



## Welcome to the LBC eNewsletter – October 2023

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### **Saltfleetby-Theddlethorpe NNR LBC Walk - Saturday October 14th 2023 - Start time 8.30**



Join Owen Beaumont, of Natural England, for a guided walk at Saltfleetby-Theddlethorpe Dunes NNR to learn more about the reserve and look for the different birds which can be found there.

The walk will be led by Owen Beaumont, Reserve Warden, and will start and end at Rimac car park.

Please make sure to book a place if you want to join, by emailing [sally.prescott142@btinternet.com](mailto:sally.prescott142@btinternet.com). We look forward to seeing you there!



Saltfleetby-Theddlethorpe Dunes NNR is located on the Lincolnshire coast, covering the 8km stretch between Saltfleet and Mablethorpe. With a varied mixture of habitats, including sand dunes, and a prime coastal location, the reserve has the third highest bird species list in the county. This walk will hope to focus on autumn migrants, hence the date in mid-October when many species should be moving through the East coast. A variety of rare birds have been found there through the years, with the autumn migration season having potential for some exciting sightings.

The walk will start and end at Rimac (LN11 7TS), with a 2-mile loop through the dune paths set to last approximately 2 hours. Parking can be made through a voluntary payment on the RingGo app, with proceeds used for the upkeep of the reserve. Toilets will be made available at Rimac car park, but no other facilities are accessible throughout the walk. No prior knowledge or experience is needed, but please bring your own binoculars for this event. Please make sure to book a place if you want to join, by emailing [sally.prescott142@btinternet.com](mailto:sally.prescott142@btinternet.com).





## Natural England chairman 'launches' Coronation Coast Nature Reserve

LINCOLNSHIRE is home to Britain's first 'Royal' nature reserve - and that's official.

The Coronation Coast National Nature Reserve was launched last month in the unlikely venue of the leisure centre on Cleethorpes seafront with a speech by the chairman of Natural England, Tony Juniper, who was accompanied by the organisation's chief executive, Marian Spain.

Others present included the chief executive of the Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust, Paul Learoyd, and Michael Copleston who is director of the RSPB's newly-formed political campaigning offshoot, RSPB England.

Unfortunately, the King, Charles III was unable to attend because he was preparing for his state visit to France which began the next day.

After the speeches and buffet lunch, the VIPs set off for what was due to be an hour long walk around the saltmarsh, but this was curtailed after just five minutes when bad light and heavy rain stopped play.



**Welcome to Cleethorpes - (from left) Michael Copleston (RSPB), Deborah Campbell (Environment Agency), Cllr Philip Jackson (North East Lincolnshire Council), Paul Learoyd (Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust), Marian Spain (Natural England), Tony Juniper (Natural England), Cllr Colin Davie (Lincolnshire County Council), Mike Green (Defence Infrastructure Organisation), David Hill (Defra)**

## News in brief

### LWT reserves news

A disappointing total of 4 Little Tern chicks fledged this summer at Gibraltar Point nature reserve thank to concerted efforts to protect the nests from predation and disturbance.

Other success stories reported by the Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust included another successful year of breeding by Cranes at its Willow Tree Fen reserve (where there is also a roost of up to 20 birds in winter) and an increase in wading bird species (up from five to 17) at Anderby Creek.

On the downside, for the second successive year, Nightingales have failed to breed - or even put in an appearance - at the Trust's Whisby reserve near Lincoln.

### Local Nature Recovery Strategy Survey

LBC members are being urged to take part in a short survey which seeks to identify Lincolnshire's most significant wildlife habitats. The link is: [www.letstalk.lincolnshire.gov.uk/local-nature-recovery-strategy](http://www.letstalk.lincolnshire.gov.uk/local-nature-recovery-strategy)

### A Yankee Autumn

The editor of Birdwatch magazine, Josh Jones, has described the last fortnight of September 2023 as "one of the all-time great birding spells in Britain and Ireland". Turbulent weather in the Atlantic brought to our western shores in excess of 50 individuals of 15 American species including Bobolink, Alder Flycatcher, Black-and-white Warbler, Bay-breasted Warbler, Tennessee Warbler, Blackburnian Warbler, Canada Warbler, Magnolia Warbler, Baltimore Oriole, Philadelphia Vireo, Red-eyed Vireo and American Cliff Swallow. Sadly none have made it to Lincolnshire...yet!

