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INTRODUCTION

2003 was notable mainly for the success of our breeding raptors - barn owls and hen harriers in particular- thanks to a peak vole year. The hen harriers on camera at Kilmory however lost all their eggs and young for the second year running, but this time the culprit was caught on camera - a mink! Two local families had cameras installed at their barn owl nesting boxes, and had the pleasure of watching the eggs hatch, and the adults feeding the youngsters. Plans to put a pair of barn owls at Brodick Country Park on camera are now well advanced, and you should be able to see them at the Ranger Centre later this year. The scheme to re-introduce black grouse has made some progress, and we await further developments. The on-going eider census took place from the 13th to the 21st September. Arran results showed that the numbers have been seesawing somewhat, with a five year mean of 343.

Meantime, the landscape continues to alter quite dramatically, with further areas of forestry being clear felled, most obviously the Glenrickard area seen from the Brodick/Lamlash road. Forest Enterprise have created a new series of three loop paths from the North Sannox picnic site, giving easier access to the moorland above. More important though are their plans for the future. They intend to replant some of the clear felled areas with native trees, such as oak, alder, birch, Scots pine and wild cherry. This will take place over a period of 40 years, and the long term implications for wildlife are enormous. We may well see new bird species being established as the trees mature, and the future looks very bright indeed.

There were no new additions to the Arran Checklist in 2003. A total of 148 species was recorded, one more than last year. Three new earliest ever arrival records were set, for house martin, wood warbler and whitethroat respectively. On the other hand, Manx shearwaters were not recorded until the 8th July, almost a month later than last year. Two species reappeared after a long absence - smew (last recorded in 1994) and green sandpiper (1988), and a black-tailed godwit turned up

after an absence of five years. We also had our first breeding goosanders, but the goshawks which bred for the first time last year failed. Meanwhile, house sparrows and song thrushes which have suffered such a decline in numbers on the mainland continue to do well here.

Many thanks to everyone who wrote to me or phoned with information. There were even more contributors, and I was more than usually grateful to them, because I was more or less out of action for the first six months of the year with a back problem. Thanks too to Tony Smith for proof reading, and Bernie Zonfrillo and Terry Southall who helped with identification and other matters. All sightings are important, whether it is golden eagle or goldcrest. Small brown birds tend to get overlooked, and I sometimes reach the end of the year with hardly any records for dunnocks or rock pipits! Lists in Vouus order (the same as the checklist at the back of this report) are a great help - tick lists are of no practical use. As I have said before, all I need to know is how many, where and the date. It is important, especially for visitors, to check the status of Arran birds, and this is given in both the systematic and the check list. Arran is somewhat unusual in that golden eagles are common, and magpies almost unknown! Beware too of hybrid mallard and geese which you won't find in your bird book.

Finally, please send your information to: Mrs.A.Walters, "Sula", Margnaheglis Rd, Lamlash, Isle of Arran, KA27 8LE, or phone (01770) 600 406 before the end of January 2005.

CHRONOLOGICAL SURVEY

JANUARY

The year started with 10 goldeneye at Kilmory on the 3rd, the largest group of the year. A series of waxwing sightings began on the 4th, with a single at Margnaheglish, then 3 at Lamblash tennis courts on the 7th, 2 at Glen Rosa on the 11th, a single at Brodick on the 17th and 2 at Shiskine on the 25th. Also on the 4th there were c150 golden plovers at Machrie, and 100-200 lapwings in the Shiskine Valley, as well as 20+ fieldfares and redwings. The WeBs count on the 5th produced 41 mute swans and 4 whoopers at Whiting Bay, 9 shelduck at Clauchlands and 38 wigeon at Machrie. Also recorded on the 5th were 3 great northern divers, 30 mallard and 100+ teal at Kilpatrick. A large group of 49 razorbills was seen in the Kilbrannan Sound on the 6th, and a single goosander was with mergansers at Pirrmill on the 7th. The last 3 fieldfares were recorded at Cnoc na Dail on the 8th. A small flock of 6 yellowhammers came to a bird table at Corriecravie on the 11th, while visiting birders recorded 10 long-tailed tits at Glen Rosa and later watched the rather more spectacular sight of a golden eagle being mobbed twice by a peregrine between the Saddle and Cir Mhor. Four long-tailed tits came to a feeder in Brodick on the 13th, the first time they have been recorded doing so. A large group of 100+ guillemots was seen off Largymore on the 18th, and 5 pairs of collared doves were at Corrie the following day. The 23rd proved interesting, with 500+ greylags in the Shiskine Valley, and more importantly, a scarce red-necked grebe at Whiting Bay, and a water rail heard squealing loudly at Clauchlands. A snow bunting turned up at Newton on the 24th, while 2 buzzards were engaged in a fight on the ground at Lamblash on the 25th. An injured heron found on the road beside the White House woods on the 27th was rescued and sent to the Hesselhead Wildlife Centre at Beith. Three white-fronted geese were seen with the greylags in the Shiskine Valley on the 28th, and the final note for the month was of 9 dunlins at the Cleat on the 30th.

FEBRUARY

On the 1st, there were 15 purple sandpipers at Kildonan, 3 more than last year. The first returning gannets, a single at Cordon and 4 at Port na Gallin were seen on the 2nd. On the 3rd, another large number of razorbills, c200/hr was recorded off Pirmill. The first bramblings of the year turned up, with 3 at Margnaheglish on the 6th, and unusually, a single rook at Arranton which was chased off by a crow. A party of c14 long-tailed tits was seen just north of Carlo on the 7th. On the 8th, a single snipe was flushed at Port na Feannaiche, and a female peregrine was seen at Kilpatrick Point. A scarce merlin was recorded at Brodick Country Park on the 10th. Two ptarmigan were sighted on the 15th, one on Beinn Bharrain and one on Mullach Buidhe, good news because no reports were received last year. A raven was on its nest at Corriecravie on the same day. Good numbers of eiders on the 16th, with 41 at Whiting Bay, as well as 124 oystercatchers at Machrie, and 30 turnstones at Kildonan. A large number of curlews too, with c70 at Merkland Point on the 18th. By the 22nd, there were 7 white-fronted geese at Shiskine, while 100+ kittiwakes were dip feeding on the Kilbrannan Sound, and a barn owl was spotted roosting in a hole below the fulmar ledges at Cleateadh Buidhe. The first returning lesser black-backed gulls were noted at Cordon on the 24th, and last note for the month was of a scarce red-necked grebe at Pirmill on the 27th, last recorded in 2000.

MARCH

On the 2nd, a flock of c100 lapwings with golden plovers made a fine show at Shiskine. A male sparrowhawk attacking finches ended up in a greenhouse at Glen Rosa Farm on the 4th. An important sighting on the 6th, when 3 male smews were seen off Pirmill, last recorded in 1994, and a good day for black-throated divers on the 8th, with 2 at Imachar and 2 at Lochranza. On the 11th, 3 overwintering little grebes were diving in the inner basin at Lochranza. Three pheasants at Monamore on the 18th illustrated the diversity of their colouring, with 1 albino, 1 melanistic and 1 ordinary. A scarce first winter tufted duck turned up at Kildonan on the 14th, while there were 4 buzzards at

Pirnmill. On the 16th, 18 shelduck were recorded between Machriewaterfoot and Cosyden, and the first wheatears arrived at Kildonan, equalling the earliest ever arrival record. More significantly, 2 great spotted woodpeckers were seen and heard at Brodick Country Park on the same day, with a pair and a single present from the 23rd to the 30th. In the past two years we have had our first breeding goshawks and goosanders, so perhaps they will now be followed by the woodpeckers. On the 18th, a whooper swan with a yellow band on its left leg appeared briefly at Port-na-lochan. A single greenshank turned up at Whiting Bay on the 19th, the third spring record for this area. The first chiffchaff arrived at Kilmory on the 22nd. On the 23rd there were 100+ ringed plovers roosting on shore at Machriewaterfoot and 3 bar-tailed godwits on passage. A large flock of 44 whooper swans made a brief stopover at Sandbraes on the 27th, perhaps trying to encourage the overwintering ones to join them on their way north to their breeding grounds. A pair of peregrines in courtship flight was seen near Kings Cave on the 30th.

APRIL

The last of the overwintering goldeneyes was noted at Merkland Point on the 1st. Two more summer migrants arrived on the 5th - a sand martin at Strabane gravel pit, and a willow warbler at Kilmory. By the same date, 4 heron nests in the White House woods were occupied. On the 6th 3 golden eagles were seen soaring above the Narrachan. A tree pipit arrived at Kings Cross on the 8th, the first of only two records, reflecting the overall decline of this species in Britain. News from Kilpatrick on the 12th, with the first of many successful raven young, and 2 reed buntings. The 13th saw the arrival of 2 Sandwich terns at Machriewaterfoot, the first linnet of the season at Kilpatrick, and 2 pairs and 3 single greenfinches at Sandbraes. More migrants arrived on the 14th, with 2 swallows at Shiskine, and 2 white wagtails at Kilpatrick, and they were followed by 2 common sandpipers at Strabane gravel pit, a single at Whitefarland, and 2 at Wine Port, plus cuckoos at Pirnmill and Balnacool on the 16th. On the 18th, 6 young barn owls hatched at Auchareoch, the first of many successful broods.

