

# Carsington Bird Club



January 2025 BIRD NOTES

HIGHLIGHTS: Red-throated Diver, Great Northern Diver, Ring-necked Duck, Scaup, Woodcock, Barn Owl, Willow Tit.

Water bird maxima were from the WeBS count on 13<sup>th</sup> unless dated otherwise. 1 Red-throated Diver reported all month, 1 Great Northern Diver also reported all month, 28 Little Grebe, 74 Great Crested Grebe 22<sup>nd</sup>, 33 Cormorant, 1 Great White Egret 3<sup>rd</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, 2 Grey Heron 11<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, 4 Mute Swan 10<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, 49 Whooper Swan 11<sup>th</sup>, 130 Pink-footed Goose, 350 Greylag Goose 14<sup>th</sup>, 310 Canada Goose 10<sup>th</sup>, 34 Barnacle Goose 5<sup>th</sup>, 2 Shelduck 14<sup>th</sup>, 68 Wigeon 17<sup>th</sup>, 77 Gadwall, 56 Teal 11<sup>th</sup>, 107 Mallard 22<sup>nd</sup>, 7 Shoveler 11<sup>th</sup>, 967 Pochard 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1 Ring-necked Duck 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>, 364 Tufted Duck 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2 Scaup reported on 22 occasions this month, 23 Goldeneye, 3 Goosander 31<sup>st</sup>, 1 Water Rail 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, 11 Moorhen 14<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 1394 Coot, 1 Kingfisher 3<sup>rd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>.

Raptor sightings included 3 Red Kite recorded on 6 occasions, 3 Sparrowhawk 25<sup>th</sup>, 7 Buzzards 25<sup>th</sup>, 2 Kestrel 6<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1 Peregrine on 7 occasions.

Five species of waders through this month with 2 Oystercatcher 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 104 Lapwing 14<sup>th</sup>, 11 Snipe 7<sup>th</sup>, 2 Woodcock 13<sup>th</sup>, 2 Curlew 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1 Redshank 5<sup>th</sup>.

Maximum Gull numbers were 3200 Black-headed Gull 19<sup>th</sup>, 1800 Common Gull 25<sup>th</sup>, 330 Lesser Black-backed Gull 29<sup>th</sup>, 9 Herring Gull 13<sup>th</sup>, 2 Yellow-legged Gull 19<sup>th</sup>, 1 Caspian Gull 19<sup>th</sup>, 1 Great Black-backed Gull reported on 10 occasions this month.

Other species noted were 1 Barn Owl 17<sup>th</sup>, 1 Tawny Owl 3<sup>rd</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, 3 Great Spotted Woodpecker 15<sup>th</sup>, 6 Skylark 15<sup>th</sup>, 18 Meadow Pipit 15<sup>th</sup>, 1 Grey Wagtail 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, 39 Wren 15<sup>th</sup>, 34 Dunnock 15<sup>th</sup>, 85 Robin 15<sup>th</sup>, 98 Blackbird 15<sup>th</sup>, 97 Fieldfare 16<sup>th</sup>, 55 Redwing 30<sup>th</sup>, 3 Mistle Thrush 7<sup>th</sup>, 1 Chiffchaff 15<sup>th</sup>, 8 Goldcrest 15<sup>th</sup>, 18 Long-tailed Tit 15<sup>th</sup>, 4 Willow Tit 5<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, 19 Coal Tit 15<sup>th</sup>, 68 Great Tit 15<sup>th</sup>, 7 Nuthatch 15<sup>th</sup>, 7 Treecreeper 15<sup>th</sup>, 300 Jackdaw 29<sup>th</sup>, 60 Rook 29<sup>th</sup>, 4 Raven 2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, 500 Starling 22<sup>nd</sup>, 8 Greenfinch 15<sup>th</sup>, 40 Siskin 1<sup>st</sup>, 5 Lesser Redpoll 1<sup>st</sup>, 4 Bullfinch 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, 10 Reed Bunting 20<sup>th</sup>.

The total 93 species noted compares to 98 in 2024, 98 in 2023, 97 in 2022, 86 in 2021, 94 in 2020.

Recorder: Robert Chadwick

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