

AVOCET HIDE

MIDDLEBERE



Sightings

August 2014 - June 2016



With thanks to everyone who recorded their sightings in the hide diary

6th August 2014

Osprey on pole

8th August 2014

7 Spoonbill; Black-tailed Godwits; Barn Owl; Little Egrets; Oystercatchers; Curlews; Teal; Mallard; Shelduck; Wheatear; Starlings; 3 Greenshank; Mute Swan; Black-headed Gulls; Herring Gull; Canada Geese; Redshank; Green Woodpecker; Swallows; Crows; Cuckoo; Green Sandpiper

Sunday 10th August

13.30 p.m. High tide; windy; clear

2 peregrines harassing 200 Black-headed Gulls; 6 Spoonbill; Little Egrets; House Martins; Herring Gulls; Yellow-legged Gulls; Swallows; Canada Geese; 1 Oystercatcher; Great Black-backed Gull (2 adult, 1 Juv.); Pied Wagtail; Crows; Shelduck

11th August 2014

Hobby; Barn Owl

12th August 2014

7 Little Egret; 8 Spoonbill; 6 Yellow-legged Gull [RMR James]

13th August 2014

Very high tide – flooding up to field

5 Shelduck; Canada Geese; Swallow; House Martin; 3 Little Egret; Mallard; Wren; Pied Wagtail; Reed Bunting; Curlew

15th August 2014

Reed Bunting; Little Egret; Shelduck; Black-headed Gull; Curlew

7.30pm: Greenshank; Ruff; Yellow-legged Gull; Black-tailed Godwit; Curlew; Redshank; Little Egret

16th August 2014

9.20 am Low tide, sunny:

1 Curlew; 1 Little Egret; 3 Spoonbill (left at 9.40 a.m. in direction of Brownsea); Swallow; House Martin

p.m.: 12 Little Egrets; Goosander; 7 Greenshank; 2 Lapwing; 3 Spoonbill (returned); Shelduck; Teal; 75 Canada Geese.

17th August 2014

Track: Chaffinch; Bullfinch; Song Thrush; Blue Tit; Magpie; Robin; Pied Wagtail; Adder.

Hide: Curlew; Canada Geese; Shelduck; Swallows [Pat & Ray]

Greenshank; Dunlin; Ringed Plover; Peregrine; Curlew; Egret; 2 Fox; Sika.

18th August 2014

Common Sandpiper; Cuckoo; Stock Dove; 4 Curlew; 4 Little Egret; 2 Yellow-legged Gull; 8 Lapwing; Oystercatcher [T. Haysom]

3 p.m.: 15 Little Egret; 2 Gadwall; 1 Curlew; Oystercatcher; 2 Shelduck; Canada Geese; 2 Yellow-legged Gull; 1 Hobby; 2 Greenshank; 3 Sika Deer

8.25 p.m.: 1 Swift; Yellow-legged Gulls; 30+ Little Egrets (in to roost).

19th August 2014

Green Sandpiper; 2 Curlew; 4 Shelduck; Grey heron; 6 Little Egret; Canada Geese; Redshank; Swallows; Buzzard; Yellow-legged Gull; Fox; Buzzard; Great Black-backed Gull.

5.15 p.m.: Peregrine dived at Wood Pigeon in front of hide; Kingfisher, fishing on pool; Greenshank

20th August 2014

10 Little Egret; Canada Geese; 3 Spoonbill; 1 Greenshank; 1 Black-tailed Godwit; 2 Green Sandpiper (in pool); 1 Yellow-legged Gull; 6 Ringed Plover; Dunlin; Shelduck; 2 Curlew

7.30 p.m.: Osprey on pole eating fish; 8 Little Egret; 1 Grey Heron; 100+ Curlew; 4 Shelduck; 1 Spoonbill; 7 Canada Geese; Barn Owl

21st August 2014

9.30 a.m. (rising tide): 2 Grey Heron; 3 Spoonbill; Little Egrets; 1 Green Sandpiper (in pool); 1 Greenshank; 1 Curlew; Dunlin; Ringed Plovers; Redshank; Starlings; Shelduck; Swallows; Canada Geese; Crows; Mallards; Kingfisher (after shrimps in the pool); Willow Warbler; 1 Sandwich Tern; 2 Common Terns; 1 Cormorant; 1 Pied Wagtail; Buzzard; Yellow-legged Gull; Jay; Great Black-backed Gull; Osprey on post; Sparrowhawk; 2 Swift; Mistle Thrushes (in lane feeding on Rowan)

22nd August 2014

7 Spoonbill; 3 Green Sandpiper (on pool); Osprey on post (10.a.m.); Sparrowhawk; Greenshank; Yellow-legged Gull; Yellow Wagtail (flew over hide).

4.30 p.m. : Osprey on post; 7 Spoonbill; 1 Green Sandpiper; Osprey took off at 17.10 p.m.

17.45 p.m. : Osprey back on pole, standing on fish; 5 Spoonbill

23rd August 2014

1 p.m.: Osprey on post; 27 Redshank; 1 Greenshank; 3 Lapwing; 2 Dunlin; 8 Ringed Plover; Yellow-legged Gull; Black-headed Gulls; 8 Little Egret; Canada Geese; Wren

1.15 p.m.: Marsh Harrier

Osprey on pole from c. 11.00 am until 3.15 pm precisely, when it flew off towards Swineham.

16.50 pm: Osprey on post again with fish; 10 Yellow Wagtail (on fence to right); Common Sandpiper; 4 Grey Heron; 6 Redshank; 2 Shelduck

18.00 pm: Osprey still eating fish on pole

18.15: Osprey flew off towards Swineham.

Sunday 24th August 2014

2 Marsh Harrier; 1 Spoonbill; 20+ Yellow Wagtails; 2 Sparrowhawk; Godwits; 5 Ruff; 7 Little Egret; Grey Heron; Shelduck; Mallard

Red Admiral; Speckled Wood; Gatekeeper; Small White.

3.00 p.m.: Osprey flew to pole from over the ridge

4.10 p.m.: Osprey on pole eating fish

5.45 p.m.: Osprey still on pole; Little Egrets; Kestrel; 5 Canada Geese; 1 Spoonbill

6.30 p.m.: 8 Lapwing; Little Egret in pool.

7.20 p.m.: Osprey still on pole, feeding intermittently; Barn Owl flew past

25th August 2014

Green Sandpiper; 3 Yellow Wagtail; 120 Curlew; 9 Spoonbill;

7.10 p.m.: Osprey over; 20 Black-tailed Godwit; 2 Raven; 3 Greenshank

26th August 2014

10.20 a.m.: Marsh Harrier ; again at 10.50 a.m.

11.00 a.m. Seal in front of hide in channel; 6 Yellow Wagtail on fence

4.00 p.m. – 6.00 p.m.: 11 Spoonbill; 8 Little Egrets; Cormorant; Redshank; Sand Martin; Marsh Harrier

27th August 2014

Osprey; Green Sandpiper (on pool); 10+ Redshank; 2 Greenshank; 80+ Black-tailed Godwit; 1 Yellow-legged Gull; 4 Shelduck; 10+ Curlew

Lane: Hobby

2.45 p.m.: Osprey on post, feeding, until 4.10 p.m.

28th August 2014

Hobby; Buzzard; Greenshank; Spotted Redshank; Black-tailed Godwit; Yellow-legged Gull; Shelduck; Curlew; Teal; Redshank; Little Egret; Sandwich Tern; Swallows; Swift

29th August 2014

11.00 a.m. – 12.15 p.m.: Osprey on pole; 26 Greenshank (“my best count in 17 years”); 5+ Spotted Redshank; 1 Common Sandpiper; 8 Black-tailed Godwit [Steve W Smith]

30th August 2014

Osprey on pole (eating flat fish); Hobby; Sparrowhawk; Kestrel; Marsh Harrier; Yellow-legged Gull; Redshank; Spotted Redshank; Greenshank; Wood Pigeon; Jackdaw; Mallard; Little Egret; Shelduck; Canada Geese; 30 + Teal; Black-headed Gull; Black-tailed Godwit; Great Black-backed Gull; Curlew; Grey Heron; Green Sandpiper; 2 x Osprey.

31st August 2014

1 Osprey on pole, feeding; Greenshank; Redshank; Yellow-legged Gull;

11.30 a.m.: Osprey left pole, washed feet in Channel, and flew to dead trees on the left.

5.20 p.m.” Osprey feeding in dead trees; Greenshanks; 18 Spoonbills; Little Egret; Black-tailed Godwits

1st September 2014

12.05 p.m.: Osprey feeding on pole (left at about 1.45 p.m.); 3 Avocets

4.05 p.m. – 5.45 p.m. (at least): Osprey feeding on pole

2nd September 2014

10.00 a.m.: Curlew; Little Egret; Grey Heron

1.30 p.m.: Osprey in dead trees; Spotted Redshank; Shelduck; Kestrel on pole; Redshank; Black-tailed Godwits; Starlings; Little Egrets; Willow Warbler (in lane); Long-tailed Tits (in lane); Greenshank; Curlew; Ringed Plover; Teal; Oystercatcher; Swallows; Crow; Buzzards; Herring Gulls; Black-headed Gulls; Canada Geese; Wheatear; Whitethroat (in lane)

2.30 p.m.: 7 Sandwich Terns flew over

7.40 p.m.: 1 Osprey in dead trees; another Osprey flew down channel; 3 Greenshank; Spotted Redshank; Green Sandpiper; 23 Little Egrets; "Marsh Harrier claimed by photographer" [-o ! – Ed]

3rd September 2014

Lane: Family of bullfinches [2.4 offspring? – Ed]; Spotted Flycatcher

1.30 p.m.: Osprey (not ringed) on pole with fish

2.25 p.m.: Common Sandpiper (in pool); Green Sandpiper; Greenshank; Spotted Redshank; Redshank; Black-tailed Godwits; Teal; Oystercatchers; Swallows; Shelduck; Little Egrets; Canada Geese; Greater Spotted Woodpecker; Spoonbill; Hobby

Lane: Wheatear; Whitethroat; Linnet

4th September 2014

10.46 a.m.: Osprey on post with fish; Black-tailed Godwits; Shelduck; Little Egrets; Swallows; House Martins; Green Sandpiper; Greenshank; Teal

6.10 p.m. – 7.40 p.m.: Osprey in dead tree; 2 Spoonbill; 5 Raven; 5 Canada Geese; 30+ Little Egret; 250+ Curlew; 1 Sparrowhawk; 15 Shelduck; 16 Grey Heron (in flight together)

Mallard; Barn Owl (hunting over reed bed); Robin

5th September 2014

10.00 a.m.: Osprey on pole (flew off at 11.30 a.m.); Spoonbill; Black-tailed Godwits; Greenshank; Kingfisher on pool post; Peregrine attacked flock of Blackwits, caught then dropped one – that bird to be eaten by a gull; 14 Little Egret; Green Sandpiper; Shelducks

5.00 p.m.: Whitethroat (lane); 30 x Mistle Thrushes (lane);

Shelduck; 12 Little Egret; Redshank; Blackwits; Oystercatcher; 3 Grey Plover.

6th September 2014

1.40 p.m.: Spotted Flycatcher near barns

2.10 p.m.: 2 Spotted Redshank

Marsh Harrier (?juvenile); Sparrowhawk; Green Sandpiper; Large flock of Black-tailed Godwits

7th September 2014

8.45 a.m.: Osprey in tree, then flew off; Peregrine; Sparrowhawk; Kingfisher; 10 Greenshank; Spotted Redshank; Cuckoo

8th September 2014

5.00 p.m.: Osprey in conifer in Salterns Copse

7 – 8.00 p.m.: 1 Knot (in with Blackwits); Wheatear (seen from lane);

9th September 2014

8.10 a.m.: Kingfisher on pool post; 20 Black-tailed Godwit; 4 Avocet; Shelduck; 30-40 Mallard; 20+ Teal; Green Sandpiper; Greenshank;

10.30 a.m.: Osprey flew into dead trees.

10th September 2014

10.30 a.m. and 11.15 a.m.: Osprey; Marsh harrier (?juv.); Sparrowhawk; Kestrel; Black-tailed Godwit; Greenshank; Redshank; Kingfisher; Shelduck

7.p.m.: Peregrine playing with 3 Crows (crows not impressed); Barn Owl

11th September 2014

Kingfisher fishing in pool, caught 5 or 6 fish; Greenshank; Buzzard; Peregrine (fly-past); Little Egrets; Black-tailed Godwits; Swallows; Sand Martins; House Martins; Kestrel on post; Grey Heron;

1.00 p.m.: Peregrine hunting

2.45 p.m.: Osprey in Salterns Copse conifer, then in dead trees; ♀ Marsh harrier

12th September 2014

12.15 p.m.: Osprey hunting

12.45 p.m.: Peregrine; Little Grebe; 2 Marsh Harrier; Kingfisher; 8 Greenshank; 10 Black-tailed Godwit; Sparrowhawk; Buzzard; 100+ Teal; 50+ Mallard; Yellow-legged Gull; 3 Raven; 3 Yellow Wagtails on fence

13th September 2014

8.00 a.m.: 2 Marsh harriers; 5 Spoonbill; 2 Osprey; 1 Common Sandpiper; 1 Green Sandpiper; 1 Curlew; 3 Little Egret; 1 Wren; 3 Pintail; Sparrowhawk; Peregrine; Kestrel

2.25 p.m.: Kingfisher on post; 40 Black-tailed Godwit

14th September 2014

9.00 a.m.: 2 Marsh Harrier; Osprey; Curlew; Common Sandpiper; Kingfisher; 6 Redshank; 10 Teal; many Linnets

12.00 noon: Green Sandpiper; Marsh Harrier; Wigeon; Godwit; Sparrowhawk

4.30 p.m.: 1 Greenshank; 2 Spotted Redshank; Osprey; Kingfisher

5.30 p.m.: Marsh harrier; 2 Redshank; 4 Little Egret; 3 Grey Heron

15th September 2014

Green Sandpiper in pool; Heron; Little Egrets; Kingfisher; Marsh Harrier

6 – 7.30 p.m.: Little Egret; 2 Black-tailed Godwit; 1 Barn Owl; 5 Avocet; 1 Pintail; 3 Grey Heron; 1 Kingfisher; Sparrowhawk; 8 Teal; Redshank; Shelduck; Curlew; 3 Green Sandpiper; Spoonbill

16th September 2014

Green Sandpiper; Marsh Harrier; 2 Greenshank; Wigeon; Mallard; Blackwits; Knot; Kingfisher; 2 Osprey; Black-headed Gulls; Herring gull; Egrets; Canada Geese; Shelduck; Teal; Redshank; Yellow-legged Gull; Pintail; Spotted Redshank; Oystercatcher

17th September 2014

Black-tailed Godwits; Shelduck; Redshank; Wigeon; Oystercatcher; Mallard; Little Egret; Crow; Heron; Canada Goose; Black-headed Gull; Wood pigeon; Teal; Spoonbills; Kestrel

18th September 2014

9.00 – 11.30 a.m.: Yellow-legged Gull; 10+ Knot; 2 Pintail; 300+ Black-tailed Godwit; 8 Wigeon

12.50 p.m.: Osprey flew west

4.40 p.m.: ♀ Marsh harrier; Peregrine Falcon

5.30 p.m.: Hobby; 60+ Curlew

6.50 p.m.: Barn Owl; Spoonbill

19th September 2014

10.00 a.m.: Lane: Bullfinch; Greenfinch; Chaffinch; Blackcap; Whitethroat

Hide: Shelduck; Grey Heron; Redshank; Mallard; Black-tailed Godwit; Curlew; Pintail

12.20 p.m.: 2 Yellow-legged Gull; Osprey flew over; 3 Spotted Redshank; Greenshank; 14 Knot; 3 Bar-tailed Godwit; 180 Black-tailed Godwit; Pintail; 15 Wigeon; 1 Shoveler; Peregrine; Kestrel; 80 Teal; Lesser Whitethroat (in lane)
[Steve W Smith]

1.15 p.m.: Green Sandpiper in pool

4.00 p.m.: Marsh harrier

6.00 p.m.: Green Sandpiper; 3 Knot

6.40 p.m.: Spoonbill; Green Sandpiper; 14 Spoonbill (stayed about 10 minutes).

23rd September 2014

3 Greenshank; 450 Black-tailed Godwits; 2 Grey heron; Little Egret; Yellow-legged Gull; Shelduck; Teal; Ruff; Green Sandpiper; Curlew; Redshank; Meadow Pipit; Lapwing; Buzzard

Lane: ♀ Redstart; Willow Warbler; Raven

25th September 2014

Green Sandpiper; Marsh Harrier; Little Egret; Fox; Sika; Curlew

27th September 2014

Ringtail Hen Harrier; 3 Greenshank; 2 Yellow-legged Gull; Spoonbill; 00s of Blackwits; 5 Avocets; Kingfisher

4.20 p.m.: Green Sandpiper in pool.

28th September 2014

109 Avocet; ♂ Kestrel; 2 Kingfisher; Green Sandpiper; Greenshank; Swallows; Blackwit; House Martins; Peregrine; Buzzard;

10.54 a.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier; Spoonbill; Marsh Harrier; Pintail; Spoonbill

7.00 p.m.: Barn Owl; 2 Curlew; Spoonbill

29th September 2014

a.m.: Marsh Harrier; Kingfisher; Green Sandpiper; Avocets

2.30-3.30 p.m.: 350 Avocet; 1000 Black-tailed Godwits; Green Sandpiper; Lapwing; 5 Greenshank; Yellow-legged Gull; 9 Woodlark (entrance to lane); pair of Bullfinch (lane).

4.30 p.m.: Lots x Avocet; lots x Blackwits; Heron; Curlew; Canada Geese; Greater Spotted Woodpecker; Greenshank; Redshank; Egrets; Teal; Fox

30th September 2014

8.25 a.m.: 2 Kingfishers, one on each pool post; Green Sandpiper; 2 Lapwing; Curlew

10.30 a.m.: Shelduck; 400+ Black-tailed Godwit; 250+ Avocet; 3 Greenshank; Wigeon; Little Egret; Teal; Redshank; Herring Gull; Green Sandpiper; Goldcrest; Swallow; Lapwing; Buzzard; Robin; Grey heron; Curlew; 2 Spotted Redshank; Meadow Pipit.

1st October 2014

4 Greenshank; 300+ Black-tailed Godwit; 20+ Curlew; 3 Egrets; Green Sandpiper (unusually noisy).

2nd October 2014

Yellow-legged Gull; Crow; Little Egret; Redshank; Teal; Robin; Blackwits; Green Sandpiper; Curlew; Raven; Avocets; Heron; House Martin

3rd October 2014

8.15 a.m.: 37 (!) Spoonbill; Shelduck; Wigeon; Teal; Mallard; Godwits; 300+ Avocet; 2 Egrets; Cormorant; Green Sandpiper

11.00 a.m.: Kingfisher; Peregrine

1.30 p.m.: Kingfisher; Little Egrets

4.30 p.m.: Little Egrets; Cormorants; Green Sandpiper; Wigeon; Mallard; Teal; Shelduck; Heron; Curlew; Black-tailed Godwit; Redshank

6.00 p.m.: Kingfisher – caught 2 shrimp from pool; Green Sandpiper; 4 Greenshank; Barn Owl, very active around barns and cottages

4th October 2014

4.50 p.m.: Marsh Harrier; Sparrowhawk; Kestrel

Sunday 5th October 2014

11.30 a.m. 35 Avocets; 180 Black-tailed Godwits [SK]

12.30 p.m.: Marsh Harrier (juv.); ♂ Sparrowhawk; 40 Meadow Pipits; 1 Avocet; 1 Blackwit; 25 Teal; 1 Kestrel; 2 Woodlark (top of lane)

5.00 – 6.00 p.m.: Marsh harrier; 40+ Avocet; 150+ Black-tailed Godwit; 2 Greenshank; 2 Spoonbill; 2 Yellow-legged Gull; 22 Little Egret (roost in dead tree); 6 Wigeon; 13 Shelduck; 4 Redshank; 2 Kingfisher (fly-past); Teal; Sparrowhawk

7th October 2014

8.30 a.m.: 2 Marsh Harrier (one in dead tree opposite); Kingfisher; Pintail; 3 Little Egret; 4 Curlew; 17 Meadow Pipit

2.30 p.m.: Curlew; Spotted Redshank; Greenshank; Black-tailed Godwit; Yellow-legged Gull; Green Sandpiper; Teal; Wigeon; Kingfisher; Lapwing

8th October 2014

Very high tide- area to right of fence almost completely underwater.

10.15 a.m.: Small flock of Blackwit just to right of hide; Kingfisher(brief visit); 7 Lapwing

12.01 p.m.: Shelduck; Teal; Wigeon; Blackwits, Curlew; Kingfisher; Stock Dove; Ringtail Hen Harrier; Marsh harrier; Green Sandpiper; Redshank; Yellow-legged Gull.

10th October 2014

Kingfisher; Hen Harrier; 3 Greenshank; Blackwits; Pintail; Sparrowhawk

11th October 2014

11.25 a.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier; ♂ & ♀ Marsh Harrier; Blackwits; 5 Brent Geese; 2 Swallows; Teal; Wigeon; 5 Little Egret;

3.15 p.m.: 2 Marsh Harrier; Blackwit; Teal

4.15 p.m.: ♂ Marsh Harrier

12th October 2014

11 – 12.15 p.m.: Green Sandpiper (on pool); 100+ Black-tailed Godwit; juv. Marsh Harrier; Kestrel; Peregrine; Merlin; Curlew; 2 Greenshank; Egret; 50+ Lapwing; 6 Wigeon; Pintail

2.30 p.m.: Kingfisher on post; Marsh Harrier

13th October 2014

9.30 a.m.: Lapwing; 6 Oystercatcher; 2 Little Egrets; 20 Curlew; 100 Starling; Teal; Avocets; 3 Greenshank; Black-tailed Godwits; Wigeon; Redshank; Yellow-legged Gull

16th October 2014

Little Egret; Grey heron; Curlew; Black-tailed Godwits; Mallard; Teal; Wigeon; Shelduck; Herring Gull; Cormorant; Starlings; Crows; Meadow Pipits

18th October 2014

1.00 – 2.00 p.m.: 3 pairs of Little Egrets; Mallard; 2 Curlew; Dunlin; Marsh Harrier

2.30 p.m.: 4 Spotted Redshank; Hen Harrier; Sika

3.30 – 5.30 p.m.: Marsh Harrier; Wigeon; Teal; Greenshank; Buzzard; 1 Spoonbill, Curlew; 16 Canada Geese; Little Egret; Oystercatcher; 50+ Redshank; 20+ Dunlin; Yellow-legged Gull; 3 Black-tailed Godwits

19th October 2014

♂ Marsh Harrier

21st October 2014

Curlew; Black-tailed Godwit; Lapwing; Cormorant; Little Egret; Herring Gull; Black-headed Gull; 17 Brent Geese; Wigeon; Teal; Mallard; Starling; Crow; Meadow Pipit; Yellow-legged Gull; Heron; Marsh Harrier; Greylag Geese (fly past); Canada Geese.