Another family, this time of 6 mallard ducklings was seen at Port-na-lochan on the 20th, also a flock of 40+ twite at the Cleat (the largest number ever recorded), and two more migrant arrivals, a whinchat and a sedge warbler at Corriecravie. The following day, we had the earliest ever arrival whitethroat at Lagg. A visit to Holy Isle on the 23rd produced a buzzard spooking a gull colony, and a female peregrine at the summit of Mullach Mor. Also on the 23rd there were 3 great northern divers at Largybeg, and a female ring ouzel on Craggan Eich, last recorded in 1999. Last of the April migrants to arrive was a wood warbler at Glenashdale on the 24th. By the 27th, there were 33 fulmar nests at Dunfion, and 21 at Drumadoon, and dippers were noted nesting at Benlister Falls and Arranton. On the 30th, there was a flock of 25 whimbrels on passage at Machrie Moor, and a male sparrowhawk perched on the telegraph wires at the Boguille, eyeing up a somewhat nervous meadow pipit not 6 feet away!

MAY

The Auchenhew area is a good place to see stonechats, and 3 pairs were reported on the 2nd. A short-eared owl was seen at Machrie Moor on the 6th. Although a minimum of 7 pairs held territories, there were fewer sightings than usual. A garden warbler was seen at Corrie on the 9th, the only record of the year of this scarce species. A walker found a grouse nest with 9 eggs at High Benlister on the 11th. The first pair of arctic terns was seen at Auchencar on the 15th, while a second ring ouzel, a male this time, was below the Castles on the same day. The first spotted flycatcher was seen at Margnaheglish on the 16th. May is usually the best month for seeing great northern divers, and 7-8 were noted off the west coast on the 17th. Eighteen common sandpiper territories, stretching from Brodick to Sannox, were identified on the same day. The Clachland shelducks appeared with 4 young on the 18th, but they were all predated within 4 days. A single knot turned up at Kings Cross on the 19th, a rare spring record. On the 20th, 3 juvenile herons were practising their fishing skills at Clachlands, while a juvenile cuckoo was being fed by its foster parents at the Boguille. On the 23rd, 5 sanderlings on passage were seen with 3

dunlin at Drumadoon Point. A lesser whitethroat was the next summer migrant to arrive, with a single at Auchenhew on the 24th. The first of many eider families was reported at Thunderguy on the 28th, a female with 4 young, while a small flock of 6 redpolls was at Pirmill. A pair of buzzards were feeding their young in a nest at Cleateadh Buidhe on the 29th, and later a long-eared owl was seen at dusk near the Machrie Forestry gate. Last May migrant to arrive was a grasshopper warbler reeling at the Lakin on the 30th, the only record of this elusive species. Last record for the month was of a single snipe chick in Glen Sannox on the 31st, a long-awaited breeding record.

JUNE

The month began with important news when a female goosander was watched as she led her 6 newly hatched young down to the sea at Machrie on the 1st. There had been records of a pair in that area from 1998, and at last we had a first breeding record for Arran. Not such happy news for the Kilmory hen harriers though, when their nest with 4 eggs, 2 of which had hatched by the 1st, was predated by a mink, watched on camera as it happened. On the 2nd, a pair of scaup turned up at Port-na-lochan. A female merlin appeared at Catacol on the 4th, and then on the 7th there was the astonishing sight of 18 Canada geese flying in to the Cordon shore where they fed before leaving the following day. Sightings of Canada geese are rare here, especially in summer. Another ring ouzel turned up at Coire Daingean on the 8th. On the 13th, 3 crossbills were seen at Lochranza, surprisingly the only record of the year. By the 14th, there were reports of a successful breeding season for the red-throated divers, and a pair of kestrels at Allt Ghoblach had 3 fledged young. The 14th also saw the arrival of the first swift at Dippen. On the 15th, the only puffin of the year was seen off Pladda. A territorial battle on the 16th at North Sannox, when a female golden eagle was seen chasing off a pair of eagles and a single, and a further 3 sanderlings were seen at Blackwaterfoot. A female goshawk was seen near Loch Garbad on the 17th, then a second tree pipit at Monamore on the 21st, and a woodcock on the road near Carlo, seemingly in no hurry to move. Our local ringer returned to Pladda on

the 22nd, and reported 20 pairs of nesting common gulls, 30-40 pairs of herring gulls, 70-80 pairs of lesser black-backed gulls and 13 pairs of great black-backed gulls, as well as 11 pairs of nesting arctic terns, and 118 young shags were ringed! An unconfirmed report of 3 spoonbills flying in line seen from the ferry 10 minutes out of Brodick on the 23rd. Observer Angus Hogg was in charge of a school party on board, and was unable to fetch his binoculars! Four arctic terns were seen at Auchencar on the 26th, but there were no signs of any breeding. Nine sand martin tunnels at the Sannox quarry were in use when visited on the 29th, and 4 young were visible at one entrance. Last record of the month was of a turtle dove at Lagg on the 30th.

JULY

On the 1st, a pied wagtail which had built its nest in a builder's skip at Lochranza Fire Station was successfully re-located with her young before the skip was removed! A pair of mute swans with 5 cygnets appeared at Brodick on the 3rd, the only successful breeding pair apart from the pair at Machrie. On the 6th a second turtle dove (or maybe the same one?) was seen at Imachar, and again on the 10th. On the 8th the last of the summer migrants appeared, with 2 Manx shearwaters seen from the Brodick/Ardrossan ferry, almost a month later than usual. There were also 8 black-throated divers at Imachar, and a pair of common sandpipers with 2 young at Dougarie on the same day. The 10th brought one of the best sightings of the year, when a keen visiting birder spotted a black-tailed godwit roosting on the shore near Auchencar, last recorded in 1998, and previous to that in 1989. The first big redhead flock of 84 red-breasted mergansers was seen at Thunderguy on the 14th, while 6 swifts were reported at Bennan Head the following day, the largest number of the year. A female hen harrier was noted at the summit of Ben Nuis on the 17th, and an albino hen harrier was seen in central Arran in mid-July. Ten pairs of black guillemots were nesting both in and above Kings Cave on the 17th. On the 19th a flock of c30 linnets was recorded at Drumadoon. There were only 4 flocks of 30+ this year, compared to 6 last year, and there were fewer sightings. A wheatear with 2 juveniles was seen at Clauchlands

on the 20th, the first juveniles to be recorded. A scarce wood warbler was at Brodick Country Park on the 24th, along with 3 pairs of spotted flycatchers with juveniles. A pair of shelducks with 6 young at the Cleat on the 27th was one of the few surviving families. Lastly, there were 21 dunlin at the Cleat on the 29th, and a flock of 40 house sparrows at Largymore, proof that despite their decline on the mainland, they are doing well here.

AUGUST

A good start to the month, when a green sandpiper was seen on the 1st at Kildonan. Last recorded in 1988, and previous to that 1986, this is only the 3rd record for Arran. The usual low number of fulmar young was confirmed on the 2nd, with 1 at Cleateadh Buidhe and 2 at Drumadoon. Also on the 2nd, the first returning kittiwakes were seen, with 1 at Kilmory and a juvenile to the west of Bennan Head. A single teal was at Kilpatrick on the 3rd, forerunner of much bigger numbers. On the 4th, there was the unusual sight of 2 starlings feeding on the backs of sheep at Dougarie. A walk to Loch Garbad on the 8th produced 30+ swallows and 6 coal tits, while 3 dippers were seen on the Machriewater. On the 10th, a wren was watched as it fed its thimble-sized young at Cnoc na Dail, and on the following day, a goldcrest was feeding its equally tiny young at the King's Cave car park. A 4th bar-tailed godwit was recorded at Machrie on the 12th, and a dead barn owl was found at Glenscorrodale. The only redstart of the year was noted at Monyquil on the 13th, and a flock of 24 goldfinches was at Eas Mor on the same day. Another raptor was killed by a window strike at the Dyemill Chalets on the 15th, unusually, a merlin this time. The WeBs count done at Machriewaterfoot on the 17th produced 105 ringed plovers - they took a long time to count as they roosted at the waters edge! Our local ringer reported flocks of 112 skylarks and 62 meadow pipits at the Cleat on the 23rd, while a flock of 15-20 mistle thrushes was at Sannox quarry on the 24th, and another flock of 24 collared doves at Whiting Bay on the 28th.

SEPTEMBER

The last spotted flycatcher of the season was seen at Brodick Country Park on the 2nd. On the 6th, a juvenile female sparrowhawk, still with tufts of white down on her head, was perched on a bird table at Arranton, seemingly unaware of the coal tits clinging on for dear life underneath. Amongst a mixed flock of chaffinches and pied wagtails at Sannox cricket pitch on the 7th were 3 returning redwings. The 8th was a special day for a visiting birder, when a migrating osprey flew overhead at the Cleat. The largest number of shags for the year, over 70 at Kildonan was recorded on the 10th. A dead mute swan which had been ringed was found on shore at Sandbraes on the 12th, and the ring was removed and sent away for identification. Also on the 12th, 5 wigeon had returned to Sliderywaterfoot, and a buzzard flying along the Cleat shore was having a hard time of it with 8 hoodies in close attendance. Eight redpolls were neatly lined up on the telegraph wires at Clauchlands on the 14th. The elusive pair of moorhens at Machrie pond were finally seen on the 15th, as well as 70+ turnstones at Machriewaterfoot, and the last wheatear of the year at Corrie. A family gathering of 21 ravens was noted at High Kildonan on the 17th, while a water rail was sneaking across the road near Crockandoon. Manx shearwater numbers continued to increase, with c150 at Largymeanoch on the 21st. The first red-throated diver young at sea were seen at Largymore on the 23rd, an adult with a single juvenile, and a pair with 2 juveniles. Another ground battle took place between 2 kestrels fighting on the Sannox cricket pitch on the 24th, and by that date the kittiwakes had increased to c200 at Largymore. Two days later, c400 kittiwakes were at Largybeg, and there were also c200 gannets. Two knots turned up at Glenashdalewaterfoot, also on the 26th. More flocks on the 27th, with c100 chaffinches feeding on the foreshore at Largymore, then c20 rooks at Blackwaterfoot on the 28th, and finally 80-100 siskins at Kildonan on the 29th.

