

Bardsey Bird and field Observatory

1. Monthly highlights. (five points, not necessarily birds)

- 1.CONNOR'S 3RD BIRTHDAY PARTY ON 15TH
- 2.Another very old Manxie retrapped (49 years old!)
- 3.Best April ringing totals for some time due to a few calm days when birds were here
- 4.
- 5.



2. Weather. Give brief summary of weather details..

Very dry all month, winds from south most of month

3. Ringing number of birds ringed during month (excluding pulli). 769 Birds of 26 Species

Top three species Full Grown 1st..372 Willow Warbler...2nd..93 Manx Shearwater....3rd..92 Chiffchaff...

Unusual Ringing activity New OLDEST Manx Shearwater ringed in July 1956 (as a 4)

4. Main Movements

Dates and Numbers

- 1st** 1 Golden Plover, 4 Wheatear, 1 Song Thrush, 4 Redwing, 20 Blackcap, 40 Chiffchaff, 300 Willow Warbler, 100 Goldcrest, 2 Bullfinch.
- 2nd** 2 Sand Martin, 3 White Wagtail, 1 Fieldfare, 2 Song Thrush, 50 Redwing, 6 Blackcap, 20 Chiffchaff, 300 Willow Warbler, 100 Goldcrest, 31 Carrion Crow.
- 3th** 200 Meadow Pipit, 13 Wheatear, 6 Blackcap, 5 Chiffchaff, 6 Willow Warbler, 9 Goldcrest
- 4th** **1 Goshawk**, 100 Meadow Pipit, 7 Blackcap, 8 Chiffchaff, 12 Willow Warbler, 25 Goldcrest
- 5th** 1 Swallow, 2 Blackcap, 4 Chiffchaff, 3 Willow Warbler, 2 Goldcrest
- 6th** 3 Blackcap, 6 Chiffchaff, 20 Willow Warbler, 30 Goldcrest
- 7th** 3 Swallow, **1 Scandinavian Rock Pipit**, 2 Blackcap, 2 Willow Warbler, 20 Goldcrest
- 8th** 1 Blackcap
- 9th** 30 Purple Sandpiper, 2 Chiffchaff, 8 Willow Warbler, 12 Goldcrest
- 10th** 1 Water Rail, 40 Purple Sandpiper, 1 Goshawk, 25 Swallow, 4 Blackcap, 5 Chiffchaff, 80 Willow Warbler, 13 Goldcrest, 20 Goldfinch
- 11th** 1 Greenshank, 1 Sand Martin, 12 Swallow, 2 Blackcap, 10 Chiffchaff, 150 Willow Warbler, 30 Goldcrest, 66 Carrion Crow, 35 Goldfinch, 50 Linnet, 1 Reed Bunting
- 12th** 3 Sand Martin, 23 Swallow, 3 House Martin, 1 Black Redstart, 1 Song Thrush, 6 Blackcap, 25 Chiffchaff, 84 Willow Warbler, 11 Goldcrest, **2 Hooded Crow**, 3 Lesser Redpoll, 1 Reed Bunting.
- 13th** **1 Goshawk**, 22 Purple Sandpiper, 12 Swallow, 1 Song Thrush, 8 Grasshopper Warbler, 16 Blackcap, 4 Chiffchaff, 300 Willow Warbler, 4 Goldcrest, 1 Siskin, 2 Lesser Redpoll.
- 14th** **1 Greylag Goose**, 1 Kestrel, 2 Sand Martin, 6 Swallow, 1 Whitethroat, 5 Blackcap, 5 Chiffchaff, 15 Willow Warbler, 2 Lesser Redpoll.
- 15th** 1 Dunlin, 1 Mistle Thrush, 1 Blackcap, 4 Chiffchaff, 6 Willow Warbler, 7 Goldcrest, 1 Lesser Redpoll.
- 16th** 1 Jack Snipe, 7 Swallow, 1 Common Redstart, 60 Wheatear, 1 Grasshopper Warbler, 4 Blackcap, 4 Chiffchaff, 18 Willow Warbler, 9 Goldcrest.
