

S. E. Hampshire

Nature Notes



Week ending August 14th 2022.

BIRDS

An additional **dark-bellied Brent goose** has appeared in the Mill Rythe/Gutner Point area of Chichester Harbour but is keeping apart from the regular 5.

A **ringed teal** was still hanging around the south scrape at Titchfield Haven on 8th.

A **turtle dove** flew south through the reserve at Sandy Point Hayling Island on 12th.

Farlington Marshes was one of the coastal sites recording **ruffs** at the end of this week.

Up to 3 **curlew sandpipers** were seen this week at Farlington.

There was a **little ringed plover** on the south scrape at Titchfield Haven on 10th and 2 on 12th.

A **common** and 2 **green sandpipers** were on the stream at Farlington p.m. on 8th. More were seen at various sites later in the week. A **wood sandpiper** was seen on the stream and the lake on 13th.

There were 2 ringed adult **roseate terns** in the Black Point Hayling tern roost on 8th. Roseates and **black terns** have also been seen at Hill Head with up to a dozen blacks.

Four **glossy ibises** were on the south scrape at Titchfield Haven on 8th and on the river on 12th until they flew west.

A **peregrine** flew over a Clanfield garden several times this week and a **hobby** was seen over the A3(M) Waterlooville junction on 14th.

Four **bearded tits** were in reeds by the hut at Farlington Marshes on 8th.

Three **pieb flycatchers** were in ash trees at Fishery Creek Hayling Island on 11th and 12th. There were 2 **spotted flycatchers**

at Northney and 18 on Old Winchester Hill on 12th.

On 13th 3 **whinchats** were on a fence north of Fort Nelson and 1 at the deeps on Farlington Marshes with **wheatears**.

Up to 4 **tree pipits** were on Old Winchester Hill this week.

Three **yellow wagtails** were among cattle near the hut at Farlington on 13th.

BUTTERFLIES

A pristine female **brown hairstreak** was prospecting for egg laying locations on a long Blackthorn rich hedgerow on Portsdown this week.

Hummingbird hawkmoths are widespread and have been seen e.g. in Northney, Sinah, Cosham and Portsdown.

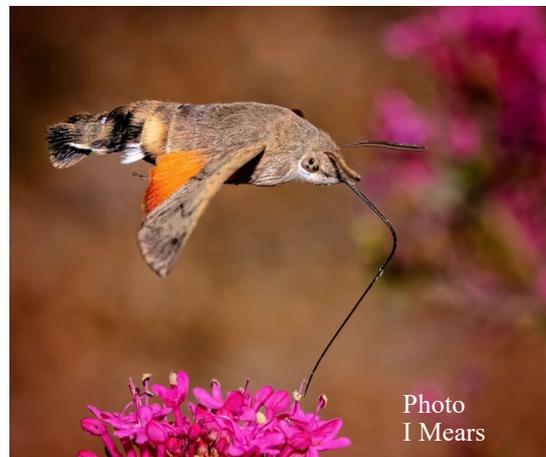


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OTHER WILDLIFE

There were thousands of **mussels** and dozens of **cup oysters** around or on the South Parade Pier at Southsea on 12th.