

*S. E. Hampshire*

# Nature Notes



Week ending November 5th 2023.

## Birds

A **red-legged partridge** was seen on the Bedhampton end of Portsdown on 30<sup>th</sup>.

On 3<sup>rd</sup> a long-returning **hybrid Brent goose** was in Langstone Harbour at the shore end of Southmoor Lane as was a **light-bellied Brent**. The light bellied bird was still around on 5<sup>th</sup>.

There were 2 **greylag geese** on the Posbrook floods on 30<sup>th</sup>.

A **common scoter** was off the oyster beds and a **long-tailed duck** in a bay at the south end of the Hayling bridge on 30<sup>th</sup>. On 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> the LTD was in the lagoon.

A 'red-head' **goosander** was on the flooded pool at Southmoor Bedhampton on 3<sup>rd</sup>.

There were over 90 **knot** at Farlington Marshes on 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Kittiwakes, little gulls and Sandwich terns** flew west in Hayling Bay on 2<sup>nd</sup>. Two

**Sandwich terns** were in the harbour and seen from a car on the A27 slip road.

**Leaches petrels** were seen flying east at Hill Head, Hayling Bay and Sussex sites on 2<sup>nd</sup> with a few stragglers next day.



On 5<sup>th</sup> a **guillemot** drifted on the current past the Hill Head sailing club towards Lee-on-the-Solent.

There were 3 **glossy ibis** in the SW corner of the Titchfield Bridge St floods on 30<sup>th</sup>.

Up to 4 **short-eared owls** were at Farlington and 1 at Titchfield Haven on 30<sup>th</sup>. There were 3 at Farlington on 1<sup>st</sup>.

A **merlin** flew over the west side of Titchfield Haven on 30<sup>th</sup>.

Two **bearded tits** were near the viewpoint at Farlington on 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Firecrests** have been seen this week at Langstone and Warblington.

A single **ring ouzel** was on the southern slopes of the Old Winchester Hill iron age fort on 30<sup>th</sup>.

A **spotted flycatcher** was seen at Castle Farm Warblington on 31<sup>st</sup>.

