

**SIGHTINGS MAY 2014**

<b>BIRDS</b>	
Red-throated Diver	1 off Stag Rock on 4 <sup>th</sup>
Spoonbill	1 at Druridge Pools on 28 <sup>th</sup>
Great White Egret	1 at Druridge Pools on 3 <sup>rd</sup> 1 at Alnmouth on 22 <sup>nd</sup>
Garganey	1 drake at Hoppen Kiln Flash on 4 <sup>th</sup> with 3 birds on 8 <sup>th</sup> and 4 on 10 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Smeafield on 5 <sup>th</sup>
Goosander	2 at Ingram on 10 <sup>th</sup> 6 at Monks House Pool on 11 <sup>th</sup>
Shelduck	2 with 10 young at Branton Ponds on 20 <sup>th</sup>
Common Scoter	30+ at Stag Rock on 4 <sup>th</sup>
Honey Buzzard	1 at Hedgeley Ponds on 4 <sup>th</sup>
Peregrine	2 at Harthope Valley on 4 <sup>th</sup>
Avocet	3 at Cresswell Pond on 28 <sup>th</sup>
Golden Plover	1 on Dunmoor on 18 <sup>th</sup>
Grey Plover	2 at Cresswell Pond on 28 <sup>th</sup>
Ruff	1 at Beadnell Flash on 8 <sup>th</sup>
Black-tailed Godwit	2 at Branton Ponds on 4 <sup>th</sup> 42 at Cresswell Pond on 28 <sup>th</sup> 6 at Druridge Pools on 4 <sup>th</sup>
Wood Sandpiper	1 at Hoppen Kiln Flash on 4 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Monks House Pool on 4 <sup>th</sup> 2 at Hoppen Kiln Flash on 8 <sup>th</sup>
Greenshank	1 at Hoppen Kiln Flash on 4 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Alnmouth on 1 <sup>st</sup>
Whimbrel	1 at Budle Bay on 4 <sup>th</sup> 3 at Fenham Flats on 18 <sup>th</sup> 20 at Druridge Pools on 4 <sup>th</sup>
Lesser Yellowlegs	1 at Beadnell Flash on 8 <sup>th</sup>
Pectoral Sandpiper	1 at Hoppen Kiln Flash on 10 <sup>th</sup>
Common Sandpiper	2 at Ingram on 10 <sup>th</sup> 2 at Lesbury on 5 <sup>th</sup> 2 on River Breamish on 5 <sup>th</sup>
Oystercatcher	3 chicks at Branton Ponds on 14 <sup>th</sup>
Little Gull	8 at Cresswell Pond on 28 <sup>th</sup>
Lesser Black-backed Gull	24 at Branton Ponds on 13 <sup>th</sup>
Common Tern	1 at Branton Ponds on 1 <sup>st</sup>
Arctic Tern	100+ at Long Nanny on 11 <sup>th</sup>
Little Tern	4 at Long Nanny on 11 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Newton Point on 19 <sup>th</sup>
Cuckoo	1 at Holystone Woods on 5 <sup>th</sup> 1 near Lesbury on 5 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Linhope on 18 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Black Lough on 2 <sup>nd</sup> 1 heard 27 <sup>th</sup> Bamburgh
Barn Owl	1 at Harehope on 9 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Branton on 28 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Boulmer on 23 <sup>rd</sup>
Tawny Owl	1 at Harehope on 9 <sup>th</sup>
Swift	1 at Branton Ponds on 4 <sup>th</sup>
Green Woodpecker	1 at Alnwick Moor 27 <sup>th</sup>
Sand Martin	300+ at Branton Ponds on 1 <sup>st</sup>
Tree Pipit	Several at Holystone Woods on 5 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Alnwick Moor on 27 <sup>th</sup>
Grey Wagtail	2 on River Till on 3 <sup>rd</sup> 2 at Lesbury on 5 <sup>th</sup>
Yellow Wagtail	2 at Newton Scrape on 5 <sup>th</sup> 2 at Hemscott Hill on 5 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Hoppen Kiln Flash on 8 <sup>th</sup>
Dipper	1 at Ingram on 10 <sup>th</sup>
Whinchat	2 in Harthope Valley on 4 <sup>th</sup> and 3 on 14 <sup>th</sup> 2 at Black Lough on 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Stonechat	1 in Harthope Valley on 14 <sup>th</sup>