### Sand dunes and saltmarsh, our coastline is an internationally important

The leader of North East Lincolnshire Council has banged the drum for eco-tourism. Says Cllr Philip Jackson: "With its sand dunes and saltmarsh, our coastline is an internationally important landscape for wildlife and provides an excellent opportunity to attract more visitors throughout the year."

### Rural Reaction

A new political party, Rural Reaction, has been formed to fly the flag for countryside issues such as farming, wildlife welfare and field sports. Founded by Nottingham-born former BBC journalist and political lobbyist Ian Gregory, it intends to put up candidates at the next General Election (at least 40) as well as at the local elections in spring. Birders will be waiting with interest to hear their views on protecting our environment and bird populations.

### Kitty Hamilton

Lincolnshire Bird Club member Kitty Hamilton is standing for re-election as a trustee of the Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust. She is a director of Willoughby Farms Ltd and Alford Crematorium and has an MSc degree in Biological Recording. Kitty competes in eventing at international level with her two horses, and she also enjoys running.

## RiverLight Festival

An event to highlight wildlife and biodiversity is being held in Sleaford on Saturday October 21. Details of the Sleaford RiverLight Festival can be found at: <http://www.facebook.com/RiverlightFestival> Lincolnshire List – additional material including ‘Finder’s reports’.

## LBC Website Updates

The text from the new Birds of Lincolnshire has been added to the species accounts for all birds on the Lincolnshire List\*. In addition, following the purchase of old paper BBRC submissions by the club, ‘finders reports’ have also been added together with original sketches where available. Records of the rare and scarce species seen in the county (accepted by LBRC or BBRC) have also been included up to 2022.

Inevitably there may be some gaps in the record and if anyone notices omissions, or indeed frank errors, typo’s etc, please let me know, but please have a look !

\*<https://www.lincsbirdclub.co.uk/site/index.php/information/the-lincs-list>, full text accessible to LBC members only.

Phil Hyde, LBC county Recorder.

## Book review: Inn Search of Birds by John Lawton

BACK in winter, 1990, the landlady of the Barley Mow pub in Friskney, between Boston and Skegness, was thinking of calling it quits because income over the counter barely matched outgoings.

Then came a stroke of luck that prompted an almost immediate change of heart by mine hostess.

On Christmas Eve, a Snowy Owl arrived, thence to spend most of the next three months perched conspicuously in the middle of a ploughed field just off Sea Lane where the pub is located.

Her takings soared as delighted birders celebrated seeing the spectacular bird, particularly so far outside its normal range, with a jar (or two) of Batemans best XXX bitter.

The landlady was doubly grateful when someone presented her with a framed print of the bird for the saloon bar, but, fearing it would upset traditionalist villagers, she balked at a suggestion of changing the name of her pub in honour of the distinguished avian visitor.

I was reminded of this episode by publication in June of *Inn Search of Birds* - a fascinating exploration of bird names and signage given to pubs up and down the British Isles.

If the Barley Mow name had changed, it would have been one of only two Snowy Owl pubs on record - the other being one in Cramlington, Northumberland.

The book's author, Prof Sir John Lawton, is best known as an academic - almost a cult hero in conservation circles on account of his report, *Making Space for Nature*, which calls both for more wildlife sites and for them to be "bigger, better and joined up".

Academics often have a stuffy and pompous way of writing that can make their material almost incomprehensible to lesser mortals, but this is not the case with York-based Prof Sir John who is a long-standing birder and a vice-president of the RSPB.

In his extensive survey, which includes several Lincolnshire hostelries, his narrative bubbles along like a fast-moving brook. It is endlessly informative and peppered throughout with wry humour.