- 17th** 43 Purple Sandpiper, 10 Swallow, 4 Chiffchaff, 11 Willow Warbler, 13 Goldcrest, 1 Lesser Redpoll.
- 18th** 1 Common Sandpiper, 60 Swallow, 2 Black Redstart, 38 Wheatear, 1 Blackbird, 1 Song Thrush, 2 Blackcap, 11 Chiffchaff, 20 Willow Warbler, 80 Linnet.
- 19th** 182 Oystercatcher, **1 Short-eared Owl**, 1 Black Redstart, 20 Chiffchaff, 50 Willow Warblers,
- 20th** 27 White Wagtails, 25 Wheatear, 4 Blackcap, 12 Chiffchaff, 50 Willow Warblers,
- 21st** 20 Whimbrel, 12 Sand Martin, 12 Chiffchaff, 30 Willow Warblers
- 22nd** 6 Whimbrel, 1 Common Redstart, 1 Sedge Warbler, 1 Whitethroat, 7 Blackcap, 10 Chiffchaff, 20 Willow Warblers
- 23rd** 22 Whimbrel, 1 Cuckoo, 69 Swallow, 114 Meadow Pipit, 20 Wheatear, 8 Blackcap, 6 Chiffchaff, 15 Willow Warblers
- 24th** 1 Kestrel, 1 Common Sandpiper, 27 Sand Martin, 126 Swallow, 200 Meadow Pipit, 25 Wheatear, 3 Grasshopper Warbler, 1 Sedge Warbler, 1 Lesser Whitethroat, 7 Blackcap, 10 Chiffchaff, 25 Willow Warblers, 60 Linnet, 2 Lesser Redpoll.
- 25th** 1 Kestrel, 1 Common Sandpiper, 10 Sand Martin, 130 Swallow, 60 Meadow Pipit, 11 Rock Pipit, 1 Tree Pipit, 23 Wheatear, 2 Fieldfare, 2 Song Thrush, 5 Blackcap, 10 Chiffchaff, 30 Willow Warblers, 10 Goldcrest, 2 Lesser Redpoll.
- 26th** 17 Whimbrel, 2 Collard Dove, 1 Long-eared Owl, 1 Sand Martin, 42 Wheatear, 20 Grasshopper Warbler, 1 Sedge Warbler, 6 Whitethroat, 10 Blackcap, 6 Chiffchaff, 40 Willow Warblers, 5 Goldcrest
- 27th** 50 Purple Sandpiper, 40 Swallow, 12 Wheatear, 2 Blackcap, 2 Chiffchaff, 9 Willow Warblers, 10 Goldcrest
- 28th** 3 Dunlin, 3 Swallow, 6 Wheatear, 1 Garden Warbler, 2 Blackcap, 8 Willow Warblers, 1 Goldcrest, 1 Spotted Flycatcher,
- 29th** 40 Swallow, 9 Wheatear, 1 Grasshopper Warbler, 5 Blackcap, 10 Chiffchaff, 30 Willow Warblers, 10 Goldcrest
- 30th** 8 Sand Martin, 3 Swift, 200 Swallow, 13 Wheatear, 11 Grasshopper Warbler, 6 Sedge Warbler, 5 Blackcap, 10 Chiffchaff, 30 Willow Warblers, 10 Goldcrest

5. Notable absentees and species well below normal strength.

No rarities at all also no Pied Flys and only one Tree Pipits, MOST PASSERINES IN POOR NUMBERS

6. Give early or late dates for your observatory

7. Rarities Interpret rare fairly liberally for your observatory

Goshawk 1 on 10th and 13th
Greylag Goose 1 14th and 27th

Littoralis Rock Pipit 1 on 7th
Hooded Crow 2 on 12th and 1 on 14th

8. Sea Passage. List notable movements with dates

14th 8 Common Scoter, 1 Black-headed Gull, 1 Great Skua, 1 Greylag Goose.

9. Other news, notes, requests for help etc.