OCTOBER

Arrivals and departures on the 1st, with the first 6 fieldfares at Whiting Bay and the last lesser black-backed gulls at Brodick. The last 2 Sandwich terns were at Whiting Bay on the 2nd, while a juvenile brent goose turned up at Torrylinnwaterfoot. On the 4th, there was the unusual sight of a female ring ouzel feasting on rowan berries in a garden at Sandbraes, along with a female bullfinch and 6 fieldfares. A kingfisher reappeared at the Cnocan burn on the 6th. A flock of 30+ twite was noted on the foreshore at Machrie on the 12th. On the 13th, a second kingfisher with a small fish in its beak was seen sitting on a stone in the Millhill burn at Lamlash, the first record of one in this area for ten years or so. More knots were seen, with 3 at Drumadoon Point on the 14th. Returning greylags arrived, with c200 circling over Shiskine on the 15th, while the last sand martin was recorded at Sannox, and a mixed flock of up to 200 fieldfares and redwings was feeding in a field at Kilpatrick Farm. The 17th saw the first returning goldeneye, a female at Arranton, and the following day there were 5 whooper swans with the greylags at Shiskine. Five single barn owls were noted on an evening drive from Slidderly to Lochranza on the 20th. Waxwings started to arrive, with 4 at Sandbraes on the 21st, and 3 at Lamlash on the 22nd. Two more merlins were recorded, with a male at Kilmory on the 22nd, and a female at Am Binnein on the 23rd. There were further ring ouzel sightings on the 23rd, with a male and 2 1st winters at Auchenhew. The last 2 gannets of the year were seen from the Brodick/Ardrossan ferry on the 25th. On the 26th, the number of wigeon at Auchenhew had increased to 21, and 2 redpolls were also seen there. More bramblings arrived on the 28th, with a single at Duchess Court, Brodick, increasing to 12 by the 31st. The month ended with the unusual sight of a golden eagle soaring over Lamlash Bay.

NOVEMBER

A good start to the month, with overflying whooper swans, 4 at Cosyden and 12 at Dippen, c150 golden plovers at Machriewaterfoot, the first returning shelduck at the Cleat, and a pair of scarce moorhens

at the Strabane gravel pit, all on the 1st. News from Lochranza on the 2nd, with 2 returning little grebes, 4 herons, and a kestrel mobbing a pair of golden eagles. A pair of visiting birders were delighted with their sightings during a walk from Blackwaterfoot to King's Cave on the 5th, which included 4 great northern and 4 red-throated divers, a group of c50 mallard, and best of all, a single waxwing at Drumadoon, with a good photo to prove it! The last 2 swallows were noted at Balmichael on the 6th. The 7th was a busy day, with 6 rock doves at Brodick pier, a party of 10 goldcrests at the North Sannox picnic site, a second snow bunting on the Goatfell path, and the welcome news of a great spotted woodpecker both heard and seen at Merkland Wood, a first winter record. On the 10th a kingfisher was glimpsed at the Benlister burn in Lamlash, possibly the same one recorded on the 13th October at the Millhill burn, Lamlash. A single purple sandpiper returned to overwinter at Kildonan on the 15th. On the 16th, a scarce grey plover turned up at Machriewaterfoot, while a covey of 20 red-legged partridges invaded a Lamlash garden. Walkers and their dogs at Slidderywaterfoot on the 21st flushed 4 woodcock, 6 snipe, and the only jack snipe of the year. Finally, a flock of 40-50 reed buntings was recorded on the Machrie Moor road, the largest number ever for Arran.

DECEMBER

On the 4th, a flock of c30 long-tailed tits at Pirnmill brightened up at dull day, likewise 2 pairs of bullfinches at the Torrylinn cairn. On the 11th, 2 dippers were flitting about the Corrie burn, hopefully to breed there early next year. An injured cygnet found entangled in a wire fence at Machrie pond on the 14th was sent to the Hesselhead Centre at Beith where it later made a full recovery. A black-necked grebe was seen briefly on the 14th and 15th at Whiting Bay. On the 21st, 5 single buzzards were seen on the Ross road. A large flock of between 40-50 siskins was at Corrie on the 24th. Two redwings were seen feeding with song thrushes on the Lamlash foreshore on the 27th, giving an opportunity to admire their beautiful colouring. Another window strike at Margnaeglish on the 28th, but this time the female sparrowhawk flew away unharmed, while the red squirrel and small birds which had

been at the nut feeder scattered in all directions. By the 29th, the number of teal at Kilpatrick had increased to 150+, while a male goosander turned up at the Cleat, and a flock of 26 lapwings was seen at Bennecarrigan. Final note for the year was of 9 herons gathered round a large puddle in a farm field at Cordon on the 30th.

SUMMER MIGRANT ARRIVAL DATES

- Lesser Black-backed Gull 24 Feb
 - Wheatear 16 Mar
 - Chiffchaff 22 Mar
 - House Martin 28 Mar
 - Sand Martin 5 Apr
 - Willow Warbler 5 Apr
 - Tree Pipit 8 Apr
 - Sandwich Tern 13 Apr
 - Swallow 14 Apr
 - White Wagtail 14 Apr
 - Common Sandpiper 16 Apr
 - Cuckoo 16 Apr
 - Sedge Warbler 20 Apr
 - Whinchat 20 Apr
 - Whitethroat 21 Apr
 - Wood Warbler 24 Apr
 - Garden Warbler 9 May
 - Arctic Tern 15 May
 - Spotted Flycatcher 16 May
 - Lesser Whitethroat 24 May
 - Swift 14 Jun
 - Manx Shearwater 8 Jul
- (NB - Blackcap and Whimbrel sometimes overwinter)

ABBREVIATIONS

sp = species

no/nos = number/s

m = male

f = female

yng = young

juv = juvenile

imm = immature

max = maximum

min = minimum

pt = point

fm = farm

nr = near

N,S,E,W = direction of flight

Jan etc. = all months abbreviated

incl = including

inc = increase

dec = decrease

pr(s) = pair/s

arr = arrival

rd = road

BCP = Brodick Country Park

SYSTEMATIC LIST

Red-throated Diver

Common resident breeder. Breeding: bred successfully at several inland lochans. Seen all yr round the coast, with max 4 Dougarie 27 Aug.

Black-throated Diver

Fairly common passage visitor. Seen Jan/May and Jul/Oct round the coast, with max 8 King's Cave 28 Apr and 8 Imachar 8 Jul.

Great Northern Diver

Fairly common passage visitor, with majority of sightings during May. Seen all yr round the coast, with max 7-8 Kilbrannan Sound 17 May.

Little Grebe

Uncommon winter visitor. 1 Fish Fm 1 Jan; 1 Port-na-Lochan 4 and 25 Jan; 3 Lochranza 11 Mar; return 2 Lochranza 2 Nov.

Red-necked Grebe

Scarce winter visitor, last recorded Feb 2000. 1 Whiting Bay 23 Jan; 1 Pirnmill 27 Feb.

Black-necked Grebe

Scarce winter visitor, last recorded Oct 2000. 1 Whiting Bay 14 and 15 Dec (M.H.Dunn).

Fulmar

Common round the coast Feb/Aug. Breeding: Nesting colonies at Dunfion, Drumadoon, Bennan Head, King's Cave, Cleateadh Buidhe, Imachar, Catacol and Lenamhor, but success rate very low, with only 2 yng at Drumadoon and 1 yng at Cleateadh Buidhe 2 Aug. Max 33 prs Dunfion 27 Apr.

Manx Shearwater

Abundant on passage summer/autumn. Return 2 Brodick/Ardrossan 8 Jul, almost a month later than last yr. Max c300/hr Largymore 21 Jul. Nos remain lower than in recent yrs. Last sighting c150 Largiemeanoch 21 Sep.

Gannet

Common round the coast Feb/Oct. Return 1 Cordon, 4 Trareoch 2 Feb. Larger nos incl 50-60 Pirnmill 19/23 Jun, inc to c100 end of Jun, and c50 Sannox 9 Aug. Max c200 Largybeg 26 Sep.

Cormorant

Fairly common non-breeding resident. Seen round the coast all yr, with max 22 Whiting Bay 28 Oct.

Shag

Common resident breeder. Breeding: 118 yng ringed Pladda 22 Jun. Seen round the coast all yr, with max 70+ Kildonan 10 Sep.

Grey Heron

Common resident breeder. Breeding: 4 occupied nests White House Woods 5 Apr; 3 juvs Clauchlands 20 May. No reports from other sites. Common round the coast all yr, with max 9 Cordon 30 Dec. 1 found injured on road at Lamlash sent to Hesselhead, Beith 27 Jan. 1 found dead Brodick beach Jul, and 1 found dead Kilpatrick 23 Nov.