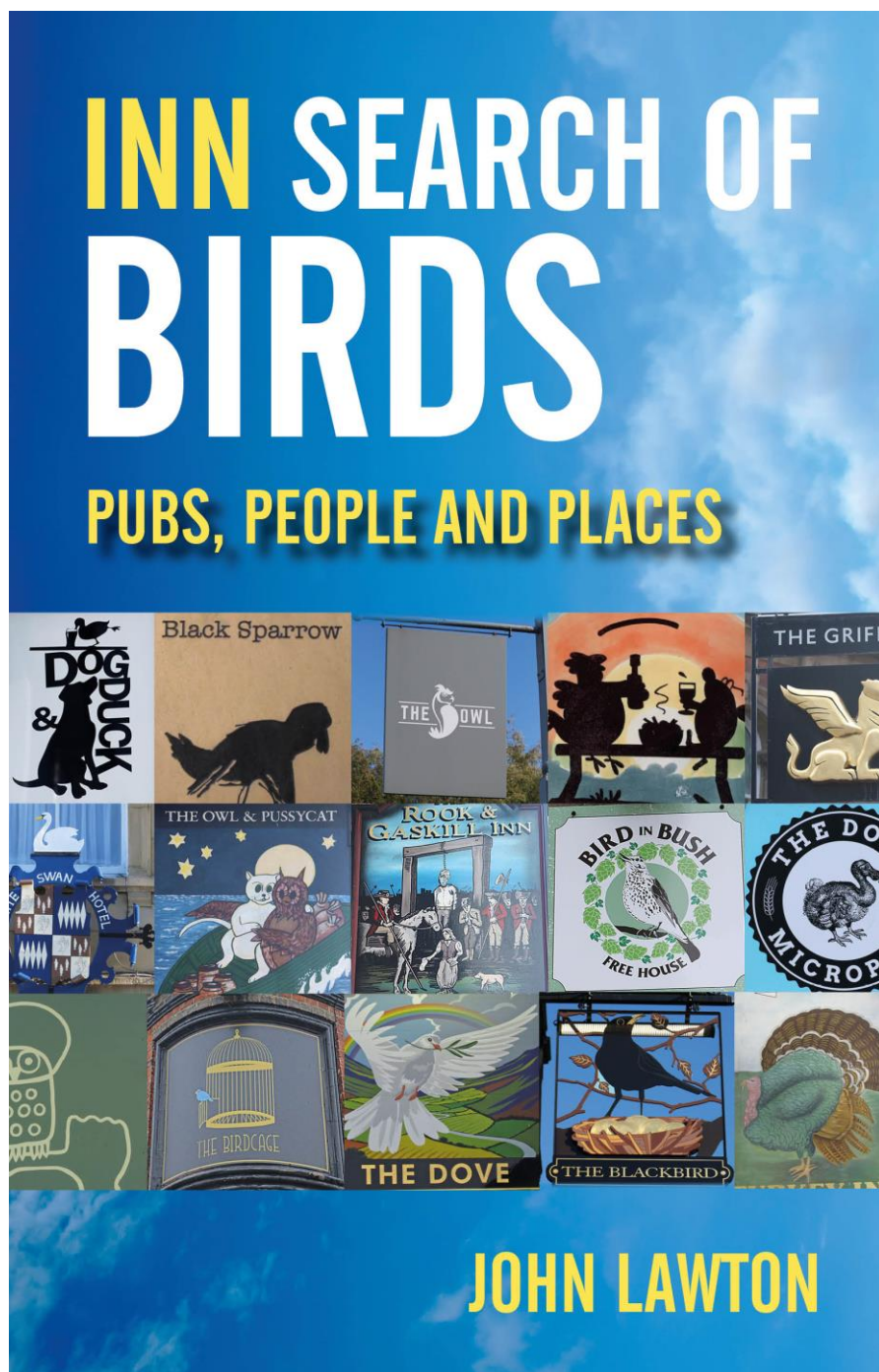
Credit, too, for his modesty. "There are many areas in the story of pub birds that I do not understand," he writes in the preface.

"I see *Inn Search of Birds* as work in progress, to be picked up and re-worked by others to correct my mistakes and add to the sum of human knowledge."

He says his book is "not to be taken too seriously but is meant to be fun and entertaining as well as accurate and informative", adding that it is "also quirky - at least I hope it is".

Lavishly illustrated, *Inn Search of Birds* is published in paperback at £18.99 by the go-ahead Scottish firm, Whittles Publishing ([www.whittlespublishing.com](http://www.whittlespublishing.com)).

**Jim Wright**





## Scotland ahoy! The Cairngorms beckon for Lincs Bird Club members

LINCOLNSHIRE Bird Club members are again being invited to join a birding trip to Kingussie, near Aviemore in the Scottish Highlands.

