	SIGHTINGS SEPTEMBER 2014
BIRDS	
Great Crested Grebe	7 at Branton Ponds on 22 <sup>nd</sup> and 8 by the 24 <sup>th</sup>
Fea's Petrel	1 off Beadnell Point on 21 <sup>st</sup>
Manx Shearwater	1 at Holy Island on 27 <sup>th</sup>
Sooty Shearwater	20 off Beadnell Point on 21 <sup>st</sup>
Little Egret	1 at Branton Ponds on 1 <sup>st</sup> 3 on Ingram Haugh on 5 <sup>th</sup> 3 at Fenham Flats on 7 <sup>th</sup> up to 4 all month in Branton area 5 at Holy Island causeway on 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Pale-bellied Brent Goose	340 at Fenham Flats on 7 <sup>th</sup>
Barnacle Goose	Large skein over Smeafield on 23 <sup>rd</sup>
Pink-footed Goose	30+ over Branton on 20 <sup>th</sup> and 80 on 22 <sup>nd</sup>
Wigeon	940 at Fenham Flats on 7 <sup>th</sup>
Goosander	48 at Branton Ponds on 25 <sup>th</sup>
Osprey	1 at Branton Ponds on 19 <sup>th</sup>
Peregrine	1 at Branton on 23 <sup>rd</sup> 1 at Fenham Flats on 15 <sup>th</sup> 2 at Smeafield on 22 <sup>nd</sup>
Merlin	1 at Holy Island on 14 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Fenham Flats on 20 <sup>th</sup>
Quail	6 at Smeafield on 4 <sup>th</sup>
Grey Partridge	22 at Smeafield on 9 <sup>th</sup>
Golden Plover	250 at Newton Point on 10 <sup>th</sup> 2000+ at Holy Island on 16 <sup>th</sup>
Oystercatcher	770 at Fenham Flats on 7 <sup>th</sup>
Ruff	20+ at Newton Scrape on 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Little Stint	1 at Newton Scrape on 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Green Sandpiper	2 at Branton Ponds on 1 <sup>st</sup> and at least one all month 2 at Hedgeley on 7 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Branton Ponds on 29 <sup>th</sup>
Curlew Sandpiper	2 at Newton Scrape on 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 6 on 10 <sup>th</sup>
Redshank	222 at Fenham Flats on 7 <sup>th</sup>
Bar -tailed Godwit	354 at Fenham Flats on 7 <sup>th</sup>
Black-tailed Godwit	1 at Newton Scrape on 10 <sup>th</sup> and 4 on 18 <sup>th</sup>
Arctic Skua	1 at Holy Island on 21 <sup>st</sup>
Great Skua	1 at Holy Island on 27 <sup>th</sup>
Lesser Black-backed Gull	20+ at Branton Ponds on 23 <sup>rd</sup> and 120+ on 25 <sup>th</sup>
Little Gull	2 at Holy Island on 27 <sup>th</sup>
Arctic Tern	21 at Guile Point on 7 <sup>th</sup>
Little Tern	5 at Guile Point on 7 <sup>th</sup>
Roseate Tern	1 at Budle Point on 13 <sup>th</sup>
Cuckoo	1 on Holy Island on 14 <sup>th</sup>
Barn Owl	1 at Alnwick Moor on 15 <sup>th</sup>
Tawny Owl	1 at Branton on 24 <sup>th</sup>

Little Owl	1 at Smeafield on 4 <sup>th</sup>
Kingfisher	1 at Branton Ponds on 1 <sup>st</sup> 2 at Branton Ponds on 6 <sup>th</sup>
Wryneck	1 at Hadston Carrs on 10 <sup>th</sup>
Grey Wagtail	2 at Hedgeley on 7 <sup>th</sup> 6 at Brandon Ford on 10 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Smeafield on 7 <sup>th</sup>
Yellow Wagtail	1 at Newton Scrape on 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Siberian Stonechat	1 at Holy Island on 21 <sup>st</sup>
Common Redstart	Several on Holy Island on 14 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Low Newton on 18 <sup>th</sup> 2 at Holy Island on 21 <sup>st</sup>
Black Redstart	2 on Holy Island on 14 <sup>th</sup>
Redwing	2 at Alnwick on 16 <sup>th</sup>
Barred Warbler	1 on Holy Island on 16 <sup>th</sup>
Blackcap	Several at Low Newton on 20 <sup>th</sup>
