

S. E. Hampshire

Nature Notes



Two weeks ending 26th September 2021.

BIRDS

Large flocks of **Brent geese** were seen p.m. on 20th in Chichester Harbour.

On 22nd there were over 120 **pintails** on the lake at Farlington.

There was a **garganey** at Hill Head among the mallards on 15th.

On 25th there were 2 **water rails** at Farlington Marshes.

Two **avocets** were on the stream at Farlington on 15th.

There was a **curlew sandpiper** off the point at Farlington on 20th. One or two have been present until 26th.

There was also a rather flighty **green sandpiper** at Farlington on 24th.

There were **greenshanks** this week at Warblington, Emsworth and Farlington.

Ruffs, common, wood and green sandpipers were seen at Titchfield Haven up to 19th.

There was a **snipe** at Pigeon House Farm Widley on 26th.

A juvenile **arctic tern** was among 300 terns at Black Point Hayling on 13th.

There was a **little tern** at The Kench on Hayling on 18th.

A **white stork** was seen over the north of Langstone harbour at 16:20 on 15th and on a radio mast north of the A27 at Farlington Marshes at 17:08. on 16th.



A **glossy ibis** was in the fields between Nore Barn and Warblington from 15th to 26th mainly in the first field east of the church and the

cemetery.

A **cattle egret** was on the stream at Farlington on 13th, 15th and 24th. There were 8 at Mill Rythe on 24th.

Four **tawny owls** were reported in a Waterlooville park on 14th. Others were heard around Christchurch Widley and on Hayling Island.

Hobbies were seen at Farlington and the Hayling

oyster beds on 13th; and at Titchfield Haven on 17th. One was with 2 **buzzards** and a **red kite** over south Havant on 16th.

An **osprey** has been seen between 20th and 24th often on the usual dead trees on N Binness Island.

A juvenile **marsh harrier** was foraging over the Thorney reed beds on 24th.

A **Red-backed Shrike** was at the Thorney Little Deep on 24th, fly-catching etc near the gravel track. It was then disturbed by walkers and it flew over to a bush on the south side of the Little Deep, about 80yds from the footpath. It then became quite elusive at times but showing well on occasions

There was a **bearded tit** at Farlington on 15th, 4 in reeds east of the viewpoint, on 24th and 15 in the Thorney reed beds on 24th.

A **firecrest** was seen on the lane that goes between Waterlooville Golf Course and Hazleton Common on Saturday the 18th.

Two **garden warblers** were in bushes along the stream at Farlington on 15th.

There were 2 **lesser whitethroats** at the oyster beds on 13th.

Spotted flycatchers were seen at Fort Widley on 23rd and 24th.

A **whinchat** was at Gunner Point Hayling on 13th and 2 were in the point field at Farlington on 15th.

Nine **yellow wagtails** were on the Sinah golf course Hayling on 13th.

PLANTS

During the Friends of Langstone Harbour litter pick on 18th **gypsywort** (aka water horehound) and **perennial sow thistle** were seen.

Wildlife Events

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