22nd October 2014

Great White Egret; 5 Little Egret; 30+ Brent Geese; Wigeon; Teal; Curlew; Black-tailed Godwit; Lapwing; Redshank

23rd October 2014

♀ Marsh Harrier; ♂ Marsh Harrier; Yellow-legged Gull

24th October 2014

2.45 p.m.: 30+ Avocet; 5 Little Egrets; Curlew; Sika; Magpie; 3 Redshanks; 28 Lapwings; Marsh Harrier; 36 Brent Geese

25th October 2014

9.30 a.m.: 20 lapwing; 12 Canada Geese; 1 Yellow-legged Gull; 1 Wigeon; 1 Teal; 200 Black-tailed Godwit; 3 Little Egret; 7 Black-headed Gulls; 1 Curlew; 60+ Brent Geese;

3.00 p.m.: Green Sandpiper in pool; Redshanks;

4.20 p.m.: ♀ Marsh Harrier

26th October 2014

♀ Hen Harrier (high); Wigeon; Teal; Godwit; Marsh Harrier; Common Sandpiper; Merlin

27th October 2014

Avocet; Wigeon; Redshank; Black-tailed Godwit; Curlew; Egret; Brent Geese; Jackdaw; Starling; Canada Geese; Crow; Great White Egret for 15 minutes; 1 Yellow-legged Gull

28th October 2014

Lane: Stonechat; Dartford Warbler

Hide: Cormorant; Little Egret; Black-headed Gull; Yellow-legged Gull; Mallard; Teal; Wigeon; 80+ Brent Geese; Redshank; Common Sandpiper; Lapwing; 200+ Black-tailed Godwit; Curlew; ♂ Marsh Harrier; Buzzard; 40+ Starling; Crow; Jackdaw; Shelduck; Greenshank

29th October 2014

7 - 8.00 a.m.: Ring Ouzel (in trees behind hide); Green Sandpiper in pool to right of hide;

30th October 2014

1000+ Black-tailed Godwit; avocet; Brent Geese; Wigeon; Teal; Curlew; Bullfinch (in lane); redshank; Oystercatcher; Little Egret; 3 Yellow-legged Gull

31st October 2014

7.45 a.m.: 1000+ Wood Pigeon over in 10 minutes, in three large flocks; Ringtail Hen Harrier fly-past high; Merlin

1.30 p.m.: 4 Whooper Swans (adult and 3 young, 1 with lame right leg);

4.00 p.m.: Marsh Harrier

1st November 2014

70+ Avocet; Black-tailed Godwit; 1 Yellow-legged Gull; 30 Lapwing; Wigeon; Teal; Curlew; Brent Geese; 15 Canada Geese; Little Egret; Redshank

11.45 a.m. Lane: 4 Dartford Warblers

12.15 p.m.: Marsh Harrier

2.45 p.m.: Kingfisher on pool post

2nd November 2014

Marsh Harrier; Curlew; 2 Little Egret; 5 Spotted Redshank; Peregrine

5th November 2014

8.15 a.m.: Long view of Kingfisher fishing from the two pool posts; Yellow-legged Gull on large fence post suddenly swooped on a teal in the reeds; took 10 minutes to finish it off, then ate it; Crows waiting nearby.

12.30 p.m.: Peregrine flew up creek; 208 Brent Geese; 170 Black-tailed Godwit

6th November 2014

8.15 a.m.: Avocets; 20 Lapwing; 200 Teal; 3 Buzzards; Kingfisher; Cormorants; Black-headed Gulls; Wren; 200 Wigeon;

11.15 a.m.: Marsh Harrier; Dunlin; Redshank; 70 Brent Geese.

7th November 2014

Marsh Harrier; Lesser Black-backed Gull; Brent Geese; Lapwing

8th November 2014

Kingfisher on pool post for 45 minutes

9th November 2014

2 Marsh harrier; Ringtail Hen Harrier

10th November 2014

Marsh Harrier; Kingfisher; Black-tailed Godwit; Redshank; Teal; Wigeon; Shelduck; Lapwing' Little Egret; Kestrel; Great Crested Grebe; Wren; Pied Wagtail

2.30 p.m.: ♀ Marsh Harrier; Spotted Redshank

3.45 p.m.: 6 Sika; Cormorant; 1 Spoonbill

11th November 2014

Wigeon; Little Egrets; Buzzard

12th November 2014

Lane: Mixed flock of Redwing and Fieldfare; Blackbirds; Song Thrush; Greenfinch; Chaffinch; Robin; Dunnock; Crow; Wood Pigeon

Hide: Marsh harrier; Merlin; Wigeon; Teal; Mallard; Lapwing; Redshank; 22 Curlew; 90 Brent Geese; 4 Little Egret; Kingfisher; 3 Yellow-legged Gull; Crow; Starling; Black-tailed Godwit; Avocet

13th November 2014

10.00 a.m.: Lane: Redwing; Fieldfare; Song Thrush; Blackbird; Greenfinch; Bullfinch; Chaffinch; Dunnock; Robin; Magpie

Hide: 60 Black-tailed Godwit; 2 Bar-tailed Godwit; 30 Redshank; 3 Spotted Redshank; 10 Curlew; 20 Dunlin; Many teal; Mallard, Cormorant.

1.30 p.m.: Fieldfare; Redwing; Blackbird; Egret; 100+ Brent Geese; Teal; Black-tailed Godwits; Wigeon; Mallard; Sparrowhawk [Pat & Ray]

2.40 p.m.: 200+ Lapwing; 5 Curlew; 1 Egret; 200 Wigeon; Teal; 4 Brent Geese; Herring Gulls; Mallard; Wren; 20 Starlings; 9 Black-tailed Godwit; 20 Redshank; 8 Dunlin; *[Jane & John Kirwin]*

14th November 2014

10.00 a.m.: 40+ Redshank; 10 Oystercatcher; 15 Curlew; 200+ Wigeon; 200+ Brent Geese; 1 Yellow-legged Gull

15th November 2014

200+ Black-tailed Godwit; 200+ Avocet; Teal; Wigeon; 50+ Lapwing; 10+ Curlew; Redshank; Dunlin; Little Egret; Pair of Stonechat; Sparrowhawk *[J. Kirwin]*
8 Spoonbill; Merlin; 300+ Black-tailed Godwit; Avocets; Turnstone; Egret

18th November 2014

30+ Lapwing; Curlew; 00s of Black-tailed Godwit; lots Dunlin; Teal; 300+ Brent Geese; Egret.

21st November 2014

250 Avocet; Lapwing; Curlew; 100 Black-tailed Godwit; 50 Dunlin; 100+ Teal; 100+ Wigeon; 100+ Brent Geese; Lapwing; 100+ Redshank; Marsh Harrier; 6 Meadow Pipits; Wren; Reed Bunting; Yellow-legged Gull; Herring Gull; Black-headed Gull; 7 Spotted Redshank

22nd November 2014

Great White Egret*; Lapwing; Avocets; Teal; Wigeon; Black-tailed Godwit; Brent Geese; Egret; Yellow-legged Gull; Starlings; Curlew; Shelduck; Mallard; Magpie; Crow; Wren; Black-headed Gull

23rd November 2014

1 Yellow-legged Gull; 4 spoonbill; Lapwings; Teal; Wigeon; 1 Curlew; Wren; Marsh Harrier *[John and Jane Kirwin]*

24th November 2014

Great White Egret; Great Spotted Woodpecker; Sparrowhawk

25th November 2014

Long-tailed Tits; Black-tailed Godwits; Starlings; Brent Geese; Curlews; Great White Egret; Wigeon; Shelduck; Redshanks. ("Very poor light – our excuse for not spotting more!")

27th November 2014

300 Avocet; 200 Black-tailed Godwit; 100 Lapwing; Teal; Wigeon; Mallard; 12 Redshank; Curlew; 2 Spoonbill; Little Egret.

28th November 2014

Egret; Wigeon; Mallard; Black-headed Gull; Marsh Harrier; Ringtail Hen Harrier; 800+ Lapwing; 1000 Black-tailed Godwit

29th November 2014

♀ Merlin; Black-tailed Godwits; Lapwing; Peregrine; Dunlin; Buzzard; Yellow-legged Gull; Avocets; Sparrowhawk; Green Sandpiper

30th November 2014

Good numbers of Lapwing and Avocet; Sparrowhawk scattered everything!

1st December 2014

Lane: ♀ Hen Harrier seen; Chaffinch; Thrush; Dunnock; Blackbirds; Robin

Hide: ♂ Marsh harrier; large flock of Black-tailed Godwits; ditto Avocets; ditto Dunlin; ditto Lapwings; Redshank; Teal; Pair Stonechats; Egret; Curlews; Heron; Mallard; Pipits in flight [Pat & Ray]

2nd December 2014

Kestrel over hide; c. 800 Avocet; 700 Black-tailed Godwits; Curlew; Dunlin; Lapwing; Brent Geese; Marsh Harrier.

6th December 2014

Ringtail Hen Harrier on Slepe Moor; Marsh harrier

10th December 2014

♂ Hen Harrier flew right to left in front of hide.

13th December 2014

Avocets; 2 Ringtail Hen Harriers; 2 Marsh Harriers; Merlin; Peregrine;

14th December 2014

9.30 a.m.: 2 Marsh Harrier; Peregrine;

12.50 p.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier; Yellow-legged Gull; Spoonbills; Grey Plovers

15th December 2014

500+ Dunlin; 200-300 each of Dark Bellied Brent Goose, Avocet, Black-tailed Godwit.

100+ Lapwing; ♀ Hen Harrier; 4 Spoonbill; 2 Yellow-legged Gulls; 3 Grey Plover

18th December 2014

1 Ringtail Hen Harrier, 1 ♂ Marsh Harrier; Lapwing; Spotted Redshank

19th December 2014

10.15 a.m.: Peregrine

11.50 a.m.: Marsh Harrier; Ringtail Hen Harrier;

3.00 p.m.: 3 Yellow-legged Gulls; Kestrel

20th December 2014

10.30 a.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier flew left to right in front of hide

21st December 2014

458 Black-tailed Godwits; 836 Avocet; Ringtail Hen Harrier; Marsh Harrier; 3+ Spotted Redshank; 2 Yellow-legged Gull

11.35 a.m.: ♂ and ♀ Marsh Harrier; Merlin; Lapwings; Brent; Dunlin; Shelduck; Egret; Spoonbill; Curlew; Starlings; Mallard; Heron; Meadow Pipits; Teal

[Pat and Ray]

22nd December 2014

350+ Avocet; 450+ Black-tailed Godwits; 50+ Dunlin; 40+ Teal; 15+ Wigeon; 10+ Gadwall; 25+ Mallard; Little Egret; Lapwing; Meadow Pipit; ♀ Hen Harrier; 2 ♀ Marsh Harrier; 80+ Brent Geese; 2 Yellow-legged Gulls; Bullfinch; 6 Shelduck; 5 Redshank; 4 Curlew

23rd December 2014

♀ Hen Harrier at 9.15 and 12.30; Marsh Harrier.

♂ Hen Harrier plus 2 Ringtails at 1.30 p.m.

25th December 2014

9.05 a.m.: 500+ Avocet; 200+ Dunlin; 2 Grey Plover; 475 Black-tailed Godwits; 200 Brent Geese; 100 Lapwing; 1 Black-headed Gull; 2 Curlew;

12.20 p.m.: ♀ Marsh Harrier

28th December 2014

3 Marsh Harrier, one of which ♂; ♀ Hen Harrier; Spoonbill

31st December 2014

11.15 -12.30 p.m.: 200+ Brent Geese; Wigeon; pair of Bullfinches on brambles to right of hide for extended period; 2 foxes; 2 Marsh Harriers; 3 Avocets; 1 Spoonbill (red/blue leg tags); Goldcrest; Marsh Harrier

3.00 – 4.00 p.m.: Marsh Harriers, ♀ and ♂; 1 Ringtail Hen Harrier; Spoonbill over; Lapwing; Black-tailed Godwit; Dunlin; Curlew; Redshank; Shelduck; Teal; Wigeon; Mallard; Bullfinch ♀; Wren; Meadow Pipit; Little Egret; 3 Snipe; 2 Pied Wagtail; c. 600 Brent Geese.

1st January 2015

9.30 – 10.15 a.m., high water: 1 Merlin, immature ♂, perched on fence in front of hide; 1 Ringtail Hen Harrier, buzzed by Merlin; c. 1000 Avocets; 700 Black-tailed Godwits; c. 700 Teal; 670 Brent Geese; 6 Grey Plover; 30 Redshank; 700+ Lapwing; 1200 Dunlin; 20 Redshank; 1 Spotted Redshank; 1 Yellow legged Gull; 1 Great Black-backed Gull; 3 Shelduck; 50 Wigeon; 100 Curlew; 2 Little Egrets [Geoff Upton]
2.30 p.m. very low water: Little Egret; Teal; Herring Gull; Blackbird; Mallard; 4 Shelduck; Yellow-legged Gull; Wigeon; Crows; 3 Spoonbill; Grey Heron; ♂ Marsh Harrier; ♀ Hen Harrier
3.40 p.m.: 2 ♂ Hen harrier over reed bed towards Salterns Copse conifers; Merlin; Peregrine

2nd January 2015

3.30 p.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier, left to right in front of hide
4.20 p.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier, right to left in front of hide.

4th January 2015

1 Adult Pale-bellied Brent Goose; 1 Grey Plover; 1 Water Pipit; 5 Spotted Redshank; 1 Yellow-legged Gull; Marsh Harrier; Kingfisher
12.01 p.m.: Lapwing; Avocet; dunlin; Stonechat; Marsh harrier; 500+ Brent Geese; Little Grebe
p.m.: 1 Spoonbill; Ringtail Hen Harrier; 2 Stonechat

5th January 2015

1 Spotted Redshank; 2 Yellow-legged Gull; Merlin, immature ♂; Little Egrets; 300 Lapwing; 200 Avocet
2.30 p.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier

10th January 2015

1 Spotted Redshank; 300+ Brent Geese, incl. 1 Pale-bellied; 3 Little Egret; 700 Avocet; 300 Black-tailed Godwits; Grey Plover; 25 Shelduck; Wigeon; Teal; 500 Dunlin; Redshank; 280 Lapwings; 20 Curlew; 1 Marsh Harrier; 2 Yellow-legged Gull; 1 ♀ Hen Harrier; 1 Merlin; 1 Spoonbill (colour-ringed: Left: green over yellow flag; Right: red over green)

13th January 2015

1000+ Dunlin; 500+ Avocet; 100+ Black-tailed Godwits; 50+ Redshank; 2 Yellow-legged Gulls; 500+ Lapwing; 50+ Teal; 5 Grey Plover; Shelduck; Mallard; 1 ♀ Hen Harrier; Long-tailed Tits; Starlings; Blue Tit; Goldcrest; Black-headed Gulls; Great Black-backed Gull; Raven; Little Egret

16th January 2015

Two carrion crows killed a lapwing, and were then joined by a Herring Gull for a lengthy tussle over the corpse.

19th January 2015

Teal; Wigeon; 50+ Avocet; 40+ Dunlin; 30+ Lapwing; Mallard; Wren; Yellow-legged Gull; Black-headed Gull; Black-tailed Godwits; Oystercatcher; Redshank; Brent Geese; Shelduck; Wood Pigeon; Cormorant; Crow; Curlew; Kestrel; Little Egret; Pipit; Pintail

20th January 2015

10 Spoonbill

22nd January 2015

Avocet; Black-tailed Godwits; Brent Geese; Shelduck; Teal; Wigeon; Herring Gull; Redshank; Curlew; Wren; Robin; Mallard; Dunlin; Crow; Black-headed Gull; Marsh Harrier; Lapwing; Magpie

23rd January 2015

Bullfinch (by cottages); Goldcrest; 2 Marsh Harrier; Hen Harrier; Spoonbill; Snipe; Avocet; Lapwing; Little Egret

24th January 2015

Sparrowhawk; Kestrel; ♀ and ♂ Marsh Harrier; ♂ Hen harrier; Avocets; Dunlin; Brent Geese; Black-tailed Godwits; Goldcrest; Pintail
3.30 p.m.: 2 ♀ Hen Harriers; 1 juv. Marsh Harrier; Merlin on post.

25th January 2015

Snipe to right of hide; Avocets; Teal; Black-tailed Godwits; Redshank; Meadow Pipits; Marsh Harrier in reed beds to left of hide (Slepe Moor).

27th January 2015

9.15 a.m.: 140+ Lapwing; 10+ Teal; 2 Little Egret; Wren; Dunlin; Black-headed Gull; Canada Geese; Shelduck; Marsh Harrier; 3 ♂ and 1 ♀ Bullfinch; Goldcrest; Blackbird; 3 Spoonbill; 2 Oystercatcher; Curlew; Crow; Wood Pigeon; Mallard.
4.55 p.m.: Marsh Harrier; 2 Little Egret

28th January 2015

Yellow-legged Gull; Little Egret; Curlew; Redshank; Shelduck; Dunlin; 2 ♀ Marsh Harriers; Mallard; Cormorant; Kestrel; Great Black-backed Gull; Black-headed Gull

30th January 2015

2 Ringtail Hen Harrier; 1 ♀ Marsh Harrier; 1 ♀ Kestrel; ♀ Sparrowhawk; 4 Spoonbill (juv.); ♂ Stonechat; Yellow-legged Gull; 2 Great Black-backed Gull; Avocets; Brent Geese; Dunlin; Redshanks; Curlew; Lapwing; Teal; Wigeon; Little Egrets; Grey Plover; Shelduck; Merlin ♀.

31st January 2015

Sparrowhawk; 16 Spoonbill; Avocets; Brent Geese; Dunlin; Lapwing; Buzzard

1st February 2015

2 Buzzard; Marsh Harrier; Peregrine

2nd February 2015

400 Avocets; 200 Black-tailed Godwits; 2 Spoonbill (snoozing); 3 Spoonbill flying over; Redshank; Greenshank; Snipe; Gadwall; Teal; Kestrel; 2 Marsh Harriers

3rd February 2015

Merlin; ♂ Marsh Harrier; Lapwings; Buzzard; Kestrel

4th February 2015

11.00 a.m.: 3 Spoonbill; ♂ Marsh Harrier; 300 Avocet; Teal; Wigeon; 3 Shelduck; 1 Grey Plover; 200 Brent Geese; 5 Dunlin; 8 Sika ran in front of hide; Redshank; Curlew; Black-tailed Godwit; Little Egret;
1.00 p.m.: 8 Spoonbill
2.00 p.m.: 9 Spoonbill; large flock of Dunlin; Snipe in pool.

6th February 2015

Ringtail Hen Harrier; 10 Spoonbill; 00s Avocet; Brent Geese; Black-tailed Godwits; Wigeon; Grey Heron; Kestrel

7th February 2015 (very cold, pool frozen)

♀ Hen Harrier; ♀ Marsh Harrier; Buzzard; Kestrel; 900+ Avocet; 2 Spotted Redshank; 3 Spoonbill

8th February 2015

2 ♀ Hen Harrier; 1 sub adult ♂ Hen Harrier; 2 Spoonbill; ♀ Marsh Harrier; Dunlin; Avocet; Black-tailed Godwit; Curlew; Goldcrest; Teal; Wigeon; Shelduck
1 Spotted Redshank; 2 Snipe; 6+ Spoonbill

9th February 2015

11 Lapwing; 1 Grey heron; 10 Shelduck; 1 Spoonbill; 50 Teal or Wigeon; 50 Dunlin; 1 Little Egret; 1 Oystercatcher; 6 Redshank; 10 Avocet; 4 Long-tailed Tit

10th February 2015

"Forgot our binoculars so was only able to distinguish the Little Egret in front of the hide"

12.25 p.m.: ♀ Hen Harrier; Snipe on small pool to left

Peregrine; 12 Oyster Catcher; 1450 Dunlin; 200+ Avocet; 3 Spoonbill; Grey Heron; Little Egret; 20+ Redshank

11th February 2015

Buzzard; Spoonbill; 30 Teal; 42 Redshank; 57 Avocet; 23 Mallard; Oystercatcher; 50+ Lapwing

12th February 2015

Kestrel sat on far post in front of hide. ♂ Marsh harrier; Grey Plovers; Dunlin; 2 spoonbills; Avocet

14th February 2015

Little Egret; Hen Harrier; 3 Spoonbill; Spotted Redshank; Marsh Harrier; Grey Plover; Raven

15th February 2015

9.00 a.m.: Brent Geese; 3 Spoonbill; Redshank; Avocet; Dunlin; Lapwing; Marsh Harrier; 2 Snipe; 2 Green Sandpiper; Red Kite;

2.00 p.m.: ♀ Hen Harrier; Grey Plover (small flock); 4 Spoonbill

4.25 p.m.: 40 Grey Plover; ♀ Marsh Harrier; Dunlin; Stonechat

17th February 2015

Ringtail Hen Harrier; Spoonbill

18th February 2015

Ringtail Hen Harrier (at 11.10 a.m. and at 2.35 p.m.); 2 Spoonbill; 1 Spotted Redshank; Goldcrest; 2 Egret; 1 Canada Goose; 2 Shelduck; Hen Harrier(?)