Lesser Whitethroat	1 on Holy Island on 16 <sup>th</sup> and 1 on 21 <sup>st</sup> 1 at Branton on 21 <sup>st</sup>
Reed Warbler	1 on Holy Island on 15 <sup>th</sup>
Greenish Warbler	1 at Holy Island on 14 <sup>th</sup> and 16 <sup>th</sup>
Chiffchaff	Many still calling at Branton Ponds at beginning of month
Wood Warbler	1 at Holy Island on 21 <sup>st</sup>
Yellow-browed Warbler	3 on Holy Island on 15 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Low Newton on 20 <sup>th</sup>
Firecrest	1 at Holy Island on 21 <sup>st</sup>
Willow Tit	1 at Branton Ponds on 29 <sup>th</sup>
Spotted Flycatcher	2 at Holy Island on 21 <sup>st</sup>
Red-breasted Flycatcher	3 at Low Newton on 16 <sup>th</sup> and 1 on 18 <sup>th</sup>
Pied Flycatcher	Several on Holy Island on 14 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Low Newton on 18 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Holy Island on 21 <sup>st</sup> 1 at Smeafield on 16 <sup>th</sup>
Treecreeper	1 at Branton on 10 <sup>th</sup>
Red Backed Shrike	1 on Holy Island on 14 <sup>th</sup>
Jay	1 at Smeafield on 28 <sup>th</sup>
Raven	2 over Cheviots on 18 <sup>th</sup> 5 at Chillingham on 23 <sup>rd</sup>
Brambling	2 at Holy Island on 27 <sup>th</sup>
Twite	300 at Smeafield on 19 <sup>th</sup>
Reed Bunting	42 at Weetwood Moor on 18 <sup>th</sup>
MAMMALS	
Red Squirrel	1 at Branton Ponds on 4 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Branton on 8 <sup>th</sup> burying hazelnuts 2 on school field Branton on 23 <sup>rd</sup>
Grey Squirrel	1 at Barmoor on 9 <sup>th</sup>
Hedgehog	1 albino at Howick on 20 <sup>th</sup>
Weasel	1 at Smeafield on 21 <sup>st</sup>
INSECTS	
Centre-barred Sallow	4 at Branton on 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Chevron moth	6 at Branton on 3 <sup>rd</sup>
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Poplar Hawk Moth	1 at Branton on 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Butterbur moth	1 at Branton on 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Bullrush Wainscot	1 at Branton on 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Brown-spot Pinion	4 at Branton on 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Frosted Orange	1 at Branton on 13 <sup>th</sup>
Small White	1 at Yearle on 30 <sup>th</sup>
Comma	1 at Yearle on 30 <sup>th</sup>
Peacock	20 at Smeafield on 2 <sup>nd</sup> 2 at Yearle on 22 <sup>nd</sup> and 1 on 30 <sup>th</sup>
Painted Lady	1 at Smeafield on 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Small Copper	2 at Branton Ponds on 7 <sup>th</sup>
Speckled Wood	1 at Branton Ponds on $7^{th}$ and 4 on $22^{nd}$ 3 at Smeafield on $16^{th}$ 1 at Yearle on $22^{nd}$
Small Tortoiseshell	1 at Yearle on 22 <sup>nd</sup> and 1 on 30 <sup>th</sup>
Red Admiral	Several at Weetwood Moor on 18 <sup>th</sup> 1 at Smeafield on 24 <sup>th</sup> 3 at Yearle on 22 <sup>nd</sup> and 1 on 30 <sup>th</sup>
Southern Hawker	1 at Branton Ponds on 5 <sup>th</sup>
Common Hawker	2 at Branton Ponds on 11 <sup>th</sup>
Common Darter	Several at Branton Ponds on 11 <sup>th</sup>
White-tailed Bumblebee	1 at Weetwood Moor on 18 <sup>th</sup>
Dor Beetle	1 at Weetwood Moor on 18 <sup>th</sup>
REPTILES	
Slow Worm	1 at Branton Ponds on 22 <sup>nd</sup>
Adder	1 baby Adder at Branton Ponds on 25 <sup>th</sup>
RAINFALL	23.2 mm
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