

SIGHTINGS DECEMBER 2013

BIRDS	
Red-throated Diver	2 at Fenham Flats on 15 th 1 off Stag Rocks on 26 th and 3 on 29 th 3 at Boulmer on 30 th 8 off Stag Rocks on 12 th
Great Northern Diver	1 off Stag Rocks on 26 th and 12 th
Red-necked Grebe	1 at Stag Rocks on 25 th
Slavonian Grebe	1 off Stag Rocks on 26 th
Manx Shearwater	1 at Boulmer on 30 th
Gannet	6+ at Boulmer on 30 th
Little Egret	1 near Angerton on 12 th 1 at Fenham Mill on 14 th
Whooper Swan	20+ at Fenham Mill on 14 th
Brent Goose	760 at Fenham Flats on 15 th
Pink-footed Goose	500+ near Beadnell on 7 th 100+ over Branton on 9 th 350 at Cresswell Pond on 18 th
Barnacle Goose	275 at Ross on 13 th
Pintail	13 at Fenham Flats on 15 th
Goldeneye	1 at Branton Ponds on 4 th and 7 on 15 th
Goosander	4 at Branton Ponds on 4 th
Red-breasted Merganser	2 at Cresswell Pond on 18 th several off Stag Rocks on 25 th
Shelduck	130 at Fenham Flats on 15 th 850+ at Fenham Flats on 14 th
Common Scoter	400+ off Stag Rocks on 26 th and 300 on 12 th
Eider Duck	150 at Fenham Flats on 15 th 265+ at Fenham Flats on 14 th
Long-tailed Duck	4 at Fenham Flats on 15 th 8 off Stag Rocks on 29 th
Sparrowhawk	1 at Branton Ponds on 2 nd
Peregrine	1 at Branton Ponds on 4 th 2 on Black Law on 15 th 3 at Fenham Flats on 14 th 1 at Budle Bay on 12 th
Common Buzzard	7 over Titlington Mount on 16 th
Red Grouse	4 at Black Grouse on 2 nd
Water Rail	1 at Branton Ponds on 30 th 1 at Cresswell Pond on 31 st
Golden Plover	4 at Black Lough on 2 nd 235 at Fenham Flats on 15 th 300 at Ross on 13 th 120 at Boulmer on 30 th
Grey Plover	18 at Boulmer on 30 th
Lapwing	300 at Fenham Flats on 15 th 230 at Boulmer on 30 th
Snipe	2 on River Breamish on 10 th 3 at Cresswell Pond on 31 st
Woodcock	3 near Post Office Pylon on 1 st 2 at Hannah's Hill on 5 th 1 at Branton Ponds on 7 th 1 near Angerton on 12 th
Dunlin	230 at Fenham Flats on 15 th
Sanderling	138 at Fenham Flats on 15 th
Curlew	21 at Hedgeley Lakes on 15 th 192 at Fenham Flats on 15 th
Bar-tailed Godwit	130 at Fenham Flats on 15 th
Black-tailed Godwit	1 at Fenham Flats on 15 th
Green Sandpiper	1 on River Breamish on 15 th
Purple Sandpiper	35 at Stag Rocks on 29 th 6 at Boulmer on 30 th
Redshank	202 at Fenham Flats on 15 th
Grey Phalarope	1 at Stag Rocks on 25 th
Ivory Gull	2(juveniles) at Seahouses on 7 th , the first in Northumberland for 34 years

Little Gull	2 at Boulmer on 30 th
Kingfisher	1 at Branton Ponds throughout month 1 at Felton on 10 th
Great Spotted Woodpecker	1 near Low Weldon on 10 th
Grey Wagtail	1 on River Breamish on 15 th 1 near Angerton on 12 th
Dipper	4 on River Breamish on 15 th
Waxwing	6 at Felton on 13 th
Stonechat	1 at Stag Rocks on 29 th 2 at Boulmer on 30 th
Fieldfare	25 over Branton on 10 th
Marsh Tit	2 near Angerton on 12 th
Willow Tit	2 near Angerton on 12 th
Treecreeper	Several near Branton on 10 th
Raven	4 at Bewick Moor on 18 th
Brambling	50+ at Thrunton Woods on 26 th
Crossbill	15 at Thrunton Woods on 26 th
Siskin	8 at Branton Ponds on 9 th 8 at Branton Ponds on 26 th
Linnet	150+ at Elwick on 13 th 150 at Old Bewick on 30 th
Lesser Redpoll	1 at Branton Ponds on 9 th 6 at Branton Ponds on 26 th
Bullfinch	5 near Post Office Pylon on 1 st 4+ near Angerton on 12 th 4 at Branton Ponds on 26 th
Snow Bunting	15 at Guile Point on 15 th
Yellowhammer	6 at Cresswell Pond on 31 st
Mixed flock(total approx..100) of Chaffinch, Tree Sparrow, Yellowhammer, Greenfinch and Reed Bunting at Old Bewick 30 th	
INVERTEBRATES	
Scarce Umber	1 in Branton on 1 st
MAMMALS	
Red Squirrel	1 in Branton on 6 th 1 near Whittingham on 25 th
Fox	1 at Newton le Moor on 11 th
Roe Deer	4 at Branton on 25 th
Reindeer	A small flock over Branton on night of 24 th /25 th
Otter	Evidence of Otter at Black Lough 2 nd 1 at Cresswell Pond on 18 th
AMPHIBIANS	
Common Toad	1 at Branton Ponds on 21 st
PLANTS	
Tremella Mesenterica	At Branton Ponds on 26 th
RAINFALL	
65.1 mm	
OBSERVERS	
C Bird, J Clark, I&K Davison, G Dodds, A Keeble, G Osborne, R&J Poppleton, S Reay, S Sexton, R Wills.	