20th February 2015

1 ♀ Hen Harrier; 1 ♀ Marsh Harrier; 1 Peregrine; Buzzard; 3 Brent Geese spotted Redshank; 4 Shoveller; 50+ Redshank; 4 Little Egrets; 2 Grey heron; Green Woodpecker; Wigeon; 300+ Avocets; 300+ Black-tailed Godwit; 200+ Lapwing; 300 Dunlin; 30 Oystercatcher; 150 Teal; 6 Canada Geese; 50 Shelduck; 10 Mallard; Wren; Raven

21st February 2015

Avocet; Brent Geese; 3 Buzzard; 6 Snipe; Black-tailed Godwit; 50 Redshank; Yellow-legged Gull; Canada Geese; Teal; Sparrowhawk; Lapwing; Dunlin; Swimming Mole (!) – swam across pool.

22nd February 2015

Peregrine; Dunlin; Avocet; Redshank; 4 Snipe; Buzzard; Gadwall; Teal; Lapwing; Yellow-legged Gull; Curlew; Black-tailed Godwit; Wren

24th February 2015

150 Avocet; Black-tailed Godwits; Brent Geese; Mallard; Meadow Pipits; Wigeon; Teal; Shelduck; Dunlin; Cormorant; Little Egret; Oystercatcher; Black-headed Gull; Herring Gull; ♀ Hen Harrier; Curlew; Kestrel; Grey Heron

25th February 2015

12.45 p.m.: Dunlin in large numbers; Avocet; Redshank; 4 Spoonbill; Black-tailed Godwits; Teal; Little Egret; Brent Geese; Canada Geese; Curlew; Shelduck; Long-tailed Tits; Peregrine; Buzzard; Wigeon
3.00 p.m.: Marsh Harrier

26th February 2015

1 ♀ Marsh Harrier; 1 ♀ Hen Harrier; Snipe in front of hide; 4 Buzzards over Arne Hill

27th February 2015

4 Spoonbill; Mallard; Wren; Little Egret; Curlew; Shelduck; Teal

1st March 2015

7.45 a.m.: 3 Hen Harriers; 5 Spoonbill; Teal; Curlew; Little Egret; Pair of Goldcrest behind hide; Shelduck; Redshank; Canada Geese; Black-tailed Godwits; Wigeon; Brent Geese

10.10 a.m.: Peregrine; Brent Geese; Curlew; Teal; ♀ Marsh Harrier; Goldfinch pair; Redwing; Redshank

2nd March 2015

4 Spoonbill; 2 Yellow-legged Gull

11.45 a.m.: 12 Spoonbill; 2 Yellow-legged Gull; 300-400 Brent Geese

3rd March 2015

10.00 a.m.: 1 Spoonbill; 2 Spotted Redshank; Redshank; 3 Yellow-legged Gull; Black-tailed Godwits; Teal; Shelduck; Canada Geese; Brent Geese; Curlew; Mallard; Wigeon; Little Egret; Great Black-backed Gull;

4th March 2015

♀ Hen Harrier; ♂ Bullfinch; 2 Little Egret

5th March 2015

Spoonbill; Yellow-legged Gull; Marsh Harrier; Sparrowhawk; Snipe; Raven; ?White Wagtail

6th March 2015

Sparrowhawk; Little Egret; Curlew; Mallard; Yellow-legged Gull; Dunlin; Redshank; Wigeon; Shelduck; Teal; Brent Geese; Canada Geese; Black-tailed Godwit s

7th March 2015

Buzzard; Canada Geese; Brent Geese; Black-tailed Godwits; Curlew; Redshank; Shelduck; Black-headed Gull; Great Black-backed Gull; Dunlin; Mallards; Cormorants; Teal; Wigeon; Little Egret; Starlings

8th March 2015

9.45 a.m.: Curlew; Spoonbill; Black-tailed Godwits; ♀ Hen Harrier; Redshank; Brent Geese; Kestrel
2.00 p.m.: Grey Plover; Dunlin; Redshank; Black-tailed Godwits.

11th March 2015

Hen Harrier; 4 Spoonbill; 82 Redshank; Oystercatcher; Teal; Wigeon; Brent Geese; 6 Little Egret; 109 Black-tailed Godwits; 1 Dunlin; 1 Kestrel; 3 Buzzard; Curlew

13th March 2015

10.30 a.m.: ♀ Hen Harrier; 3 Spoonbill
5.00 p.m.: 5-600 Brent Geese; 350 Black-tailed Godwit; 4 Spoonbill; Curlew; Redshank; Little Egret; 21 Shelduck; Black-headed Gulls; Teal; Mallard; 2 Canada Geese

14th March 2015

Brent Geese; Teal; Shelduck; Buzzard; Curlew; Glossy Ibis flying over; Black-headed Gull; Little Egrets; Mallard; Spoonbill; Black-tailed Godwits; Heron; Canada Geese; Harrier sp.; Crow; Magpie

16th March 2015

9 Spoonbill; Curlew; Canada Geese; 10 Brent Geese; Little Egret

19th March 2015

11.00 a.m.: 1 Spoonbill; 2 Little Egret; Shelduck; Brent Geese; Wigeon; Teal; Redshank; 5 Buzzard; Curlew;
RSPB erecting Osprey nest on pole opposite.
4.00 p.m.: ♀ Hen Harrier; 150 Brent Geese; Teal; Merlin

21st March 2015

4.20 p.m.: Marsh harrier; Teal; Lapwing; Black-headed Gull; Little Egret; Redshank
5.00 p.m.: ♀ Hen Harrier; Peregrine

23rd March 2015

Wigeon; Teal; Dunlin; Black-tailed Godwits; Shelduck; Little egrets; Curlew; Redshank; Spotted Redshank; Spoonbill; Brent Geese; Avocet

24th March 2015

1.30 – 2.00 p.m.: 1500+ Black-tailed Godwits; Wigeon; Mallard; Teal; Shelduck; Shoveler; Redshank; 2 Spotted Redshank; 2 Yellow-legged Gull; Black-headed Gulls; Herring Gull; 2 Buzzard; ♀ Marsh Harrier; Dunlin; Canada Goose; Reed Bunting; Little Egret; Crow; Curlew; 4 Spoonbill; 1 Bar-tailed Godwit.

25th March 2015

Black-tailed Godwits; Redshank; Curlew; Dunlin; Wigeon; Teal; Shelduck; 1 Spotted Redshank; 1 Spoonbill

26th March 2015

11.40 a.m.: Marsh Harrier; Spoonbills; Little Egret; Wigeon; Teal; Shelduck; Redshanks; Curlew; Black-tailed Godwits; Spotted Redshank; Dunlin

1.00 p.m.: Canada Goose; Herring Gull; Black-headed Gull

6.00 p.m. (dusk): Spoonbill struggled to swallow a dab – took over 10 minutes of shaking and squeezing, but he ate it in the end.

12+ Sika on the marsh; hundreds of Black-tailed Godwit; a most raucous group of Black-headed Gulls

Sunday 29th March 2015

11.00 a.m.: 8 Spoonbill; 5 Curlew; Black-headed Gulls; 15 Shelduck; 12 Jackdaws; 2 Canada Geese; Little Egret; 2 pheasant; Teal; 2 Redshank; Wigeon; 60+ Brent Geese in field; 7 Knot; 8 Dunlin

7.00 p.m.: Peregrine; 12 Spoonbill

30th March 2015

11.30 a.m.: 6 Shelduck; Black-tailed Godwits; Teal; Curlew; Redshank; 2 Little Egret; Mallard; Oystercatcher; Goldfinch; Pheasant; 2 Brent Geese; Dartford Warbler (on moor); Stonechat; 2 Canada Geese

4.15 p.m.: 1 Spoonbill returned; Brent Geese; Canada Geese; Curlew; Dunlin; Black-tailed Godwits; Redshanks; Shelduck; Teal; Wigeon; Wren; Chiffchaff; Sika ran across front of hide.

31st March 2015

Peregrine scattered some 250 Brent Geese, and sat on fence post.

1st April 2015

300+ Black-tailed Godwits; 9 Spoonbills; 7 Little Egrets; 4 Shelduck; 15+ Curlew; 20+ Black-headed Gull; 40+ Teal; 10+ Wigeon; 5 Redshank; Oystercatcher; Ringed Plover; Dunlin; 4 Brent Geese

2nd April 2015

10.20 a.m.: Snipe in pool; 9 Spoonbill; 200+ Black-tailed Godwits; Curlew; Shelduck; 2 Oystercatcher

5.00 p.m.: Single Swallow flying north; pair of Wigeon; Pheasant; Shelduck; Black-headed Gull

4th April 2015

7 Spoonbill; Shelduck

5th April 2015

Pochard; Shelduck; Curlew; Spoonbill; Mallard; Oystercatcher; Greenshank; Redshank; Black-headed Gulls; Egrets; Canada Geese

6th April 2015

1 Swallow; 2 immature Spoonbill; 350 Black-tailed Godwits; 70+ Teal

7th April 2015

1 Swallow; 1 Spoonbill; Marsh Harrier; 4 Little Egret; Teal; 3 Wigeon; 3 Black-tailed Godwit; Shelduck; Curlew; Redshank

8th April 2015

Barn Owl in flight (“Amazing!”); 500 Black-tailed Godwit

10th April 2015

4 Spoonbill; Marsh harrier; 2 Canada Geese; Great Black-backed Gull; 12 Curlew; 4 Oystercatcher; 20 Teal; 10 Wigeon; Dartford Warbler (lane); Barn Owl hunting all day; 1 Willow Warbler; 3 Chiffchaff; 3 Raven; 2 Buzzard

11th April 2015

9.00 a.m.: Barn Owl; Canada Geese; Little Egret; Shelduck; Teal; Black-headed Gulls; Swallows; Black-tailed Godwits; Redshank

3.30 – 5.00 p.m.: 3 pairs of Canada Geese; 1 Spoonbill; 6 pair of teal; 6 pair Shelduck; 1 Buzzard; Green Woodpecker; Goldfinch; Black-headed Gulls; Wren; many Curlew; Redshank; Mallard; Jackdaw; Heron; Little Egret; Oystercatcher; 2 pair Wigeon; House Martins.

12th April 2015

Greenshank; 12 Shelduck; 1 Buzzard; Little Egret

4.50-6.00 p.m. : 7 Spoonbill; House Martins; Shelduck; 2 Little Egret; Meadow Pipit; Spotted Redshank; Kestrel; Black-headed Gulls; Snipe (in pool); Wren; Jackdaws; Goldfinches; Redshank; 1 Black-tailed Godwit; 2 Great Black-backed Gulls; Teal (pair in pool); Curlew; 2 Swallows

15th April 2015

5 – 6.00 p.m.: Redshank (numerous mating pairs); Shelduck; Little Egrets; 6 Spotted Redshank; Grey Heron; Marsh Harrier (on Slepe Moor); Black-headed Gull; 2 pairs Canada Geese; Black-tailed Godwit; 7 Spoonbill; Goldfinch (flying over); Teal; Curlew; Mallard; Rock Dove; Crow; Chaffinch; Wren; Green Woodpecker; Magpie; Wood Pigeon; House Martin; Cuckoo

19th April 2015

Lane: Dartford Warblers; Stonechat; Long-tailed Tits; Goldfinch; Chiffchaff; Great Tits; Robin; Blackbirds; Whitethroat; 3 Buzzard;

10.30 a.m.: Hide: Large flock of Black-tailed Godwits; Spoonbill; Teal; Egrets; Redshank; House Martins; Swallows; Canada Geese [Pat & Ray]

12.15 p.m.: 4 pr Canada Geese; ‘numerous’ Black-tailed Godwit ; 40 Teal; Shelduck; Redshank; Chiffchaff; Wren; Goldfinch; 1 pair Gadwall; Magpie; Little Egret; Greylag Goose; Mallard; Crows; Chaffinch; Blue Tit; House Martins

20th April 2015

7.30 – 8.8.30 a.m.: 1 spoonbill; Curlew; Black-tailed Godwit (most in summer plumage); Swallows; Sand Martin, 1 Greenshank; 1 Spotted Redshank (summer plumage); several Redshank; Peregrine (Hartland Moor)

21st April 2015

Lane: Whitethroat; Chiffchaff; Long-tailed Tits; Blackbirds; Stonechat; Bullfinch; Robin; Dunnock; Kestrel

Hide: Avocet; Redshank; Common Gull; Black-headed Gull; Yellow-legged Gull; Teal; Oystercatcher; Shelduck; Black-tailed Godwit; Canada Goose; Swallows; Buzzard; Little Egret; Pheasant; Goldfinch [Kay & Alan]

22nd April 2015

♂ Peregrine hunting over water

23rd April 2015

2 Little Egret; Fox; Pheasant; Song Thrush; Black-tailed Godwits; Mallard; Shelduck; Redshank; Curlew; Herring Gulls; Oystercatchers; Teal; Black-headed Gulls; Magpie; Sika; Crow; Canada Geese; Jackdaw

2 ♂ Wheatear near road; 2 Raven; 2 singing Dartford Warbler ♂

7 Spoonbill

25th April 2015

Tide low, falling: Fox; Canada Geese; Teal; Oystercatcher; Redshank; 1 Spoonbill; Grey Heron; Goldfinch; Shelduck; Crow; Swallows; Black-tailed Godwit; Black-headed Gulls; Little Egret; Jackdaw; Pheasant; Wood Pigeon; Mallard; Robin; Chiffchaff; Blue Tit; Song Thrush; Wren; Cormorant

26th April 2015

11.00 a.m. Lane: Swallow; Stonechat; Goldfinch; Chaffinch; Blackbird; Robin; Wren; Buzzard; Raven; Chiffchaff; Cuckoo (heard)

Hide: Dunlin; Shelduck; Black-headed Gull; Canada Goose; Teal; 2 Ringed Plover; White Pheasant (!)

7.00 p.m.: Redshank ♂ mating display to ♀

27th April 2015

12.30 p.m.: Cuckoo – distant call heard; 4 Sika deer; Shelduck; Black-tailed Godwit; Curlew; Black-headed Gull; Pied Wagtail; Collared Dove; Swallows; Wren; Dunnock; Canada Geese; Goldfinch; Robin; Pheasant.

29th April 2015

Black-tailed Godwits; Spoonbill; House Martin; Pheasant; Shelduck; Wood Pigeon; Little Egret; Crow; Blackbird; Curlew

3.45 p.m.: Marsh Harrier on Slepe Moor (to left of hide)

6.30 – 7.00 p.m.: 2 Whimbrel; 4 Spoonbill; Wheatear; Stonechat

30th April 2015

Little Egret; Canada Geese; Swallows; Black-headed Gulls; Shelduck; beautiful looking fox! Spoonbill; Teal; Cormorant

3rd May 2015

8 p.m.: 6 Spoonbill at end of fence

4th May 2015

1 Sanderling with 7 Dunlin; 1 Yellow-legged Gull; [BJP/JP]

2.30 p.m.: 8 Dunlin; Shelduck; Mallard; Oystercatcher; ♀ Marsh Harrier; Jackdaw; 4 Black-tailed Godwit; Black-headed Gulls; Green Woodpecker; Little Egret; Pheasant; Goldfinch; 1 Spotted Redshank; Crow; Wood Pigeon; Teal; Redshank; Willow Warbler; 1 Mediterranean Gull flying over; 4 Canada Geese; Chiffchaff; Robin; Herring Gull, Song Thrush; Swallows; Blackbird, House Martin; Wren; Chaffinch

9th May 2015

2 Spoonbill

11th May 2015

3 Spoonbill; 3 Little Egrets; 40+ Shelduck; Black-headed Gulls; Redshank

15th May 2015

4 Spoonbill; Canada Geese; Shelduck; Little Egrets; Marsh Harrier; Swallows Swifts; Song Thrush; Crow; Oystercatcher; Black-headed Gulls; Mallards; Blackbirds; Gadwall; Grey Heron

17th May 2015

30+ Shelduck; Canada Geese; Pheasant; Black-headed Gull; Swallows; Little Egret; 12 Sika deer; Mallard; Great Black-backed Gull; Redshank; Crow; Wood Pigeon; Wren; Blackbird; Chaffinch; Magpie; Jackdaw; Goldfinch; Mute Swan; Buzzard; House Martins

19th May 2015

Vixen and 6 cubs; Spoonbill

20th May 2015

2 Spoonbill; 3 Gadwall

22nd May 2015

21 Shelduck; 1 Avocet; 1 Spoonbill; 1 House Martin; 1 Osprey; 5 Little Egret

24th May 2015

13 Canada Geese; Swallows; House Martins; 3 Sika in reeds across creek; 3 Shelduck

26th May 2015

11.30 a.m.: 2 Spoonbill; Shelduck; Little Egret; Black-headed Gull; Cuckoo; Mallard; Fox; Crow; Swallow; Robin; Wren; Pied Wagtail; Buzzard; Pheasant; Canada Goose

28th May 2015

1.00 p.m.: 1 Spoonbill; Canada Geese; Shelduck and duckling; 1 Redshank; Buzzard; Swallow; Swift; Linnet; Little Egret; Black-headed Gull; Herring Gull; Pied Wagtail; Crow; magpie; Marsh Harrier

7.00 p.m.: 9 Little Egrets; 2 Spoonbill; Yellow-legged Gull

29th May 2015

Black-tailed Godwits; 2 Spoonbill; 5 Little Egret; Black-headed Gull; Herring Gull; 11 Canada Geese [Helen & Sally]

7.40 p.m.: Little Egret fishing in pool; 2 Spoonbill [Sonica & Colin]

1 p.m. *"Birds! Wonderful!"*

30th May 2015

"Well worth the visit from Bournemouth"

31st May 2015

8.35 a.m.: Raven; 19 Shelduck; 3 Little Egrets; 1 Plover sp.; Redshank; 2 Spoonbill; 1 Fox

21.30 p.m.: 3 Spoonbill; 2 Little Egrets; Shelduck; Heron; waders.

1st June 2015

2 Spoonbill; Shelduck (just the one duckling amongst them); 35+ Canada Geese; ♀ Sparrowhawk (lane); Kestrel over Arne.

3rd June 2015

2 Spoonbill; 3 Little Egret; Shelducks and 9 ducklings; 2 Oystercatcher; 1 Great Black-backed Gull; Black-headed Gulls; 3 Swallows; 1 Common Gull; 1 Redshank;

4th June 2015

Marsh Harrier at 8.00 p.m.

5th June 2015

5.00 p.m. 1 Cuckoo on post in front to hide; 2 Spoonbill; 2 Redshank; 46 Shelduck
8.00 p.m. Hobby, very active on opposite shore and heath.

6th June 2015

1 Spoonbill; 1 Redshank; Sparrowhawk mobbing Buzzard; 3+ Swallow; Black-headed Gulls; 50+ Shelduck; ♀ Marsh Harrier

8th June 2015

2.30 p.m.: 2 Spoonbill, feeding; 9 Shelducklings; Herring Gull; Sika
3.15 p.m.: 2 Little Egret; 3 Oystercatchers; 20+ Shelduck; 5 Canada Geese; 1 Mallard; Grey Heron; 3 Swallows; Marsh Harrier

9th June 2015

2 Spoonbill; many Shelduck on mud; many Canada Geese in field; Little Egret

17th June 2015

Many Shelduck with young; Black-headed Gulls; Little Egrets; Swallows; 1 Spoonbill flew in and went to sleep; Sika; Oystercatcher; 2nd Spoonbill arrives; Redshank; Wood Pigeon; Pied Wagtail; 2 Curlew; Mallard; Lesser Black-backed Gull; Herring Gull; ?possible Common Gull

"I'm starting to stink in this heat; better move on to Hartland for Stonechat and Dartford Warbler. Over and Out".

29th June 2015

Barn Owl; 2 Spoonbill; 50+ Curlew;

30th June 2015

Marsh Harrier; 2 Spoonbill; Buzzard

1st July 2015

3 Yellow-legged Gull; Common tern; 1 Spoonbill; Little Egret; Black-tailed Godwit; Redshank; Black-headed Gull.

2nd July 2015

Little Egret; Black-headed Gull; Sika deer; Curlew; Crow; Oystercatcher; 2 sleeping Spoonbill; Swallows; Black-tailed Godwits; Canada Geese; Shelduck, with a crèche of 16 ducklings; Pied Wagtail; Mallard

4th July 2015

7.00 p.m.: ♂ Kestrel "flies through, stunning red-gold in the evening sun."
12 young Shelduck.

7.45 p.m.: Very scruffy Marsh Harrier passing through, east to west.

8.30 p.m.: 1 juvenile Black-headed Gull; 2 Barn Owls feeding in evening sun; 4 Curlew; 2 Spoonbill; 1 Little Egret; 1 Grey Heron; 41 Black-tailed Godwits; 2 Redshank; 1 Fox; 11 Sika deer and 2 stags.

Sunday 5th July 2015

3.15 p.m.: Low tide, ebbing still.

16 Shelduck chicks in crèche on far side; 5 larger Shelduck chicks; 3 Spoonbill and Little Egrets on spit between channels; Swifts flying; ditto Swallows, with young;

Crows; Black-headed Gulls; Meadow Pipits, with young, on fence; Greenfinch singing in hedge; 1 Curlew; 1 Black-tailed Godwit.

6th July 2015

10.30 a.m.: 2 Spoonbill; Black-headed Gulls; 1 Grey heron; 2 Little Egret; 2 Shelduck + 16 ducklings; 2 Swallows; 3 Curlew; 4 Oystercatcher; 1 Wood Pigeon; 2 Great Black-backed Gulls; 1 Pied Wagtail; Bullfinch (in lane); Greater Spotted Woodpecker; 20+ Starling; Redshank; 2 Yellow-legged Gulls; Carrion Crow; Swifts; 8 Black-tailed Godwit; ♀ Mallard + 3 duckling.

9th July 2015

3 Spoonbill; c. 50 Black-tailed Godwits; 2 Redshank; Peregrine; Swallows; Starlings; Curlew; Little Egret; Shelduck; Pied Wagtail; Pheasant; Crow; Black-headed Gulls

11th July 2015

Low water: Shelduck + 13 ducklings; Great Black-backed Gull; Crows; family of Pied Wagtail, 2 adults, 1 chick; Redshank; Black-headed Gull; Little Egret; Swallows; Wood Pigeon; Goldfinch; Kestrel

12th July 2015

8.30 a.m.: 4 Black-headed Gulls, one very vocal; 1 Spoonbill; 2 Little Egret; Pheasant
12.30 p.m.: 1 Green Sandpiper; 2 Little Egret; 14 Curlew; 3 pairs Shelduck + 36 young; Meadow Pipit; 7 Oystercatcher; Pied Wagtail

13th July 2015

12 noon: Goldfinch; Blue Tit; 4 Shelduck + 16 young; Oystercatcher; Curlew; Black-headed Gull; Black-tailed Godwit; Swallow; Pied Wagtail; Pheasant; Little Egret; Wood Pigeon; Crow; Mallard;
3.40 p.m.: Spoonbill
4.30 p.m.: Buzzard and Hobby over trees to far left
8.00 p.m.: Lesser Black-backed Gull; Swift
9.45 – 10.30 p.m.: Nightjar – 7 sightings but more calling
“Badger on path by orchard growled at me but fled when I turned a torch on it.”