Spoonbill

Rare vagrant. Unconfirmed report of 3 possibles seen from Brodick/Ardrossan ferry 23 Jun (A.Hogg)

Mute Swan

Common resident breeder. Breeding: Slight improvement on last yr. Pr with 9 yng Dougachie 17 Jun; pr with 5 yng Brodick Pier 3 Jul. Nests at Fish Fm, Clauchlands, Sliderywaterfoot and Sannox all failed. 1 ringed adult found dead Sandbraes 12 Sep; 2nd dead adult Whiting Bay 10 Dec. Juv found caught in wire fence at Machrie pond 14 Dec sent to Hesselhead, Beith, where it made a full recovery. Max 41 incl incomers Whiting Bay 5 Jan.

Whooper Swan

Fairly common passage and winter visitor. 7 returned to overwinter at Whiting Bay, last seen 23 Mar. Other records incl 1 flying N Machrie 4 Jan; 1 Port-na-Lochan with yellow band on left leg 18 Mar; 3 Torbeg 11 Oct; 2 overflying Kilpatrick 14 Oct; 5 Shiskine Valley 15 Oct; 4 overflying Cosyden, 12 overflying Dippen 1 Nov; 1 Rosa burn 7 Nov. Max 44 Sandbraes 27 Mar.

White-fronted Goose

Scarce winter visitor. 3 Shiskine Valley 28 Jan, inc to max 7 22 Feb; 2 with greylags Shiskine Valley 23 Nov.

Greylag Goose

Common winter visitor. Up to max c550 overwintered Shiskine Valley Jan/Mar. Return c20 Torbeg 15 Oct, inc to c310 28 Dec. Max 600-1000 Corriecravie 17 Nov.

Canada Goose

Scarce passage visitor. 18 Cordon 7 Jun, seen overflying Brodick Bay 8 Jun was unusual summer record.

Brent Goose

Scarce winter passage visitor. 1 juv Torrylinnwaterfoot 2 Oct (J.Cowell).

Shelduck

Common resident breeder. Breeding: pr with 4 yng Clauchlands 18 May, all predated by 22 May; pr with 3 yng Whitefarland 22 Jun; pr Kildonan lost all 10-12 yng; pr with 6 yng Cleat 27 Jul. Common round the coast Jan/Aug, with max 18 Machriewaterfoot/Cosyden 16 Mar. Return 1 Cleat 1 Nov.

Wigeon

Common winter visitor. Recorded at Auchenhew, Machrie and Kilpatrick Jan/Mar, with max 51 Auchenhew 19 Jan. Return 5 Sliderywaterfoot 12 Sep. Larger nos incl 21 Auchenhew 26 Oct; 18 Machriewaterfoot 1 Nov; 20+Cleat 29 Dec. 2m 1f Clauchlands 6 Dec was a welcome return - no records at this location last yr.

Teal

Common winter visitor and occasional breeder. No breeding records. 100+ Kilpatrick 5 Jan; 20-25 Machriewaterfoot 11 Jan; 22 Cleat 30 Jan; return 1 Kilpatrick 3 Aug, inc to 30 by 14 Oct; 4 Machrie pond 30 Nov; 40 Cleat 29 Dec. Max 150+ Kilpatrick 29 Dec.

Mallard

Abundant resident breeder. Breeding: f with 6 yng Port-na-Lochan 20 Apr; f with 2 yng Merkland Pt 1 May; f with yng Lochranza 10 Jul; f with 6 yng Whiting Bay 18 Jul; Common round the coast all yr, with max 50+ King's Cave 5 Nov. Inland records incl pr Machrie Moor 30 Apr; 2m Urie Loch 7 May.

Tufted Duck

Occasional visitor. 1 1st winter Kildonan 14 Mar (M.H.Dunn).

Scaup

Occasional visitor. Pr Port-na-Lochan 2 Jun (G.Bannatyne).

Eider

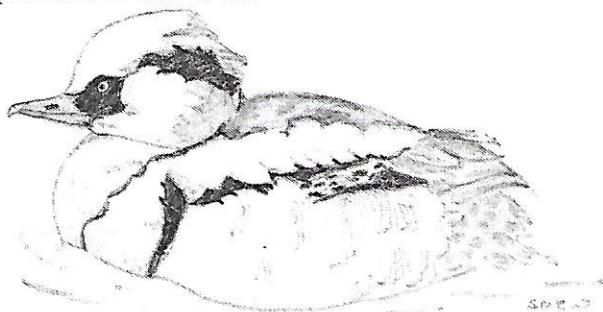
Very common resident breeder. Breeding: 81 yng representing c14 broods recorded at Lamlash, Thurgary, Clauchlands, Catacol, Lochranza, Pirnmill, Whiting Bay, Corrie, Machrie and Sliderywaterfoot. Common round the coast all yr with max 98 Whiting Bay 28 Mar.

Goldeneye

Common winter visitor. Up to 5 seen at Kilmory, Port-na-Lochan, Clauchlands, Whiting Bay, Corrie, Lochranza, Brodick and Sannox Jan/Mar, with max 10 Kilmory 3 Jan. Return f Arranton 17 Oct, with singles and prs seen thereafter at same sites as above.

Smew

Rare winter visitor. 3m Pirnmill 6 Mar (M.Patterson), last recorded 1994, and previous to that 1981.



Red-breasted Merganser

Very common resident breeder. Breeding: 61 yng representing c12 broods recorded at Machrie, Cladach, Auchencar, Lochranza, Lamlash and Whiting Bay. Seen round the coast all yr, with max c100 Machrie 31 Jul.

Goosander

Scarce resident breeder. Breeding: f with 6 newly hatched yng Machrie 1 Jun, a first breeding record for Arran. Other records incl 1 with mergansers Pirmill 7 Jan and m Cleat 29 Dec.

Hen Harrier

Common resident breeder: Bred successfully in many locations due to a peak vole yr. Nest on camera at Kilmory predated by a mink, no yng for 2nd yr running. Seen all yr, mainly in the Machrie Moor and String rd areas. Albino recorded in central Arran mid Jul (per J.Rhead).

Goshawk

Scarce resident breeder. Breeding: 3 prs held territory but failed to breed. f Loch Garbad 17 Jun; f Lochranza 22 Jun.

Sparrowhawk

Common resident breeder. Breeding: juv Kilpatrick 22 Aug; juv Arranton 6 Sep. Widespread all yr, with many garden reports. 1 found dead (window strike) Whiting Bay 24 Aug.

Buzzard

Common resident breeder. Breeding: min 7 prs bred successfully. Adult carrying nesting material Fallen Rocks 9 Mar; pr feeding yng in nest Cleateadh Buidhe 29 May; pr with juv Pirmill 17 Jun. Widespread round the island all yr, with max 5 singles Ross rd 19 Jan and 5 Glen Chalmadale 29 May.

Golden Eagle

Common resident breeder. Breeding: 3 prs bred successfully. Singles and prs seen all yr, mainly in the Glen Rosa, Catacol and Lochranza areas, also recorded at High Benlister and N Sannox. 1 overflying Lamlash Bay 31 Oct.

Osprey

Scarce passage visitor. 1 Cleat 8 Sep (G.Spray) was only record.

Kestrel

Common resident breeder. Breeding: total of 13 yng successfully fledged from nests at King's Cave, Allt Ghoblach, Cleateadh Buidhe, Imachar, Allt Garbh Choire Dubh and Madadh Lounie. Widespread all yr, with max 3 singles Ross rd 14 Nov.

Merlin

Scarce resident, no recent breeding records. 1 BCP 10 Feb; 1 Kildonan 1 Oct; m Kilmory 22 Oct; f Am Binnein 23 Oct; 1 Ross rd 24 Dec. 1 found dead (window strike) Dyemill chalets 15 Aug.

Peregrine

Common resident breeder. Breeding: min 3 prs bred, but success unknown. Seen all yr both round the coast and inland at Dearg Corein, Beinn Bharrain, Glen Rosa, Am Binnein, Machrie Moor, Holy Isle and Glean Easan Biorach.

Red Grouse

Common resident breeder. Breeding: nest with 9 eggs High Benlister 11 May; patchy breeding success. 3 nr Urie Loch 26 Aug; 1 String rd 27 Sep; coveys of up to 15 between String/Ross rd (per R.Logan).

Ptarmigan

Scarce resident breeder. No breeding records. 1 Beinn Bharrain, 1 Mullach Buidhe 15 Feb; pr Beinn Bharrain 19 Apr.

Red-legged Partridge

Introduced resident breeder. No breeding records. Low nos, few releases surviving. 1 Lagg 11 Apr; 2 Auchencar 16 May; 2 Clauchlands 7 Aug; 1 Lamlash 27 Oct; 2 Clauchlands Fm 3 Nov. Max 20 Lamlash 16 Nov.

Pheasant

Introduced resident breeder. Breeding: f with 2 yng Machrie Golf Course 24 Jun. 1 melanistic m with 3 f Ross rd 15 Mar; 1 melanistic, 1 albino and 1 "normal" Monamore 13 Mar; c30 Machrie Moor rd 1st wk Aug; 16 Drumadoon Fm 22 Oct. Max c40 poults Machrie 11 Aug. Many coming to gardens to feed.

Water Rail

Rare resident, no breeding records. 1 heard Clauchlands 23 Jan; 1 seen nr Crockadoon 17 Sep.

Moorhen

Scarce resident breeder. No breeding records. Recorded at only 2 locations, with 1 Machrie pond 13 Mar; pr same location 15 Sep; pr Strabane gravel pit 1 Nov.

Oystercatcher

Abundant resident breeder. Breeding: nest with 2 eggs Lochranza/Catacol 28 Apr; nest with 3 eggs Machrie 3 May; nest with 4 eggs Rosa burn 13 May; 3 prs with 2 yng each Machrie 16 Jun; pr with 2 juvs Holy Isle 13 Jul. Widespread round the coast all yr, with max 124 Machrie 16 Feb.

