

Bardsey Bird and field Observatory

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

1. **VERY QUIET!**
2. One moderate sized attraction to lighthouse that included various waders, terns and warblers.
3. **Booted Warbler, 2 Wrynecks and 2 Melodious Warblers on 30th**
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2. Weather. Give brief summary of weather details..

Winds mainly westerly or northerly with occasional southerlies

3. Ringing number of birds ringed during month (excluding pulli). 511 Birds of 29 Species (168 Birds of 1 Species)

Top three species Full Grown 1st..273 Manx Shearwater.....2nd..66 Willow Warbler.....3rd..24 Storm Petrel

Unusual Ringing activity **Booted Warbler 1, Melodious Warbler 1, Shelduck 3, Turnstone 11**

4. Main Movements

Dates and Numbers

- 1st** 8 Storm Petrel, 2 Common Sandpiper, 1 Collard Dove, 16 Wheatear, 11 Sedge Warbler, 26 Willow Warbler.
2nd 3 Ringed Plover, 9 Dunlin, 35 Curlew, 1 Greenshank, 1 Robin, 1 Song Thrush, 2 Whitethroat, 50 Starling.
3rd 35 Curlew, **1 Mediterranean Gull**, 4 Sand Martin, 40 Swallow, 1 Sedge Warbler, 11 Willow Warbler.
4th 12 Redshank.
5th 1 Buzzard, 7 Ringed Plover, 35 Curlew, 2 Sedge Warbler, 7 Willow Warbler.
6th 1 Song Thrush.
7th 45 Curlew, 50 Swallow, 12 White Wagtail, 1 Whinchat, 17 Wheatear, 1 Blackbird, 6 Whitethroat.
8th 1 Sparrowhawk, 3 Kestrel, 7 Dunlin, 20 Redshank, 5 Common Sandpiper, 100 Swallow, 15 Willow Warbler, 3 Spotted Flycatcher.
9th 10 Storm Petrel, 1 Black-tailed Godwit, 15 Redshank.
10th 2 Sparrowhawk, 1 Black-tailed Godwit, 1 Grasshopper Warbler, 20 Willow Warbler, 1 Spotted Flycatcher, 72 Starling.
11th 8 Whimbrel, 45 Curlew, 77 Swallow, 1 Sedge Warbler, 55 Starling.
12th 17 Black-headed Gull, 3 Collard Dove, 1 Whinchat, 13 Wheatear, 80 Linnet, **3 Crossbill**.
13th 2 Common Sandpiper, 24 Turnstone, **1 Glaucous Gull**, 65 Meadow Pipit, 4 White Wagtail.
14th 1 Buzzard, 11 Redshank, 2 Common Sandpiper.
15th 1 Hobby, 1 Ringed Plover, 1 Snipe, 3 Black-headed Gull, 5 White Wagtail, 4 Robin, 10 Wheatear, 5 Sedge Warbler, 2 Blackcap, 1 Chiffchaff, 13 Willow Warbler, 1 Pied Flycatcher.
16th 1 Collard Dove, 9 Sand Martin, 55 Swallow, 13 House Martin, 14 Willow Warbler, 1 Goldcrest, 3 Spotted Flycatcher.
17th 1 Merlin, 65 Meadow Pipit, 2 Spotted Flycatcher.
18th 3 Ringed Plover, 1 Purple Sandpiper, 6 Dunlin, 43 Curlew, 34 Redshank, 38 Turnstone, 17 Black-headed Gull, 1 *flava* Wagtail, 6 White Wagtail, 11 Wheatear, 1 Song Thrush, 1 Sedge Warbler, 1 Whitethroat, 1 Pied Flycatcher, 60 Starling.
19th 13 Redshank, 1 Tree Pipit, 1 Sedge Warbler, 2 Whitethroat, 6 Willow Warbler, 3 Spotted Flycatcher.
20th 1 Buzzard, 3 Kestrel.
21st 3 Shelduck trapped, 2 Ringed Plover, 36 Curlew, 12 Redshank, 1 Collard Dove, 1 Sand Martin, 10 White Wagtail.
22nd 50 Curlew, 4 Robin, 1 Song Thrush, 1 Wood Warbler, 2 Chiffchaff, 2 Spotted Flycatcher, 1 Pied Flycatcher.
23rd 5 Mallard, 1 Merlin, **1 Little Stint**, 2 Purple Sandpiper, 57 Curlew, 31 Redshank, 1 Green Sandpiper, 41 Turnstone, 20 White Wagtail, 2 Willow Warbler.
24th 2 Sanderling, 1 Whitethroat, **1 Wood Warbler**, 1 Goldcrest.
25th 1 Sparrowhawk, 1 Buzzard, 5 Sanderling, 55 Purple Sandpiper, 32 Dunlin, 20 Redshank, 29 Turnstone, 14 White Wagtail, 1 Blackbird, 1 Blackcap, 3 Spotted Flycatcher.
27th 3 Storm Petrel, 1 Buzzard, 1 Whitethroat.
28th 4 Storm Petrel.
29th 47 Curlew, 10 Redshank, 23 Turnstone, 12 Sand Martin, 105 Swallow, 25 House Martin, 12 White Wagtail, 1 Song Thrush, 1 Blackcap.
30th 14 Whimbrel, **2 Wryneck**, 12 Sand Martin, 125 Swallow 70 House Martin, 5 Tree Pipit, 180 Meadow Pipit, 1 *flava* Wagtail, 14 Robin, 1 Whinchat, 1 Blackbird, 21 Grasshopper Warbler, 40 Sedge Warbler, **2 Melodious Warbler, 1 Booted Warbler**, 25 Whitethroat, 1 Garden Warbler, 1 Wood Warbler, 3 Chiffchaff, 220 Willow Warbler, 3 Goldcrest, 129 Spotted Flycatcher, 1 Pied Flycatcher.
31st 13 Redshank, 12 Black-headed Gull, 1 Collard Dove, 130 Swallow, 50 House Martin, 2 Tree Pipit, **1 Melodious Warbler**, 27 Spotted Flycatcher, 2 Pied Flycatcher.