14th July 2015

5 Little Egret; Oystercatchers; Black-tailed Godwits; Shelduck + young – 00s!; Curlew; Spoonbill

16th July 2015

9.30 a.m. (high tide): Canada Geese; Shelduck; Black-headed Gulls; Goldfinch; Linnets; Chaffinch; Crow; Black-tailed Godwits; Little Egret; 2 Redshank; Mallards; Kestrel; Cormorant; Wood Pigeons; House Martins; Heron; 2 Spoonbills; Herring Gulls; Sandwich Terns; 2 Oystercatcher; Pheasant
12 noon: Cuckoo; 4 Spoonbill; 2 Greenshank; Yellow-legged Gulls; Sandwich Terns; Pheasant;
8.00 p.m.: Curlew; 4 Greenshank

17th July 2015

11.30 a.m. high tide, sunshine! : 15 Black-tailed Godwits; 3 Spoonbill; Little Egrets; Green Sandpiper; Curlew; Swift; Shelduck and ducklings; Swallow; Buzzard; 2 Green Woodpeckers; Kestrel; 2 Oystercatcher; Sika deer; Greenshanks; 8 Mallard; 3 Sandwich Terns; Pied Wagtail; Black-headed Gull; Grey Heron; Great Black-backed Gull
Marbled White butterfly.

19th July 2015

Track: Kestrel; Goldfinch; Blue Tit; Blackbird
Hide: Oystercatcher; Shelduck and young; Spoonbill; Little Egret; Black-tailed Godwits; Swallows; House Martins; Swifts; Curlew [Pat and Ray]

20th July 2015

Large group of Black-tailed Godwits; 3 Curlew; Shelduck + juveniles + babies; 2 Little Egret; Oystercatchers; Sika + fawn; [Nic & Jane]

21st July 2015

10.40 a.m.: 2 Spoonbill, joined by another later; 2 Little Egret; 1 Greenshank
12.30 p.m.: 3 Black-tailed Godwits; 3 Spoonbill; 2 Little Egrets; Curlew
2.00 p.m.: 3 Spoonbill; 2 Black-tailed Godwits; Oystercatchers; 2 Curlew; 1 Whimbrel; Little Egret; Grey Heron; Black-headed Gulls; Swallows; Wood Pigeon; Crows; Shelduck; 3 Greenshank; Marsh Harrier; Canada Geese

22nd July 2015

12.30 p.m.: "I saw a red fox on land....I also saw birds [pecking] away at the mud. I was with my Mum, Grandma and Granpa." [Katie]

4.50 p.m.: 50 Canada Geese; numerous Black-headed Gulls; Swallows; 2 Curlew; 5 Shelduck + 25 ducklings of various sizes; 3 Spoonbill; 30 Black-tailed Godwits; 6 Oystercatcher; 2 Little Egret; 16 Sika deer in 2 groups; Mallard; Crows; Herring Gull; 2 Buzzards distant.

23rd July 2015

12.45 p.m.: 54+ Canada Geese; 14 Shelduck; 1 Curlew; 1 Cormorant; 15 Oystercatcher; Black-headed gulls; 2 Little Egret.
19.00 p.m.: 50+ Canada Geese; 150+ Black-tailed Godwits; 3 Spoonbill; 7 Oystercatcher; 5 Little Egret; 40 Shelduck; 2 Redshank.

25th July 2015

4.30 p.m.: Sika Stag; Crow; Swallows; Curlew; Oystercatcher; 2 Spoonbill; Little Egret; Redshank; Canada Geese; Wren; Black-tailed Godwit; Wood pigeon.
5.45 p.m.: Osprey in dead tree (Saltern's Copse)

26th July 2015

15.30 p.m.: 1 Whimbrel; 5 Sika; 4+ Black-tailed Godwit; 2 Spoonbill; Buzzard; Pheasant; 2 Gt. Black-backed Gull; Canada Geese; Black-headed gulls; Shelduck; Oystercatcher; Swallows; Curlews; Little Egrets; Wood Pigeons; Crows; Magpies; Swifts.

27th July 2015

15.15 p.m.: 2 Spoonbill; 4 Shelduck + 15 ducklings; 4 Herring Gull; c. 35 Black-headed Gulls; 10+ Canada Geese; 3 Oystercatcher; 2 Little Egret; 3+ Swallows; 1 Curlew; 3 Carrion Crow; 1 Marsh Harrier; 1 Greater Black-backed Gull; 2 Redshank; Green Woodpecker (on post); 1 Black-tailed Godwit
7.50 p.m.: 50+ Canada Geese; 6 Oyster Catcher; 2 Redshank

28th July 2015

4.00 p.m.: Little Egret; Swift; Black-headed gulls; Shelduck; Mallard; Canada Geese; Crow; Redshank; Gt. Black-backed gull; Spoonbill;
Evening: 4 Avocet; 1 juv. Spoonbill; 19 Shelduck; 3 Greenshank; 10 Oystercatcher; 3 Little Egret; 1 Grey Heron; 1 Kestrel; 1 Swift; 1 Yellow-legged Gull; 1 Chiffchaff

29th July 2015

07.45 a.m.: 130+ Black-tailed Godwit; 3 Greenshank; 1 Curlew Sandpiper; Black-headed gulls; Canada Geese; Shelduck + ducklings; Redshank; 2 Spoonbill; Hobby; Green Woodpecker; Little Egrets; Oystercatchers; Curlew.

8.20 a.m.: Barn Owl perched in large barn; 2 Raven.

4.10 p.m.: Osprey in far left, dead tree.

30th July 2015

2 Spoonbill; Common tern; Black-tailed Godwit; Shelduck crèche; Black-headed gulls; Carrion crows; Canada Geese; Little Egrets; Oystercatchers; Wood pigeon; Green woodpeckers; Curlew; Pheasant; Greenshank; 5 Grey Heron.

31st July 2015

Avocet; Shelduck + young; Redshank; 2 Spoonbill; Grey Heron; Little Egret; Swallows; Canada Geese; Oystercatcher + young; Curlew; Blackwits; Black-headed gulls; Mallard; 2 Sika; Carrion Crow; Wood pigeons.

9.00 p.m. 2 Barn Owls.

Saturday 1st August 2015

8.00 a.m. : Barn Owl; 6 Canada Geese; 3 Curlew; 1 GBB Gull; 2 song thrush; Redshank; 4 Greenshank; Shelduck; 1 Little Egret; 1 Grey Heron; 1 Oystercatcher;

9.30 – 10.45 a.m. 380 Black-tailed Godwit; 1 Pheasant; 3 Common tern; c. 60 Swallow; 1 GBB gull; 1 Fox; 1 Whimbrel; 1 Raven; 2 Willow Warbler; 1 Great Spotted Woodpecker; 1 ♂ teal; 1 oystercatcher; 1 Curlew; 2 stock dove; Spoonbill; Marsh Harrier; Buzzard.

2nd August 2015

"Somebody has nicked the pen!"

Grey Heron; Canada Geese; Little Egrets; Black-headed Gulls; Buzzard; Herring Gull; ♀ Kestrel; Swallow; Spoonbill; Shelduck; Oystercatcher.

4th August 2015

6 Little Egrets; Swallows; Black-tailed Godwits; Shelduck; Green Woodpecker; 3 Greenshank; Redshank; Pied Wagtail; Spoonbill; 100+ Canada Geese; Buzzard; Mallard; Kestrel;

5th August 2015

0700 a.m. 20 Sika deer jumping fences in front of hide.

Little Egret; Swallow; Black-tailed Godwit; Spoonbill; Curlew; Redshank; Raven; Shelduck; Black-headed Gull; Carrion Crow; Herring Gull; Oystercatcher.

Evening: Osprey settled in dead tree

8.30 p.m. 2 hobby near Osprey pole

6th August 2015

4.30 p.m. : 2 Spoonbill; pair Greenshank; 2 Little Egrets; 50+ black-headed gulls; Shelduck + ducklings; 12 Oystercatchers; 100+ Canada Geese; Swallows; 2 Curlew; 50+ Black-tailed Godwits.

9.00 p.m. Barn Owl swooped past from right to left.

8th August 2015

2 Shelduck families; 3 Little Egrets; Swallows; Whimbrel; c. 80-100 Canada Geese; GBB Gull.

9th August 2015

2 Spoonbill in channel (one with left leg ring yellow, green, white); 10 Little Egret; Green Sandpiper; ♀ Marsh Harrier; Barn Owl early morning in front of hide.

2 Spotted Flycatcher in lane.

4.20 – 4.55 p.m. Yellow-legged Gull; Osprey

Black Stork (seen from Harrier hide); Kingfisher; 2 Water Rail; 3 Raven

10th August 2015

9.00 a.m.: Great Black-backed Gull; lots of Oystercatchers; Curlew; Godwits; Little Egret; Redshank.

11th August 2015

♀ or juv. Marsh Harrier; 200+ Black-tailed Godwits

12th August 2015

Shelduck (many); Black-tailed Godwits; Little Egret; Grey Heron; Herring Gull; Pheasant; Swallow; Oystercatcher; many Canada Geese; Wood pigeon; Carrion Crow; Green Sandpiper; Redshank; Black-headed gulls.

Many Sika deer; 4 Red Fox.

14th August 2015

2 Green Sandpiper in pools in front of hide.

15th August 2015

9.00 a.m.: 2 Spoonbills on far bank; Fox in field to right; 4 Little Egrets

1.00 p.m.: Marsh Harrier; Black-tailed Godwit; Swallows

16th August 2015

8.15 a.m. (low tide): 15+ Canada Geese; Shelduck; Buzzard (heard over hide); 5 Little Egrets;

10.15 a.m. 3 Grey Heron; 3 Spoonbill

2.30 p.m.: 300+ Black-tailed Godwits; Greenshank; Little Egret; Oystercatchers; 2 Curlew; Shelduck; Spoonbill; Canada Geese; Whimbrel; Redshank; Buzzard; Grey Heron; Black-headed Gull; Common Tern; 3 Teal; 2 Green Sandpiper.

Evening: 2 Barn Owls; Common Sandpiper; Great Black-backed gull; Shelduck; Curlew

17th August 2015

11.30 a.m.: 3 Spoonbill; 2 Little Egret; 2 Greenshank; 4 Willow warbler

5.00 p.m.: Sika, running in field to the right.

18th August 2015

8.30 a.m.: 2 Barn Owls

10.30 a.m.: 1 Osprey; 300 Black-tailed Godwits

12.30 p.m. and at 18.30 p.m. and 19.30 p.m.: 1 Greenshank

19th August 2015

Raven; Common Sandpiper; Black-headed Gull; Herring Gull; GBB gull; Swallow; Shelduck; Curlew; Canada Geese; Carrion Crow; Wood pigeon; Redshank; Black-tailed Godwit; Buzzard; Oystercatcher; Little Egret; Grey Heron; Willow Warbler; Whitethroat;

1.00 p.m.: Green Sandpiper; Common Tern; Wheatear on fence; 1 Dunlin.

20th August 2015

7.50 a.m., tide out: Green Sandpiper on pool; Marsh Harrier in dead trees

10.00 a.m.: Grey Heron; Little Egret; Curlew; Shelduck; Swallow; Spoonbill; Black-headed Gull; GBB gull; c. 450 Black-tailed Godwits; Osprey in tree for over an hour; Redshank; Common Sandpiper; Carrion Crow. *'Difficult to see, shrouded in mist and rain'*.

1.30 p.m.: 2 Whimbrel; 2 Greenshank; 1 Ringed Plover; 2 Green Sandpiper; 2 Reed Bunting; Willow Warblers; 2 Spotted Redshank; 2 Gadwall; 2 Dunlin; 1 Mediterranean Gull(2nd summer); 3 Yellow Wagtail; 1 Chiffchaff

19.45 -20.45: 2 possibly 3 Osprey roosting in conifers to far left (Salterns Copse). Intrusion calls heard, squabbling broke out. Bad light. Barn Owl hunting across reed bed.

21st August 2016

8.00 a.m.: Chiffchaffs; Robins; Greenfinch; Blackbird.

9.00 a.m.: 8 Black-tailed Godwits; 2 adult Shelduck with 12 young; 1 Curlew; 1 Pheasant; Carrion Crow; Oystercatcher.

10.00 a.m.: 1 Osprey in dead trees eating large fish; 2nd Osprey in Salterns Conifers; 1 Kingfisher; Canada Geese;

11.00 a.m.: ♀ Marsh Harrier; Common tern; Green Sandpiper; Greenshank; Fox

18.30: Osprey in dead trees.

22nd August 2015

7.00 a.m.: Osprey in dead tree; Green sandpiper in pool; pair of Kestrel on Osprey pole.

7.50 a.m.: Osprey left as fog bank moved in across creek.

8.20 a.m.: Osprey in tall, thin dead tree. 2 Ospreys from dead trees flew towards Wareham Channel.

10.30 a.m.: in the lane: Garden Warbler; Blackcap; Redstart; 2 Reed Bunting; immature Spotted Flycatcher; c. 4 Willow warbler; 2 Dartford Warbler

12 noon: Whimbrel in left hand channel.

1.30 p.m.: 3 Spoonbill; 1 Whimbrel; 4 Knot; 1 Ruff; 1 Common Tern; Redshank; Curlew; Oystercatchers; Dunlin

4.00 p.m.: 12 Yellow-legged Gull; 2 Osprey in dead trees;

6.30 p.m.: 1 Wood Sandpiper; 5 Spotted Redshank; 3 Green Sandpiper flew over; 1 Marsh Harrier; 1 Hobby; 2 Kestrel on Osprey pole; 2 Greenshank; 325 Black-tailed Godwit.

23rd August 2015

7 Spoonbill; 1 Green Sandpiper; 1 Greenshank; 280 Black-tailed Godwit; 2 Spotted Redshanks; 1 Dunlin; 1 Yellow-legged gull; 5 Little Egret; 15 Curlew; 140 Canada Geese; 1 Osprey flew from Arne towards Wych Lake.

2.30 p.m.: 1 Osprey with fish circled overhead then headed NW at 1645 hrs.

25th August 2015

Many hirundines in front of hide; c. 300 Black-tailed Godwits; 1 Spoonbill; 2 Ravens.

7.10 p.m.: 14 Spoonbills, 2 of which ringed:

1. L: Yellow/Green/Grey; R: Green/Yellow/Grey

2. L: Yellow/Red/Grey; R: Red/Yellow/Green

26th August 2015

9.00 a.m. – 11.00 a.m. : 10 Spoonbill, 2 colour-ringed:

1. L: Yellow flag over green over metal; R: Green over Yellow over metal

2. L: Yellow over Red over metal; R: Red over Yellow flag over Green

1 Osprey; 3 Yellow-legged gull; 3 Common Gull; 1 Spotted Redshank; 450 Black-tailed Godwit; 2 Curlew; 8 Common Tern; 1 Greenshank; 1 Whimbrel; 1 Lapwing; 3 Oystercatcher;

16.00: Marsh harrier;

Colour-ringed Black-tailed Godwit: L: Yellow over Black over White;
R: Yellow over Red over Yellow.

27th August 2015

2.30 p.m.: Grey Heron; a few Swallows still about

28th August 2015

10.00 a.m. Osprey flew towards Brownsea

29th August 2015

1 Marsh Harrier; 3 Greenshank; 2 Kingfisher; 727 Black-tailed Godwits;

5.00 p.m.: 1 Osprey in dead trees; 1 ♀ Redstart on fence before farm buildings.

30th August 2015

8.20 a.m.: ♀ Marsh harrier; Kestrel; 100+ Black-tailed Godwits

9.30 a.m. : Lane: Green Woodpecker; Bullfinches; large flock of Mistle Thrushes; 5 stonechats; robin; blackbird

Hide: Osprey flew over; large flock of Black-tailed Godwits; Kestrel on Osprey pole; Little Egret; Shelduck; Grey Heron; Mallard; Swallows; gaggle of Canada Geese

31st August 2015

11.10 and 11.30 a.m.: Osprey high up; 2nd Osprey lower – no fish;

12 noon: ♂ marsh harrier; 2 Green sandpiper; Greenshank;

4.30 p.m.: Marsh Harrier; 4 Curlew; 3 Little Egrets

Evening: Gadwall

1st September 2015

9.00 a.m. c. 45 Canada Geese; 1 Yellow-legged Gull; Kestrel

12 noon: Greenshank; Teal; Curlew; 100+ Black-tailed Godwit

2.00 p.m.: Buzzard in dead trees; Kestrel on Osprey post.

2nd September 2015

8.30 pm.: Barn Owl hunting over reed bed.

3rd September 2015

c. 50 Mistle Thrush; 1 Great Spotted Woodpecker; 3 Greenshank; 450 Black-tailed Godwit; 2 Redshank; 188 Black-headed Gull; 1 Yellow-legged gull; 9 Shelduck; 34 Mallard; 2 Wigeon; 78 Teal; 2 Curlew; 1 Little Egret; 2 Peregrine; 1 Marsh harrier.

4th September 2015

4.00 p.m.: Osprey over Coombe Heath; ♀ marsh harrier;

4.55 p.m.: Osprey flew past “with fish in its claws – awesome!”

5th September 2015

3.15 p.m.: Lane: Large flock of Yellow Wagtail; Spotted Flycatcher; Willow warbler; Whinchats; 2 Redstarts; Starlings; 2 Stonechat; Mistle Thrush; Marsh Harrier; Robin; Whitethroat; Sparrowhawk; Green Woodpecker

4.00 p.m. Hide: Little Egret; Redshank; 400+ Black-tailed Godwits; Greenshank; Shelduck; Oystercatchers; House martins; Teal; Swallows [Pat & Ray]

Evening: Family of deer; Marsh Harrier; Pair of Hobby; Osprey

6th September 2015

Shelduck; Heron; Wigeon; 2 Osprey; Swallows

6.00 p.m.: Osprey with fish

7th September 2015

9.20 a.m.: 4 Little Egret; 60 Black-headed gulls; 9 Sika to far right; 60 Black-tailed Godwits; 1 Marsh Harrier flew towards Slepe; 2 Wigeon

11.30 a.m.: 7 Yellow wagtails in field with cattle; 3 Curlew; Teal; 2 Heron; Kingfisher; Wigeon; Great White Egret; 2 Spotted Flycatcher; Common Whitethroat (on track);

12.00 noon: Hobby; 4 Little Egret; 40+ Shelduck; 1 Greenshank

8th September 2015

Little Egret; Heron; Cormorant; Yellow-legged gull; Black-headed Gull; Oystercatcher; Curlew; Black-tailed godwit; Greenshank; Wood Sandpiper; Teal; Wigeon; Shelduck; Kestrel

8.00 p.m.: "Beautiful Barn Owl".

9th September 2015

12 noon: Peregrine chasing Godwit for 3-5 minutes. Would not attack when Godwit landed on water; also Yellow-legged Gull tried when Godwit on water, but both gave up and Godwit got away.

Greenshank; Knot; 200-300 Black-tailed Godwit; Little Egret

7.00 p.m. , Lane: Linnets; stonechat; Robin; 2 fox.

7.30 p.m., Hide: 14 Spoonbill; large flock of Godwits; Canada Geese; Teal; Shelduck; Barn Owl [Pat & Ray]

10th September 2015

12 noon: 6 Avocet; c. 600 Black-tailed Godwit; Shelduck; Wigeon; 4 Curlew; Oystercatcher; 1 Swallow; 10 Knot; Teal; Peregrine; Greenshank

11th September 2015

Track: ♀ & ♂ Redstarts; bullfinches; ♀ & ♂ Blackcap; Linnets.

Hide: 5 Avocet; hundreds of Black-tailed Godwits; Wigeon.

3.30 p.m.: Little Egret; Shelduck; Oystercatcher; Black-headed gulls; Herring Gulls; Carrion Crow; Canada Geese; Mistle Thrush; Kestrel; Curlew; Teal; Magpie; Wood pigeon; Great Black-backed Gull; Mallard; Jackdaws.

12th September 2015

200 Black-tailed Godwit on opposite shore; 4 Greenshank; few Redshank heard and seen; 30+ Teal; 20 Wigeon; 20 Mallard; 2 Little Egret; 150+ Black-headed Gulls; 20+ Shelduck; 6 Canada Geese; Curlew; Gadwall; Cormorant; Swallows
Kingfisher on post at 12.50 p.m.. Peregrine hunting near Osprey pole; Marsh harrier.

13th September 2015

9.00 am, in lane: Juvenile Bullfinches; Whitethroat; Blackcap; Chiffchaffs.

Curlew; hundreds of Black-tailed Godwits; 2 juv. Sandwich terns; juvenile Marsh harrier.

12.30 p.m.: 2 Yellow Wagtail; Long-tailed tits; Curlew; Black-headed gulls; Carrion Crow; Oystercatcher; Black-tailed Godwits; Shelduck; Little Egret; Herring Gull; Mallard; Canada Geese; 2 Greenshank; 4 Wigeon; 2 Redshank; 2 Gadwall; Magpie
3.00 p.m.: Pintail
3.30 p.m., track near farm: 5 Redstart; 2 Spotted Flycatcher
4.30 p.m.: 25 Teal

14th September 2015

9.00 a.m. Very high tide and all birds on flooded grass to right of hide: 65+ Canada Geese; 12 Gadwall; hundreds of Black-tailed Godwits; 1 Yellow-legged Gull; 40+ Black-headed gulls; Wigeon; Shelduck on opposite shore; 2 Swallows; Robin
11.00 a.m. Marsh harrier
3.00 p.m.: Kestrel; 1 Oystercatcher; 1 Curlew, plus all the 'usual suspects'.