Coach firm Cairngorm Travel is keen to repeat the pilot venture of spring this year.

In 2024, it will be a little later - departing Wednesday May 1 and returning Sunday May 5. This ought to be better for birding. Hopefully more summer migrants will have arrived and there will be more daylight hours for observing.



The format is the same as before with coach pick-ups at Cleethorpes, Grimsby and Scunthorpe and some minibus feeders - eg to and from Louth and Lincoln.

The four nights' accommodation at the Duke of Gordon hotel includes:

- \* Five-course candle-lit evening meal
- \* Full buffet breakfast
- \* Hotel portorage
- \* Entertainment every night

The cost is £300 per person for two sharing a room.

The hotel has four single rooms - also £300 per person - but these tend to get snapped up early. Thereafter there is a £20 per person supplement for single occupancy of a double room.

It is one of the least expensive and best value birding holidays on the market.

So as not to miss out, booking is best made as soon as possible because there is only limited availability. Payment of a £50 deposit would be welcome on booking but payable by October 30 at the latest.

The aim is to have two excursions while staying at the hotel. Earlier this year, we went to a) RSPB Abernethy/ Loch Garten to view the ospreys etc and b) to Lochendorb to view the breeding black-throated divers (which failed to appear, so we had to make do with red grouse!)

Next year the aim for two different destinations which are yet to be determined and will depend a) on the passengers' varying levels of stamina/ mobility and b) whether access is possible by coach.

Some may not want to go on excursions. There are numerous trails in various habitats with a range of birding opportunities around the hotel. These include:

- \* A one-mile walk (slightly hilly in parts) to the RSPB Insh Marsh reserve where there is a prospect of raptors, breeding waders and songbirds such as tree pipit, wood warbler, redstart and spotted flycatcher. (At night, it is said to be a good place for calling spotted crake.)
- \* A mostly flat off-the-road walk on paved surface to the next village, Newtonmore (reputedly home of wildcats in the nearby forest) and with its own Highland Folk Museum
- \* A hilly but breathtakingly scenic walk, past the golf course, to Loch Gynack where there is a chance of Slavonian grebe or red-throated diver stopping off on their migration to larger waters.

Within just two or three minutes' walk on either side of the hotel, there are breeding dippers, treecreepers a sand martin colony, goosander, wagtails and other waterbirds (plus the chance of otter which was seen, albeit briefly, last time) .

Although not numerous and prone to being shy, red squirrels are sometimes as seen as close as within the hotel car park

The holiday definitely won't be 'curated' or heavily organised. People can choose what they want to do.

For any non-birders on the trip, there is a bus-stop outside the hotel with a service to Aviemore. A couple of minutes' walk from the hotel is the railway station with services to towns such as Inverness, Pitlochry, Perth and beyond.

Booking is by phone direct with Goole-based Cairngorm Travel at: 01405 761334.

The title of the holiday is Birdwatching in The Cairngorms.

\* More information on trails is at: <https://www.walkhighlands.co.uk/cairngorms/kingussie.shtml>

And <https://www.kingussie.co.uk/things-see-do/things-do/walking>

\*\* Note some people may want to forfeit the return coach trip in order to extend their holiday in Scotland - eg a visit to Mull (corncrakes) - either by public transport or by hire car. However, this would be by personal arrangement and nothing to do with Cairngorm Travel.

**Jim Wright**

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## Lincolnshire Bird News - September 2023

Compiled by Chris Grimshaw

This Lincs Latest Bird News is available on the LBC Website and is updated on a regular basis, to provide a convenient news service to scarce & rare birds found within Lincolnshire. This is a free service and members wishing to get more up to the minute information should check commercial news services. The Sightings page and @Lincsbirding Twitter feed are intended to alert birders to rare (**RED**) and scarcer (**BLUE**) species that they might be interested in seeing within the County.