Ringed Plover

Common resident breeder. Breeding: fewer records than usual, with 3 adults with 2 yng, pr with 1 yng Rosa burn mouth Jul. Common round the coast all yr, with max 105 Machriewaterfoot 17 Aug.

Golden Plover

Uncommon resident breeder, common passage/winter visitor.

Breeding: pr exhibiting distraction behaviour Loch na Cnamh 13 Jun; 3 calling Beinn Bhreac 14 Jun. Inc in sightings, mainly from Machriewaterfoot. c150 overflying Machrie 4 Jan; c100 mixed with lapwings Shiskine Valley 2 Mar; 8 Garbh Choire 30 Mar; pr Gleann Easbuig 3 Apr; 40+ Auchencar 18 Apr; 2 Loch Dubh 5 Jul; 9 Machriewaterfoot 2 Aug, inc to max c150 by 1 Nov; 6 Kilpatrick 20 Dec.

Grey Plover

Scarce passage migrant. 1 Machriewaterfoot 16 Nov (F.Laing & B.Brock).

Lapwing

Uncommon resident breeder, fairly common winter visitor. No breeding records. 1 Blackwaterfoot 12 Jan; 7 Glenkiln Fm 19 Jan; 1 Kildonan 30 Jan; 30+ Kilpatrick 18 Feb; 3 Shiskine Valley 15 Oct, inc to 10 by 17 Oct; 20 Cleat 1 Nov; 3 Whiting Bay 17 Nov; 25 Slidderlywaterfoot 21 Nov; 26 Bennecarrigan 29 Dec. Max 100/200 Shiskine Valley 4 Jan.

Knot

Scarce passage visitor. 1 King's Cross 19 May was only the 2nd spring record; other records were later than usual, with 2 Glenashdalewaterfoot 26 Sep, last seen 22 Nov; 3 Drumadoon Pt 14 Oct.

Sanderling

Scarce passage visitor spring/autumn. 3 with dunlin Drumadoon 10 May, inc to 5 same location 23 May; 3 Blackwaterfoot 16 Jun, and 2 same location 23 Nov.

Purple Sandpiper

Scarce winter visitor. All records came from Kildonan, with the exception of 2 Drumadoon Pt 17 Feb. 5 Kildonan 9 Jan, inc to max 15 by 1 Feb. Return 1 Kildonan 15 Nov.

Dunlin

Fairly common non-breeding resident. Majority of records came from Kildonan, Blackwaterfoot and Whiting Bay. Other records incl 9 Cleat 30 Jan; 4 Drumadoon Pt 23 May; 4 Torrylinnwaterfoot 18 Jun; 7 Machrie, 4 Brodick 20 Jun; 12 Kilmory shore 22 Aug; 20 Lenamhor 29 Aug; 2 Clauchlands 2 Oct. Max 21 Cleat 29 Jul.

Jack Snipe

Scarce winter visitor. 1 Sliderrywaterfoot 21 Nov (K.Hesp).

Snipe

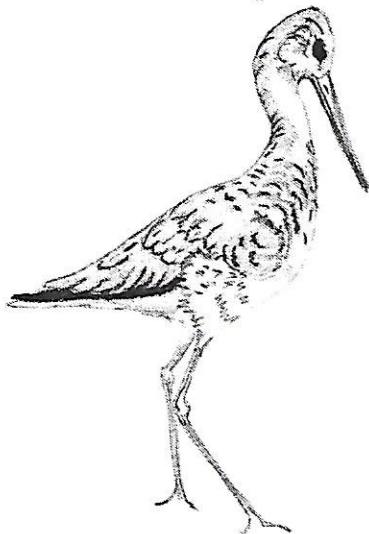
Fairly common resident breeder. Breeding: 1 yng Glen Sannox 31 May. Inc in sightings. Seen all yr, with singles at Kilmory, Port na Feannaiche, Corrie, Loch Nuis, N Glen Sannox, String summit, King's Cross and Machrie Jan/Jul. Up to 6 Sep/Dec, with 2 Cosyden 15 Sep; 2 Laggan moor 30 Sep; 4 Cleat 26 Oct, and max 6 Sliderrywaterfoot 21 Nov.

Woodcock

Common resident breeder. No breeding records. Singles roding at Lochranza, N Sannox picnic site, String rd/Machrie Moor rd junction Apr/Jun. 2 Torbeg 5 Aug; 1 High Kilmory 22 Oct; 1 on rd nr Corrie, 2 N Sannox 3 Nov; Max 4 Sliderrywaterfoot 21 Nov.

Black-tailed Godwit

Rare passage visitor. 1 in summer plumage Auchencar 10 Jul (D.Anderson), last recorded in 1998, and previous to that, 1989.



Black-tailed
Godwit

Bar-tailed Godwit

Scarce passage visitor. 1 believed to have overwintered Kilmory/Lagg shore; 3 Machriewaterfoot 23 Mar; 1 with turnstones Drumadoon Pt 30 Apr; 1 Machrie 12 Aug.

Whimbrel

Fairly common on spring/autumn passage. 1 overwintered at Auchenhew, last seen 19 Jan. 1 Bennan Head 8 Mar; 1 Kilpatrick 23 Apr, 2 in same location 10 May; 1 Cleat 29 Jul and 26 Aug; 1 Clauchlands 2 Oct; 1 Lamlash 28 Oct. Max 25 Machrie Moor 30 Apr.

Curlew

Common resident breeder. No breeding records. Seen round the coast all yr, with max c70 Merkland Pt 18 Jan. 1 found injured with suspected broken wing at Sandbraes 1 Feb taken into care. Pr in song flight Pirrmill 12 Mar may have bred as last yr, but not proven.

Redshank

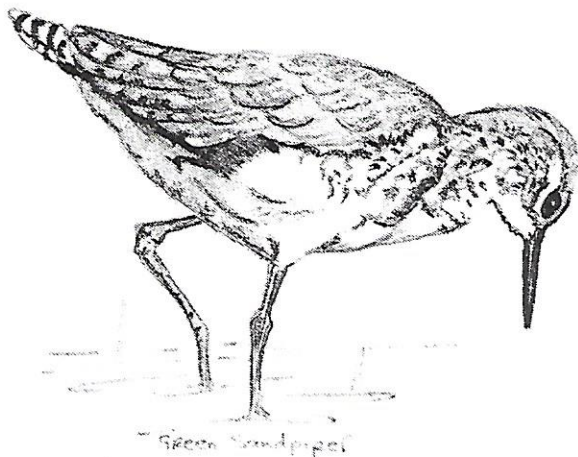
Common resident, formerly bred. Seen round the coast all yr with max 38 Whiting Bay 26 Jan.

Greenshank

Scarce passage visitor. 1 Whiting Bay 19 Mar (T.Hoskins) was the only record.

Green Sandpiper

Rare passage visitor. 1 Kildonan 1 Aug (M.Giles) was 3rd record for Arran, last recorded in 1988 and previous to that 1986.



Common Sandpiper

Common migrant breeder. Breeding: 18 territories from Duchess Court, Brodick/Sannox 17 May; nest with 4 eggs Corrie 21 Jun; pr with 2 yng Dougarie 8 Jul; adult with 1 juv Clauchlands 4 Aug. Arr pr Strabane gravel pit, 1 Whitefarland, pr Wineport 16 Apr, thereafter singles and prs at Port-na-Lochan, Corrie, Brodick, Catacol, Clauchlands and Lochranza, widespread by May. Max 6 Blackwaterfoot 6 May; 6 Machrie 20 Jul; 6 Clauchlands 3 Aug. Last 2 Machrie 17 Aug.

Turnstone

Common resident non-breeder. Seen round the coast all yr except for Jun. Majority of records came from Whiting Bay, Machrie and Blackwaterfoot, with max 70+ Machriewaterfoot 15 Sep.

Black-headed Gull

Fairly common resident, formerly bred. Seen round the coast Jan/Mar and Jul/Oct, with max 20 Brodick 6 Aug and 20 Dougarie 7 Aug.

Common Gull

Common resident breeder. Breeding: 2 empty nests Whitefarland, 4 nests with eggs Leacan Ruadha 3 May; nesting above King's Cave 6 May; 3 fledglings Thunderguy 27 Jun; 20 prs nesting Pladda 22 Jun; 2 nests, 1 with 3 eggs, 1 with 4 eggs, 16 well grown yng and 10 prs sitting Machrie/Dougarie 29 Jun. Seen round the coast all yr, with max c200 Brodick 11 Mar.

Lesser Black-backed Gull

Common resident breeder, but absent Jan and Nov/Dec. Breeding: 70-80 prs nesting Pladda 22 Jun. Return 6 Cordon 24 Feb. Larger nos incl 37 Whiting Bay 15 Jun and 41 Glenashdalewaterfoot 20 Jul. Last record several (?) Brodick 1 Oct.

Herring Gull

Abundant resident breeder. Breeding: 30-40 prs nesting Pladda 22 Jun; adult with 2 juvs Lamblash 20 Jul. No report from Holy Isle. Seen round the coast all yr, with max c200 Whiting Bay 23 Mar. 1 inland record of c50 following a tractor Torbeg 8 Aug.

Great Black-backed Gull

Common resident breeder. Breeding: 13 prs nesting Pladda 22 Jun. No report from Holy Isle. Seen all yr round the coast, with max 30 Dougarie 7 Aug.

