

Bardsey Bird and field Observatory

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

1. Holiday on Greek island (Warden had 2 Lifers!!)
2. Melodious Warbler on 26th
3. Large attraction on 27th
4. Good numbers of migrants for July
5. Good bit of sea passage for July

July 2004



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

3. Ringing number of birds ringed during month (excluding pulli). 337 Birds of 11 Species (20 Pulli of 1 species)

Top three species Full Grown 1st..Manx Shearwater 306 ...2nd..Willow Warbler 9...3rd..Grasshopper Warbler 7...

Unusual Ringing activity

4. Main Movements

Dates and Numbers

- 5th Sparrowhawk 1, House Martin 2
6th Heron 8, Swift 4, House Martin 1
8th Sparrowhawk 1
12th Sedge Warbler 1
13th Whitethroat 1
16th Lapwing 1
25th Sanderling 10, Dunlin 47, Black-tailed Godwit 4, Cuckoo 1
26th Storm Petrel 1, Sparrowhawk 1, Common Sandpiper 1, Cuckoo 1, Sedge Warbler 3, **Melodious Warbler 1**, Willow Warbler 15
27th **Storm Petrel 1**, Sanderling 7, Dunlin 22, Common Snipe 1, Bar-tailed Godwit 2, Greenshank 1, **Spotted Redshank 1**, Green Sandpiper 1, Common Sandpiper 1, Turnstone 14, Cuckoo 1, Common Redstart 1, Whinchat 1, Wheatear 5, Grasshopper Warbler 20, Sedge Warbler 25, Whitethroat 2, Blackcap 1, Willow Warbler 200, **Twite 1**
28th Kestrel 1, Sanderling 14, Dunlin 22, Redshank 19, Common Sandpiper 4, Turnstone 16, Swift 111, Swallow 80, Sedge Warbler 4, 'flava' Wagtail 1, Reed Warbler 1, Willow Warbler 60, Pied Flycatcher 1
29th Kestrel 1, **Green Sandpiper 2**, Willow Warbler 15, Lesser Redpoll 1
30th Grasshopper Warbler 1, Sedge Warbler 2, Willow Warbler 25
31st Cuckoo 1, **Bullfinch 1**, Willow Warbler 20

5. Notable absentees and species well below normal strength.

Staff due to holidays for first half of month

6. Give early or late dates for your observatory

The arrival of migrants in good numbers from 27th was about a week early
Very early records of Balearic Shearwaters

7. Rarities Interpret rare fairly liberally for your observatory

Spotted Redshank 1 on 27th

Twite 1 on 27th

Melodious Warbler 1 on 26th

Bullfinch 1 on 31st

8. Sea Passage. List notable movements with dates

- 3rd Little Tern 1
14th Sandwich Tern 1
24th Manx Shearwater 2000, Balearic Shearwater 2, Common Scoter 5
25th Manx Shearwater 2000, Balearic Shearwater 4, Common Scoter 1, Great Skua 1, Puffin 12
26th Manx Shearwater 4000, Common Scoter 50
27th Manx Shearwater 2000, Common Scoter 8, Sandwich Tern 1, Common Tern 2
28th Manx Shearwater 3200, Common Scoter 173, Sandwich Tern 2
29th Common Scoter 19, Sandwich Tern 2
30th Gannet 95, Shag 67, Common Scoter 22

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

Lighthouse attraction 27th July:

Manx Shearwater 215, Storm Petrel 1, Oystercatcher 2, Ringed Plover 2, Sanderling 2, Dunlin 6, Bar-tailed Godwit 2, Whimbrel 3, Curlew 18, Redshank 8, Green Sandpiper 1, Common Sandpiper 2, Turnstone 6, Long Eared Owl 1, Grasshopper Warbler 6, Sedge Warbler 5, Whitethroat 1, Willow Warbler 3, Assorted Warblers 80

Assistant Warden required for next season contact Steve on 07855 264 151