

SIGHTINGS OCTOBER 2017

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BIRDS	
Great Northern Diver	1 at Stag Rocks on 10th
Red-throated Diver	3 at The Football Hole on 22nd
Little Grebe	15 at East Chevington on 15th
Cormorant	9 at Branton Ponds on 6th
Grey Heron	4 at Monks House Pool on 12th
Little Egret	4 at Budle Bay on 1st 1 at Branton Ponds on 6th and 2 on 8th 7 at Holy Island on 8th
Whooper Swan	1 at Branton Ponds on 6th and 3 on 9th 18 at East Chevington on 8th 6 at Branton Ponds on 18th
Brent Goose	60+ at Budle Point on 1st 1000 at Holy Island on 21st 4000 at Fenham Flats on 16th
Barnacle Goose	120 over Branton Ponds on 12th 6000 at Budle Bay on 10th 2500 at Fenham Flats on 16th 5000 at Budle Bay on 12th 12 at Craster on 25th
Pink-footed Goose	300+ at Budle Point on 1st 45 over Branton on 3rd and 230+ on 5th 2000 at Holy Island on 8th 38 at Branton Ponds on 30th
Greylag Goose	255 at Branton Ponds on 6th
Cackling Goose	1 at Budle Bay on 14th
Tufted Duck	57 at East Chevington on 15th
Shoveller	12 at Monks House Pool on 12th
Pintail	9 at East Chevington on 15th
Goosander	36 at Branton Ponds on 3rd and 87 on 6th
Marsh Harrier	1 at East Chevington on 14th and 2 on 15th
Hen Harrier	1 flying over Rothley Lakes on 3rd
Buzzard	2 at Shepherds Law on 15th
Kestrel	2 at Shepherds Law on 15th
Peregrine	1 at Shepherds Law on 15th
Merlin	1 at Holy Island on 8th and 1 on 20th
Sparrowhawk	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 29th
Woodcock	1 at Howick on 19th
Avocet	1 at Monks House Pool on 10th and 12th
Red-necked Phalarope	1 at Druridge Pools on 10th and 11th and 16th
Purple Sandpiper	1 at Craster on 4th
Green Sandpiper	1 at Brandon Ford on 27th
Little Stint	1 at Monks House Pool on 1st 1 at Low Newton on 5th
Lapwing	300 at Monks House Pool on 12th
Golden Plover	1000 at Fenham Flats on 21st
Grey Plover	1000 at Holy Island on 15th
Ruff	35 at Low Newton on 17th
Greenshank	2 at Holy Island causeway on 21st
Curlew	17 at Fenham Flats on 17th 150 at Smeafield on 18th
Black-tailed Godwit	4 at Monks House Pool on 1st and 1 on 31st
Great Skua	1 at Newton Point on 30th
Arctic Skua	1 at Budle Point on 1st
Long-tailed Skua	1 at Goswick G.C. on 1st and again on 8th
Lesser Black-backed Gull	54 at Branton Ponds on 3rd
Glaucous Gull	1 at Budle Bay on 10th
White-winged Black Tern	1 at Stag Rocks on 1st
Black Tern	1 at Budle Point on 1st 1 at East Chevington on 15th
Common Tern	1 at Stag Rocks on 12th
Arctic Tern	2 at Stag Rocks on 10th

