

SIGHTINGS FEBRUARY 2018

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BIRDS	
Red-throated Diver	4 at Amble on 18 th
Great-northern Diver	2 at Widdrington Lakes on 18 th
Great-crested Grebe	3 at Amble on 18 th
Little Grebe	5 at Hedgeley Lakes on 18 th 1 at Holy Island causeway on 8 th
Bittern	1 at East Chevington on 25 th
Little Egret	1 at Brandon Ford on 14 th
Whooper Swan	1 at Branton Ponds on 16 th 29 on Coquet Estuary on 25 th 20 over Felton on 26 th
White-fronted Goose	1 at Hemscott Hill on 24 th
Pink-footed Goose	75+ at Elwick on 11 th 3000+ at Druridge Pools on 18 th
Barnacle Goose	600 at Elwick on 11 th 500+ at Smeafield on 6 th included 2 long staying leucistic birds
Brent Goose	400+ at Budle Bay on 11 th 600+ at Elwick on 11 th
Shelduck	142+ at Budle Bay on 11 th 340 at Elwick on 11 th
Pintail	1 at East Chevington on 7 th
Shoveller	A pair at Branton Ponds on 1 st 6 at Budle Bay on 11 th 14 at Newton Scrape on 1 st 52 at Budle Bay on 7 th
Goldeneye	16 at Branton Ponds on 7 th and 22 on 14 th with 27 on 18 th 32 at East Chevington on 25 th
Tufted Duck	69 at Branton Ponds on 18 th
Pochard	1 at Branton Ponds on 22 nd
Sparrowhawk	1 at Barrack Wood on 9 th
Peregrine	1 at Denwick on 12 th
Common Snipe	2 at Smeafield on 28 th
Woodcock	1 at Branton Ponds on 11 th 30 at Elwick on 9 th
Oystercatcher	96 at Branton Ponds on 22 nd
Green Sandpiper	2 at Hedgeley Lakes on 4 th
Ringed Plover	1 at Amble on 18 th 18 at Budle Bay on 11 th
Golden Plover	30 at Hemscott Hill on 18 th
Grey Plover	84+ at Elwick on 11 th
Dunlin	15 at Hemscott Hill on 18 th
Redshank	150+ at Budle Bay on 11 th
Spotted Redshank	1 at Budle Bay on 11 th
Black-tailed Godwit	4 at Druridge Pools on 24 th
Mediterranean Gull	4 at Newbiggin on 18 th
Common Guillemot	1 at Amble on 18 th
Kingfisher	1 at Branton Ponds on 16 th 1 at Newton Pool on 1 st 1 at Felton on 22 nd
Skylark	1 at Swinhoe Farm on 15 th
Water Pipit	1 at Druridge Pools on 24 th
Dipper	1 on River Breamish on 4 th
Stonechat	2 at Amble on 18 th
Blackbird	20+ at Howick on 28 th
Redwing	6+ at Howick on 28 th part of a mixed flock of 20 was at Bamburgh on 28 th
Fieldfare	6+ at Howick on 28 th part of a mixed flock of 20 was at Bamburgh on 28 th
Blackcap	3 in Alnwick all month
Goldcrest	2 at Branton Ponds on 22 nd
Willow Tit	1 at Branton Ponds on 8 th
Long-tailed Tit	5 in Branton on 28 th
Treecreeper	1 in Alnwick on 9 th and 12 th
Starling	100+ at Howick on 28 th
Tree Sparrow	28 at Branton on 8 th

Hawfinch	1 at The Hirsell on 17 th
Siskin	1 in Alnwick on 10 th and 16 th
Twite	6 at Chibburn mouth on 7 th 30 at Felton on 28 th
Bullfinch	14 at Smeafield on 12 th and 2 on 21 st
Chaffinch	20+ at Howick on 28 th
Greenfinch	3 in Alnwick on 12 th and 16 th
Common Crossbill	20+ at Harwood Forest on 25 th
Yellowhammer	6 at Shawdon Hall on 17 th 14 near Elwick on 22 nd
MAMMALS	
Otter	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 4 th 3 at East Chevington on 25 th
Stoat	1 in ermine at Felton on 7 th 1 in ermine at Chester Hill Farm on 10 th
Red Squirrel	1 at Barrack Wood on 9 th 1 at Branton on 27 th
Grey Squirrel	1 in Alnwick all month
Fox	1 at Elwick on 11 th
Roe Deer	2 at Elwick on 11 th 5 near Hampeth on 7 th and 11 th
Brown Hare	1 at Elwick on 11 th 2 at Felton on 11 th 1 at Shawdon Hall on 17 th
REPTILES	
Adder	2 at Branton Ponds on 17 th and 6 on 21 st
AMPHIBIANS	
Common Toad	Several on road at Branton on 19 th
INVERTEBRATES	
Pale-brindled Beauty	1 at Branton on 20 th
FUNGI	
Jelly Ear	At Felton Park on 4 th
RAINFALL	76mm
OBSERVERS	W Banks, J Chubb, I&K Davison, A&M Goodall, P Jobson, A Keeble, S Reay, J Rutter, S Sexton, B&H Taylor, D Taylor, NNBC.