



S. E. Hampshire

Nature Notes

Week ending 8th September 2019

BIRDS

A **barnacle goose** and around 140 **teal** were at Titchfield Haven on 4th.



Culver, one of the **white-tailed eagles** released on the I of W that had flown as far as Essex, was seen on Thorney Island and then over Fishery Creek Hayling Island

on his return flight to the re-

lease site on 5th.

There were at least 14 **cattle egrets** among the cattle on Thorney Island on 7th.

There was still an **osprey** at Titchfield Haven on 2nd and 3rd and the Binness Island bird continues to rest there. On 5th two birds were involved in 'spectacular acrobatics' over the island. On 7th there were 2 on the east side of Thorney Island.

Among the **black-tailed godwits** at Farlington Marshes on 3rd there was a single **bar-tailed**. A **spotted redshank** was in the harbour on 5th.

A juvenile **Kentish plover** was with ringed plovers and sanderling at a high tide roost on the beach at Eastoke Hayling Island on 2nd and still there 15.40. On 7th it was at the high tide roost on the beach half way between Eastoke Corner and Creek Road before disappearing out to sea.

Two immature **ruffs** were on the stream at Farlington Marshes on 8th,

Two juvenile **curlew sandpipers** were on the lake at Farlington Marshes for their 4th day on 4th.

Single **common** and **green sandpipers** were seen at Farlington Marshes on 3rd. Two greens were on 11 acre scrape at Titchfield Haven on

4th.

Lesser whitethroats have been seen this week at Farlington Marshes, Posbrook Floods and Crofton Cemetery.

Two **willow warblers** were at Northney Paddocks Hayling Island on 8th.

A **sedge warbler** was south of Fort Widley on Portsdown on 7th.



Spotted flycatchers were seen in bushes by the Hayling Island lifeboat station and at Northney Paddocks Hayling Island on 5th. Later in the week they were also present on Thorney Island

and Portsdown.

A male **redstart** was in the bushes around the Meadow Hide at Titchfield Haven on 3rd. One was at Pigeon House Farm (Widley) on 5th with a **chiffchaff** and 7 **wheatears**. **Redstarts, whinchats** and **wheatears** have been widespread later in the week.

Two **pie flycatchers** were on the southern slope of Portsdown on 7th, an adult above the east end of Paulsgrove chalk pit and an immature south of the roundabout.

There were 8 **yellow wagtails** at Farlington Marshes and 3 at Budds Farm Sewage Farm on 5th.

BUTTERFLIES

Another **clouded yellow** was on Portsdown on 4th.

OTHER WILDLIFE

On the southern end of Thorney Island there were 42 **seals** hauled up on the mudflats on 7th.

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