

SIGHTINGS MAY 2021

BIRDS	
Red-throated Diver	2 at Boulmer on 12 th and 3 on 19 th
Manx Shearwater	2 at Boulmer on 12 th
Common Crane	1 near Doxford on 15 th
Barnacle Goose	250+ over Branton Ponds on 2 nd 6 at Bamburgh on 15 th
Bar-headed Goose	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 23 rd
Eider	20+ at Boulmer on 19 th 20 off Howick Burn Mouth on 9 th
Tufted Duck	28 at Branton Ponds on 9 th
Garganey	2 at Holy Island on 9 th
Common Scoter	100+ at Stag Rock on 27 th
Marsh Harrier	1 at Holy Island on 9 th 1 at Seaton Point on 16 th
Corncrake	1 at Newham Bog on 8 th
Water Rail	1 at Branton Ponds on 7 th and 2 on 22 nd
Woodcock	2 at Beanley Woods on 15 th
Kentish Plover	1 at Holy Island on 12 th and on 13 th
Ringed Plover	31 at Boulmer on 19 th
Turnstone	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 4 th 13 at Boulmer on 19 th 4 at Stag Rock on 27 th
Sanderling	16 at Boulmer on 19 th
Dunlin	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 10 th 10 at Boulmer on 19 th
Knot	20+ at Holy Island on 12 th 1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 25 th
Ruff	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 10 th
Spotted Redshank	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 10 th
Common Sandpiper	3 at Branton Ponds on 9 th 1 at Felton on 2 nd
Spotted Sandpiper	1 at Budle Bay on 9 th
Purple Sandpiper	1 at Seaton Point on 16 th
Wood Sandpiper	1 at Low Newton on 18 th
Black-tailed Godwit	5 at Druridge Pools on 19 th
Whimbrel	1 on Holy Island on 2 nd and 3 on 9 th 7 at Boulmer on 12 th
Little Gull	1 at Druridge Pools on 19 th
Sandwich Tern	5 off Howick Burn Mouth on 9 th 20 at Long Nanny on 11 th
Arctic Tern	30 at Long Nanny on 11 th
Little Tern	2 at Holy Island on 12 th 5 off Seaton Point on 23 rd
Cuckoo	3 at Beanley Moor on 3 rd 3 at Black Lough on 2 nd 1 at Newham Bog on 9 th 1 at Branton on 17 th
Tawny Owl	2 at Beanley Woods on 15 th
Barn Owl	2 near Hedgeley Hall on 15 th 1 at Kimmer Lough on 16 th 1 at Felton on 26 th
Swallow	2 at Long Nanny on 11 th
Sand Martin	15 at Long Nanny on 11 th
Swift	1 at Branton Ponds on 1 st and 8 on 11 th 1 at Long Nanny on 11 th
Tree Pipit	2 in Beanley Woods on 3 rd 1 at Holystone Woods on 15 th
Grey Wagtail	2 at Howick Hall on 2 nd
Yellow Wagtail	1 at Bothal Pond on 7 th assigned to the race thunbergi (Grey Headed) by sound recordings. 1 at Druridge Pools on 19 th
Dipper	1 fledged bird at Hedgeley Lakes on 4 th 1 at Felton on 2 nd
Common Redstart	3 at Holystone Woods on 15 th 1 at Beacon Hill on 22 nd
Wheatear	8 on Holy Island on 9 th
Whinchat	2 at Black Lough on 2 nd
Sedge Warbler	6 at Branton Ponds on 9 th
Grasshopper Warbler	2 at Black Lough on 2 nd 1 at Newham Bog on 9 th 1 at Holy Island on 12 th
Reed Warbler	1 on Holy Island on 2 nd 1 at Branton Ponds on 18 th 1 at Druridge Pools on 19 th
Common Whitethroat	1 on Beanley Moor on 3 rd 1 at Branton Ponds on 7 th 1 at Bamburgh on 2 nd 2 at Seaton Point on 16 th

Lesser Whitethroat	1 at Seaton Point on 23 rd 1 near Branton on 30 th 1 at Cresswell Pond on 5 th
Blackcap	6 at Branton Ponds on 9 th 5 at Howick Hall on 1 st
Garden Warbler	2 at Branton Ponds on 9 th
Chiffchaff	8 at Howick Hall on 1 st
Willow Warbler	1 at Alnwick Moor on 1 st
Spotted Flycatcher	1 at Beacon Hill on 26 th
Pied Flycatcher	1 at Holystone Woods on 15 th
Marsh Tit	1 at Beacon Hill on 26 th a pair near Longhorsley on 29 th
Northern Mockingbird	1 at Newbiggin on 7 th is a third for Britain and a county first.
INVERTEBRATES	
Foxglove Pug	3 at Branton on 30 th
Spectacle	1 at Branton on 30 th
White Ermine	1 at Branton on 30 th
Small Heath	Good numbers at Holy Island on 30 th
Large White	3 at Howick Hall on 9 th
Small White	3 at Howick Hall on 9 th
Green-veined White	2 at Howick Hall on 27 th
Wall	Several on Holy Island on 30 th
Orange Tip	3 at Branton Ponds on 9 th 6 at Howick Hall on 9 th
Speckled Wood	3 at Howick Hall on 1 st
Peacock Butterfly	6 at Howick Hall on 27 th
Fork-tailed Flower Bee	1 at Howick Hall on 9 th
Hairy-footed Flower Bee	2 at Howick Hall on 1 st
Tawny-mining Bee	2 at Howick Hall on 1 st
MAMMALS	
Noctule Bat	30+ over Branton Ponds on 12 th
Bottle-nosed Dolphin	12 at Boulmer on 19 th
Kidney Vetch	At Holy Island on 29 th
OBSERVERS	J Carr-Ellison, I&K Davison, S Dawson, G Dodds, A Hall, P&A Hanmer, A Keeble, J Rutter, S Sexton, T Shell.

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