15th September 2015

00s of Black-tailed Godwit; 20+ Mallard; Great Black-backed Gull; Curlew; Grey Heron; Little Egret; 2 Carrion Crow; Canada Geese; Black-headed Gulls; Sika deer in field to right; House Martins; Shelduck; Emperor dragon;
12.30 Osprey on Osprey pole [*Is this a record – Ed?*]; Greenshank; Sparrowhawk

16th September 2015

8.30 a.m., tide out, rising fast: 3 Curlew; 1 Black-tailed Godwit; 2 Redshank;
10.30 a.m.: Whitethroat; Wood pigeon; Peregrine; then, ten minutes later, Sparrowhawk; Wigeon; Gadwall; Black-headed Gulls; Swallow; 2 Greenshank

17th September 2015

11.30 -1.30 p.m.: Yellow-legged gull; 2 Gadwall; Kingfisher on post; 2 Avocet; Whinchats on track; Greenshank; 00s of Black-tailed Godwits; Curlew; Hobby; 00s of Swallows and House Martins; Wigeon; Marsh Harrier; Buzzard; Kestrel on Arne side
1.00 – 2.00 p.m.: 4 Wheatear and 4 Whinchat by road; 3 Yellow Wagtail; 5 Redstart; Spotted Flycatcher; Blackcap; Whitethroat
6.00 p.m.: Grey heron; Wood pigeon; Carrion Crow.

18th September 2015

11.00 a.m.: Marsh Harrier

19th September 2015

Track: Bullfinches; Greenfinches; Pied Wagtail; Mistle Thrushes; Blackcap; Chaffinches; Chiffchaff; Dunnock; Goldfinch. 2 Marsh Harriers
Hide: Shelduck; Blackwits; Mallard; Heron; Redshank; Black-headed Gulls; Long-tailed Tits; Curlew; Oystercatcher;
12 noon: Kestrel; 40 Avocets; 6 Spoonbills; Wigeon
Afternoon: 1 Grey Heron; 2 Spoonbill; 1 Shelduck [*Robin Swaine, Corfe Castle*]
6.00 p.m.: Green Woodpecker; 2 Little Egrets; Greenshank; Marsh Harrier.

20th September 2015

11 a.m.: Little Egret; Wigeon; Black-headed Gull; Redshank; Oystercatcher; Ringed Plover; Mallard; Shelduck; Curlew; Buzzard; Long-tailed Tit; Blue Tit; Goldcrest; Dunlin; Teal; Greenshank; Grey heron; Chiffchaff; Carrion Crow; Kestrel; Wood Pigeon; Green Woodpecker; Cormorant; Marsh Harrier; Swallow; Hobby.
4.00 p.m.: 1 Yellow-legged Gull; 30 Avocet; 200 Black-tailed Godwits; Cormorants; Wigeon; 4 Dunlin.

21st September 2015

5.00 p.m.: 22 Spoonbill; 118 Redshank; 1 Spotted Redshank; 400+ Black-tailed Godwit; 12 Curlew; 3 Little Egret; 46 Dunlin; 3 Oystercatcher; 1 Grey Heron; Wigeon; 18 Avocet; 1 Greenshank.

22nd September 2015

9.00 a.m.: Marsh Harrier; Black-tailed Godwit; Avocet; Redshank; Curlew; Teal; Jay; Wigeon; Shelduck; Little Egrets; Greenshank; Canada Geese; Dunlin.
10.40 a.m. Great White Egret on Arne side.
3.30 p.m.: 1 Cormorant; 14 Spoonbill
5.00 p.m.: 30 Spoonbill; 30+ Redshank; 10-20 Canada Geese

23rd September 2015

9.00 a.m.: c. 130 Avocet; 5 Spoonbill; Curlew; 00s Black-tailed Godwits; Redshank
9.30 a.m.: 1100+ Black-tailed Godwit
10.15 a.m.: Peregrine put all the waders up
13.35: ♂ Marsh Harrier
4.30 p.m.: 7 Spoonbill; 1 Hobby

24th September 2015

9.30 a.m. Track: Greenfinch; Chaffinch; 20+ Chiffchaff; Linnets; Kestrel; female Sparrowhawk; Swallows; House martins
Hide: Curlew; 300+ Black-tailed Godwits; Wigeon; Teal; 30 Avocet; Herons; Little Egrets; Redshanks; Marsh Harrier; Goldcrest; Canada Geese; Peregrine; Dunlin
4.30 p.m.: 400+ Black-tailed Godwits; 25 Shelduck; Wigeon; 40+ Dunlin; 21 Oystercatcher; 78 Redshank; 1 Spotted Redshank; Curlew; Marsh Harrier; 1 Greenshank.

26th September 2015

07.30 a.m.: High water, with over 1000 waders: Dunlin; Canada Geese; Shelduck; Teal; Lesser Black-backed Gulls; Black-headed Gulls; Wigeon (heard but not seen); Dunlin; Black-tailed Godwits; Redshank; Peregrine put up all the duck and most of the waders, but not the Dunlin; Curlew; 20+ Avocets; 1 Little Egret; 1 ♂ Pintail; Sika
2.30 p.m.: 6 Spoonbill; Marsh Harrier; 4 Lapwing; Curlew. 3 different Marsh Harriers; 2 Kingfisher.

27th September 2015

"Over 1000 Godwits, but many fewer Shelduck"; 1 Avocet; 5 Little Egret; no Canada Geese; 1 Grey Heron; 2 Little Egrets;
11.00 a.m.: 920 Black-tailed Godwits
1.30 p.m.: 4 Greenshank; ♀ Marsh harrier; Yellow Wagtails with the cows.
4.00 p.m.: Brightly coloured Red Fox enjoying warm sun in shelter of hedgerow to right of hide. Made a quick feint – unsuccessful, and vanished soon after.

28th September 2015

Track: 1 Dartford Warbler; 2 Buzzard; Linnets; young, pale, adder.
2.00 p.m.: Little Egrets; Wigeon; Teal; 00s of Black-tailed Godwits; Shelduck; Greenshank; Redshank; Black-headed Gulls; Swallow; Dunlin; Curlew
Spoonbills

29th September 2015

8.00 a.m.: ♀ Marsh Harrier; Greenshank; Green Sandpiper; 6 Lapwing; 130 Avocet; 270 Black-tailed Godwit; 5 Little Egret; 80 Dunlin; 5 ♀ Pintail; 50 Wigeon; Great

Black-backed Gull; 3 Yellow-legged Gull; 18 Curlew; ♀ & ♂ Stonechat; 17 Redshank.

4.00 p.m.: 3 Knot; Kingfisher; 1200 Black-tailed Godwits; 120 Avocet; 1 Yellow-legged Gull; 1 Dunlin; 2 Spotted Redshank

30th September 2015

9.00 a.m.: Track - Willow-chiffs; Whitethroat

7 Yellow Wagtails in field with cows; 300+ Avocet; Black-tailed Godwits; Redshank; Curlew; Dunlin; 2 Greenshank; 1 ♀ pintail; Lapwing; teal; Wigeon

10.00 a.m.: Kingfisher on post

10.20 a.m.: Adult ♀ Marsh Harrier + prob. juvenile ♂; 200 Wigeon

12.15 p.m.: Marsh Harrier

4.30 p.m.: 6 Knot;

5.30 p.m.: Peregrine; 20 teal; 2 Little Egret; 50 Wigeon

6.00 p.m.: Most waders and duck out of sight, hidden in channel

1st October 2015

Lane: Juvenile Redstart; ♂ and ♀ Blackcap; Bullfinch;

Hide: c. 100 Avocet; 00s of Black-tailed Godwit; Redshank; Dunlin; 1 Spoonbill; 1 Green Sandpiper

2.00 p.m.: ♀ Marsh Harrier; 2 Greenshank; Green Woodpecker; Little Egret

4.00 p.m.: Green Woodpecker; 5 Little Egrets; c. 300 Teal on far shore;

2nd October 2015

Ring Ouzel in Rowan, seen from track. Kestrel on fence post; 00s of Godwits and Avocets

12 noon: Dartford, from track; Spotted Flycatcher

3rd October 2015

8.45 a.m. Sika stag jumped fence and entered copse to left of hide.

Track: Robin; Sparrows; Pied Wagtail; Ravens; Dartford Warbler; Song Thrush; Blue Tit; Green Woodpecker; Linnets; Mistle Thrushes; Coal Tit; Chaffinches; Meadow Pipits; Stonechats; Kestrel

Hide: Many Avocets; Little Egrets; Black-tailed Godwits; Shelduck; Curlew; Heron; Dunlin; Redshank; Greenshank; Wigeon; Teal; Jay

4th October 2015

11.30 a.m.: Kingfisher; Marsh Harrier; 00s Black-tailed Godwit; Greenshank; Sika stag; 100+ Avocet; Knot; Dunlin; Redshank

3.00 p.m.: Kingfisher on post, caught fish; 300+ Avocets

Evening: Herring Gulls; Spoonbill; Avocet; Mallard; 3 Sika deer; 2 Barn Owls; Bats.

5th October 2015

9.30 a.m., overcast with drizzle: Magpie; Mistle Thrush; Curlew; Dunlin; Black-tailed Godwits; Avocets; Little Egrets; Shelduck; Kestrel; Redshanks; Wigeon; Mallard; Black-headed Gulls; Teal; Meadow Pipits; 30+ Lapwings; Marsh Harrier; 40+ Linnets

2.00 – 4.00 p.m.: Avocets; Black-tailed Godwits; Redshank; Dunlin; Little Egrets; BH gulls; Lapwing; Oystercatchers.

6th October 2015

9.30 a.m.: Marsh Harrier; Greenshank; 3+ Spotted Redshank; 2 Knot

10.45 a.m.: Marsh Harrier above channel to left of hide; joined by 2nd Marsh Harrier 15 minutes later.

12.30 p.m.: Avocets; ♀ Marsh Harrier; 10 Spoonbill; 3 Little Egrets; Cormorant; Curlew; 50+ Oystercatcher; Shelduck; 250+ Black-tailed Godwit; Teal; Dunlin
2.50 p.m.: Magpie; Kestrel on Osprey pole.

7th October 2015

8.00 a.m.: Wigeon; Avocet; GBB gull; Teal; Black-tailed Godwit; Meadow Pipit; Little Egret; Redshank; Curlew; Fox walked in front of hide.
4.30 p.m.: Green Woodpecker in field next to hide; Avocet; Dunlin; Swallows; Greenshank; Little Grebe.
6.30 p.m.: 6 Sika deer in front of hide; Fox in field to right; 2 Marsh Harrier perched on Slepe Moor (to left of hide).

8th October 2015

8.30 a.m.: 500+ Black-tailed Godwits; 130+ Avocet; Sparrowhawk; Kingfisher on post; Yellow-legged Gull; 2 Lapwing; Marsh Harrier on far fence line gate to left; At soon it made a sortie around the Osprey Pole.
12.30 p.m.: Little Egret; Redshank; Curlew

9th October 2015

8.00 a.m. Lane: Willow Chiffs, Bullfinch; Mistle Thrush
8.30 a.m.: 00s of Black-tailed Godwit; c. 80 Avocet; Redshank; Dunlin; Curlew; 6 lapwing: "all feeding in slack water near hide".
10.30 a.m.: Ringed Black-tailed Godwit – Right leg: White over Red over Yellow; left leg unclear; 6 Avocet; Yellow-legged Gull; 2 Greenshank
12.05 p.m.: Marsh Harrier flew along Arne shore opposite
2.55 p.m.: Great White Egret flew towards Brownsea
6.30 p.m.: Barn Owl hunting to left; dived, caught small creature and returned to barn.
6.58 p.m.: Bat.
7.00 p.m. "Too dark!"

10th October 2015

8.00 a.m.: 90+ Avocet; 700+ Black-tailed Godwits
10.00 a.m.: Curlew; Redshank; Wigeon; Shelduck; Little Egret; Teal; 16 Lapwing; Grey Heron; Dunlin
12.30 p.m.: Great White Egret

11th October 2015

9.30 a.m.: Great White Egret; Avocet; Dunlin; Kestrel
10.30 a.m.: Lane – Stonechats, Chaffinches, Bullfinches, Jay, Robin. Meadow Pipits; Wren, Dartford Warbler; Pied Wagtail; Great Tit; Blue Tit
11.30 a.m.: Kingfisher; Mistle Thrush; Greenfinches; Little Egret; Brent Geese; Avocets; Black-tailed Godwits; Dunlin; Redshank; Lapwings; Kestrel; Fox; Teal; Curlew; Snipe (flying); Wigeon; Oystercatcher *[Pat & Ray]*
2.00 p.m.: 2 Swallow; 50+ Avocet; Blackwits on far shore; 25+ Lapwing
5.30 p.m.: 1 Buzzard; 5 Grey Heron; 1 Sika Stag at Arne, to left of Osprey pole; Kestrel landed on ground by pool post right in front of the hide, and was then chased off by a crow.

12th October 2015

12.30 p.m.: Swallow

13th October 2015

11.00-11.30 a.m.: 200 Avocet; 300+ Black-tailed Godwits; ♀ Marsh Harrier; Peregrine; Kestrel; 10 Dunlin; 3 Curlew; 40 Lapwing; 11 Pintail; Redshank; Wigeon; Teak; 1 Shelduck; 2 Yellow-legged Gull.

5.00 p.m.: ♀ Marsh Harrier quartering Slepe Moor.

14th October 2015

10.30 a.m.: Marsh Harrier flew left to right in front of hide

11.35 a.m.: Pintail

5.30 p.m.: Curlew; Wigeon; Teal; 17 Lapwing; Oystercatcher; Little Egret; Dunlin

15th October 2015

10. – 11.00 a.m.: Track – Greenfinch, Goldfinch, Chaffinch, Wren, Bullfinch

Hide- 6 Redwing; 200+ Avocet; 300+ Black-tailed Godwit; Wigeon; Cormorant; Little Egret; Carrion Crow; Kestrel; Redshank *[Clive Hargrave]*

1.00 p.m. : As above, plus Green Woodpecker; 4 Teal

2.00 p.m. *“Baby Rowan, Granny, Rosa & Abbey (the dog) enjoyed peace and tranquility here today. X “*

16th October 2015

9.00 – 10.30 a.m.: 200+ Avocet; Black-tailed Godwit; Redshank; Curlew; Spoonbill; Little Egret; Crows; Oystercatcher; Teal; Sparrowhawk; Grey Heron; Wigeon; Dunlin; Greenshank; Lapwings; Raven; Swallows; 2 Yellow-legged Gulls; Starling; Fox on track. *[Clive Hargrave]*

17th October 2015

9.45 a.m. Marsh Harrier

10.22 and 11.00 a.m. : Peregrine

11.15 a.m.: Marsh harrier

11.30 a.m.: Fieldfare alongside track

12.30 p.m.: Greenshank; Spotted Redshank; 2 ♂ Pintail, 3 ♀ Pintail.

4.15 p.m.: Kingfisher on post in front of hide.

18th October 2015

11.30 a.m.: 20+ Fieldfare along track; Avocets; Curlew; Little Egret; Kestrel; Long-tailed tits.

19th October 2015

4.30 p.m.: Female Hen Harrier over Arne.

20th October 2015

8.00 a.m.: Track – Robin, Chaffinch, Blackbird, 20+ Fieldfare, Wren, Raven, Crow
Hide: 100 Lapwing; Black-tailed Godwit; Little Egret; Wigeon; Curlew; Goldcrest; Kestrel; ♀ Hen Harrier; House Martins; Mallard; Spotted Redshank; Yellow-legged gull; Great Spotted Woodpecker on fence post; Grey Heron; 50+ Fieldfare over hide; Lesser Black-backed Gull; Meadow Pipit *[Clive Hargrave]*

11.05 a.m.: Marsh Harrier

12.10 p.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier flew left to right in front of hide

3.30 p.m.: 150+ Avocets; Sparrowhawk in tree outside hide

4.15 p.m.: 180+ Avocets

21st October 2015

9.00 a.m.: 80+ Fieldfare in flock over track

10.20 a.m.: Marsh Harrier over Slepe Moor to left of hide

11.05 a.m. ♂ Marsh Harrier flew right to left in front of hide
11.30 a.m.: Marsh Harrier high up left to right.
5.00 p.m.: Sparrowhawk put up the waders: Curlew, Redshank; Dunlin; Lapwing;
Black-tailed Godwit

22nd October 2015

8.45 a.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier, harassed by crow, flew right to left up creek.
9.00 a.m.: Sparrowhawk; Kingfisher on fence, near water; Kingfisher moved to post
in pool in front of hide and fished for c. 10 minutes; 300+ Black-tailed Godwits; 100+
Avocets
10.30 a.m.: 200+ Teal; 1 grey Heron; 2 Dunlin; 3 Redshank; 2 Wigeon; 2 Little Egret;
♀ Marsh Harrier; Oystercatcher; 32 Lapwing; 1 Yellow-legged gull; 2 Curlew; pair of
Mallard; 8 Starlings; Sparrowhawk along track, plus 100+ Fieldfare; Raven.

23rd October 2015

11.15 a.m.: 180+ Avocet; 160+ Black-tailed Godwit
11.30: 2 Harriers (unspecified species and gender)

24th October 2015

8.00 a.m.: Great White Egret; c. 40 Fieldfare flew past the hide; 400+ Black-tailed
Godwits; 200+ Avocets;
10.10 a.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier flew from left to right in front of hide
11.20 a.m.: Juvenile Kestrel
♀ Marsh Harrier on Hartland Moor; Redshank; Little Egret; 50+ Teal; Wigeon;
Curlew; Yellow-legged Gull
5.00 p.m.: 3 Spoonbill

25th October 2015

8.00 a.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier flew in front of hide; Peregrine; ♀ Marsh Harrier; 4
Brent Geese; c. 50 Fieldfare flew across track, Redwing heard.
10.00 a.m.: Kestrel on Osprey pole
11.30 a.m.: 2 Raven and 2 Buzzard having a tussle.
4.30 p.m.: Short-eared Owl on track, and c. 4 Redwing

26th October 2015

Morning, track: c. 40 Fieldfare; 3 Bullfinches; 2 Raven; Buzzard
Hide: Peregrine spooked c. 400 Black-tailed Godwits; Marsh Harrier over Slepe
Moor;
1.00 p.m.: Great White Egret; 4 Little Egret; 30 Lapwing; Curlew.
3.30 p.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier over Slepe Moor; Marsh Harrier; Great White Egret.

27th October 2015

12.30 p.m.: "Very peaceful, raining." Black-tailed Godwits; Avocets; Lapwings;
Redshank; Teal; Wigeon; Mallard; Little Egret; Curlew
3.00 p.m.: Marsh Harrier; Kestrel; Sika stag with magpie on its back. Ringtail Hen
Harrier; 80+ Avocets

28th October 2015

12.20 p.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier
12.45 p.m.: Adult ♀ Marsh Harrier
Evening: 3 Sika crossed in front of hide and jumped fence.

30th October 2015

8.00 a.m.: 50+ Avocet; 50+ Lapwing; Curlews

11.00 a.m.: Peregrine; Marsh Harrier

4.45 p.m. (dusk): Marsh harrier quartering marshes opposite hide. Sika stags fighting on Arne shore.

31st October 2015

8.00 a.m.: 70+ Lapwing; Wigeon; Teal

8.10 a.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier by Arne Raptor hide

8.30 a.m.: Marsh Harrier on Arne shore flew downstream.

8.45 a.m.: 750+ Black-tailed Godwit arrive; followed by Avocets

9.10 & 9.45 and 10.16 a.m.: Marsh Harrier flew past hide

11.15 a.m.: Kingfisher in front of hide.

3.05 p.m.: ♂ Hen Harrier (*1st male of season – Ed.*); Numerous Lapwing; 2 Grey Heron; 20 Spoonbill

1st November 2015

8.30 a.m.: Black-tailed Godwits and Lapwing in field to far right of hide; Avocets in channel.

10.35 a.m.: Marsh Harrier flew to Slepe Moor

11.40 a.m.: 2 Marsh Harriers

1.30 p.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier; Marsh Harrier

2nd November 2015

11.00 a.m.: 300-400 Avocet; c. 500 Black-tailed Godwit; 2 Grey Plover; 4 Greenshank; Dunlin; Lapwing

1.00 p.m.: ♂ and ♀ Marsh Harrier

1.30 p.m.: Wigeon; Teal; Yellow-legged Gull; Little Egrets; Curlew

3rd November 2015

8.30 a.m. – 11.30 a.m.: Fieldfare; Redwing; Yellowhammer; Sparrowhawk; ♂ and ♀ Marsh Harrier; Teal; Spoonbill; Wigeon; Curlew; 475 Avocet; Brent Geese; Jackdaw; Rock Pipit; Yellow-legged Gull; Redshank; Dunlin; Peregrine; Kestrel; Spotted Redshank; ♀ Hen Harrier; Greenshank; Grey Plover; Little Egret; Black-tailed Godwits. *[Clive H.]*

9.30 a.m.: ♂ Marsh Harrier on Slepe Moor

9.45, 10.20 a.m.: ♀ Marsh Harrier on Slepe Moor

10.35 Peregrine behind Osprey pole

11.05: Merlin chasing a Dunlin. *[Ian B.]*

3.00 p.m.: 8 Spotted Redshank; 2 Greenshank; 1 Yellow-legged Gull; 5 Grey Plover; 2 Spoonbill *[Ian B.]*

4th November 2015

2 ♀ Marsh Harrier, 1 ♂ Marsh Harrier; 1 Ringtail Hen Harrier

Grey Heron; 4 Bullfinches on track, 100+ Fieldfare; 1 Rock Pipit on Cottage roof

("unexpected"); 1 Sparrowhawk; 2 Greenshank *[Dominic Couzens]*

5th November 2015

9.00 a.m. and 10.20 a.m.: Marsh Harrier

11.10 a.m.: 30 Fieldfare in tree in hedge to right of hide

11.40 a.m.: Marsh Harrier

6th November 2015

3.00 p.m.: 2 Little Egret; 4 Herring Gull; Black-headed gull; Black-tailed Godwits; Mallard; Teal; Wigeon; 2 Canada Geese; Sika deer; 20+ Curlew; 60+ Avocet; 3 Oystercatcher; 30+ Lapwing; 2 Carrion Crow; Kestrel; Grey Heron

7th November 2015

9.30 a.m.: 300+ Avocet; Teal; Wigeon; Shelduck; Curlew; Little Egret; Black-tailed Godwits; Redshank; 100 Black-headed Gull; Lapwing; Dunlin; Fieldfare; Canada Geese; Mallard; Great Black-backed gull; Grey Plover; Snipe; Bar-tailed Godwit.

