

SIGHTINGS MARCH 2022

BIRDS

White-billed Diver	1 off Stag Rocks on 1 st
Red-throated Diver	1 at Holy Island on 25 th
Little Grebe	3 at Branton Ponds on 18 th
Great-crested Grebe	1 at Branton Ponds on 14 th and 2 by 16 th
Little Egret	1 at Branton on 3 rd 1 at Branton Ponds on 13 th
Whooper Swan	7 at Branton Ponds on 26 th
Barnacle Goose	1 at Branton Ponds on 1 st
Pintail	1 at Druridge Pools on 15 th
Goosander	2 at Felton on 13 th
Long-tailed Duck	35+ off Stag Rocks on 1 st
Common Buzzard	6 over Beanley Woods on 12 th 3 at Felton on 9 th 7 at Roddam on 26 th 3 at Hawsen Burn on 22 nd
Marsh Harrier	2 at East Chevington on 29 th
White-tailed Eagle	1 on Holy Island on 7 th
Sparrowhawk	1 at Felton on 4 th
Merlin	1 near North Bellshill on 7 th
Grey Partridge	2 at Howick on 13 th 2 near Mile End on 23 rd
Reeves Pheasant	1 (a released bird) near Doxford on 8 th
Water Rail	1 at Howick on 12 th 2 at Holy Island on 25 th
Woodcock	3 at Beanley Woods on 17 th 1 in Harthope Valley on 22 nd
Jack Snipe	1 in College Valley on 22 nd
Oystercatcher	55+ at Branton Ponds on 6 th
Little-ringed Plover	1 at Hedgeley on 25 th
Ruff	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 30 th 6 at Druridge Pools on 15 th
Green Sandpiper	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 1 st and 2 on 25 th
Black-tailed Godwit	2 at Druridge Pools on 15 th
Little Gull	1 at Budle Bay on 1 st
Iceland Gull	1 over Glanton on 7 th
Glaucous Gull	1 at Alnwick on 21 st
Lesser Black-backed Gull	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 1 st 3 at Branton Ponds on 5 th
Mediterranean Gull	1 at Howick on 12 th
Stock Dove	5 at Cresswell on 15 th
Tawny Owl	1 at Felton on 6 th
Green Woodpecker	1 at Hethpool on 7 th
Shorelark	1 on Holy Island on 7 th
Pied Wagtail	7 at Branton Ponds on 13 th
Grey Wagtail	1 at Branton Ponds on 14 th 1 at Felton Bridge on 25 th 2 on River Coquet on 27 th
Dipper	1 at Felton Bridge during month.
Wheatear	1 near Alwinton on 23 rd
Fieldfare	1 at Howick on 12 th and 11 on 13 th 120+ near Hedgeley Hall on 17 th
Redwing	33 at Branton on 15 th 4 at Howick on 12 th 50+ near Hedgeley Hall on 17 th
Ring Ouzel	1 briefly at Branton Ponds on 22 nd
Cetti's Warbler	1 at East Chevington on 6 th
Blackcap	1 at Branton Ponds on 26 th
Chiffchaff	1 at North Bellshill on 10 th 1 at Branton Ponds on 10 th and several by 11 th 4 at Howick on 12 th 30+ at Branton Ponds on 22 nd
Goldcrest	4 at Branton Ponds on 6 th
Treecreeper	2 at Howick on 13 th

Raven	1 at Howick on 13 th 2 at Windy Gyle on 23 rd
Magpie	6 at Howick on 15 th
Crossbill	2 at North Bellshill on 7 th
Brambling	10+ near Shepherds Law on 17 th
Siskin	25+ at Howick on 12 th
Twite	10 at Cresswell on 15 th
Lesser Redpoll	4 at Branton Ponds on 15 th
Yellowhammer	2 at Howick on 15 th 12+ near Shepherds Law on 12 th
Lapland Bunting	1 on Holy Island on 7 th
Snow Bunting	12+ on Holy Island on 7 th
Reed Bunting	2 on River Coquet on 27 th
INVERTEBRATES	
Small Tortoiseshell	1 near Chatton on 1 st
Peacock	1 at Howick on 6 th
Speckled Wood	1 at Branton Ponds on 25 th
Emmelina monodactyla	1 at Howick
Early Tooth Striped	At Howick
Shoulder Stripe	At Howick
Oak Beauty	2 at Howick during month.
Yellow Horned	1 at Branton on 14 th
Common Quaker	8 at Branton on 27 th
Clouded Drab	4 at Branton on 27 th
March Moth	1 at Branton on 27 th
Hebrew Character	1 at Howick on 12 th 8 at Branton on 27 th
Tawny Mining Bee	2 at Branton on 25 th
Common Carder	1 at Branton on 27 th
White-tailed Bumblebee	1 at Branton on 27 th
Tree Bumblebee	1 at Howick on 15 th 1 at Branton on 20 th
Early Bumblebee	1 at Branton on 10 th
Buff-tailed Bumblebee	1 at Branton Ponds on 13 th 1 at Howick on 6 th
REPTILES	
Adder	1 at Branton Ponds on 5 th and 6 on 11 th
AMPHIBIANS	
Common Frog	50+ in a pond at Beanley Woods with lots of Frogspawn. Frogspawn at Branton Ponds on 13 th
Common Toad	Some movement at Howick on 6 th
PLANTS	
Marsh Marigold	In flower at Branton Ponds on 6 th at Howick on 15 th
White Butterbur	In flower at Howick on 15 th
Hairy Violet	In dunes near Amble
Moschatel	Beside River Aln near Greenrigg
Primrose	In flower at Howick on 15 th at Hedgeley Dene on 16 th
Coltsfoot	In flower at Branton Ponds on 18 th
Yellow Star of Bethlehem	Near Morpeth on 22 nd
Wild Strawberry	In flower at Hepburn on 27 th
MAMMALS	
Wild Goat	26 on Windy Gyle on 23 rd
Brown Hare	1 in Harthope Valley on 22 nd 1 at Felton on 30 th
OBSERVERS	I&K Davison, T&J Dean, G Dodds, M&M Hall, A Keeble, J Rutter, S Sexton.