

SIGHTINGS JULY 2023

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BIRDS	
Little Grebe	14+ at Hedgeley Lakes on 28 th
Sooty Shearwater	1 at Howick on 23 rd 1 at Cullernose on 23 rd
Manx Shearwater	22 past Longhoughton Steel on 20 th 23 at Howick on 23 rd 21 at Cullernose on 23 rd and 5 on 24 th
Little Egret	8 at Hedgeley Lakes on 9 th and 5+ on 30 th
Egyptian Goose	1 at Hauxley on 4 th
Pintail	1 at Fenham Flats on 9 th
Goosander	27 at Amble Harbour on 26 th
Buzzard	2 at Howick on 29 th
Kestrel	1 at Howick on 29 th
Sparrowhawk	1 at Howick on 28 th
Quail	1 at Howick on 14 th 1 on Otterburn Ranges on 27 th
Golden Plover	70+ at Longhoughton Steel on 20 th
Dunlin	2 at Hedgeley Lakes on 30 th
Whimbrel	3 at Fenham Flats on 9 th 1 at Longhoughton Steel on 20 th
Black-tailed Godwit	19 at Alnmouth on 9 th
Greenshank	1 at Alnmouth on 9 th 3 at Hedgeley Lakes on 28 th and 1 on 30 th
Common Sandpiper	1 at Hauxley on 4 th 3 at Monks House Pool on 27 th 5 at Newton Scrape on 20 th
Wood Sandpiper	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 9 th and 1 on 28 th and 30 th
Green Sandpiper	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 30 th
Arctic Skua	2 off Longhoughton Steel on 20 th 2 at Cullernose on 23 rd and 2 on 24 th
Yellow-legged Gull	1 near Boulmer on 20 th
Mediterranean Gull	1 at Beadnell on 6 th 1 at Howick on 14 th
Little Gull	2 at East Chevington on 6 th
Roseate Tern	2 at Alnmouth on 9 th 5 at Howick on 23 rd 5 at Cullernose on 23 rd
Common Tern	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 8 th
Kingfisher	1 at Howick on 14 th 1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 30 th
Swift	10 over Branton on 31 st
Sand Martin	97 moving south over Fenham Flats on 9 th
Swallow	150 at Felton on 28 th and 29 th
Pied Wagtail	28 at Felton on 25 th
Dipper	2 at Felton on 24 th
Cetti's Warbler	2 at East Chevington on 6 th
Grasshopper Warbler	1 at Hauxley on 4 th 1 at East Chevington on 6 th 2 at Branxton on 12 th
Willow Warbler	3 at Howick on 29 th 1 at Lemmington Hall on 31 st
Chiffchaff	1 at Lemmington Hall on 31 st
Spotted Flycatcher	1 at Branton on 30 th
MAMMALS	
Dolphin sp	A large pod off Farne Islands on 12 th
Brown Hare	2 at Felton on 26 th
CRUSTACEANS	
Lobster	1 at Howick on 10 th
Common Prawn	Several at Howick on 10 th
MOLLUSCS	
Sea Hare	3 at Howick on 10 th
REPTILES	
Adder	1 at Branton Ponds on 8 th and 3 on 16 th

INVERTEBRATES	
Small Skipper	5+ at Branton Ponds on 4 th 2 at East Chevington on 6 th
Large Skipper	12+ near Ingram on 5 th 1 at East Chevington on 6 th
Small Copper	1 at Lemmington Hall on 26 th
Holly Blue	1 at Howick on 28 th
Grayling	2 on Holy Island on 7 th
Small Tortoiseshell	1 at Howick on 29 th
Comma	1 at Felton on 7 th 1 at Branton Ponds on 13 th and on 18 th 1 at Lemmington Hall on 26 th
Painted Lady	1 at Fawdon on 10 th
Red Admiral	1 at Lemmington Hall on 26 th 1 at Howick on 29 th
White-letter Hairstreak	4 in Alnwick on 9 th
Meadow Brown	Numerous at Branton Ponds on 4 th
Northern Brown Argus	1 at Dunsdale Crag in College Valley on 1 st
Dark-green Fritillary	Numerous on Holy Island on 7 th
Acrobasis repandana	1 at Howick a first for VC68
Old Lady	1 at Howick
Brown Tail	1 at Howick
Six-spot Burnet	3 at Branton Ponds on 5 th
Banded Demoiselle	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 9 th and 30 th a few in Alnwick on 9 th 1 at Branton Ponds on 18 th
Emerald Damselfly	2 near Lemmington Banktop on 2 nd
Common Darter	2 at Branton Ponds on 18 th 20+ at Hedgeley Lakes on 28 th
Broad-bodied Chaser	1 near Lemmington Banktop on 2 nd 1 at Berwick on Tweed on 9 th
Southern Hawker	1 at Lemmington Hall on 8 th 1 at Branton Ponds on 29 th
Common Hawker	1 at Howick on 28 th
Emperor Dragonfly	1 at Howick on 29 th
Willoughby's Leaf-cutter Bee	2 at Howick on 17 th
Patchwork Leaf-cutter Bee	1 at Branton on 9 th one was also seen at Howick.
Bilberry Bumblebee	Numerous in College Valley on 1 st
Grey Wolf Spider	10+ in a loose grouping at Hedgeley on 30 th
FUNGI	
Matt Bolete	1 in Branton on 27 th
Blackening Waxcap	Many on a Felton lawn on 13 th
PLANTS	
Rock Rose	At Dunsdale Crag in College Valley on 1 st
Round-leaved Wintergreen	1 plant on Holy Island on 7 th
Agrimony	Several Plants at Cullernose on 24 th
Autumn Gentian	1 plant on Holy Island on 7 th
Dyer's Greenweed	Numerous at East Chevington on 6 th
Marsh Cudweed	At Hedgeley Lakes on 30 th
Small Cudweed	At Hedgeley Lakes on 30 th
Rest Harrow	At East Chevington on 6 th
Branched Burr-reed	At Hedgeley Lakes on 30 th
Greater Birdsfoot Trefoil	At Branton Ponds on 12 th
Gypsywort	At Hedgeley Lakes on 30 th
Marsh Woundwort	At Hedgeley Lakes on 30 th
Water Dock	At Hedgeley Lakes on 30 th

Flowering Rush	At Branton Ponds on 12 th
Water Plantain	At Hedgeley Lakes on 30 th
Lesser-butterfly-orchid	Several at East Chevington on 6 th
Frog Orchid	1 spikes on Holy Island on 7 th
Northern Marsh Orchid	Many faded spikes on Holy Island on 7 th
Broad-leaved Helleborine	11 spikes at Branton on 12 th
Marsh Helleborine	Numerous on Holy Island on 7 th
Lindisfarne Helleborine	2 spikes on Holy Island on 7 th
Pyramidal Orchid	Many on Holy Island on 7 th
Common Twayblade	Several on Holy Island on 7 th
Common Spotted Orchid	Many at East Chevington on 6 th 1 on Holy Island on 7 th
Dwarf Birch	In College Valley on 1 st
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