[TC & JP]

2.00 p.m.: Large dragonflies sporting before hide.

8th November 2015

220 Wigeon; 154 Teal; 572 Avocet; 542 Black-tailed Godwit; 2 Yellow-legged Gull; 20 Dunlin; 60 Lapwing; 17 Curlew; 120 Redshank; Merlin;

11.30 -12.00 noon: Great White Egret

1.00 p.m.: 8 Fieldfare to right of hide; Kestrel on Osprey nest

4.20 p.m.: (Unspecified) Harrier; 14 Little Egrets in dead trees; 10 Spoonbills; 2 Sika deer.

9th November 2015

7.30 a.m.: Peregrine

8.00 a.m.: Harrier (unspecified)

10.00 a.m.: 600 Black-tailed Godwits; 6 Avocets; Marsh harrier

11.00 a.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier by far left fence line (towards Salterns).

11.10 a.m.: Female Peregrine

10th November 2015

10.30 – 11.30 a.m.: 2 Yellow-legged Gull; 200+ Avocets; 100+ Avocets; 350+ Black-tailed Godwits; Little Egrets; Teal; Wigeon; Canada Geese; 50 Redshank; 30+ Curlew; Crow; Magpie; Black-headed Gull; Dunlin; Oystercatcher; Starlings; Mallard;

N.B. Another pen stolen ☹

12th November 2015

8.30 a.m.: 2 Marsh harrier; Fieldfares around the cottages; 20+ Greenfinches; Grey Heron; Little Egret; Mallard; Shelduck; Wigeon; Coot; Lapwing; Black-tailed Godwits; Cormorant; Brent Geese; Dunlin.

13th November 2015

9.30 a.m. 3 Marsh Harrier

11.00 a.m., Lane: Robin; Sparrows; Lapwings; Little Egret; flock of Starlings; Chaffinches; Goldcrest; Kestrel; Goldfinches

Hide: Teal; Oystercatcher; Curlews; Redshank; Wigeon; ♀ Hen Harrier [Pat & Ray]

14th November 2015

8.45 a.m.: Teal; avocets; 100 Starlings; Black-headed gulls; Curlew; Little Egret; Magpie; Robin; Wren; Black-tailed Godwits; Cormorant; Mallard; Wigeon; Crow; Marsh Harrier; Stonechat; Yellow-legged gull; 2 Kestrel; Kingfisher on post

15th November 2015

10.40 a.m.: ♂ Marsh Harrier

2.30 p.m.: Merlin on fencepost in front of hide; Avocets; Brent Geese; Redshanks; Curlew; Dunlin; Lapwing

16th November 2015

10.30 a.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier flew in front of hide from right to left.

1.00 p.m.: Marsh Harrier; Avocet; Black-tailed Godwit; Wigeon; Teal; Lapwing; Oystercatcher; Grey Heron; Little Egret; Canada Geese; Brent Geese; Curlew; Water Rail.

Goldfinches and Chaffinches on track

18th November 2015

9.15 a.m.: 120 Lapwing; 60 Brent Geese;

9.20 a.m.: Peregrine attack; 200 Avocets arrive ("were they hiding in the deep channel beforehand?");

9.25 a.m.: Avocets leave downstream; Yellow-legged gull; Marsh harrier in front of cottages on Slepe Moor

10.45 a.m.: ♀ Marsh harrier; ♀ Stonechat; 400 Black-tailed Godwits.

2.00 p.m.: Adult ♂ Marsh harrier; Brent Geese; Black-tailed Godwits; Lapwing; Avocets in large numbers; Dunlin; Redshank; Merlin.

20th November 2015

11.30 a.m.: Track - Chaffinch; Goldfinch; Song Thrush, Jay; Pied Wagtail

Hide – Raven; Jackdaw; Crow; Starlings; juvenile Peregrine; ♀ Marsh harrier;

Kestrel; Little Egret; Redshank; Avocet; Shelduck; Teal; Wigeon; Heron; Cormorant; Black-tailed Godwits; Oystercatcher; Brent Geese; 50+ Curlew; Mallard; Lapwing; 1 Canada Goose.

12.30 p.m.: Hen Harrier flew past hide clutching prey.

22nd November 2015

8.55 a.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier flew past hide to Slepe Moor; 220 Avocets; 50 Dunlin

9.40 a.m.: ♀ Marsh Harrier

6 Spoonbill; Sparrowhawk.

23rd November 2015

11.00 a.m.: ♂ Marsh Harrier and 11.35 a.m. ♀ Marsh Harrier

11.10 a.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier

12.10 and 14.00: Peregrine

24th November 2015

1.30 p.m.: Marsh Harrier; Avocet; Grey Heron; Starlings; Lapwings; Dunlin; Great Black-backed gull; Mallard; Black-tailed Godwits; Curlew; Pochard; Stonechat; Brent Geese; Oystercatchers; Little Egret; Wren; Redshanks; Shelduck.

25th November 2015

Forestry Commission Wood Warden Volunteer Group: "Nice walk down and a great view. 12 people in our group".

2.00 p.m.: Fieldfare; Siskin; 60 Lapwing; Shelduck; Teal; Brent Geese; Merlin

Someone has written "Merlin = classic misidentification! Sparrowhawk! Look at the wing shape next time & then the chart behind you".

N.B. Merlin are seen quite often at this time of year.

28th November 2015

4.30 p.m.: ♀ Hen Harrier; 3 Marsh Harrier

29th November 2015

8.30 a.m.: Hen Harrier

11.00 a.m.: 60 Avocet

30th November 2015

8.30 a.m.: Peregrine took small bird; ♂ Marsh Harrier; ♂ Merlin on fence post nearest the water; 3 Egyptian Geese flew by; Avocets; Ringtail Hen Harrier.

1st December 2015

9.00 a.m.: 3 Firecrest just past cattle grid; ♂ Marsh Harrier;

9.30 a.m.: 1 Spoonbill way down channel.

9.45 a.m.: ♂ Marsh Harrier

10.15 a.m.: ♀ Marsh Harrier

11.00 a.m.: New ♂ Marsh Harrier; 278 Dunlin; 351 Avocet

1.30 p.m.: 200 Avocet; 30+ Mallard; 100+ Dunlin; 13 Curlew; 1 Grey Heron; 1 Yellow-legged Gull; 1 Little Egret; 200+ Lapwing; 1 Great Black-backed Gull; 60+ Shelduck; 1 Greenshank; 350 Brent Geese; 20+ Teal; 100+ Black-tailed Godwits; ♀ Marsh Harrier

2nd December 2015

1.00 p.m.: Heavy gunfire from the Army ranges

2.30 p.m.: 248 Avocet; 50 Lapwing; 25 Shelduck

4.30 p.m.: Marsh Harrier on post to far left of hide.

3rd December 2015

10.00 a.m.: Heavy gunfire from ranges – hide shakes with each shot and windows rattle. Grey Heron in channel; Yellow-legged Gull on far bank; 16+ Shelduck

10.10 a.m.: ♂ Marsh Harrier on fence post far left (on edge of Salterns farmland); 12 Brent Geese.

12 Noon: 4 Bar-tailed Godwits (“Unusual for here?”); Spotted Redshank

1.30 p.m.: 2 ♂ Hen Harriers by Salterns

4th December 2015

8.00 a.m.: ♂ Marsh Harrier flew along far left fence-line.

9.15 a.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier flew from right to left past hide.

10.00 ♀ Marsh Harrier along Arne shore

5th December 2015

8.10 a.m.: 3 Mute Swans; ♂ Marsh Harrier; Peregrine;

8.30 a.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier and ♂ Marsh Harrier

9.10 and 11.10 a.m.: Peregrine

12.15 p.m.: Long-tailed tits

6th December 2015

2.00 p.m.: 7 Spoonbill; Wigeon; Little Egret; Shelduck; Grey heron; 1 white hart

7th December 2015

2.30 p.m.: 15 Avocets

8th December 2015

9.30 a.m. – 12 noon: Track - Long-tailed Tits; 2 Bullfinch; 2 Fieldfare.

100+ Avocets; Shelduck; Mallard; Wigeon; Redshank; Curlew; 150 Lapwing; Little Egret; Cormorant; 130+ Brent Geese; Meadow Pipits; Yellow-legged Gull; Teal; Grey Heron; GBB gull; Kestrel; Oystercatchers; Dunlin

1.45 p.m.: Kestrel; Peregrine;

2.35 p.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier; Merlin

4.00 p.m.: Curlew; Little Egrets.

9th December 2015

8.30 a.m.: 260+ Brent Geese; 200 Avocet

9.30 a.m.: Peregrine on fence far left (by Salterns fields); Firecrest and Goldcrest in pines to left of hide; Long-tailed Tits around hide.

3.45 p.m.: Merlin; Marsh Harrier; Ringtail Hen Harrier; Great White Egret; Buzzard

10th December 2015

8.30 a.m.: 300+ Avocet; ♂ Kestrel

9.30 a.m.: 230+ Brent Geese

11th December 2015

9.00 a.m.: Great Crested Grebe

12th December 2015

8.30 a.m.: 300+ Avocets; Merlin; ♂ Marsh Harrier; Ringtail Hen Harrier; Peregrine; Sparrowhawk; Buzzard

4.00 p.m.: Wren; Little Egret; c. 100 Avocet; Shelducks.

13th December 2015

9.00 a.m.: 300+ Avocet; 1 Canada Goose; 9 Shelduck; 1 Grey heron; 3 Little Egret; 1 Curlew; 1 Wren; 12 Brent Geese;

9.30 a.m.: ♂ Marsh Harrier; 90+ Teal; Kestrel; Buzzard

10.15 a.m., Track: Goldcrest; Blackbird; Jay; Robin; Greenfinch; Wagtails

10.15 a.m., Field: Curlew; Lapwings; Black-tailed Godwits

11.25 a.m.: ♂ Marsh Harrier; Avocets; Teal; Shelduck; Buzzard; [Pat & Ray]

14th December 2015

8.30 a.m.: ♂ Marsh Harrier sat on Salterns fence

10.20 a.m.: 200+ Avocets; 20+ Shelduck; 100+ Teal; 7 Curlew; 60+ Lapwings; Black-tailed Godwits; Brent Geese; 2 Stonechat; Herring gull; 1 Black-headed Gull; Meadow Pipits; 2 Cormorant; 1 Great Crested Grebe.

3.00 p.m.: 800+ Avocet; Brent Geese; Dunlin; Lapwing; Sparrowhawk; ♀ Marsh Harrier; Curlew; Redshank; Teal; Little Egrets; herd of Sika deer in front of hide.

15th December 2015

10.30 a.m.: 10 Spotted Redshank; c. 400 Avocets; 150 Lapwing; 1 Merlin

16th December 2015

9.45 a.m.: "Young Marsh Harrier (and Buzzard) stirred up a blizzard of waders with low passes before appearing to chase a teal, fruitlessly, towards Hartland Moor."

Dunlin; Curlew; Avocet; Lapwing; Redshank; Black-tailed Godwits

"Dunlin very excitable – wheeling groups for no evident reason; Avocets moving closer and feeding as tide pushes in."

10.05 a.m.: ♀ Marsh Harrier over Slepe Moor.

17th December 2015

9.00 a.m.: ♀ Bullfinch; Wren; Greenfinch

9.10 a.m.: ♀ Hen Harrier; Little Egret; Long-tailed Tits; Brent Geese; Shelduck;

Curlew; Redshank; 300+ Dunlin; Oystercatcher; Raven; ♂ Marsh Harrier; Lapwing;

9.40 a.m.: Peregrine; 300+ Avocets; Teal; Wigeon; Grey Heron [Clive H.]

18th December 2015

8.00 a.m. : 400+ Avocet; 9 Spotted Redshank; 150 Dunlin; 28 Curlew; 71 Redshank; 5 Black-tailed Godwits; 290 Lapwing; Marsh Harrier; Hen Harrier; Buzzard; Kestrel; 4 Little Egret; Wigeon; c. 1,200 Teal; Shelduck; Short-eared Owl; 2 Yellow-legged Gull

19th December 2015

3.00 p.m.: 2 Marsh Harrier; Bullfinch; Sparrowhawk; Kestrel; Buzzard

20th December 2015

12.20 p.m.: Sparrowhawk; ♂ Marsh Harrier; Grey Plover; Black-tailed Godwits

22nd December 2015

8.00 a.m.: Shelduck; Little Egret; Curlew; Brent Geese

23rd December 2015

8.00 a.m.: 40 Lapwing on shore;

9.15 a.m.: ♀ Marsh Harrier; Grey Heron

9.30 a.m.: 2 Marsh Harriers; 2 Avocet; pair of Pintail on flooded 'water meadow' to right of hide.

3.30 p.m.: ♀ Hen Harrier

24th December 2015

11.55 a.m.: 2 Avocet; 22 Brent on Water Meadow; 16 Curlew

12.35 p.m.: ♂ Hen Harrier to left of hide; ♂ Marsh Harrier; Peregrine – "*all within 5 minutes!*"

1.35 p.m.: Marsh Harrier on Salterns fence line.

3.00 p.m.: 2 Raven; 170 Lapwing; 1 Dunlin; ♂ Marsh Harrier; Spotted Redshank; 170 Teal

25th December 2015

9.15 a.m. and 11.20 a.m.: ♂ Marsh Harrier

12.45 p.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier behind Bakehouse Cottage; Marsh Harrier by Salterns fence line; 30 Avocet; 30 Black-tailed Godwits

3.00 p.m.: 114 Brent Geese; 1 Yellow-legged Gull; 43 Avocet; 225 Lapwing; 10 Oystercatcher; 35 Black-tailed Godwits; 460 Teal; Grey Heron; 2 Raven; ♀ or Ringtail Hen Harrier at 12.45, 1345, 1500, 1530 hrs. 2 Stonechat;

♀ Marsh Harrier at 1345, 1510 and 1535; 1 Common Gull (2nd Winter);

2.50 p.m.: Juvenile or ♀ Marsh Harrier

26th December 2015

9.00 a.m.: ♂ Marsh Harrier; Peregrine; Red-breasted Merganser

10.00 a.m.: 150 Lapwing; Sparrowhawk

11.35 a.m.: Marsh Harrier, ♂ Marsh Harrier at 12.25 p.m.

27th December 2015

11.15 a.m.: Brent Geese; Curlew; Shelduck; large flock of Lapwings; Little Egret; Canada Geese; Mallard; Teal; Marsh Harrier; Avocets; Wigeon; Starlings; Kestrel; Dunlin; Yellow-legged Gull; 2 Great Crested Grebe; Shoveler; pair of Stonechats.

28th December 2015

3.00 p.m.: Sparrowhawk; Peregrine made a successful kill.

4.30 p.m.: ♂ Marsh Harrier

29th December 2015

12.35 p.m.: ♀ Marsh Harrier along Arne shore; 100+ Avocets; Black-tailed Godwits

1st January 2016

10.00 a.m.: Firecrest and Goldcrest

11.25 a.m.: Little Egret; Avocets; Curlew; Brent Geese; Teal; Mallard; Starlings; Wigeon; Black-tailed Godwits; Redshanks; Dunlin; Shelduck; Lapwings [Pat & Ray]

12.30 p.m.: Sparrowhawk attacked birds on shore in front of hide, then perched on furthest post.

1.00 p.m.: Merlin

3rd January 2016

2.45 p.m. 125 + Lapwing

3.35 p.m.: Barn Owl

4.05 p.m.: ♀ Hen Harrier

4th January 2016

1.15 p.m.: 450 Brent Geese; 200 Redshank; 70 Avocet; 60 Oystercatcher; 100 Dunlin; 1 Canada Goose; 600 Teal; 300 Wigeon; 50 Curlew

4.00 – 5.00 p.m.: c. 1000 Brent Geese in field to right; 400 Avocet; 200 Curlew; 200 Dunlin; 300 Wigeon; 400 Teal; 60 Black-tailed Godwits; 100 Knot; 50 Mallard; 9 Little Egret; 8 Canada Geese; 24 Shelduck; 150 Redshank; 11 Spoonbill; 60 Oystercatcher; 1 Grey Heron.

“Over 3000 waterbirds in one sitting. It doesn’t get better than this!”

“Oh yes it does!....”

9.00 – 10.00 p.m.: *“Pitch black using night-vision binos: Tawny Owl on shoreline; another far left over reeds, and Barn Owl over field; 5 Sika on Arne shore.”*

5th January 2016

11.00 a.m.: Avocet; Curlew; Dunlin; Redshank; Black-tailed Godwits; Teal; Mallard; Lapwing; Brent Goose; Canada Goose; Wigeon; Oystercatcher; Little Egret.

6th January 2016

8.00 a.m.: Barn Owl on wall in farmyard; 40+ Redwing in trees behind hide

9.30 a.m.: 150 Avocets; 800 Brent Geese; 200 Lapwing; 160 Dunlin; Teal

7th January 2016

10.10 a.m.: ♂ Marsh Harrier; 2 pintail

12.43 p.m.: Sparrowhawk

1.30 p.m.: 93 Lapwing; 2 Avocet; c. 1000 Brent Geese in far right field.

8th January 2016

100 + Avocet; 2 Grey Plover; 4 Bar-tailed Godwit; Black-tailed Godwits; Redshank; Curlew; Teal; Wigeon

9th January 2016

9.15 a.m.: Water meadow flooded, grey overcast: 12 Shelduck; 40+ Avocet; lame Canada Goose on water meadow; 2 more flew down Middlebere Lake; 50+ Lapwing; ♂ Stonechat; Buzzard on Salterns fence-line; 1 Brent Goose on water meadow

10.15 a.m.: Peregrine on fence post

11.30 a.m.: ♂ Marsh Harrier over Slepe Moor

1.00 p.m.: Kestrel; Marsh Harrier

1.40 p.m.: Sparrowhawk

2.00 p.m.: ♂ Marsh Harrier

10th January 2016

11.00 a.m. : Greta White Egret
11.30 a.m.: Peregrine

11th January 2016

12 noon: Stonechat; Marsh Harrier; Lapwings
2.00 p.m.: Teal; Wigeon; Redshank; Curlew; Shelduck; Little Egret; Brent Geese;
Canada Goose; Knot
2.30 p.m., Track: Kestrel; Jay; Robin; Heron; Blackbird
Hide: Little Egret; Grey Heron; Canada Goose; Shelduck; Avocet; Wigeon; Lapwing;
Teal; Redshank; Dunlin; Little Grebe; Curlew; Oystercatcher;

12th January 2016

8.00 a.m.: 100+ Lapwing; 100+ Avocet
11.25 a.m.: 150+ Brent Geese arrive.

14th January 2016

10.30 a.m.: pair of Wigeon; handful of Teal; 180 Avocets; 11 Brent; 1 (lame) Canada
Goose;
11.15 a.m. ♂ Marsh Harrier;
11.45 a.m. ♂ Merlin in hedge to right
12.10 p.m.: Kingfisher fly-past; 21 Redshank; 300+ Brent Geese arrived.

15th January 2016

9.30 a.m.: Sunny, rising tide: Avocet; Dunlin; a few Black-tailed Godwits; 1 Spoonbill
RSPB staff wandering around on Arne shore
10.30 a.m.: 350 Avocet;
11.05 a.m.: Spoonbill fly-past heading North
11.35 a.m. ♂ Hen Harrier over Slepe Moor

16th January 2016

8.00 a.m.: Peregrine; Kestrel; ♂ Marsh Harrier; Raven; ♂ Hen Harrier on Salterns'
fence-line
9.30 a.m.: many Dunlin
10.35 a.m.: 1 Spoonbill in channel; 350 Avocets arrive
11.05 a.m.: Snipe in pool
12 noon: Kestrel on post
1.00 p.m.: Great White Egret; Peregrine
2.55 p.m.: Marsh Harrier

18th January 2016

9.00 a.m.: Buzzard on fence line to far left; 11 Oystercatchers; 1 Avocet; ♂ Marsh
Harrier
10.00 a.m.: shooting from Wych Lake prompts arrival of c. 60 Avocet.

19th January 2016

50+ Avocet; 100+ Dunlin; Wigeon; Teal; Little Egret; 11 Spoonbill; Redshank;
Curlew; Mallard

20th January 2016

"Icy and very beautiful!"

1 Marsh Harrier; many Curlew; many Mallard; Teal; 1 Canada Goose; 3 Little Egret;
many Oystercatcher; 10 Shelduck; 1 Spoonbill; many Dunlin; 1 Grey Heron;
Evening: 6 Lapwing; Stonechat; 4 Avocet; 1 Barn Owl

21st January 2016

10.15 a.m.: ♂ Marsh Harrier quartering reed beds; Curlew; Avocet; Brent Geese; a few Black-tailed Godwits

11.00 a.m.: Great Crested Grebe; 2 Spoonbill flew over.

11.30 a.m., tide full: Shelduck, Mallard, Teal, Wigeon – all resting on banks; party of Dunlin to the right of the Osprey pole.

♂ and ♀ Red-breasted Merganser.

12.15 p.m.: Spoonbill

22nd January 2016

Spoonbill; 200 Avocet roosting; Shelduck; Teal; Curlew; Wigeon; Black-tailed Godwits; Dunlin; Lapwing; Stonechat; Goldcrest; Grey Heron; Mallard; Canada Goose; Redshank; Brent Geese; Oystercatcher; Wren; Cormorant; Sparrowhawk; Buzzard; Kestrel; Tree Creeper; Marsh Harrier

3.30 p.m.: ♂ Hen Harrier flew from Slepe Moor to Coombe Heath, and then away over ridge.

4.15 p.m.: Barn Owl

23rd January 2016

10.21 a.m.: ♂ Hen Harrier sitting on post to the left – it finally left at around 4.00 p.m.

24th January 2016

8.30 a.m.: c. 200 Avocets; ♀ Hen Harrier; c. 300 Brent Geese; Great White Egret

25th January 2016

4.00 p.m.: Large flock of Brent Geese; Avocets; 2 Little Egrets; Shelduck; Grey Heron; White Sika.

