male) Harwood Forest on 10 th 1 at Shilbottle on 17 th
Marsh Harrier	1 at East Chevington on 29 th
Kestrel	2 at Smeafields on 17 th
Grey Partridge	2 at Howick on 10 th 2 at Glanton on 12 th
Water Rail	1 at Branton Ponds on 19 th
Woodcock	1 at Glanton Pike on 12 th
Avocet	2 at Cresswell Pond on 29 th
Sanderling	44 at Old Law on 29 th
Grey Plover	16 at Old Law on 29 th
Ringed Plover	2 on River Breamish on 18 th

Little Ringed Plover	1 at Cresswell Pond on 29 th
Golden Plover	3 over Glanton Pike on 12 th
Oystercatcher	75 at Branton Ponds on 2 nd
Black Tailed Godwit	6 at Druridge Pools on 29 th
Bar Tailed Godwit	26 at Boulmer on 22 nd
Curlew	54 at Branton Ponds on 2 nd 406 at Fenham Flats on 16 th
Green Sandpiper	1 on River Breamish near Hedgeley on 15 th
Purple Sandpiper	1 at Alnmouth on 29 th
Common Gull	202 at Branton Ponds on 15 th
Lesser Black Backed Gull	7 at Budle Bay on 1 st 7 at Branton Ponds on 2 nd and 16 on the 18 th
Mediterranean Gull	1 at Beadnell Bay on 1 st
Black Headed Gull	474 at Branton Ponds on 15 th
Woodpigeon	322 at Branton on 30 th
Tawny Owl	3 at Glanton on 12 th
Little Owl	1 at Glanton on 12 th
Kingfisher	1 on River Breamish on 4 th 2 at Branton Ponds on 27 th 1 on River Breamish on 18 th
Great Spotted Woodpecker	2 at Smeafields all month
Sand Martin	1 near Lesbury on 19 th 6 at Brandon on 22 nd 1 at Hedgeley on 18 th
Meadow Pipit	30+ at Branton Ponds on 27 th
Pied Wagtail	30+ at Branton Ponds on 27 th
Grey Wagtail	Over Howick on 8 th 2 at Wooler Water on 12 th 1 near Hipsburn on 16 th 1 at Brandon Ford on 31 st 2 on Swarland Burn on 15 th
Dipper	1 singing on Wooler Water on 12 th 2 on River Breamish near Hedgeley on 15 th carrying food.
Black Redstart	1 at Buston Links on 31 st
Wheatear	1 at Druridge Pools on 29 th
Mistle Thrush	4 at Smeafields on 31 st
Fieldfare	20+ over Brandon Ford on 27 th
Redwing	16+ near Hipsburn on 16 th
Chiffchaff	1 at East Chevington on 4 th 2-3 at Howick on 10 th 2 at Branton Ponds on 11 th 2 at Wooler on 12 th 1 at Fenham le Moor hide on 16 th 1 at Druridge Bay country park on 4 th
Willow Tit	1 at Branton Ponds on 4 th and 6 th a pair at Branton Ponds on 13 th
Jay	2 in Harwood Forest on 10 th
Brambling	1 at Lesbury on 20 th 1 at Lesbury on 20 th 1 at Swarland on 29 th
Greenfinch	10 at Swarland all month
Goldfinch	25 at Smeafields all month 7 at Swarland all month
Siskin	A family group at Lesbury on 20 th 8 at Smeafields all month
Tree Sparrow	21 at Branton on 17 th 20+ at Smeafields all month
Crossbill	Several in Beanley Woods on 3 rd 2 near Eglington on 18 th
Common(Mealy) Redpoll	2 at East Chevington on 17 th
Yellowhammer	Several near Football Hole on 10 th 70+ near Newham on 25 th
Reed Bunting	Many near Football Hole on 10 th
Snow Bunting	6 at Long Nanny on 1 st 12 at Holy Island on 2 nd 2 at Titlington Mount on 17 th 1 at

	Brandon on 21 st 2 at East Chevington on 4 th
MAMMALS	
Red Squirrel	1 at Harwood Vilage on 10 th 1 at Howick on 10 th 1 at Swarland from 18 th
Pipistrelle	2 at Glanton on 12 th
Badger	1 at Harehope on 14 th
Fox	1 at Newton on the Moor on 9 th
Stoat	1 at Smeafields on 9 th 1 at Newton on the Moor on 6 th
Weasel	1 at Monks House Pool on 31 st
Porpoise	1 at Stag Rock on 31 st
Grey Seal	500 at Old Law on 29 th
REPTILES	
Adder	2 at Branton Ponds on 2 nd and 6 by 3 rd
AMPHIBIANS	
Frog	Frogspawn at Beanley Moor on 3 rd large numbers in Harwood Forest on 10 th also lots of Frogspawn 2 at Cragside on 9 th
Toad	Spawning at Branton Ponds on 23 rd
PLANTS	
Coltsfoot	1 plant at Branton Ponds on 4 th at Howick on 8 th
Primrose	At Howick on 10 th
Lungwort	At Howick on 10 th
INSECTS	
7-Spot Ladybird	1 at Whittingham on 6 th
Small Tortoiseshell	1 at Warkworth on 16 th
Epinotia Immudana(moth)	1 at Branton on 5 th
Dotted Border	1 at Branton on 10 th
Early Moth	1 at Glanton on 11 th
Early Grey	1 at Branton on 12 th
Pine Beauty	1 at Howick on 14 th
Mottled Grey	2 at Branton on 13 th (1 of the pale variety and 1 of the dark northern variety f. nubilata)
Marmalade Hoverfly	At Howick on 10 th
Early Bumblebee	1 at Branton Ponds on 18 th
Buff Tailed Bumblebee	Several at Branton Ponds on 11 th at Howick on 10 th
INVERTEBRATES	
Marphysa Sanguinea	1 (a seashore worm) at Fenham Flats on 16 th
RAINFALL	12.8mm
OBSERVERS	W Banks, G&R Bell, S Binyon, T&M Cadwallender, I&K Davison, G Dodds, A Keeble, D Makepeace, M McMahon, E Panton, R&J Poppleton, S Reay, M Rolley, J Rutter, S Sexton.