

**SIGHTINGS MAY 2017**

<b>BIRDS</b>	
Great-crested Grebe	Pair at Branton Ponds on 11th
Mute Swan	Pair with 8 cygnets at Branton Ponds on 9th
Barnacle Goose	215 past Boulmer on 7th
Garganey	2 at Linton Lane on 1st 1 at Druridge Pools on 13th
Common Scoter	1 off Stag Rocks on 7th 1 at Branton Ponds on 17th
Osprey	1 at Howick on 3rd
Red Kite	1 over Branton Ponds on 27th
Sparrowhawk	1 at Branton on 19th
Grey Partridge	2 in Harthope Valley on 7th
Jack Snipe	1 at Debdon on 11th
Little Ringed Plover	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 3rd 2 at Branton Ponds on 15th
Temminck's Stint	1 at Cresswell Pond on 14th
Purple Sandpiper	15 at Stag Rocks on 7th
Dotterel	3 at Boulmer on 6th and 6 on 9th
Dunlin	3 at Hedgeley Lakes on 7th
Black-tailed Godwit	3 at Druridge Pools on 14th
Greenshank	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 3rd
Wood Sandpiper	1 at Druridge Pools on 13th
Ruff	4 at Druridge Pools on 1st 1 at Druridge Pools on 13th
Knot	1 at Branton Ponds on 7th 3 at Hedgeley Lakes on 7th
Curlew	12 at Post Office Pylon on 24th
Whimbrel	1 at Boulmer on 9th
Glaucous Gull	1 at Monks House Pool on 29th
Lesser Black-backed Gull	56 at Branton Ponds on 9th
Sandwich Tern	5 at Cresswell Pond on 1st
Common Tern	20+ at East Chevington on 1st
Little Tern	1 off Newton Point on 17th
Cuckoo	2 at Beanley Moor on 4th 1 at Debdon on 11th 1 on Alnwick Moor on 14th 2 at Post Office Pylon on 24th
Little Owl	1 at Druridge Pools on 14th 1 at Branton on 27th
Tawny Owl	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 3rd 1 at Howick on 6th 1 at Spindlestone on 7th
Barn Owl	1 at Howick on 6th 1 at Branton on 11th 1 near Garmintedge Bank on 29th
Short-eared Owl	1 at Alnwick Moor on 24th
Swift	2 at Branton Ponds on 6th 1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 7th 9 at Branton Ponds on 9th 12 at Belford on 8th
Red-rumped Swallow	1 at Druridge Pools on 16th
Tree Pipit	2 at Debdon on 11th 1 at Holystone Woods on 21st
Shorelark	1 at Boulmer on 9th
Yellow Wagtail	2 at Druridge Pools on 1st
Citrine Wagtail	1 at Druridge Pools on 13th
Stonechat	15 at Post Office Pylon on 24th
Whinchat	1 at Boulmer on 7th 2 in Harthope Valley on 7th
Wheatear	4 at Boulmer on 7th

Redstart	1 at Roddam on 9th 1 in Crawley Dene on 10th 6 at Holystone Woods on 21st
Fieldfare	6 at Hedgeley Lakes on 3rd
Ring Ouzel	2 in Harthope Valley on 7th 1 on Holy Island on 14th
Lesser Whitethroat	1 at Howick on 6th 1 at Low Newton on 7th 1 at Slainsfield Moor on 14th
Common Whitethroat	1 at Branton Ponds on 3rd
Garden Warbler	2 at Branton Ponds on 2nd and several by 3rd
Reed Warbler	1 at East Chevington on 1st 1 at Branton Ponds on 17th
Grasshopper Warbler	2 at East Chevington on 1st 1 at Druridge Pools on 1st 1 at Howick on 6th 1 at Low Newton on 7th
Wood Warbler	1 at Allenbanks on 6th
Spotted Flycatcher	1 at Druridge Pools on 13th 1 at Branton Ponds on 16th 1 at Branton Middlesteads on 23rd 1 at Branton on 23rd
Pied Flycatcher	5 at Allenbanks on 6th 1 at Holystone Woods on 21st
Treecreeper	1 at Branton Ponds on 19th 4 at Holystone Woods on 21st
Nuthatch	1 at Holystone Woods on 21st
Raven	1 in Harthope Valley on 7th 1 near Linhope on 13th 1 at Holystone Woods on 21st
Brambling	1 at Low Newton on 7th
Common Redpoll	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 7th
Lesser Redpoll	4 at Branton Ponds on 17th
Common Crossbill	60+ at Yardhope Oaks on 21st
<b>MAMMALS</b>	
Fox	1 at Branton Ponds on 7th 1 at Spindleston on 7th
Red Squirrel	Up to 5 in Branton all month.
Brown Hare	4 at Branton Ponds on 17th 2 at Post Office Pylon on 24th
<b>INVERTEBRATES</b>	
Speckled Wood	2 at Linton Lane on 1st several at Branton Ponds on 10th
Orange Tip	6 at Branton Ponds on 3rd several at Spindleston on 7th 1 at Elwick on 1st
Red Admiral	1 at Branton Ponds on 3rd and 2 on 10th 1 at Smeafield on 22nd
Meadow Brown	2 at Smeafield on 14th
Wall Brown	1 at Branton Ponds on 10th 1 at Smeafield on 9th
Green Hairstreak	2 at Ship Crag on 11th 2 at Alnwick Moor on 14th
Small Copper	1 at Branton Ponds on 14th
Elephant Hawk-moth	2 at Branton on 28th
Poplar Hawk-moth	1 at Branton on 21st
Bee moth	1 at Branton on 12th
Dark Tussock	Several caterpillars on Holy Island on 14th
Pale Prominent	2 at Branton on 25th
Lesser Swallow Prominent	1 at Branton on 25th
Pebble Prominent	1 at Branton on 25th
Buff-tip	1 at Branton on 31st
Peppered Moth	1 at Branton on 23rd
Lychnis	1 at Branton on 23rd
Clouded Silver	2 at Branton on 15th
Lunar Thorn	1 at Branton on 15th
Glaucous Shears	1 at Branton on 15th

Rustic Shoulder-knot	1 at Branton on 21st
White Ermine	2 at Branton on 15th
Pale-shouldered Brocade	1 at Branton on 17th
Scalloped Hazel	3 at Branton on 17th
Muslin moth	2 at Branton on 17th
Oiceotoma thoracicum	1 at Branton Ponds on 21st
Red and Black Froghopper	1 at Branton Ponds on 22nd
Hawthorn Shieldbug	1 at Branton on 15th
5-spot Ladybird	1 at Smeafield on 14th
10-spot Ladybird	1 at Branton Ponds on 14th
Pill Millipede	1 at Branton Ponds on 17th
Common-blue Damselfly	2 at Branton Ponds on 21st
<b>FISH</b>	
3 Spined Stickleback	1 building its nest at Branton Ponds on 10th
<b>FUNGI</b>	
Chicken of the Woods	At Holystone Woods on 21st
<b>RAINFALL</b>	17 mm
<b>OBSERVERS</b>	
I&K Davison, G Dodds, J&R Muggeridge, R&J Poppleton, S Reay, J Rutter, S Sexton.	