26th January 2016

Canada Geese; Avocets; 2 Little Egret; Teal; Shelduck; Stonechat; Marsh Harrier; Brent Geese; Grey heron; Mallard; Lapwing; Curlew; Black-tailed Godwits

28th January 2016

9.00 a.m.: 200+ Avocet; Lapwing; Teal; Curlew; Starling

10.30 a.m.: 1 ♂, 2 ♀ Red-breasted Merganser

11.00 2 ♂ Marsh Harrier; 1 Peregrine; 2 foxes in front of Osprey pole

12.30 p.m.: Little Egret; Shelduck; Curlew; Brent Geese; Canada Geese; Yellow-legged gull; Oystercatcher; Redshank

30th January 2016

100+ Avocet; 2 Marsh Harriers; Dunlin; Oystercatchers; Curlew; Redshanks; Brent Geese; Shelduck; Stonechat; Teal; Wigeon; Grey Heron; Canada Geese; Black-tailed Godwits; Lapwing; 2 Buzzards.

31st January 2016

12.30 p.m.: 500+ Avocet; Kestrel; 400 Brent; Peregrine

1.00 p.m.: ♂ Marsh Harrier; 1 Spoonbill flew in.

2.00 p.m.: Marsh Harrier; Oystercatchers; Pochard (?); Redshanks; Shelduck; 1 Canada Goose; Little Egret; Spoonbill;

3.00 p.m.: ♀ Marsh Harrier

4.00 p.m.: Peregrine hunting, and on post in front of hide; Yellow-legged gull

2nd February 2016

8.00 – 11.30 a.m.: Curlew; Shelduck; Teal; Wigeon; GBB gull; Canada Geese; Mallard; Kestrel; Brent Geese; Lapwing;
10.00 a.m.: Merlin hunting near RSPB Raptor hide
10.30 a.m.: ♂ Merlin on far post in front of hide.
12 noon: 1 Spoonbill

3rd February 2016

10.30 a.m.: 3 foxes on Arne side; 900 Brent Geese

4th February 2016

8.00 a.m.: 3 Spoonbill; 4 Spotted Redshank; c. 200 Avocet; 76 Brent Geese; 5 Little Egret. *"Incredible sequence of 2 foxes stuck together. For over an hour they were a push me-pull you 8-legged fox."* Biking Birder 2016 – The Quest for 300.

[Gary Prescott]

5th February 2016

1.25 p.m.: ♂ Marsh Harrier
2.00 p.m.: ♀ Marsh Harrier; 30 Brent Geese
3.30 p.m.: 2 Marsh Harrier

7th February 2016

8.30 a.m.: 36 Avocet; 25 Lapwing; 12 Canada Geese
10.05 a.m.: Brent arrival; pair of Stonechat

9th February 2016

200 Avocets; Marsh Harrier; Curlew; Wigeon; Shelduck; Teal; Little Egret; Lapwing
12.30 p.m.: Sparrowhawk takes Redshank
2.50 p.m.: Marsh Harrier

10th February 2016

9.00 a.m.: ♂ Marsh Harrier down track
9.15 a.m.: Peregrine; ♂ Marsh Harrier; 3 Snipe
11.45 a.m.: Peregrine; pair of Stonechat
13.20 p.m.: ♂ Marsh Harrier

11th February 2016

a.m.: 3 Snipe; Buzzard on Salterns gate; 50+ Avocet; 300 Dunlin
2.00 p.m.: Barn Owl
3.30 p.m.: 1 Spoonbill; 1 Snipe; 1 Little Egret; Brent Geese

14th February 2016

8.20 a.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier on Arne side.
9.45 a.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier on Slepe Moor behind cottages
10.45 a.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier past Arne Raptor Hide
1.30 p.m.: Marsh Harrier flew over Osprey pole
4.00 p.m.: Barn Owl

15th February 2016

9.45 a.m.: 1 Avocet; Teal; Little Egret; Brent Geese
1.00 p.m.: 7 Spoonbill
5.30 p.m.: ♂ Hen Harrier

16th February 2016

11.00 a.m.: Merlin on Osprey nest

12.40 p.m. and 1.00 p.m.: ♂ Hen Harrier; 2 Sparrowhawk; Little Egret; Redshank; Mallard; Teal; Shelduck; Curlew; Canada Goose; Wigeon; 2 Snipe;

4.20 p.m.: Barn Owl; Snipe

5.30 p.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier

N.B. A ♂ Hen Harrier was also reported on Twitter to be on Slepe Moor

17th February 2016

Stonechat; 20 Grey Plover; Dunlin; Curlew; Wren; Canada Geese; Brent Geese; Mallard; Teal; Shelduck; Black-headed gull; Long-tailed Tit; Carrion Crow; Wigeon; Magpie; Oystercatcher; Green Woodpecker; Redshank

18th February 2016

8.00 a.m.: 14 Canada Geese incl. 1 lame long-stayer; 400 Brent Geese

10.00 a.m.: 40 Avocet flew downstream

10.30 a.m.: 4 Grey Plover in channel near Coombe Heath hide.

1.30 p.m.: Merlin on Osprey nest; 1 Spoonbill; 1 Marsh Harrier

3.50 p.m.: Barn Owl

4.15 p.m.: Great White Egret flew in

4.30 p.m.: Marsh Harrier

Evening: Sparrowhawk; Curlew; Oystercatchers; Brent Geese; 3 Spoonbill

20th February 2016

9.50 a.m.: 2 Greylag Geese over Slepe; 350 Brent Geese

21st February 2016

11.30 a.m.: Track and Marsh: Pied Wagtail; Little Egrets; Lapwings

Hide: Teal; large flock of Brent in field; Shelduck; ♀ Marsh Harrier; Curlew;

Oystercatchers; Mallard; Canada Goose

[Pat & Ray]

2.30 p.m.: ♀ Marsh Harrier hunting over Slepe Moor against the wind.

4.00 p.m.: Grey Heron; ♀ Hen Harrier over reed bed behind Cottages.

22nd February 2016

9.30 a.m.: 1 Avocet with 3 Curlew.

3.15 p.m.: ♀ Marsh Harrier

3.50 p.m.: 2 Barn Owl

23rd February 2016

9.00 a.m.: 1 Sparrowhawk; 4 Sika; 1 Marsh Harrier;

10.30 a.m.: 13 Sika

3.15 and 3.45 p.m.: Marsh Harrier

3.45 p.m.: Barn Owl hunting over reed bed.

5.50 p.m.: Short-eared Owl hunting by shooting hide far left.

24th February 2016

8.15 a.m.: Tide well in; Shelduck; 1 Avocet; Little Egret; Teal; Wigeon

8.25 a.m.: ♂ hen harrier flew past hide

10.30 a.m.: Black-tailed Godwits; Redshank; Wigeon; Teal; Mallard; Great Crested Grebe; 1 Avocet; Black-headed Gull; Shelduck; Green Woodpecker; Stonechat;

Marsh Harrier; Brent & Greylag Geese; Buzzard; Snipe

11.15 a.m.: ♂ Hen Harrier

25th February 2016

10.30 a.m.: 2 snipe just other side of fence to right
11.30 a.m.: ♀ Marsh Harrier high overhead.
3.15 p.m.: 1 Barn Owl; 2 Spoonbill

26th February 2016

11.30 a.m.: 2 ♂ 1 ♀ Pintail; 1 Avocet roosting with Black-tailed Godwits;
12 noon: ♂ Stonechat
12.20 p.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier over Slepe Moor to left of hide.
1.00 p.m.: 4 Spotted Redshanks
4.05 p.m.: Barn Owl
5,10 p.m.: ♂ Hen Harrier

27th February 2016

9.30 a.m.: 1 Spoonbill; 5 Greylag Geese; 1 Avocet; 1 Spoonbill fly-past
11.00 a.m.: 2 Spoonbill distant, in line with dead trees.
11.30 a.m.: ♀ Marsh Harrier
2.30 p.m.: ♀ Hen Harrier
3.00 p.m.: 1 Curlew; 2 Little Egrets; 10 Spoonbills; c. 800 Brent Geese; 1 Canada Geese;
[Rg & Francesca]

28th February 2016

9.00 a.m.: Marsh Harrier
11.00 a.m.: 12 Grey Plover; 700 Dunlin;
12.30 p.m.: 2 Greylag Geese; Marsh Harrier; 1 Avocet; 3 Spoonbills.
3.00 p.m.: pair of Teal

29th February 2016

10.00 a.m.: ♂ Merlin
1.00 p.m.: 7 Spoonbills; 1,200 Brent Geese

1st March 2016

1.00 p.m.: 5 Spoonbill feeding in channel; 16 Curlew; Shelduck; Teal; GBB Gull; 2 Little Egret; 15 Dunlin; 10 Grey Plover; 33 Brent Geese; 3 Spotted Redshanks
4.25 p.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier
4.40 p.m.: Merlin; Green Woodpecker

2nd March 2016

12 noon: 5 Spoonbill in channel
12.45 p.m.: Marsh Harrier on Salterns fence-line, far left; Spoonbill; 2 Marsh Harrier circling over Slepe Moor
1.40 p.m.: ♂ Merlin on end fence post

3rd March 2016

9.00 a.m.: Spoonbill in pool to left of hide; 500 Brent Geese
2.00 p.m.: Marsh Harrier; 3 Spoonbill; Grey Plover; 2 Little Egrets
2.45 p.m.: 4 Spoonbills in flight

4th March 2016

10.00 a.m.: 3 Spoonbills on Slepe Moor
10.30 a.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier on Arne shore flew towards Slepe
11.00 a.m.: 2 Spotted Redshank;
2.00 p.m.: 1000+ Brent

5th March 2016

11.00 a.m.: 5 Spoonbill; 500 Brent; 1 Grey Plover; 1 Dunlin; ♂ Marsh Harrier; pair of Stonechat

12.30 p.m.: 7 Little Egrets

5.20 p.m.: Barn Owl.

6th March 2016

5.00 p.m.: Short-eared Owl over reed beds behind Bakehouse Cottage.

7th March 2016

2.10 p.m.: Kestrel

2.35 p.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier to left of hide; Snipe in front of hide.

5.00 p.m.: 3 Spoonbill

5.30 p.m.: c. 50 Grey Plover

8th March 2016

3.00 p.m.: 25 Teal; 30 Wigeon; 15 Black-headed Gull; 1 Curlew; 2 Spoonbill; 3 Canada Geese; 70 Brent Geese; 1 Little Egret; 2 Shelduck; 1 Grey Plover [JP]

9th March 2016

3.00 p.m.: Spoonbill; Grey Plover; Dunlin; Curlew; Black-tailed Godwits; Wigeon; Teal; Shelduck; Redshank

10th March 2016

9.30 a.m.: Wigeon; 4 Spoonbill; 200 Black-tailed Godwits; 12 Shelduck;

Juvenile ♂ Merlin

11.00 a.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier; Grey Plover; Dunlin; Teal; Spoonbill; Little Egret; Oystercatcher; Gadwall; Canada Goose; Redshank; Curlew; Wren; Barn Owl

12th March 2016

8.30 a.m.: Wigeon; Teal; Canada Geese; Black-headed Gull; Wren; Little Egret; Curlew; Mallards; Shelduck; Blackbird; Cormorant; Song Thrush; Redshank; Black-tailed Godwits

10.30 a.m.: GBB Gulls; Grey Plover; Stonechat; Carrion Crow; Robin; Avocet; Buzzard; Magpie; Oystercatcher

3.30 p.m.: 36 Grey Plover; 6 Dunlin; 2 Little Egrets; Wigeon; Teal; Shelduck; Black-tailed Godwits; Canada Geese; Mallard; 1 Spoonbill; Curlew; Redshank

6.00 p.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier

13th March 2016

8.00 a.m.: Grey Plover; Redshank; Shelduck; Black-tailed Godwits; Chaffinch; Wren; Black-headed Gulls; Curlew; Teal; Great Black-backed Gull; Dunlin

8.40 a.m.: Fox passed in front of hide

10.30 a.m.: 2 Spotted Redshank

1.30 p.m.: Brent Geese; Black-tailed Godwits; Shelduck; Little Egret; Dunlin; Curlew; Black-headed Gull; Redshank; Oystercatcher; Teal; Canada Goose.

14th March 2016

10.00 a.m.: Curlew; 4 Black-tailed Godwits in summer plumage; 8 Grey Plover; 1 Knot; 6 Redshank; 2 Spoonbill

12 noon: 2 Spoonbill

2.30 p.m.: 22 Grey Plover; Shelduck; Little Egret; Teal

5.00 p.m.: Hen Harrier

15th March 2016

10.30 a.m.: 6 Spoonbill to left of track; 4 Spoonbill on Middlebere Lake.
11.00 a.m.: 2 Spotted Redshank; 8 Grey Plover; 3 Black-tailed Godwits
2.00 p.m.: 200 Brent Geese; 6 Spoonbill
5.00 p.m.: Barn Owl on door of Barn.

16th March 2016

9.30 a.m.: 1 Spoonbill;
10.10 a.m.: Ringtail Hen Harrier over Slepe Moor to left of hide
3.30 p.m.: 9 Spoonbill; Little Egret; Shelduck; Mallard; Black-headed Gull; Greater Black-backed Gull; Canada Geese; Teal; 300 Brent Geese; Oystercatcher; Black-tailed Godwits ; Dunlin; Wood Pigeon; Carrion Crow.

17th March 2016

11.00 a.m.: Mallard; Teal; Canada Geese; Shelduck; 2 Spoonbill; 1 Little Egret; Redshank; Black-headed Gull; Crow; Buzzard; Black-tailed Godwits
12 noon: 2 Spoonbill; 1 Fox

18th March 2016

8.30 a.m.: Hen Harrier; Brent Geese; Black-tailed Godwits; Dunlin; Redshank; Curlew; Shelduck; Grey Plover; 4 Spoonbill fly-over; Grey Heron
5.30 p.m.: ♀ Hen Harrier flew right to left in front of hide; 7 Spoonbill; Stonechat

20th March 2016

10.30 a.m.: 2 Spoonbill; 2 Great Black-backed Gulls

21st March 2016

10.30 a.m.: 4 Spoonbill
12 noon: 1 Snipe

22nd March 2016

1.30 p.m.: Greenshank; 8 Spoonbill; 2 Spotted Redshank; Black-tailed Godwits; Curlew; Redshank; Oystercatcher; Teal; Shelduck; Wigeon; Little Egret; Lesser Black-backed Gull; Canada Geese; Whimbrel
Tree pipit on start of track near parking.

23rd March 2016

11.00 a.m.: Barn Owl quartering the field before the cottages
12 noon: 5 Spoonbill; mutual grooming by two of them.

24th March 2016

Morning: 2 Spoonbill; 2 Spotted Redshank; 1 Merlin; 6 Grey Plover; 2 Bullfinches; Dunlin; Shelduck; Teal; Wigeon; Mallard; Little Egret; 7 Brent Geese
3.55 p.m.: Osprey high over, circling and then dropping towards main Poole Harbour.
4.15 p.m.: Peregrine; Snipe

25th March 2016

8.00 a.m.: 1 Spoonbill; 4 Spotted Redshank; Black-tailed Godwits; Redshank; Curlew; 1 Grey Plover
10 a.m.: 2 Spoonbill; 1 Swallow; 200 Black-tailed Godwits; ♂ Red-breasted Merganser
Noon: 2 Mediterranean Gulls
1.00 p.m.: 1 Merlin on Hartland Moor, near the road.
4.30 p.m.: Little Egret; Curlew; 4 Canada Geese

26th March 2016

8.00 a.m.: 6 Spoonbills; Wigeon; Teal; Canada Geese; Black-headed gulls; Shelduck; Mallard; Curlew; Carrion Crow; Magpies; Little Egret; Starlings; 2 Peregrines

1.30 p.m.: 2 Mallard; 2 Canada Geese; many Little Egret;

27th March 2016

"Happy Easter – from Fiona & John to everyone"

11.00 a.m.: 1 Swallow

2.30 p.m.: Marsh Harrier; Redstart

28th March 2016

11.30 a.m.: c. 270 Black-tailed Godwits; 5 Spoonbill, one leg-ringed green; 4 Spotted Redshank; pair of Gadwall; a few Wigeon; 2 ♂ Wheatear in field to right

1.30 p.m.: Sparrowhawk

29th March 2016

9.15 – 10.45 a.m.: Teal; Redshank; Little Egret; Shelduck; Black-headed Gull; Curlew; Stonechat; Canada Geese; Oystercatcher; 4 Spoonbill; Swallow; Marsh Harrier; Starling; Black-tailed Godwits; Wigeon; Blue Tit; Robin

12.45 p.m.: 4 Spoonbill; pair of Reed Bunting; Stonechat; Wren

1.20 p.m.: 2 Oystercatchers

30th March 2016

2 Spotted Redshank; 5 Spoonbills; 3 Little Egret; Curlew; 18 Teal; Robin; Reed Bunting; Kestrel; pair of Stonechat; Oystercatcher; Curlew; Shelduck.

Dartford Warblers on heath; Goldcrest and Chiffchaffs on farm barn.

31st March 2016

Morning: 6 Spoonbill; 3 Little Egret; Redshank; Teal; Shelduck; Oystercatcher; Curlew.

1st April 2016

Morning: Curlew; Shelduck; 3 Spoonbill; Little Egret; Teal; Redshank; Canada Goose; Buzzard; Mallard; Reed Bunting

2nd April 2016

3 Spotted Redshanks; 3 Wheatears; 4 Spoonbill; Swallow; Fox; 10 Sika ; Teal; Curlew; Black-tailed Godwits; Wigeon; Canada Geese; Oystercatcher; Grey Plover; Dunlin; Little Egrets; Shelduck; Redshank; Mallard; Black-headed Gulls; Carrion Crow.

3rd April 2016

A.M.: Teal; Little Egrets; Crane [*really? –Ed*]; Shelduck; Curlew

4th April 2016

9.45 – 11.00 a.m.: 200 Black-tailed Godwits; Redshank; 1 Spotted Redshank; 20 Dunlin; 10 Grey Plover; Shelduck; Teal; Marsh Harrier; Little Egret; Spoonbill

5th April 2016

9.00 a.m.: 5 Grey Plover; Dunlin; Redshank; Black-tailed Godwits; Oystercatchers; Shelduck; Curlew; Teal; Mallard; Black-headed Gulls; Canada Geese; Little Egret; 1 Wigeon; 1 Swallow

1.10 p.m.: Osprey in dead tree; 3 Spoonbill behind Cottages; 4 Spotted Redshank

1.35 p.m.: Osprey flew off towards Wareham, and re-appeared (if same bird), at 2.05 p.m. over Arne Moor.
4.20 p.m.: Osprey with fish, circled high over head and then disappeared.
4.55 p.m.: Marsh Harrier

6th April 2016

10.00 a.m.: Osprey in Salterns conifers; 3 Spoonbills which flew towards Brownsea at 10.10 a.m.
10.20 a.m.: Osprey flew across Arne Road towards Wareham Channel; 200 Black-tailed Godwits; 2 Grey Plover
11.30 a.m.: Osprey returned with fish; 1 Turnstone (unusual for Middlebere).
1.00 p.m.: 3 Grey Plover; 2 Dunlin; Shelduck; ♀ Marsh Harrier
4.00 p.m. onwards: 12+ Shelduck; 3 Curlew; 12+ Redshank; 1 Canada Goose; 4 Little Egret; 10 Wigeon;
4.45 p.m.: Osprey flew length of opposite tree line, and at 6.30 p.m. flew over water, being mobbed, and came close to hide!

7th April 2016

10.00 a.m.: Grey Plover; 2 Ringed Plover; 560 Black-tailed Godwits;
11.35 a.m.: Osprey high over with flat fish.
11.50 a.m.: Marsh Harrier high over Salterns Copse
1.20 p.m.: ♀ Marsh Harrier
3.30 p.m.: 24 Sika, including 1 white stag, passed in front of hide.

8th April 2016

10.30 a.m.: 1 juvenile Spoonbill; 200 Black-tailed Godwits
12.50 p.m.: juvenile Marsh Harrier fly-past.

9th April 2016

a.m.: 2 Canada Geese; 1 Little Egret; many Shelduck; 1 black-headed gull; 1 Robin; 1 Swallow
5.00 p.m.: 22 Shelduck

10th April 2016

a.m.: 250 Black-tailed Godwits; 80 Shelduck; Canada Geese; Teal; 5 Little Egret; Mallard; pair of Spotted Redshank; Redshank; Marsh Harrier; Black-headed gulls; 6 Curlew; Merlin
5.30 p.m.: 2 Ringtail Hen Harriers.

11th April 2016

9.00 a.m.: 300+ Black-tailed Godwits; 3 Redshank; 20+ Shelduck; Canada Geese; Little Egret

12th April 2016

10.00 a.m.: Shelduck; Canada Geese; Curlew; Teal; Mallard; ♂ Hen Harrier.
5.15 p.m.: Vixen and dog fox fail to frighten 4 Canada Geese!

13th April 2016

10.00 a.m.: 20 Shelduck; Curlew; Oystercatcher; pair of teal; 2 Little Egret; Redshank
11.00 a.m.: 2 Kestrel sat on Osprey nest; 2 Canada Geese;
3.35 p.m.: Marsh Harrier flying low around junction of streams and near Osprey pole. Many Black-tailed Godwits; Swallow; 1 Brent Goose.

14th April 2016

8.00 a.m. 2 Swallows; 2 Goldfinch

1.00 p.m.: 1 Spoonbill; 1 Spotted Redshank

5.00 p.m.: Redshank; Black-tailed Godwits; Shelduck; Curlew, Canada Geese; Little Egret; Teal; Black-headed Gulls; 2 Sika deer;

15th April 2016

8.00 a.m.: Marsh Harrier

11.00 a.m.: Grey Plover; 32 Dunlin in summer plumage

5.00 p.m.: 40 Shelduck; pair of Gadwall; 3 Curlew; 6 Canada Geese; Redshank; c. 300 Black-tailed Godwits; 5 Oystercatchers; 6 x pair of Teal; Little Egret; 35 Dunlin

16th April 2016

10.00 a.m.: Shelduck; Black-headed Gulls;, not much else; Fox.