If your sightings are missing from the list, then please let us know by emailing [recorder\\_south@lincsbirdclub.co.uk](mailto:recorder_south@lincsbirdclub.co.uk). Records of more common species are still very important and should be submitted to the county Recorder (again, send all records to [recorder\\_south@lincsbirdclub.co.uk](mailto:recorder_south@lincsbirdclub.co.uk)) or submitted online using the **BTO BirdTrack** or **eBird Apps**. ALL records will then be added to the Lincolnshire Bird Club data-base, to be included in the Annual Reports. **PLEASE NOTE** that none of these reports have been verified or checked by the Lincolnshire Bird Club Records Committee. Please note that the close off date for records for the 2019 Lincs Bird Report is 1st May 2020, after this we cannot guarantee inclusion.

**29/09/2023**

**Anderby Creek**

Black Guillemot, Black Redstart

**Churchill Lane**

950+ Pink-footed Goose

**Deeping High Bank**

American Golden Plover, Golden Plover

**Fleet Hargrave**

Honey Buzzard (possible)

**Frampton Marsh**

Cattle Egret, 15 Curlew Sandpiper, White-rumped Sandpiper, 16 Little Stint, Black Stork, 3 Whooper Swan, Black Tern, Lesser Yellowlegs

**Gibraltar Point**

Black Tern, Pomarine Skua

**North Thoresby**

Osprey

**28/09/2023**

**Anderby Creek**

Pectoral Sandpiper

**Frampton Marsh**

Cattle Egret, 9 Curlew Sandpiper, 3 Little Stint, Black Stork, Black Tern, White-rumped Sandpiper, Lesser Yellowlegs

**Gibraltar Point**

Black Guillemot, Balearic Shearwater

**Theddlethorpe**

Wheatear

**27/09/2023**

**Cleethorpes**

Great Black-backed Gull, Osprey

**Frampton Marsh**

Pectoral Sandpiper, White-rumped Sandpiper, Black Stork, Lesser Yellowlegs

**New Waltham**

Osprey

**Novartis Ings**

Spotted Redshank

**Toft Newton**

Black Tern

**26/09/2023**

**East Halton**

Pink-footed Goose 3034

**Burgh-le-Marsh**

Osprey

**Gibraltar Point**

Caspian Gull

**Frampton Marsh**

Cattle Egret, Great White Egret, 45 Pink-footed Goose, Hen Harrier, 3 Marsh Harrier, Curlew Sandpiper, White-rumped Sandpiper, 6 Spoonbill, 11 Little Stint, Black Stork, Black Tern, 9 Bearded Tit. Lesser Yellowlegs

**Tetney**

Brent Goose, Guillemot

**25/09/2023**

**Anderby Creek**

Caspian Gull, Pectoral Sandpiper

**Frampton Marsh**

Cattle Egret, White-rumped Sandpiper, Whooper Swan, Black Tern, Lesser Yellowlegs

**24/09/2023**

**Anderby Marsh**

Caspian Gull, Pectoral Sandpiper

**Frampton Marsh**

Cattle Egret, Marsh Harrier, White-rumped Sandpiper, Spoonbill, Black Stork, Lesser Yellowlegs

**Gibraltar Point**

Pomarine Skua

**Pyewipe**

2 Caspian Gull, 16 Curlew Sandpiper, Little Stint

**Toft Newton**

Black Tern

**23/09/2023**

**Alkborough Flats**

Cattle Egret

**Fillingham**

29 Pink-footed Goose

**Frampton Marsh**

Cattle Egret, 35 Curlew Sandpiper, White-rumped Sandpiper, 15 Little Stint, Black Stork, Lesser Yellowlegs

**Novartis Ings**

Cattle Egret

**22/09/2023**

**Frampton Marsh**

Osprey, 25 Curlew Sandpiper, Pectoral Sandpiper, White-rumped Sandpiper, 8 Little Stint, Black Stork, Lesser Yellowlegs

**Gibraltar Point**

Pied Flycatcher, Short-eared Owl

**Huttoft**

Cattle Egret

**Kirton Marsh**

Cattle Egret



The Lesser Yellowlegs that has been seen at Frampton Marsh - Image © Martin Swannell

