

SIGHTINGS FEBRUARY 2021

BIRDS	
Little Grebe	2 at Howick on 28 th
Great-white Egret	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 23 rd and again on 24 th
Little Egret	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 16 th and 19 th and 2 on 20 th
Grey Heron	2 at Monks House Pool on 26 th
Mute Swan	3 at Howick on 28 th
Whooper Swan	4 over Branton on 19 th 11 at Dunstanburgh on 25 th
Brent Goose	30 off Cullernose on 1 st
Barnacle Goose	1 at Branton Ponds on 10 th
Canada Goose	A pair at Monks House Pool on 26 th
Pink-footed Goose	6000 at Budle Bay on 26 th 100+ over Alnwick on 27 th
Greylag Goose	80 over Broomford Lonnon on 22 nd
Teal	20 at Howick on 28 th
Tufted Duck	1 at Monks House Pool on 26 th 2 at Howick on 28 th
Pochard	1 at Branton Ponds on 19 th
Gadwall	1 at Monks House Pool on 26 th
Scaup	3 at Druridge Bay CP on 24 th
Goldeneye	11 at Branton Ponds on 19 th 1 at Monks House Pool on 26 th
Common Scoter	150 off Cullernose on 1 st
Red-breasted Merganser	3 at Stag Rocks on 26 th 2 at Druridge Bay CP on 24 th
Red Kite	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 24 th
Hen Harrier	1 near Dunstanburgh on 4 th
Marsh Harrier	1 at East Chevington on 26 th
Common Buzzard	5 over Branton on 8 th 2 at Broomford Lonnon on 22 nd
Sparrowhawk	1 at Yearle on 4 th and 22 nd
Grey Partridge	11 at Townfoot on 17 th 7 at Cullernose on 15 th
Coot	3 at Howick on 28 th
Common Snipe	3 at Branton Ponds on 10 th 9 at Alnwick Moor on 24 th
Woodcock	2 at Townfoot on 17 th 1 at Ulgham on 25 th 1 at Whinney Hill Farm on 27 th 1 at Low Steads on 1 st 1 at Craster on 8 th
Turnstone	40 at Stag Rocks on 26 th
Purple Sandpiper	60 at Stag Rocks on 26 th
Green Sandpiper	2 at Branton Ponds on 16 th 1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 19 th and 2 on 20 th
Curlew	110+ over Branton Ponds on 25 th 100 at Monks House Pool on 26 th 2 at Whinney Hill Farm on 27 th
Mediterranean Gull	1 at Amble Harbour on 11 th
Lesser Black-backed Gull	9 at Branton Ponds on 25 th
Razorbill	40 briefly at Dunstanburgh Cliffs on 25 th
Tawny Owl	1 heard at Yearle from 8 th
Barn Owl	1 at Branton Ponds on 10 th and again on 14 th 1 in Brizlee Wood on 24 th
Great-spotted Woodpecker	A pair at Yearle all month
Skylark	65+ in Breamish Valley on 27 th 3 at Townfoot on 17 th 3 near Longhorseley on 3 rd 5 at Ulgham on 25 th
Pied Wagtail	7 at Felton Sewerage Works on 22 nd
Dipper	1 on Yearle Burn on 6 th
Stonechat	8 at East Chevington on 26 th
Redwing	4 in Alnwick on 11 th and 14 th
Fieldfare	35+ over Branton on 16 th 40 at Overgrass on 28 th
Song Thrush	1 in Alnwick on 22 nd
Blackbird	15 at Yearle during snowy weather.

Blackcap	Male and female in an Alnwick garden all month
Goldcrest	1 in an Alnwick garden on 6 th 1 in Alnwick on 22 nd
Long-tailed Tit	A group in an Alnwick garden on 7 th several groups in Yearle all month, 12 at Howick on 28 th
Marsh Tit	2 at Whinney Hill Farm on 27 th
Willow Tit	1 at Boulmer on 26 th
Treecreeper	2 near Hedgeley Hall on 7 th 1 in Alnwick on 2 nd
Raven	2 over Alnwick Moor on 24 th 2 at Dunstanburgh on 4 th and 8 th 1 at Craster on 26 th
Bullfinch	12 at Branton Ponds on 19 th a pair in Wooler on 10 th 4 at Howick on 28 th
Siskin	2 at Branton Ponds on 9 th 1 in Alnwick on 26 th and 27 th
Lesser Redpoll	3 at Branton Ponds on 9 th 3 at Lemmington Hall on 9 th
Common Crossbill	7+ at Hedgeley Lakes on 23 rd 2 in Beanley Woods on 27 th
Yellowhammer	20+ near Whaupie House on 12 th 4 in Branton on 12 th 35 at Townfoot on 17 th
MAMMALS	
Otter	Tracks in snow at Branton Ponds on 10 th 1 dead at roadside near Brandon on 21 st
Roe Deer	11 at Brunton on 22 nd 3 at Broomford Lonnon on 22 nd
Red Deer	1 at Branton on 16 th
Brown Hare	1 at Broomford Lonnon on 22 nd 2 at Earle Hillside on 10 th 1 at Yearle on 27 th 8 at Townfoot on 17 th 24 near Boulmer on 26 th
Harbour Porpoise	2 off Cullernose on 22 nd
Bottle-nosed Dolphin	2 off Craster on 27 th and 28 th
Humpback Whale	1 off Howick on 1 st and 28 th also between Cullernose and Craster on 11 th and 24 th - 28 th
REPTILES	
Adder	1 at Branton Ponds on 16 th and 2 on 22 nd rising to a maximum of 7 by end of month.
AMPHIBIANS	
Frog	Frogspawn near Ingram on 21 st Frogspawn in Alnwick on 21 st
INVERTEBRATES	
Red-tailed Bumblebee	1 in Beanley Woods on 27 th
Tree Bumblebee	1 in Branton on 27 th
Buff-tailed Bumblebee	1 in Branton on 28 th
Red Admiral	1 near Boulmer on 26 th
OBSERVERS	G&R Bell, I&K Davison, G Dodds, M&J Drage, P&A Hanmer, P Jobson, A Keeble, D Taylor, R Wills.