

SIGHTINGS OCTOBER 2014

BIRDS

Red Throated Diver	2 at Newton Point on 5 th 1 in Alnmouth Bay on 16 th
Slavonian Grebe	1 at Branton Ponds from 15 th and still present at end of month
Great Crested Grebe	6 at Branton Ponds on 7 th
Little Grebe	13 at Branton Ponds on 15 th
Bittern	1 at Branton Ponds on 18 th
Little Egret	1 on Holy Island causeway on 11 th 4 at Fenham Flats on 12 th
Whooper Swan	3 at Branton Ponds on 13 th and 3 on 25 th 9 at Warkworth on 27 th
Barnacle Goose	350 over Budle Point on 27 th
Pink-footed Goose	1 over Branton on 30 th
Brent Goose	585 at Fenham Flats on 12 th
Pochard	4 at Branton Ponds on 5 th
Widgeon	1518 at Fenham Flats on 12 th
Scaup	1 at Amble on 27 th
Hen Harrier	1 male at North Northumberland on 10 th
Merlin	1 on Holy Island on 11 th
Grey Partridge	4 near Belford on 14 th
Water Rail	3 at Branton Ponds on 15 th
Ruff	8 at Newton Scrape on 5 th
Lapwing	46 at Branton Ponds on 11 th
Sanderling	157 at Fenham Flats on 12 th
Whimbrel	1 on Aln Estuary on 6 th
Green Sandpiper	1 at Branton Ponds on 18 th
Curlew Sandpiper	1 on Aln Estuary on 2 nd
Lesser Black Backed Gull	40+ at Branton Ponds on 7 th 95 at Branton Ponds on 11 th
Little Gull	12 at Newton Point on 5 th 3 off Emmanuel Head on 11 th
Long Eared Owl	1 at Boulmer on 15 th
Kingfisher	2 at Branton Ponds on 11 th and 1 on 18 th 2 on River Aln on 2 nd
Dipper	3 at Wooler Water on 1 st
Blackbird	100+ at Smeafield on 29 th
Mistle Thrush	7 in College Valley on 2 nd
Redwing	30 at Branton on 15 th and 50+ on 30 th 9 at Smeafield on 29 th
Fieldfare	1 over Branton on 30 th 40+ at Black Lough on 30 th 6 at Smeafield on 6 th
Yellow Browed Warbler	1 on Holy Island on 11 th
Goldcrest	4 on Holy Island on 11 th
Willow Tit	1 at Branton Ponds on 4 th
Long Tailed Tit	16 at Smeafield on 27 th
Nuthatch	Several at Holystone Woods on 29 th
Raven	3 in College Valley on 2 nd
Goldfinch	6 at Smeafield on 28 th
Lesser Redpoll	1 at Branton on 9 th

INSECTS

Common Darter	Several at Branton Ponds on 7 th
Speckled Wood	1 at Wooler Water on 1 st 1 at Titlington Mount on 12 th 1 at Smeafield on 17 th
Red Admiral	Several at Branton Ponds on 7 th
December Moth	1 at Branton on 31 st
Mervielle de Jour moth	2 at Howick on 1 st
Large Wainscot	1 at Howick on 1 st
The Brick	1 at Howick on 1 st
Death's Head Hawkmoth	1 at Howick on 18 th

MAMMALS

Stoat	1 at Wooler Water on 1 st 1 in Alnmouth on 26 th
Weasel	1 at Branton on 9 th 1 at Smeafield on 12 th
Red Squirrel	1 at Hedgeley on 8 th 1 in Branton on 14 th 1 at Branton Ponds on 16 th 1 at Holystone Woods on 29 th 1 at Howick Hall on 29 th 1 at North Bank Belford on 5 th
Bottle-nose Dolphin	2+ in Alnmouth Bay on 16 th

PLANTS

Autumn Hawkbit	Wooler Water on 1 st
Upright hedge parsley	Wooler Water on 1 st
Tormentil	College Valley on 2 nd
Harebell	College Valley on 2 nd

FUNGI

Fairy Club	College Valley on 2 nd
Meadow Waxcap	College Valley on 2 nd
Larch Bolete	College Valley on 2 nd

RAINFALL

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