**21/09/2023**

**Anderby Creek**

Lapland Bunting, 2 Caspian Gull

**Frampton Marsh**

36 Curlew Sandpiper, 4 Little Stint, Blue-winged Teal, Lesser Yellowlegs

**Freiston Shore**

Osprey

**Gibraltar Point**

Short-eared Owl, 7000 Meadow Pipit

**20/09/2023**

**Frampton Marsh**

29 Curlew Sandpiper, 5 Little Stint, Blue-winged Teal, Lesser Yellowlegs

**Gibraltar Point**

**5 Cattle Egret, Little Stint**

**Mablethorpe**

Long-tailed Skua

**Manby Wetlands**

3 Cattle Egret

**Sea-View Farm**

Caspian Gull





Curlew Sandpipers and Ruff at Frampton Marsh 19<sup>th</sup> Sept 2023 © trainmanstew@gmail.com

**19/09/2023**

**Anderby Creek**

Long-tailed Skua

**Frampton Marsh**

Great White Egret, 69 Curlew Sandpiper, 19 Spoonbill, 7 Little Stint. Lesser Yellowlegs

**Gibraltar Point**

Long-tailed Skua, 19 Spoonbill

**Huttoft**

Long-tailed Skua, Black Tern

**Mablethorpe**

Pomarine Skua

**18/09/2023**

**Freiston Shore**

White-winged Black Tern

**Gibraltar Point**

9 Cattle Egret, 21 Spoonbill

**Harrington**

4 Red Kite

**Huttoft Pit**

Gadwall, Little Grebe, 28 Black-tailed Godwit, Mallard, Ruff, 98 Teal

**Huttoft Car Terrace**

15 Red-throated Diver, 52 Dunlin, 25+ Gannet, 3 Great Black-backed Gull, **Little Gull**, 12 Guillemot, 5 Kittiwake, 6 Knot, 38 Oystercatcher, 13 Razorbill, 38 Scoter, **5 Arctic Skua**, Sparrowhawk, 66 Teal, 15 Sandwich Tern, 8 Wigeon

**Mablethorpe**

**Yellow-browed Warbler**

**Willow Tree Fen**

**12 Common Crane**

**17/09/2023**

**Anderby Creek**

28 Red-throated Diver, **2 Cory's Shearwater**, **2 Manx Shearwater**, **2 Sooty Shearwater**, **68 Arctic Skua**, **3 Great Skua**, Long-tailed Skua

**Boultham Mere**

221 Gadwall, 32 Mallard, 35 Shoveler, 22 Teal, 5 Wigeon

**Chapel Point**

**Cory's Shearwater**

**Cut End**

3 Red-throated Diver, 10 Eider, 35 Gannet, 700 Black-tailed Godwit, 3500 Oystercatcher, 150 Ringed Plover, **5 Arctic Skua**, 50 Sandwich Tern, 100 Turnstone

**Far Ings**

**Garganey**

**Fillingham**

Short-eared Owl

**Frampton Marsh**

**13 Cattle Egret**, Great White Egret, 8 Greenshank, 6 Pink-footed Goose, Marsh Harrier, **Merlin**, **20 Curlew Sandpiper**, Long-tailed Skua, **23 Spoonbill**, **Wheatear**, **2 Little Stint**, **Whooper Swan**

**Gibraltar Point**

**3 Cory's Shearwater**

**Mablethorpe**

**Sooty Shearwater**, Long-tailed Skua, Pomarine Skua

**Read's Island**

1800 Avocet, 1500 Pink-footed Goose, 260 Redshank, **Curlew Sandpiper**, 2700 Shelduck, 2400 Teal

**Sandilands**

**2 Long-tailed Skua**

**Skegness**

30 Red-footed Diver, 150 Gannet, 22 Kittiwake, **Cory's Shearwater**, **2 Sooty Shearwater**, **15 Arctic Skua**, 6 Common Tern, 300 Sandwich Tern

**Willow Tree Fen**

**7 Common Crane**

**16/09/2023**

**Alkborough Flats**

**Bluethroat**, 6 Pink-footed Goose, 5 Pintail, **Pectoral Sandpiper**, **Bearded Tit**

**Covenham Reservoir**

**Black-necked Grebe**

**Frampton Marsh**

Great White Egret, Pink-footed Goose, **Short-eared Owl**, **28 Curlew Sandpiper**, **4 Little Stint**, **Whooper Swan**

**Gibraltar Point**

**Black-throated Diver**, **Cattle Egret**, **Osprey**, Long-tailed Skua, Pomarine Skua, Little Stint. **Wood Sandpiper**