5. Notable absentees and species well below normal strength.

Willow Warbler, Whitethroat, Sedge Warbler and Pied Flycatcher numbers were exceptionally low.

6. Give early or late dates for your observatory

7. Rarities Interpret rare fairly liberally for your observatory

Long-tailed Skua one on 28th
Glaucous Gull 1st summer on 13th
Mediterranean Gull, one on 3rd
Little Stint one on 23rd

Wryneck 2 on 30th
Booted Warbler 1 on 30th
Melodious Warbler 2 on 30th 1 on 31st
Common Crossbill 3 on 12th

8. Sea Passage. List notable movements with dates

- 3rd** 10 Fulmar, 120 Gannet.
4th 11 Fulmar, 1 Great Skua, 1 Razorbill.
5th 15000 Manx Shearwater, 1 Sooty Shearwater, 120 Gannet, 3 Sandwich Tern.
6th 2000 Manx Shearwater.
8th 140 Gannet, 600 Kittiwake, 1 Sandwich Tern, 13 Guillemot, 3 Razorbill.
23rd 2000 Manx Shearwater, 1 Arctic Skua, 1 Sandwich Tern, 5 Razorbill.
24th 2000 Manx Shearwater, 1 Storm Petrel, 36 Sandwich Tern.
25th 31 Fulmar, 2 Storm Petrel, 171 Gannet, 2 Arctic Skua, 4 Great Skua, 10 Sandwich Tern, 1 Arctic Tern.
26th 71 Fulmar, 1 Arctic Tern, 4 Guillemot.
28th 52 Fulmar, 75 Gannet, 2 Arctic Skua, 2 Great Skua, **1 Long-tailed Skua**, 3 Sandwich Tern, 10 Razorbill.
29th 36 Fulmar, 1 Storm Petrel, 1 Great Skua, 250 Kittiwake, 1 Sandwich Tern.

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