4.00 p.m.: 2 Spotted Redshank; 6 Ringed Plover; 1 Grey Plover

17th April 2016

11.00 a.m.: Shelduck; Oystercatcher. Very quiet.

18th April 2016

9.00 a.m.: Track – Meadow Pipit; Tree Pipit; Chiffchaff; Cuckoo (heard from Slepe); Swallows; House Martins; Canada Geese

9.30 a.m.: Gadwall; Teal; Shelduck; Little Egrets; 2 Redshank; 1 Spoonbill; Oystercatcher; Cormorant; Curlew; Herring Gull; Black-headed Gull; Carrion Crow; 2 Grey Plover.

19th April 2016

8.50 a.m., Track: Linnets; pair of Bullfinch; Song Thrush; Wrens; Goldfinch; Chaffinch; Dunnock; Swallows; Chiffchaffs.

9.50 a.m.: Little Egret; Shelduck; Oystercatcher; Redshank; 2 Grey Heron; Wheatear; 1 Spoonbill

12.30 p.m.: Fox in field to right.

2.30 p.m.: Marsh Harrier

5.00 p.m.: 2 Wheatear - a pair on grass in front of hide; Little Egret "finding rich pickings along old fence posts to the right"; 2 Spotted Redshank;

3 Wheatear, 1 ♂, 2 ♀.

20th April 2016

8.30 a.m.: Grey Plover; Oystercatcher; Little Egret; 200 Black-tailed Godwits; Shelduck; Teal; Black-headed gulls; Redshank;

1.00 p.m.: 2 Marsh Harrier; Canada Geese; Oystercatcher; Whimbrel

4.00 p.m.: low tide, very quiet, only Shelduck.

21st April 2016

10.00 a.m.: 2 Mallard ducklings on pool with mother; 6 Greenshank

Evening: Whimbrel; Grey Plover; Dunlin; Spotted Redshank

22nd April 2016

2.00 p.m.: 60 Dunlin; Grey Plover; Shelduck; a few Black-tailed Godwits

23rd April 2016

1.30 p.m.: Teal; Oystercatcher; Shelduck; Redshank; Little Egret; Canada Geese; Jackdaw; Mallard

24th April 2016

10.30 a.m.: "About 80 Sika deer running through just in front of hide."

25th April 2016

6.00 p.m.: "5 Sika including a white one crossing the water & mudflat in front of the hide. White one very reluctant to enter water but made it eventually and raced after the other four."

26th April 2016

7.10 a.m.: 18 Shelduck

1.00 p.m.: 201(!) Black-tailed Godwits; 15 Teal; 50 Shelduck; 4 Gadwall; 3 Little Egret; Common Sandpiper; 1 Spotted Redshank in summer plumage [CB]

4.00 p.m.: 201 Black-tailed Godwits ("I'm not one to argue!"); 50+ Dunlin; 4 Oystercatcher

27th April 2016

10.30 a.m.: 40 Black-tailed Godwits arrive;

11.30 a.m.: Grey Plover; 2 Ringed Plover; 4 Dunlin; 2 Redshank;

3.25 p.m.: 1 Spotted Redshank

29th April 2016

10.30 a.m.: 2 Whimbrel

11.30 a.m.: Red Kite; Whimbrel

12 noon: 3 Little Tern (very unusual for Middlebere, but photos confirm)

6.30 p.m.: 1 Spotted Redshank; 1 Ringed Plover; 50 Dunlin; 12 Black-tailed Godwits; 1 Oystercatcher; Shelduck; 8 Little Egret; 1 Whimbrel

30th April 2016

10.30 a.m.: Fox; 18 Shelduck; 4 Oystercatchers; 6 Canada Geese

2.30 p.m.: ♂ Marsh Harrier; Whimbrel

3.30 p.m.: Oystercatcher; Whimbrel; GBB gull; Shelduck; Black-headed gulls; Little Egret; Mallard; Redshank; Dunlin; Swallows; Herring Gull

4.15 p.m.: Osprey with fish

Evening: 4 Little Tern

8.15 p.m.: 20 Sika deer; 2 Oystercatchers; Little Egret; 1 Whimbrel

1st May 2016

4.30 p.m.: 1 Whimbrel

7.30 p.m.: 8 Little Egrets; 1 Whimbrel

9.00 p.m.: Barn Owl (landed on hide!); 24 Dunlin; 8 Shelduck; Canada Goose

2nd May 2016

10.00 a.m.: 6 Sand Martins; 1 Whimbrel; 20 Shelduck; 2 Canada Geese; 2 Oystercatcher; 2 Black-headed Gulls

3rd May 2016

2.30 p.m.: 20 Shelduck; Swallows; 3 Buzzard; Whimbrel

4th May 2016

11.00 a.m.: 10 Whimbrel; Ringed Plover

1.00 p.m.: 4 Buzzard; 37 Shelduck; Oystercatcher; 1 Curlew; 1 Redshank; Little Egret; 20 Sika, incl. white one.

5.05 p.m.: 1 Ringed Plover mid-channel; 2 Redshank; 10 Canada Geese

5th May 2016

4.00 p.m.: Little Egret; Canada Geese

6th May 2016

4.00 p.m.: Canada Geese; Shelduck; Mallard; Spoonbill; Black-headed gull; Pied Wagtail; Little Egret; Swallow; Mallard + 8 ducklings (*class 1A*); Redshank; Whimbrel;

7th May 2016

10.55 a.m.: 32 Shelduck; 30 Black-headed Gulls; Mallard; 7 Oystercatcher; 00s of flies low above pool; Canada Geese; 7 Black-tailed Godwits; Cormorant; Redshank; 2 Greylag Geese.

8th May 2016

10.00 a.m., Track: Goldfinch; Green Woodpecker; Robin; Long-tailed Tits; Chaffinch; Blackcap; Blackbird;

11.00 a.m.: Black-tailed Godwits; Little Egret; Shelduck; Curlew; Gadwall; Mallard; 4 Common Sandpiper. *[Pat & Ray]*

4.00 p.m.: 2 Redshank; Mallard; Shelduck; Oystercatcher; Sika; Kestrel; Little Egret

7.00 p.m.: 30+ Shelduck; Grey Heron; pair of Mallard; pair of Wood Pigeon; 1 Carrion Crow.

9th May 2016

10.30 a.m.: 30 Shelduck; 1 Black-tailed Godwit; 1 Curlew; 28 Black-headed Gulls; Gadwall; 3 Little Egret

12 noon: 1 Greenshank; 1 Redshank; 6 Black-tailed Godwits; Shelduck; 2 Grey Heron; 1 Curlew; 1 Little Egret; 2 Reed Bunting

10th May 2016

1.00 – 2.00 p.m.: 28 Shelduck; Black-headed gulls; 1 Oystercatcher; Canada Goose; Crows; 1 ♂ Gadwall; Marsh Harrier; 7 Redshank; 15 Black-tailed Godwits; 2 Little Egret *[Clive H.]*

11th May 2016

12 noon: 40 Shelduck; 2 Little Egret; 3 Oyster catcher; 12 Black-headed gulls; 6 Canada Geese; Swifts; Swallows; 1 Sandwich Tern; 2 Redshank

12th May 2016

8.15 a.m.: Buzzard; 30 Shelduck; 5 Canada Geese; Little Egret; 2 Black-headed gull; Oystercatcher; Redshank; Marsh Harrier hunting over Slepe Moor to left; Sika deer

10.30 a.m.: Whimbrel; 4 Gadwall; Greenshank

11.30 a.m.: 6 Little Egret; Hobby; Marsh Harrier; Redshank; Oystercatcher; Fox; Sika

13th May 2016

12.30 p.m.: Green Woodpecker; Shelduck; 8 Little Egrets; 6 Oystercatcher; 5 Redshank; Canada Geese; Grey Heron; 1 Reed Warbler, in bamboo by behind cottages; 3 Buzzard; 2 Curlew; Black-headed gulls; Swallows.

6.00 p.m.: 5 Little Egret; umpteen Shelduck; Canada Geese. Fox sunbathing below hedge on right

14th May 2016

10.30 a.m.: 2 Little Egrets

12.30 p.m.: 2 Buzzards; Shelduck; Oystercatchers; Little Egrets; Canada Geese; pair of Mallard.

3.00 p.m.: 6 Little Egret; 45 Oystercatcher; 2 Redshank; 55 Shelduck; Buzzard over Slepe Moor.

15th May 2016

8.30 a.m.: Whitethroat at Tim's Tump; Green Woodpecker, Spotted Flycatcher and Blackcap by first barn.

16th May 2016

5.00 p.m.: 12+ Canada Goose; Several Oystercatchers; flock of Shelduck; 3 Little Egrets.

17th May 2016

8.00 a.m.: 10 Canada Geese; 30+ Shelduck; 1 Sika; 30+ Dunlin; 2 Ringed Plover; 8 Oystercatcher; 1 Grey Heron; Redshank; 7 Little Egret; 2 Long-tailed Tits; 1 Common Tern

7.40 p.m.: Marsh Harrier with kill; pair Grey Heron

18th May 2016

10.00 a.m.: 40 Oystercatcher; 12 Shelduck; 5 Swallows.

4.00 p.m.: 1 pair of Gadwall; 10 Canada Geese; 34 Shelduck; 8 Ringed Plover; 25 Dunlin; 2 Redshank; Grey Heron; 5 Oystercatcher

20th May 2016

9.30 a.m.: 50+ Oystercatcher; 40 Shelduck; 2 Buzzards; 1 Whimbrel

4.00 p.m.: 58 Shelduck!

21st May 2016

4.00 p.m.: 39 Shelduck; 21 Canada Geese; 1 Redshank; 3 Oystercatcher

6.00 p.m.: Many Shelduck, Oystercatchers, Canada Geese; Redshank; Little Egrets; Fox with rabbit kill walked left to right in front of hide.

22nd May 2016

8.30 a.m.: Oystercatchers; Redshank; Canada Geese; Little Egrets

23rd May 2016

3.00 p.m.: Oystercatchers; Little Egret; Canada Geese; Black-headed Gull; Shelduck; Sika deer; Redshank; Pheasant.

24th May 2016

8.00 a.m.: ♀ Marsh Harrier flew across hide

9.30 a.m.: Green Woodpecker; Shelduck; 2 Reed Warbler; Black-headed Gulls

2.00 p.m.: Oystercatcher; Redshank; Black-tailed Godwits; Little Egret; Black-headed Gulls; Shelduck; Mallard; Swallow; Canada Geese.

25th May 2016

8.30 a.m.: Shelduck; Black-tailed Godwits; Canada Geese; Stonechat; Reed Bunting; Black-headed Gull; Redshank; Oystercatcher; Little Egret; (*pair of birds in reeds – only saw their heads – pale greeny-grey long black beaks yip yip yip*)

26th May 2016

7 a.m.: Sika deer; Canada Geese; Shelduck; Green Woodpecker; Chaffinch; Starlings; Herring Gull; Carrion Crow; Pied Wagtail.

11.00 a.m.: Swallow; Little Egret; Reed Bunting; Redshank; Kestrel

2.15 p.m.: Marsh Harrier

Evening: Garden Warbler, singing between cottages and barns).

27th May 2016

4.30 p.m.: Shelduck; 'thousands' of Black-headed gulls;

5.30 p.m.: 5 Little Egrets;

6.00 p.m.: Marsh Harrier flew close to hide , "a beautiful view just for us!", [*a Happy Couple, Cheryl & Ron*]

Little Egret fishing in pool in front of hide.

28th May 2016

8.30 a.m.: Shelduck; Little Egrets; Starlings; Black-headed Gulls; Pied Wagtail; Canada Geese; Goldfinch; Swallow; Blackcap; Yellow-legged Gull.

3.00 p.m.: 42 Oystercatcher; 74 Shelduck; 2 Little Egret; 76 Black-tailed Godwits; 1 Redshank

Evening: 1 Sika crossed from Arne to Middlebere shore

29th May 2016

7.00 p.m.: Shelduck; Oystercatchers; Canada Geese; Sika; Black-headed Gulls; Starlings; Wood Pigeon; Marsh Harrier; Grey Heron; Little Egret

30th May 2016

10.00 a.m.: Shelduck; Oystercatcher; Marsh Harrier; Black-headed Gull; Starlings; Wood Pigeon; Little Egret

11.30 a.m.: Little Egret; 20 Shelduck; Canada Geese.

4.30 p.m., Track: pair of Stonechats with 3 young; many Goldfinch; 2 Green Woodpeckers; Long-tailed Tits; Blackbirds; Robin; Grass snake; young Adder; Linnets; Stock Dove; Chaffinch; Blue Tits; Reed Warbler; Wren; Starlings

6.50 p.m., Hide: Black-tailed Godwits; Shelduck; Oystercatchers; Gadwall; Little Egrets; Swallows; Redshank [Pat & Ray]

1st June 2016

2.30 p.m.: 71 Black-tailed Godwits; 1 ♂ Gadwall; Little Egret; 25 Shelduck; 1 Grey Heron; 3 Knot.

2nd June 2016

9.30 a.m.: Many Shelduck; Black-tailed Godwits; Oystercatchers; Black-headed Gulls; 2 Little Egrets; Wood Pigeons.

11.00 a.m.: Green Woodpecker on track

12 noon: 2 Sika to right of hide; Swallows; Wren; Blue Tit

3rd June 2016

12 noon: 14 Shelduck; 60+ Black-tailed Godwits; 40+ Oystercatcher; 4 Little Egrets; Buzzard; 300+ Black-headed Gulls

4th June 2016

11.30 a.m.: Sedge Warbler and Blackcap by cottages; Swallows; 50+ Black-tailed Godwits; Swifts; Shelduck; Black-headed Gulls; Little Egrets; Oystercatchers; Sika; 1 Curlew; 5 Redshank; Marsh Harrier; Grey Heron

6.30 p.m.: Marsh Harrier; Black-tailed Godwits; Little Egrets; pair of Sika; Goldfinches; small unidentified wader (probably v. rare).

5th June 2016

10.30 a.m.: many Little Egret; Shelduck; Redshank; Marsh Harrier.

6th June 2016

9.40 – 10.25 a.m.: Track: Grey Heron; Blackcap; Song Thrush; Meadow Pipit; Chaffinch; Goldfinch; Bullfinch; Dartford Warbler; Reed Warbler; Jackdaw; Carrion Crow; Pied Wagtail; Wren; Dunnock; Blackbird; Blue Tit; Long-tailed Tit; Little Egret. Hide: Black-headed Gull; Canada Goose + young; Redshank; 50+ Black-tailed Godwits; 25+ Shelduck; 16 Oystercatcher; Starling; Swallow; 2 Little Egret; pair of Gadwall

7th June 2016

11.00 – 11.45 a.m.: Shelduck, + 2 ducklings; Mallard; Chaffinch; Black-tailed Godwits; Black-headed Gulls; Little Egret; Herring Gull; Oystercatcher; Redshank; Canada Geese; Sika; Mute Swan
2.30 p.m.: 88 Black-tailed Godwits; 15 Sika deer in field to right; Marsh Harrier; Black-headed Gulls; Little Egret.

9th June 2016

8.30 a.m.: 52 Black-tailed Godwits; 6 Shelduck; 4 Mallard; 3 Knot; 5 Little Egret; 2 Redshank
2.00 p.m.: 2 Avocet; 100 Black-tailed Godwits; 4 Little Egret; Oystercatchers; Shelduck
3.30 p.m. Cuckoo

10th June 2016

5.30 p.m.: Fox; Curlew; 2 Avocet, copulated at 5.40 p.m.; 150 Black-headed Gulls; 26 Black-tailed Godwits; 1 Redshank; Marsh Harrier

11th June 2016

12.30 p.m.: Little Egret; family of Long-tailed Tits by barn; 120+ Black-tailed Godwits; Shelduck; Black-headed Gulls

12th June 2016

2.00 p.m.: 130+ Black-tailed Godwits; 16 Oystercatcher; 38 Shelduck; 4 Little Egret

13th June 2016

11.00 a.m.: ♀ Marsh Harrier.
2.00 p.m.: 39 Shelduck + 4 ducklings; 11 Oystercatcher; 83 Black-tailed Godwits; 8 Little Egrets

14th June 2016

9.00 a.m.: 6 Little Grebe; 100 Black-headed Gulls; 1 Cetti's Warbler; 14 Shelduck; 30 Oystercatcher; 90 Black-tailed Godwits; 4 Canada Geese; 2 Redshank; Mallard; Reed Bunting; Grey Wagtail.

16th June 2016

Little Egrets; Grey Heron; Shelduck and young; Mallard; Redshank; Black-tailed Godwits; Black-headed Gulls; Oystercatcher
3.30 - 4.30 p.m.: 4 Little Egrets; Shelduck + young; Pair of Redshank in pool in front of hide; Black-tailed Godwits; flock of young Starlings; "I say Peregrine, he says Sparrowhawk" after the starlings; Black-headed Gulls; Oystercatchers

19th June 2016

10.00 a.m.: 2 Grey heron; 8 Little Egret; 30+ Oystercatcher; Shelduck; Black-headed Gulls; Curlew
2.00 p.m.: Marsh Harrier

20th June 2016

3.00 p.m.: 6 Little Egret; 35 Shelduck; 5 Oystercatcher; 1 Curlew; 20 Black-headed Gulls; 2 Black-tailed Godwit

21st June 2016

c. 20 Black-tailed Godwits; 7 Little Egrets; 14 Shelduck; 6 Oystercatcher; c. 60 Black-headed Gulls; 2 Herring Gull; 5 Redshank; 1 Curlew; 1 Grey heron; 4 Sika deer

2.00 p.m. ♂ Marsh Harrier

N.B. Osprey reported in Wareham Channel

22nd June 2016

1.30 p.m. 13 Black-tailed Godwits; 7 Little Egrets; 1 Grey Heron; 1 Marsh Harrier; 6 Oystercatcher; c. 12 Shelduck; 3 Sika deer

3.00 p.m.: 24 Shelduck; 75 Black-tailed Godwits; 1 Redshank; 9 Little Egret; 30+ Black-headed Gulls

8.00 p.m.: 3 Grey Heron in the trees to the right of hide.

23rd June 2016

11.30 a.m.: 10 Shelduck, with 3 ducklings; 1 Grey Heron; 6 Oystercatchers; 8 Little Egrets; 31 Black-headed Gulls; 2 Sika

5.30 p.m.: Barn Owl, but then heavy rain from 5.35 p.m.!

24th June 2016

2.30 p.m.: 1 Sika deer; 1 Grey Heron; 6 Little Egrets; 8 Oystercatcher; 90+ Black-tailed Godwits; Shelduck; 2 Curlew; 2 Swallows

25th June 2016

2.30 p.m.: 12 Sika hinds crossed from left to right in front of hide. 50+ Oystercatchers; 40 Shelduck; 50+ Black-tailed Godwits; 3 Shelducklings + parents; Redshank

26th June 2016

3.00 p.m.: 6 Sika deer; 9 Little Egrets; Shelduck; Oystercatchers; House Martins; Black-headed Gulls

27th June 2016

9.30-10.45 p.m.: 18 Shelduck; + young; 4 Oystercatcher; 5 Black-tailed Godwit; 1 Curlew; 2 Grey heron; 4 Little Egret; Swallows; Swifts; Blackcaps in copse and by the cottages.

28th June 2016

Swallows; Shelduck; Grey Herons; 6 Little Egrets; 2 Oystercatcher; Black-headed Gull; Sandwich Tern.

Some species of particular interest (to me):

Great White Egret: 2014: 22, 27 Oct.; 22, 24, 25 Nov.;
2015: 7, 22 Sept.; 9, 10, 11, 24, 26 Oct.; 8 Nov.; 9 Dec.;
2016: 16, 24 Jan.; 18 Feb.

Grey Plover: 2014: 5 Sep.; 14, 25 Dec.
2015: 1, 4, 10, 13, 30 Jan.; 4, 12, 14, 15, Feb.; 8 Mar.;
2, 3, 7 Nov; 20 Dec.;
2016: 8 Jan.; 17, 18, 28 Feb.; 1, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14,
15, 18, 24 Mar.; 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 15, 16, 18, 20, 21, 22, 27 April.

Hen Harrier, Ringtail (female, juvenile or unspecified):
2014: 27, 28 Sept.; 8, 10, 11, 18, 26, 31 Oct.; 9, 28, Nov.;
1, 6, 13, 14, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 28, 31 Dec.;
2015: 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 13, 23, 24, 30 Jan.; 6-8, 10, 14, 15, 17, 18,
20, 24, 26 Feb.; 1, 4, 8, 11, 13, 19, 21 Mar.;
19, 20, 22, 24-28, 31 Oct.; 1, 3, 4, 9, 13, 16, 20, 22, 23, 28, 29,
30 Nov.; 4, 5, 8, 9, 12, 17, 18, 23, 25 Dec.
2016: 3, 24 Jan.; 14, 16, 21, 26, 27 Feb.; 1, 4, 7, 10, 12, 14,
16, 18 Mar.; 10 April.

Hen Harrier (male): 2014: 10, 23 Dec.
2015: 24 Jan.; 8 Feb.; 31 Oct; 3, 24 Dec.
2016: 15, 16, 22, 23 Jan.; 15, 16, 24, 26 Feb.; 12 April.

Merlin: 2014: 12, 26, 31 Oct.; 12, 15, 29 Nov.; 13, 21 Dec.
2015: 1, 5, 10, 24, 30 Jan.; 3 Feb.; 19 Mar.; 3, 8, 15, 18, 25, 30
Nov.; 8, 9, 12, 15 Dec.
2016: 1, 14, Jan.; 2, 16, 18, 29 Feb.; 1, 2, 10, 24, 25 Mar.;
10 April.

Osprey: 2014: 6, 19, 21-25, 27, 29-31 Aug.; 1-5, 7-14, 16, 18, 19 Sept.;
2015: 22 May; 25, 29 July; 5, 9, 18, 20-23, 26, 28-31 Aug; 4-6,
15 Sept.
2016: 24 Mar; 5-7, 30 April; 21 June.

Whimbrel: 2015: 29 April; 21, 26 Jul; 1, 8, 16, 20, 22, 26 Aug.
2016: 22 Mar; 20, 21, 29, 30 April; 1, 2, 3, 6, 12, 20 May; 8
July.

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