

WYVER LANE MONTHLY REPORT MAY 2013

Highlights include Red Kite, Hobby, Common Terns, and Reed Warbler.

Counts this month include 3 Cormorants on several dates, 2 Grey Herons on 4th, a Pink-footed Goose on 10th, 93 Greylag Geese including 61 young on 10th, 69 Canada Geese including 16 young on 22nd, 2 Shelduck on 2nd, 3 Mandarin on 4th, 8 Gadwall on 6th and 25th, 4 Teal on 2nd, only 4 Mallard broods noted which is down on a 'normal' year, 9 Tufted Ducks on 18th.

3 Sparrowhawks on 21st, 3 Buzzards on many dates, Kestrel also on many dates, Hobby on several dates, 2 Peregrines on 21st.

4 Pheasants on 10th and 25th, 8 Moorhens on 2nd and a brood of 6 appeared on 25th, a brood of 4 Coots on the top pool on 21st. The Oystercatchers have bred again and produced 1 young on 21st, 5 Lapwings on 2nd, a Snipe on 10th.

The Black-headed Gulls on the raft revealed 3 young on 25th, 2 Common Terns on 16th, 3 Stock Doves on 6th, 14th and 25th, a Tawny Owl on 12th, 10 Swifts on 10th and 14th, 2 Green Woodpeckers on 10th, 14th and 21st, 30 Swallows on 10th, 50 House Martins on 10th and 18th, a Sand Martin on 10th, 16 Wrens on 10th, 11 Robins on 10th, a Redstart on 2nd, 6th and 21st, 7 Blackbirds on 22nd, 2 Mistle Thrushes on 25th, 3 Sedge Warblers on 10th and 14th, a Reed Warbler on 30th, a Lesser Whitethroat on 10th, 4 Common Whitethroats on 4th, a Garden Warbler on 2nd and 4th, 8 Blackcaps on 2nd, 6 Chiffchaffs on 2nd and 10th, a Willow Warbler on 1st, 2nd and 6th, 12 Blue Tits on 10th, 2 Treecreepers on 16th, 2 Jays on 6th, 12 Magpies on 10th, 2 Linnets on 14th and 6 Reed Buntings on 10th and 14th.

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