Kittiwake

Common passage visitor. 1 found dead Corrie 4 Jan; 55 Whiting Bay 5 Jan; 100+ Kilbrannan Sound 22 Feb; juv W Bennan 2 Aug; autumn build-up started with 35 Glenashdalewaterfoot 21 Aug, inc to 145 by 7 Sep; 60 Catacol 5 Nov Max c400 Largymore 26 Sep.

Sandwich Tern

Fairly common passage visitor. Arr 2 Machriewaterfoot 13 Apr; up to 4 at Pirnmill, Auchencar, Machrie, Blackwaterfoot, Arranton, Brodick and Largiemore during Apr. Max 20 Machriewaterfoot 3 May, and last 2 Whiting Bay 2 Oct.

Arctic Tern

Uncommon migrant breeder. Breeding: 11 prs nesting Pladda 22 Jun. Arr pr Auchencar 15 May; 4 Dougarie 26 Jun, but failed to breed at this location, and last seen 8 Jul.

Guillemot

Common passage visitor, seen all yr mainly from Brodick/Adrossan ferry and Kilbrannan Sound, with groups of up to 8 Feb/Jul. Larger nos incl c100 Largymore 18 Jan; 100+ N Sannox picnic site 7 Nov. Adult feeding a juv with a fish Largymore 10 Sep.

Razorbill

As above, but unusually, no sightings from Brodick/Ardrossan ferry. Larger nos incl 100-200 Pirmill 3 Feb; c200/hr with some guillemots Largymore 16 Feb.

Black Guillemot

Common resident breeder. Breeding: 2 prs nesting Brodick Pier 26 Apr; pr nesting Cleateadh Buidhe 15 May; 9 prs nesting Imachar 29 May; pr with nest N Pirmill 22 Jun; 10 prs nesting in and above King's Cave 17 Jul. Prs and singles seen round the coast all yr.

Puffin

Uncommon passage visitor. 1 Pladda 15 Jun (A.Duncan).

Rock Dove

Fairly common resident breeder. No breeding records. 6 Pirmill 28 Jan; 5 Cleateadh Buidhe 13 Mar and 3 Aug; 4 Brodick Pier 7 Nov.

Wood Pigeon

Common resident breeder. No breeding records. Seen all yr, mainly on farmland, with max 62 Clachaig Fm 30 Jul.

Collared Dove

Common resident breeder. No breeding records. Seen all yr mainly in and around the villages, with max 24 Whiting Bay 28 Aug.

Turtle Dove

Rare vagrant. 1 Lagg 30 Jun; 1 Imachar 6 and 10 Jul.

Cuckoo

Common migrant breeder. Breeding: juv being fed by meadow pipits Boguille 20 May. Arr 1 Pirmill, 1 Balnacoole, 1 Glen Chalmadale 18 Apr. Singles widespread by May, with last 1 heard Corrie 1 Jul.

Barn Owl

Common resident breeder. Breeding: very successful season due to peak vole yr. Many pairs double-brooded, and Forest Enterprise reported up to 40 yng, most of which were ringed. Prs at Auchareoch, Lamlash and Kilmory fledged a further 10 yng. Prs and singles seen all yr at Merkland Wood, String rd, Cleateadh Buidhe, Pirnmill, Thunderguy, Corrie, Machrie Moor, Sliddery, Imachar, Ross rd and N Sannox, with max 5 singles Sliddery/Lochranza 20 Oct. 1 found dead Catacol 18 Feb, and another nr Glenscorrodale Fm 12 Aug.

Tawny Owl

Rare resident. 1 at Brodick Country Park all yr was the only report.

Long-eared Owl

Uncommon resident breeder. No breeding records. 1 Machrie Moor rd 29 May (A. Walters) was the only record.

Short-eared Owl

Common resident breeder. Breeding: min 7 prs holding territory, 3 prs bred. Seen mainly in the Machrie Moor and Boguille areas May/Aug; 1 Torbeg 9 Aug.

Swift

Fairly common passage migrant. Arr 1 Dippen 14 Jun; 2 Kildonan 25 Jun; 1 Lenamhor, 1 Squiler 26 Jun; 1 High Kilmory 27 Jun; 1 Whiting Bay 15 Jul. Max 6 Bennan Head 15 Jul, and last 3 Machriewaterfoot 20 Jul.

Kingfisher

Scarce winter visitor. 1 Cnocan burn 6 Oct; 1 Millhill burn, Lamlash 13 Oct; 1 Benlister burn 10 Nov.

Great Spotted Woodpecker

Rare vagrant. Inc in sightings, with 2 drumming BCP 16 Mar; pr + 1m BCP 23 Mar, heard again 5 Apr; 1 heard and seen Merkland Wood 7 Nov.

Skylark

Common resident breeder and winter visitor. No breeding records. Most records from Corrie, Shiskine and Machrie Golf Courses Mar/Aug. Other records incl 3 Kilpatrick 9 Mar; 1 Creag Ghlas, 1 Kilmory 23 Mar; 1 Clauchlands 27 Apr. Max 112 Cleat 23 Aug.

Sand Martin

Fairly common migrant breeder. Breeding: 2 prs at nest holes Strabane gravel pit 16 Apr; pr nesting Kilpatrick 1 Jun; 9 nests occupied Sannox quarry, yng visible at 2, 4 yng at 1 entrance 29 Jun. Arr 1 Strabane gravel pit 5 Apr. Max 12-15 Sannox quarry 24 Aug, and last 1 Sannox 15 Oct.

Swallow

Common migrant breeder. Breeding: 2 nests Whiting Bay 6 May, 4 broods by 28 Aug; pr nest building Pirmill 1 Jun; nest Corrie 20 Jun, 4 fledglings being fed 15 Jul; 4 broods High Kiscadale, gone by 26 Aug. Arr 2 Shiskine 14 Apr, widespread by May. Max c150 Brodick 10 Aug and c150 Torbeg 12 Aug. Last 2 Balmichael 6 Nov.

House Martin

Common migrant breeder. Breeding: min 16 prs bred successfully at one house Corriecravie, some double-brooded; 9 nests occupied Lamlash Hospital 28 May; 1 nest Whiting Bay 8 Jun; 2 broods Murray Estate, Lamlash; 1 nest Corrie 1 Jul; adult feeding yng Kildonan 12 Sep. Arr 2 Machrie 28 Mar, earliest ever recorded. Widespread by late Apr, and max c100 Brodick 14 Aug. Last 20 Whiting Bay 26 Sep.

Tree Pipit

Uncommon migrant breeder. No breeding records. Poor yr, with only 2 records. Arr 1 King's Cross 8 Apr; 1 Monamore Forestry 21 Jun.

Meadow Pipit

Common resident breeder. Breeding: nest with 4 eggs Glen Sannox 31 May. Widespread all yr, with max 62 Cleat 23 Aug.

Rock Pipit

Common resident breeder. Breeding: pr feeding yng in nest Kildonan 25 Jun. Widespread round the coast all yr, with max 30 Clachlands 24 Sep.

Grey Wagtail

Fairly common resident breeder. Breeding: adult with yng Whiting Bay 11 Jul; 1 juv Glenashdalewaterfoot 16 Jul. Widespread in suitable habitat all yr, with max 4 prs Lamlash/Clachlands 17 Mar.

Pied Wagtail

Common resident breeder. Breeding: nest with yng Lochranza 1 Aug; pr with 2 yng Pirnmill 16 Jun; pr with 2 yng Corrie 21 Jun; pr with yng Auchencairn, pr with 3 juvs Lamlash 20 Jul; pr with 2 juvs Blackwaterfoot 2 Aug. Widespread all yr, with max 19 Sannox 12 Oct.

White Wagtail

Fairly common passage visitor. Arr 2 Kilpatrick 14 Apr; 1 Machrie 20 Apr; 2 E Kildonan, 2 W Kildonan 11 May; 2 Clachlands 16 Jun. Max 6 Kildonan 6 May, and last 1 W Kildonan 12 Sep.

Waxwing

Irregular winter visitor. Good yr (no records last yr), with 1 Margnaheglish 5 Jan; 3 Arranton 7 Jan; 2 Glen Rosa 11 Jan; 1 Brodick 17 Jan; 2 Shiskine 25 Jan/1Feb; 3 Lamlash 22 Oct; 1 Brodick 27 Oct; 1 Drumadoon 5 Nov. Max 4 Sandbraes 21 Oct.

Dipper

Common resident breeder. Breeding: successful nest Benlister Falls, nest with 4 eggs Arranton. Singles and prs all yr at Glenashdalewaterfoot, Millhill burn, Glen Rosa burn, Sannox, Corrie, Sliderrywaterfoot, Clauchan water, Lochranza, Machrie water, Lagg, Catacol and Pirmill.

Wren

Common resident breeder. Breeding: 3-4 fledglings Pirmill 12 Jun; nest with yng Rosa burn 17 Jun; adult feeding 2 yng Torbeg 10 Aug; adult feeding 2 yng Cnoc na Dail 14 Aug. Prs and singles seen all yr in a wide variety of habitats.

Dunnock

Common resident breeder. Breeding: juv BCP 24 Jul. Widespread all yr, with max 3 singles Clauchlands 5 Jan and 3 Kilmory 20 Jul.

Robin

Abundant resident breeder. Breeding: 4 juvs Pirmill 1 Jun; 1 juv Whiting Bay 14 Jul; 2 yng Corrie late Jul. Widespread all yr in a variety of habitats.

Redstart

Scarce migrant breeder. No breeding records. 1 Monyquil 13 Aug (M.Lyth) was the only record.