Redstart	2 in Harthope Valley on 4 <sup>th</sup> several in Holystone Woods on 5 <sup>th</sup>
Wheatear	10+ at Monks House Pool on 4 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Black Lough on 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Ring Ouzel	1 at Hawsen Burn on 4 <sup>th</sup> and 2 on 14 <sup>th</sup>
Lesser Whitethroat	1 at Branton Ponds on 5 <sup>th</sup> 3 on the Snook on 30 <sup>th</sup>
Garden Warbler	3+ at Branton Ponds on 1 <sup>st</sup>
Blackcap	Many at Branton Ponds all month,
Reed Warbler	1 at Cresswell Pond on 28 <sup>th</sup>
Sedge Warbler	Several around Branton Ponds all month, 1 at Smeafield on 10 <sup>th</sup>
Grasshopper Warbler	1 at Brandon Ford on 4 <sup>th</sup> 2 at Ford Moss on 4 <sup>th</sup>
Wood Warbler	1 at Holystone Woods on 5 <sup>th</sup>
Firecrest	1 in Vicars garden Holy Island on 30 <sup>th</sup>
Spotted Flycatcher	1 at Branton Ponds on 15 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Branton Middlesteads on 21 <sup>st</sup>
Pied Flycatcher	1 in Breamish Valley on 4 <sup>th</sup>
Red-backed Shrike	1 at Holy Island on 30 <sup>th</sup>
Woodchat Shrike	1 at Hemscott Hill on 5 <sup>th</sup>
Jay	1 at Holystone Woods on 5 <sup>th</sup>
Raven	2 at Ford on 4 <sup>th</sup> a group of 9 over Hedgehope summit on 18 <sup>th</sup>
Common Crossbill	3 near Etal on 3 <sup>rd</sup>
<b>MAMMALS</b>	
Shrew(sp)	1 at Yearle on 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 on 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Long-tailed Field Mouse	1 at Yearle all month
Pipistrelle Bat	5 at Yearle on 10 <sup>th</sup>
Roe Deer	1 at Doddington on 15 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Hunting Hall on 18 <sup>th</sup>
Red Squirrel	1 at Branton on 12 <sup>th</sup> also 20 <sup>th</sup> and 21 <sup>st</sup> and 31 <sup>st</sup>
Brown Hare	7 at Monks House Pool on 11 <sup>th</sup> 12+ at Hunting Hall on 18 <sup>th</sup> 3 leverets on 16 <sup>th</sup>
Red Deer	4 at Alnwick Moor on 27 <sup>th</sup>
<b>REPTILES</b>	
Adder	1 in garden at Yearle on 9 <sup>th</sup> 1 in Harthope Valley on 14 <sup>th</sup> 2 at Black Lough on 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Slow Worm	1 at Branton Ponds on 9 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Yearle on 19 <sup>th</sup>
Common Lizard	1 at Branton Ponds on 10 <sup>th</sup>
<b>INSECTS</b>	
Orange Tip	Several at Branton Ponds on 13 <sup>th</sup>
Small Copper	1 at Branton Ponds on 19 <sup>th</sup>
Peacock Butterfly	Several at Fenham Flats on 18 <sup>th</sup>
Painted Lady	1 at Holy Island on 30 <sup>th</sup>
Wall Butterfly	Numerous at Fenham Flats on 18 <sup>th</sup>
Small Heath Butterfly	1 at Fenham Flats on 18 <sup>th</sup>
Emperor Moth	5 on Hedgehope on 18 <sup>th</sup> 2 at Post Office Pylon on 26 <sup>th</sup>
Peach Blossom moth	1 at Howick on 18 <sup>th</sup>
Flame Shoulder moth	1 at Howick on 18 <sup>th</sup>
Lunar Thorn moth	1 at Howick on 11 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Branton on 15 <sup>th</sup> and 19 <sup>th</sup>
Cinnabar Moth	2 on Holy Island on 30 <sup>th</sup>

Scorched Wing	1 at Branton on 18 <sup>th</sup>
Common Blue Damselfly	3 at Branton Ponds on 19 <sup>th</sup>
Blue-tailed Damselfly	Several at Branton Ponds on 21 <sup>st</sup>
Cardinal Beetle	2 at Branton Ponds on 21 <sup>st</sup>
Red and Black Frogopper	1 at Branton Ponds on 21 <sup>st</sup>
Woodlouse Spider	1 at Howick on 18 <sup>th</sup>
Scorpion Fly	1 at Branton Ponds on 19 <sup>th</sup>
<b>PLANTS</b>	
Cloudberry	In flower on Cheviot on 11 <sup>th</sup>
Yellow Pimpernel	At Hepburn Woods on 26 <sup>th</sup>
Northern Marsh Orchid	Many on Holy Island on 30 <sup>th</sup>
<b>RAINFALL</b>	71.1mm
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