

S. E. Hampshire

Nature Notes



Week ending April 24th 2022.

BIRDS

There were 4 **barnacle geese** at Farlington on 21st.

The first local report of a **cuckoo** was from Titchfield Haven on 24th.

Flocks of up to 30 **whimbrel** have been seen in Langstone Harbour at Castle Shore Park Portchester and from the Titchfield canal path,

There were 3 **bar-tailed godwits** and a **spotted redshank** on the lake at Farlington on 21st. Three of the godwits were seen at Titchfield Haven on 24th.

Twelve **greenshanks** were at Farlington Marshes on 24th – 11 on the lake and 1 on a pool west of the point.

Three **little ringed plovers** were on the Posbrook Floods on 19th.

Eight **sanderlings** were on the ECA slip in Langstone Harbour on 21st.

A **wood sandpiper** was on the deeps at Farlington till midday on 22nd.

There were 9 **common terns** at the Hayling oyster beds on 19th.

Three **spoonbills** were on Farlington Marshes on between 20th and 24th.

A **black-throated diver** continues to be around the Chichester Harbour entrance often close to the shore.



Red kites have been seen over Lovedean and the Chichester Harbour entrance.

A **hobby** flew NE over the point field at Farlington Marshes on 24th.

At least 50 **house martins** and around 20 **swallows** were over the Posbrook floods on 18th. More house martins were at Budds Farm Bedhampton on 19th.

Four **bearded tits** were seen at Farlington Marshes on 19th.

Lesser whitethroats were seen along the Titchfield canal path and by the IBM lake at Cosham on 18th; and **common whitethroats** were at Farlington Marshes on 19th and Titchfield Haven on 24th.

Four **sedge warblers** were seen from the Titchfield canal path on 24th.

A **yellow wagtail** was at Farlington Marshes on 20th.

BUTTERFLIES

There are plenty of butterflies about now. A

small copper butterfly was seen on a gorse bush at Beachlands Hayling Island on 18th, **holly blues** and **green hair streaks** on Portsdown and other sites.



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