

SIGHTINGS MARCH 2020

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BIRDS	
Great Crested Grebe	1 at Branton Ponds on 19 th 1 at East Chevington on 9 th
Grey Heron	6 at Branton Ponds on 6 th
Whooper Swan	12 over Branton on 3 rd 5 at Branton Ponds on 4 th and 2 on 9 th 21 over Branton Ponds on 19 th 55 at Low Newton on 6 th and 26 on 12 th 60 over Felton on 16 th
Shoveler	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 26 th
Pochard	1 at Branton Ponds on 15 th
Gadwall	32 at Hedgeley lakes on 6 th
Ring-necked Duck	1 briefly at Branton Ponds on 29 th
Goldeneye	14 at Branton Ponds on 7 th and 24 on 8 th
White-tailed Eagle	1 at Howick on 31 st
Common Buzzard	2 at Lemmington Hall on 17 th 4 at Smeafield on 24 th
Sparrowhawk	1 at Branton Ponds on 17 th
Goshawk	1 in Alnwick area on 17 th
Peregrine	1 at Roseden on 21 st 1 near Bamburgh on 9 th
Grey Partridge	2 at Branton on 23 rd
Red-legged Partridge	A pair at Smeafield on 11 th
Oystercatcher	48 at Branton Ponds on 7 th
Ringed Plover	4 at Hedgeley Lakes on 6 th
Green Sandpiper	2 at Hedgeley Lakes on 6 th and again on 22 nd 1 at Branton Ponds on 15 th
Mediterranean Gull	2 at Branton Ponds on 17 th 1 over Glanton on 25 th
Lesser Black-backed Gull	6 at Branton Ponds on 4 th 6 at Felton on 31 st
Common Gull	1 in Felton garden till 31 st (Norwegian colour ring J059)
Stock Dove	2 at Branton Ponds on 8 th
Sand Martin	5+ at Hedgeley Lakes on 26 th
Grey Wagtail	1 at Felton on 29 th
Dipper	2 at Felton Bridge on 31 st
Wheatear	3 at Gleadscleugh on 21 st
Common Redstart	1 at Belford on 12 th
Redwing	3 at Branton Ponds on 22 nd singing birds at Hedgeley Lakes on 26 th including several Icelandic birds.
Fieldfare	50+ at Harwood on 21 st 20+ at Hedgeley Hall on 22 nd 700+ over Branton on 30 th 44 at Hedgeley lakes on 30 th
Mistle Thrush	A pair at Smeafield on 5 th and 19 th
Chiffchaff	3 at Branton Ponds on 8 th 2 on 15 th and 4 on 17 th lots at Branton Ponds and Hedgeley Lakes on 26 th
Long-tailed Tit	6 at Smeafield on 22 nd
Willow Tit	1 at Branton Ponds on 29 th
Marsh Tit	2 at Whinney Hill Farm on 16 th
Treecreeper	1 at Detchant on 31 st
Jay	3 at Hedgeley Lakes on 30 th
Raven	2 at Fenham Hill on 6 th
Common Crossbill	20+ in Harwood Forest on 21 st
Yellowhammer	1 at Smeafield on 10 th and a pair on 27 th 5 at Kyloe Woods on 3 rd
MAMMALS	
Otter	1 found dead in Bamburgh on 17 th
Stoat	1 in ermine at Branton Ponds on 17 th
PLANTS	
Coltsfoot	At Branton Ponds on 7 th
INVERTEBRATES	
Buff-tailed Bumblebee	1 at Branton Ponds on 7 th

White-tailed Bumblebee	1 at Smeafield on 2 nd
Red-tailed Bumblebee	1 at Felton on 19 th
Tree Bumblebee	1 at Branton on 15 th
Peacock	1 near Lemmington Hall on 25 th
Small Tortoiseshell	1 nea Lemmington Hall on 25 th 1 at Felton on 5 th
Hebrew Character	5 at Glanton on 25 th 7 at Branton on 25 th
Twin-spot Quaker	1 at Glanton on 25 th
Small Quaker	1 at Glanton on 25 th 1 at Branton on 25 th
Mottled Grey	2 at Branton on 25 th
Early Grey	2 at Branton on 25 th
Satellite	2 at Branton on 25 th
AMPHIBIANS	
Common Frog	Frogspawn at Beanley Moor on 8 th Frogspawn at Felton on 9 th - 11 th
Common Toad	Many at Howick on 19 th
REPTILES	
Adder	6 at Branton Ponds on 2 nd and 10 on 4 th
Slow Worm	1 at Branton Ponds on 22 nd
RAINFALL	40mm
OBSERVERS	I&K Davison, G Dodds, P&A Hanmer, A Keeble, P&P McEwan, S Reay, S Sexton, B Welch.