Whinchat

Common migrant breeder. Breeding: 2 juvs Glen Catacol 11 Jul; pr with 1 juv Kilmory shore 20 Jul. Arr 1 Corriecravie 20 Apr; m Moss Fm, Machrie 30 Apr; 1 Ross rd 28 May; pr Machrie Moor 29 May; several prs and singles W Kildonan 2 Aug; 1 Machrie 1st wk Aug.

Stonechat

Common resident breeder. Breeding: 3 juvs Kilmory 20 Jul. Widespread all yr, with max 6m 3f E Bennan Head end of May.

Wheatear

Common migrant breeder. Breeding: pr with 2 juvs Kerrs Port 20 Jul; 2 juvs Machrie 26 Jul; pr with 2 juvs Drumadoon Pt; juv Kilpatrick 9 Aug; pr feeding 2 yng Ross rd 13 Aug. Arr 2 Kildonan 16 Mar (equal earliest ever). Seen mainly round the coast, but also on high moorland, with max 8 Greenland race Corriecravie 20 Apr. Last 1 Corrie 15 Sep.

Ring Ouzel

Irregular passage migrant, last recorded 1999. F Creagg an Eich 23 Apr; m The Castles 15 May; 1 Coire Daingean 8 Jun; f Whiting Bay 4 Oct; m Auchenhew, 2 1st winter Kildonan 26 Oct.

Blackbird

Abundant resident breeder. Breeding: adult feeding yng Pirnmill 22 Apr; 1 yng Whiting Bay 10 May; pr with 1 yng Margnaheglis 10 Jun; pr with 2 yng Arranton 16 Jun; 3 fledglings Pirnmill 26 Jun. Widespread all yr, with max 12 Kildonan 19 Jan.

Fieldfare

Common winter visitor. 20+ Shiskine Valley 4 Jan; 3 Cnoc na Dail 8 Jan; return 6 Whiting Bay 1 Oct. Larger nos incl 150 High Kildonan 13 Oct; 200+ Sannox, and max c300 King's Cross 116 Oct. Smaller nos at High Corrie, Lochranza, Strathwhillan, Glenree, Kilpatrick, Corriegills and Cnoc na Dail, often mixed with redwings, to end of yr.

Song Thrush

Common resident breeder. Breeding: f sitting Corrie Golf Course 9 Apr; adult carrying food BCP, successful nest Rosa burn 9 May; adult with 1 juv Glenashdale 11 May; pr with 1 yng Whiting Bay 4 Jun; pr with 2 yng (only 1 survived) Cordon 11 Jun. Seen mainly in and around the villages all yr, with max 4 Cleat 30 Jan.

Redwing

Common winter visitor, but fewer than fieldfares. 1 Kilmory 3 Jan; 20+ Shiskine Valley 4 Jan. Return 3 Sannox 7 Sep. Larger nos incl 100+ mixed with some fieldfares Kilpatrick 22 Nov, and max 150/200 Kilpatrick Fm 15 Oct. Smaller nos seen at Drumadoon Fm, Meall Breac, Corriegills, Clauchlands, Lochranza and Brodick Sep to end of yr.

Mistle Thrush

Fairly common resident breeder. Breeding: 1 carrying nesting material BCP 16 Apr; pr with 2 juvs Machrie Golf Course 11 Jul. Widespread all yr, with max c20 High Kiscadale 5 Aug.

Grasshopper Warbler

Scarce migrant. No breeding records. 1 Lakin 30 May (J.Rhead) was the only record.

Sedge Warbler

Common migrant breeder. No breeding records. Arr 1 Corriecravie 20 Apr. 1 Bennan 2 May; pr Kildonan 6 May; 2 Corriecravie ponds 17 May; 1 Torbeg 24 May; 1 Clauchlands 8 Jun; 1 Auchenhew 25 Jun. Max 4 Kildonan 22 Jun, and last 1 Clauchlands 15 Aug.

Lesser Whitethroat

Scarce migrant. Arr 1 Auchenhew 24 May; 1 Corriecravie 15 Jun; 1 Kildonan 21 and 25 Jun.

Whitethroat

Common migrant breeder. Breeding: 2 juvs Sliderry/Cleat end Jul; 1 juv Kildonan 22 Aug. Arr 1 Lagg 21 Apr (Earliest ever). Singles and prs seen at Largymore, Dougarie, Shiskine Golf Course, Torbeg and Machrie, with max 4 Clauchlands 9 May.

Garden Warbler

Scarce migrant breeder. No breeding records. 1 Corrie 9 May (C.& A.Robinson) was the only record.

Blackcap

Common migrant breeder and winter visitor. No breeding records. Singles, mainly m at Claulands, Margnaheglis, Strabane, Glenashdale, BCP, Dyemill, Brodick, Kilmory, Kildonan and Shiskine all yr, and some coming to bird tables in winter.

Wood Warbler

Uncommon migrant breeder. No breeding records. Arr 1 Glenashdale 24 Apr (earliest ever); 1 N Sannox picnic site 17 May; 1 Glenashdale 15 Jun; 1 BCP 24 Jul. Max 2 Glenashdale 3 May.

Chiffchaff

Uncommon migrant breeder. No breeding records. Arr 1 Kilmory 22 Mar. Singles only at BCP, Lamlash, Dippen, Sandbraes, Glen Rosa, Bennan, Whitefarland, Monamore, Corrie, Sannox and Glenashdale Mar/Jun. Max 2 Glenashdale 22 Jun.

Willow Warbler

Common migrant breeder. Breeding: 3 incl yng Sannox 21 Jun. Arr 1 Kilmory 3 Apr, widespread by May, with max 4-5 Auchenhew and 4-5 E of Lagg 2 Aug. Last 3 Lochranza 15 Aug.

Goldcrest

Common resident breeder. Breeding: adult feeding 1 yng King's Cave car park 11 Aug. Singles and prs seen all yr in suitable habitat, with max 20 Ross rd 13 Aug.

Spotted Flycatcher

Common migrant breeder. Breeding: adult with juv Glenashdale 20 Jun; adult feeding 2 yng Largymore 18 Jul; 3 prs with 2 juvs BCP 24 Jul; pr with juvs Sandbraes Jul. Arr 1 Margnaeglish 16 May, with prs and singles at Clauchlands, King's Cave car park, Pirnmill, BCP, Glenscorrodale, Glenashdale, Fallen Rocks, Sannox and Kilpatrick May/Aug. Last 1 BCP 2 Sep.

Long-tailed Tit

Common resident breeder. No breeding records. Seen all yr, with up to 10 at Arranton, Glen Cloy, Carlo, Sannox, Corrie, Benlister, Strabane, Lamlash, Kildonan, Largymore, Lochranza and Lagg. Larger flocks incl 10+ Glen Rosa 11 Jan; c14 Carlo 7 Feb, and max c50 Pirnmill 1 Dec. 4 at nut feeder Brodick 13 Jan is first record of them coming to a bird table.

Coal Tit

Very common resident breeder. Breeding: adult with 3 yng Margnaeglish end of May. Widespread all yr, with many coming to bird tables in winter. Max 8 Margnaeglish 20 Nov.

Blue Tit

Abundant resident breeder. Breeding: pr nesting Margnaeglish 20 Apr; successful nest box Benlister 11 May; 6 yng fledged from nest box Arranton 12 Jun. Widespread all yr, with many coming to bird tables in winter. Max 10 Kilmory 8 Aug.

Great Tit

Common resident breeder. Breeding: pr with 2 juvs Margnaeglish 11 Jun. Widespread all yr, again with many coming to bird tables in winter. Max 5 Kilmory 8 Aug.

Treecreeper

Common resident breeder. No breeding records. Singles seen at BCP, Lagg, Glenashdale, High Kiscadale, Dougarie, Brodick, Lochranza, Whiting Bay, Sliderry water and Margnaheglish Apr/Dec.

Jackdaw

Common resident breeder. Breeding: nesting S Newton shore 9 Jun; also nested Drumadoon cliffs, success unknown. Widespread all yr, with c40 Lochranza 3 Aug and 40+ Blackwaterfoot 12 Sep.

Rook

Uncommon winter visitor. 1 Arranton 6 Feb; c20 Blackwaterfoot 28 Sep; 1 Drumadoon Fm 29 Sep; 7-8 Shiskine Valley 1 Nov; 10 Kilpatrick 22 Nov; 2 Cleat 29 Dec. Max 40 Sliderry 22 Nov. None at Corriecravie where previously recorded.

Carrion/Hooded Crow

Abundant resident breeder. Breeding: 1 carrying nesting material Margnaheglish 13 Feb, 4 yng later fledged. Widespread all yr, with max 55 Kildonan 14 Sep.

Raven

Common resident breeder. Breeding: f sitting Corriecravie 15 Feb, 2 yng by 18 May; pr at nest Brown Head 15 Apr, 3 yng by 10 May; pr with 4 juvs Pirmill 13 Jun; pr with 3 yng Imachar 22 Jun; adult feeding 1 yng BCP 5 Aug. 9 yng were ringed. Widespread on coast and hills all yr, with max 21 High Kildonan 17 Sep.

Starling

Abundant resident breeder. Breeding: adult with 3 yng Pirmill 5 Jun; adult with 3 yng Blackwaterfoot 14 Jun. Widespread all yr. Larger groups incl 50+ Blackwaterfoot/Shiskine 9 Mar, inc to c60 by 1st wk Aug; c50 Dougarie 27 Sep. Max 200 Kildonan 30 Aug.