**Trent Port**

16 Chiffchaff, 2 Goldcrest 45 Goldfinch, Kingfisher, 10 House Martin, **Raven**, 2 Little Ringed Plover, Green Woodpecker

**Tetney Lock**

Peregrine Falcon, Greenshank, 10 House Martin, 2 Common Sandpiper, 10 Swallow, Grey Wagtail, Wheatear

**East Halton Skitter**

Gannet, **Mediterranean Gull**, 100 Golden Plover, Arctic Skua, **White-winged Black Tern**

**15/09/2023**

**Alkborough Flats**

Pectoral Sandpiper

**Frampton Marsh**

29 Curlew Sandpiper, 23 Spoonbill, 4 Little Stint, Black Stork

**Gibraltar Point**

Black-throated Diver, Pomarine Skua

**Messingham**

6 Chiffchaff, 2 Great White Egret, 5 Little Egret, Marsh Harrier, 6 Grey Heron, **Hobby**, 200 Lapwing, 3 Green Sandpiper, 2 Snipe,

20 Swallow, 3 Cetti's Warbler

**Novartis Ings**

Spotted Redshank

**Sea View**

Pied Flycatcher

**14/09,2023**

**Alkborough**

Pectoral Sandpiper

**Anderby Creek**

Common Crane, 8351 Meadow Pipit

**Frampton Marsh**

7 Cattle Egret, Garganey, 14 Curlew Sandpiper, 20 Spoonbill, 3 Little Stint, Whooper Swan

**Gibraltar Point**

Cattle Egret, Osprey, 14400 Meadow Pipit, 2 Long-tailed Skua, 21 Spoonbill

**Huttoft**

Black Tern

**13/09/2023**

**Alkborough Flats**

Bluethroat, Pectoral Sandpiper

**Anderby Creek**

Sabine's Gull

**Frampton Marsh**

Cattle Egret, Great White Egret, Merlin, 3 Spotted Redshank, Wood Sandpiper, 23 Spoonbill, 2 Little Stint, Whooper Swan

**Gibraltar Point**

Cattle Egret, Great White Egret, Pied Flycatcher, Merlin, Barn Owl, 2 Grey Phalarope, 2 Sooty Shearwater, Long-tailed Skua, 21

Spoonbill, Black Tern, Wheatear

**Mablethorpe**

Pomarine Skua, 2 Black Tern

**Sandilands**

Fea's-type Petrel

**Tetney**

12 Corn Bunting, Red-throated Diver, 2 Peregrine Falcon, 12 Gannet, 171 Pink-footed Goose, 5 Greenshank, 5 Guillemot, 2 Marsh

Harrier, Kingfisher, 3 Pintail, 2 Common Sandpiper, Green Sandpiper, 110 Common Scoter, 9 Arctic Skua, Siskin, 6 Snipe, Yellow

Wagtail, Cetti's Warbler, Reed Warbler, 6 Whimbrel

**Trent Port**

30 Chiffchaff, Goldcrest, Kingfisher, 13 Meadow Pipit, Treecreeper, 2 Whitethroat, Green Woodpecker

**Wolla Bank**

Great Northern Diver, Sabine's Gull, 2 Grey Phalarope, 3 Long-tailed Skua, 2 Black Tern

**12/09/2023**

**Alkborough Flats**

Bluethroat, Pectoral Sandpiper

**Covenham Reservoir**

100 Coot, 50 Tufted Duck, Black-necked Grebe, 55 Great-crested Grebe, 6 Little Grebe, 2 Common Sandpiper, 100 Swallow





Black-necked Grebe at Covenham Reservoir - Image © Jim Wright

**Frampton Marsh**

Curlew Sandpiper, 3 Little Stint

**Gibraltar Point**

5 Curlew Sandpiper, Wood Sandpiper

**Sutton on Sea**

Chiffchaff, 2 Cormorant, 5 Red-throated Diver, 15 Gannet, 52 Guillemot, 85 Razorbill, 2 Sanderling, 8 Arctic Skua, Swallow, 2 Arctic Tern, 2 Black Tern, 15 Common Tern, 170 Sandwich Tern

