

Bardsey Bird and field Observatory

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

1. 5th record of Garganey, the first since 1974
2. 18th and 19th records of Subalpine Warbler, of the subspecies *albistriata*
3. 20th record of Dotterel, the 5th in Spring
4. Some good falls of Sedge Warbler mid-month
5. 1st record of Black Swan, an unexpected addition.



2. **Weather.** Give brief summary of weather details. More unsettled than last month, with spells of wet and windy weather.

3. **Ringling** number of birds ringed during month (excluding pulli). 349 Birds of 25 Species (4 Pullus of 2 Species)

Top three species Full Grown 1st..118 Sedge Warbler.....2nd..60 Willow Warbler.....3rd..47 Manx Shearwater

Unusual Ringing activity 2 Subalpine Warbler

4. Main Movements

Dates and Numbers

- 1st 3 **Greylag Goose**, 40 Whimbrel, 4 Bar tailed Godwit, 1 Swift, 1 Black Redstart, 1 Redstart
2nd 1 Tree Pipit, 1 'flava' Wagtail, 1 Redstart, 1 Lesser Whitethroat
3rd 1 Grey Heron, 1 Cuckoo, 135 Swallow, 3 Tree Pipit
4th 9 Dunlin, 4 Bar tailed Godwit, 1 Grey Wagtail, 42 Wheatear, 1 Ring Ouzel, 1 Redwing, 1 **Subalpine Warbler**, 24 Carrion Crow, 1 Hooded Crow
5th 1 **Eider**, 20 Purple Sandpiper, 1 Tree Pipit, 28 Chough
7th 140 Oystercatcher, 50 Purple Sandpiper, 60 Whimbrel, 867 Swallow, 2 'flava' Wagtail, 1 Hooded Crow
8th 227 Swallow
9th 17 Dunlin, 1 **Turtle Dove**, 1 Long eared Owl, 32 Chough, 30 Goldfinch, 73 Linnet
10th 3 **Dotterel**, 40 Whimbrel
11th 52 Whimbrel
12th 25 Purple Sandpiper
13th 3 Siskin, 1 Yellowhammer
14th 16 Dunlin
15th 1 Cuckoo, 300 Swallow, 23 House Martin, 2 'flava' Wagtail, 1 Song Thrush, 85 Sedge Warbler, 17 Whitethroat, 20 Willow Warbler
16th 3 Whinchat, 55 Sedge Warbler, 28 Willow Warbler, 13 Spotted Flycatcher, 1 Hooded Crow, 1 Yellowhammer
17th 128 Swallow, 1 Reed Warbler
20th 6 Collared Dove, 2 Reed warbler, 18 Spotted Flycatcher, 32 Chough
21st 7 Collared Dove, 31 House Martin, 1 Redstart, 49 Wheatear, 24 Spotted Flycatcher, 4 Jackdaw, 2 Hooded Crow
23rd 1 **Marsh Harrier**, 1 Cuckoo
24th 1 Grey Wagtail, 1 **Subalpine Warbler**, 20 Spotted Flycatcher
25th 1 **Black Swan**, 2 **Garganey**, 1 Red breasted Merganser, 28 Dunlin, 1 **Curlew Sandpiper**, 1 'flava' Wagtail, 1 **Subalpine Warbler**
26th 9 Collared Dove, 1 Yellow Wagtail, 1 Whinchat, 1 **Subalpine Warbler**, 16 Spotted Flycatcher
27th 1 **Subalpine Warbler**, 15 Spotted Flycatcher
28th 1 Grey Plover, 18 Dunlin, 10 Turnstone, 1 Cuckoo, 1 **Subalpine Warbler**, 10 Goldfinch
29th 14 Sanderling, 26 Dunlin, 1 Cuckoo, 46 Stonechat, 1 **Subalpine Warbler**, 13 Spotted Flycatcher, 51 Linnet
30th 1 Cuckoo, 1 **Subalpine Warbler**
31st 9 Ringed Plover, 1 Purple Sandpiper, 9 Turnstone, 120 Swallow, 1 'flava' Wagtail, 1 Hooded Crow

5. **Notable absentees and species well below normal strength.**

6. Give early or late dates for your observatory

Greylag on 3rd
Eider on 5th
Turtle dove on 9th
Marsh Harrier 1 on 23rd

Subalpine Warbler males on 4th and on 24th
Garganey 2 on 25th
Curlew Sandpiper 1 on 25th
Black Swan 1 on 25th

7. **Rarities** Interpret rare fairly liberally for your observatory

8. Sea Passage. List notable movements with dates

- 7th 1 Great Skua
10th 1 Storm Petrel, 2500 Manx Shearwater
12th 1 Great Skua
17th 1 Great Northern Diver
19th 105 Gannet, 15 Common Scoter
24th 1 Great Northern Diver, 4000 Manx Shearwater
26th 1 Arctic Skua
29th 1 Great Northern Diver
30th 65 Gannet, 1 Arctic Skua, 1 Pomarine Skua

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