House Sparrow

Common resident breeder. Breeding: 10 prs nesting Corrie, pr nesting Brodick 30 Apr; 12 prs nesting Whiting Bay, 7 prs nesting Auchencarm 1 May; pr nesting Corrie 9 May; pr feeding 2 yng Kilpatrick 24 May; 5 yng Pirnmill Pirnmill 11 Jun; group with 4 juvs Blackwaterfoot 14 Jun; f with 4 juvs Machriewaterfoot, pr feeding 2 yng Kilpatrick 2 Aug; also bred at High Kildonan, 3 yng fledged. Common all yr round the villages, with max c50 Drumadoon Fm 2 Aug and 50 Kildonan 14 Sep.

Chaffinch

Abundant resident breeder. Breeding: 1 yng Pirnmill 8 May; 2-3 fledglings Pirnmill 1 Jun. Widespread all yr, and many coming to bird tables in winter. Max c150 BCP 5 Aug.

Brambling

Irregular winter visitor. Good yr, with 3 Margnaheglis 6 Feb; 1 High Kildonan 26 Oct; 1 Duchess Court, Brodick 28 Oct, inc to 12 by 31 Oct; 2 High Kildonan 8 Nov; pr Kildonan 15 Nov; 2 Glen Rosa 19 Nov; 1 Glenscorrodale 20 Nov; 1 Arranton 29 Nov.

Greenfinch

Common resident breeder. Breeding: yng at nut feeders Kilpatrick 25 May; 4 juvs Pirnmill 31 May; pr with 3 yng Pirnmill 16 Jun; 5 fledglings Pirnmill 30 Jun. Widespread all yr, with some coming to bird tables in winter. Max c20 Kildonan 12 Sep.

Goldfinch

Common resident breeder. Breeding: pr with 3 yng High Kiscadale 9 Jun; pr with yng Dougachie, 2 yng at nut feeders Kilpatrick 4 Aug; 3 juvs Clauchlands Fm 3 Sep. Widespread all yr, with some coming to bird tables in winter. Max 24 Eas Mor 13 Aug.

Siskin

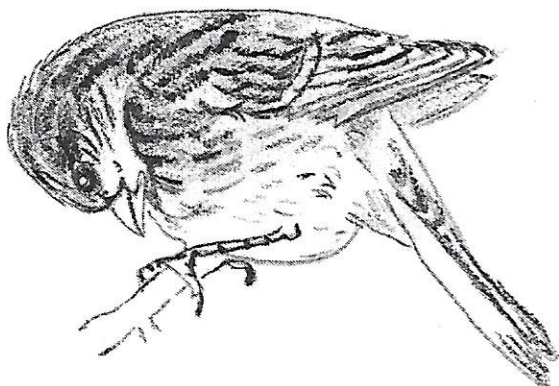
Common resident breeder. Breeding: 3 yng at nut feeders Kilpatrick 4 Aug; 11 incl yng Ross Rd 7 Aug. Widespread all yr, with many coming to bird tables in winter. Max 80/100 Kildonan 29 Sep.

Linnet

Common resident breeder. Breeding: pr with 3-4 yng Pirnmill 23 May; 3f with 2 yng Clauchlands 15 Jun; pr with 2 juvs Machriewaterfoot 2 Aug. Up to 15 seen at Kilpatrick, Shiskine Golf Course, Clauchlands, Kildonan, Pirnmill, Sannox and Blackwaterfoot. Larger nos incl c30 Drumadoon 19 Jul c50 Clauchlands 3 Aug; c30 Shiskine Golf Course 4 Oct. Max c100 Cleat 12 Sep.

Twite

Uncommon resident breeder. No breeding records. Inc in sightings, with 1 Corrie 16 Apr; 4 Dougarie 7 Aug; 4 Machriewaterfoot 22 Aug; 1 Lochranza 9 Sep; 2 singles Corriecravie shore 12 Sep; 4 Arranton 17 Oct; 2 Auchenhew 26 Oct; 4 Cosyden 1 Nov; 8 Kildonan 16 Nov. Larger nos incl 30+ Machrie 12 Oct; 20+ Cleat 29 Dec. Max c40 Cleat 20 Apr.



Twite

Redpoll

Uncommon resident breeder. Breeding: 6 incl juvs Pirmill 28 May. 1 Balmichael, 1 Auchencar 30 May; 1 Machrie Golf Course 24 Jun; 4 Imachar 25 Jun; 1 Glen Sannox 26 Jun; 2m Margenaish Fm 16 Jul; 2 Auchenhew 26 Oct. Max 8 Clauchlands 14 Sep.

Crossbill

Fairly common resident breeder. No breeding records. Poor yr, with only 1 record of 3 Lochranza 13 Jun (M.Craig)

Bullfinch

Common resident breeder. Breeding: f feeding 1 yng Torbeg 15 Aug. Singles and prs seen all yr in woodland and gardens at Cnoc na Dail, Margnaheglis, Dippen, Glenashdale, Kildonan and Whiting Bay, with max 2 prs Corrie Golf Course 16 Apr, and 4 Torrylinn cairn 4 Dec.

Snow Bunting

Scarce autumn/winter visitor. 1 Newton 24 Jan; 1 Goatfell path 7 Nov.

Yellowhammer

Scarce resident breeder. No breeding records. 1 Shiskine Golf Course 4 Jan; 1 Ross rd 22 Jun; 2 Shiskine Golf Course 10 Aug. Max 6 at bird table Corriecravie 11 Jan.

Reed Bunting

Fairly common resident breeder. No breeding records. 2 Kilpatrick 12 Apr; f Shiskine Golf Course 16 Apr; m Holy Isle 23 Apr; m N Glen Sannox 9 Jun; m Garbh Choire Dubh 5 Jul; f Machrie 10 Aug; m Machrie 17 Sep; f Kildonan 1 Oct; 1 Shiskine Valley 6 Nov. Max 40-50 Machrie Moor 30 Nov, largest no ever recorded.

KEY TO CHECKLIST

R = resident (breeds)

R* = resident (no recent breeding records)

R** = resident (no breeding records)

S = summer visitor (breeds)

S* = summer visitor (no recent breeding records)

S** = summer visitor (no breeding records)

W = winter visitor

P = passage migrant

I = introduced

C = common

U = uncommon

B* = formerly bred

O = occasional

V = vagrant

X = pre 1956 records

CHECK LIST

- ✓ 1. Red-throated Diver RC
- ✓ 2. Black-throated Diver R*/PC
- 3. Great Northern Diver R**/PC
- ✓ 4. Little Grebe WU
- 5. Great Crested Grebe O
- 6. Red-necked Grebe WO
- 7. Slavonian Grebe WO
- 8. Black-necked Grebe WO
- ✓ 9. Fulmar SC/WU
- 10. Cory's Shearwater V
- 11. Sooty Shearwater V
- ✓ 12. Manx Shearwater SPC
- 13. Mediterranean Shearwater V
- 14. Storm Petrel PU
- 15. Leach's Petrel V
- ✓ 16. Gannet S**C/WU
- ✓ 17. Cormorant R**C
- ✓ 18. Shag RC
- 19. Bittern V
- 20. Snowy Egret V
- ✓ 21. Grey Heron RC
- 22. Spoonbill V
- 23. Chilean Flamingo VE
- ✓ 24. Mute Swan RC
- 25. Bewick's Swan V
- ✓ 26. Whooper Swan WU/PC
- 27. Pink-footed Goose WO
- 28. White-fronted Goose WO
- ✓ 29. Greylag Goose WC/PC
- 30. Canada Goose PO
- 31. Barnacle Goose WO
- 32. Brent Goose WO
- ✓ 33. Shelduck RC
- ✓ 34. Wigeon WC
- ✓ 35. Teal S*/WC
- ✓ 36. Mallard RC
- 37. Pintail PO
- 38. Shoveler B*/O
- 39. Pochard WO
- 40. Tufted Duck WO
- 41. Scaup WO
- ✓ 42. Eider RC
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- 46. Velvet Scoter WO
- ✓ 47. Goldeneye WC
- 48. Smew WO
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- ✓ 50. Goosander R/U
- 51. Red Kite V
- 52. Marsh Harrier V
- ✓ 53. Hen Harrier RC
- 54. Goshawk R/U
- ✓ 55. Sparrowhawk RC
- ✓ 56. Buzzard RC
- 57. Rough-legged Buzzard V
- 58. White-tailed Eagle B*/V
- ✓ 59. Golden Eagle RC
- ✓ 60. Osprey PO
- 61. Hobby V
- ✓ 62. Kestrel RC
- ✓ 63. Merlin R*/U
- ✓ 64. Peregrine RC
- 65. Red Grouse RC
- 66. Ptarmigan RU
- 67. Black Grouse B*/O
- 68. Capercaillie B*/X
- 69. Red-legged Partridge I
- 70. Grey Partridge B*
- 71. Quail B*/O
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- 73. Water Rail R*/U
- 74. Spotted Crane X
- 75. Corncrake B*/O
- ✓ 76. Moorhen RU
- 77. Coot WO
- 78. Crane V
- ✓ 79. Oystercatcher RC
- ✓ 80. Ringed Plover RC
- 81. Dotterel PO
- ✓ 82. Golden Plover SU/WC

- 83. Grey Plover PO
- ✓ 84. Lapwing RU/WC
- 85. Knot PO
- ✓ 86. Sanderling PO
- 87. Curlew Sandpiper V
- ✓ 88. Purple Sandpiper WU
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- ✓ 90. Dunlin S*/WC
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- ✓ 99. Curlew RC
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- 167. Redstart SU
- ✓ 168. Whinchat SC

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