Roseate Tern	1 at Budle Point on 1st
Stock Dove	1 at Beadnell on 26th
Turtle Dove	1 at Seahouses on 18th
Short-eared Owl	1 coming in off the sea at Holy Island on 15th
Tawny Owl	3 at Brandon on 12th several all month around a garden in Alnwick
Barn Owl	1 near Brandon on 12th
Little Owl	1 at Druridge Pools on 20th
Kingfisher	1 at Branton Ponds on 6th 1 on River Aln near Alnwick on 5th 1 at Low Newton on 13th
Bee-Eater	2 at East Chevington on 15th 1 at Druridge Pools on 21st
Swallow	1 at Druridge Pools on 20th
Shorelark	1 at East Chevington on 15th
Wheatear	1 at Dunstanburgh on 26th
Water Pipit	1 at Druridge Pools on 18th
Stonechat	Several at Druridge Pools on 21st 1 near Weetwood on 23rd
Black Redstart	1 at Boulmer on 20th
Fieldfare	1 over Branton on 23rd
Redwing	Many on Holy Island on 19th several small flocks haeding SW at Fowberry Mains on 19th 150+ at Cambois on 19th 100 at Smeafield on 3rd
Ring Ouzel	1 near Weetwood on 23rd 1 at Cambois on 19th
Yellow-browed Warbler	2 at Low Newton on 21st 1 at Craster on 19th and 20th 1 at Holy Island on 20th
Cetti's Warbler	1 at East Chevington on 14th and 15th
Barred Warbler	1 at Druridge Pools on 8th and 9th
Long-tailed Tit	9 at Smeafield on 8th
Willow Tit	1 at Craster on 4th and 26th
Mealy Redpoll	1 at Low Newton on 21st
Bullfinch	3 near Weetwood on 23rd
Brambling	2+ at Fowberry Mains on 19th 3+ at Low Newton on 21st
Crossbill	20+ at Thrunton Woods on 7th 3+ at Fowberry Mains on 19th many small groups at Thrunton Woods on 23rd 5 at Beanley Woods on 29th
Little Bunting	1 at Low Newton on 21st
INVERTEBRATES	
Speckled Wood	Several at Branton Ponds on 1st 30+ at Branton Ponds on 3rd
Small Copper	1 at Branton Ponds on 15th
Red Admiral	50+ at Branton Ponds on 3rd
Red-line Quaker	2 at Branton on 14th
Yellow-line Quaker	1 at Branton on 17th
Green-brindled Crescent	1 at Branton on 14th
Red-green Carpet	1 at Branton on 7th and 1 on 14th
Spruce Carpet	1 at Branton on 7th and 22 on 17th
Streak	1 at Branton on 1st and 1 on 14th with 2 on 23rd
Satellite	1 at Branton on 17th
Merveille du Jour	1 at Branton on 17th 1 at Howick
Mottled Umber	2 at Branton on 17th
Feathered Thorn	2 at Branton on 17th
Rusty-dot Pearl	1 at Branton on 23rd
Common Darter	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 29th
Migrant Hawker	1 at Low Newton on 5th
MAMMALS	
Red Squirrel	1 at Branton on 1st 1 near Druridge Bay Country Park on 18th 1 at Hedgeley Hall on 29th 1 at Elwick Farmhouse on 23rd 2 at Howick on 6th
Grey Squirrel	1 at Felton on 8th

Brown Hare	1 at Acton Home Farm on 29th
Weasel	1 at Dunstanburgh on 26th
Stoat	1 at Hauxley on 24th 1 in Ingram Valley on 27th
Hedgehog	1 at Smeafield on 22nd and taken to Longframlington rescue centre
Bottlenose Dolphin	1 at Craster on 24th 8 at Embleton Bay on 26th
FUNGI	
Verdigris Roundhead	1 near Whittingham on 9th
Shaggy Inkcap	Several at Branton Ponds on 8th
Parrot Waxcap	At Shepherds Law on 15th
Honey Waxcap	At Shepherds Law on 15th
Blackening Waxcap	At Shepherds Law on 15th
Scarlet Waxcap	At Shepherds Law on 15th
Golden Waxcap	At Shepherds Law on 15th
Meadow Waxcap	At Shepherds Law on 15th
Snowy Waxcap	At Shepherds Law on 15th
Yellow Club	At Shepherds Law on 15th
Suede Bolete	At Shepherds Law on 15th
Turkey Tail	At Beanley Woods on 25th
Hoof Fungus	At Beanley Woods on 25th
PLANTS	
Cowslip	At Branton Ponds on 16th
Bell Heather	In flower at Shepherds Law on 25th
REPTILES	
Adder	1 at Branton Ponds on 24th
Slow Worm	1 at Smeafield on 6th
RAINFALL	45 mm
OBSERVERS	G Bell, J Carr-Ellison, I&K Davison, G Dodds, M&J Drage, P Jobson, A Keeble, M McMahon, R Poyer, S Reay, J Rutter, S Sexton, D Taylor.