**11/09/2023**

**Boultham Mere**

Hobby

**Frampton Marsh**

2 Red Kite, 4 Curlew Sandpiper, 7 Snipe, 14 Spoonbill

**Gibraltar Point**

Curlew Sandpiper

**Messingham**

Chiffchaff, Great White Egret, Spotted Flycatcher, Marsh Harrier, Grey Heron, 250 Lapwing, 4 Green Sandpiper, Snipe, 40 Swallow, 72 Teal, Cetti's Warbler, 6 Wigeon

**Swanpool cow-fields**

Red Kite

**Wolla Bank**

Bittern

**10/09/2023**

**Anderby Creek**

Common Crane

**Cress Marsh**

Buzzard, 6 Little Egret, 3 Little Grebe, 42 Gadwall, 12 Common Gull, Pochard, 20 Shoveler

**Frampton Marsh**

Cattle Egret, Spotted Redshank, 72 Curlew Sandpiper, 5 Spoonbill, 6 Little Stint

**Gibraltar Point**

Pied Flycatcher, Cattle Egret, Short-eared Owl, Wood Sandpiper

**Immingham - Pyewipe**

28 Curlew Sandpiper, 29 Common Scoter

**Novartis Ings**

Great White Egret, 12 Pink-footed Geese, Caspian Gull, Spotted Redshank

**09/09/2023**

**Anderby Marsh**

Common Crane, Cattle Egret, 2 Great White Egret, 2 Curlew Sandpiper, Wood Sandpiper

**Frampton Marsh**

Spotted Redshank, 17 Curlew Sandpiper, 20 Spoonbill, 4 Little Stint

**Gibraltar Point**

Cattle Egret, Osprey, 4 Curlew Sandpiper, Wood Sandpiper, 6 Spoonbill, 2 Little Stint

**Rimac**

Garganey

**Saltfleetby**

Pomarine Skua

**Willow Tree Fen**

7 Common Crane

**08/09/2023**

**Gibraltar Point**

13 Spoonbill

**Huttoft**

20+ Black-tailed Godwit, Marsh Harrier, 2 Grey Heron, Ruff, Common Sandpiper, Snipe, Ringed Plover, Swallow

**Manby Wetlands**

Black-tailed Godwit, Marsh Harrier, Ringed Plover Ruff, Curlew Sandpiper, 2 Green Sandpiper, Snipe

**Paradise**

5 Cattle Egret

**Sutton on Sea**

Dunlin, Gannet, Bar-tailed Godwit, Guillemt, Kittiwake, Red Knot, Razorbill, Common Scoter, 4+ Arctic Skua, Arctic Tern, Common Tern, Sandwich Tern

**07/09/2023**

**Frampton Marsh**

Short-eared Owl, 5 Spotted Redshank, 43+ Curlew Sandpiper, Wood Sandpiper, 28 Spoonbill 6 Little Stint

**Gibraltar Point**

Osprey, 8 Spotted Redshank, 2 Little Stint

**Halton Marshes**

2 Spotted Redshank

**06/09/2023**

**Frampton Marsh**

Peregrine Falcon, Greenshank, Marsh Harrier, 4 Pintail,

14 Spotted Redshank, 34+ Curlew Sandpiper, 2

Sparrowhawk, 27 spoonbill 3 Little Stint, Stonechat,

Whinchat, Whooper Swan

**Gibraltar Point**

Crossbill



Crossbill at Gibraltar Point - Image © Paul Johnson

**Messingham**

Nuthatch, 2 Black Tern, Yellow Wagtail

**Toft Newton**

Osprey



An Osprey at a misty Toft Newton - Image © Russell Hayes

**Willow Tree Fen**

Common Crane, Cattle Egret, Great White Egret

**05/09/2023**

**Frampton**

Wheatear

**Gibraltar Point**

Common Rosefinch

**Sandilands**

Wheatear

**04/09/2023**

**Donna Nook**

Rosy Starling

**Frampton Marsh**



2 Short-eared Owl, 2 Spotted Redshank, 34 Curlew Sandpiper, Wood Sandpiper, 28 Spoonbill, 5 Little Stint

**Freiston Shore**

Great White Egret, Kingfisher, Short-eared Owl, Arctic Skua



Short-eared Owl at Freiston Shore this morning - Image © Paul Sullivan

**Gedney Drove End**

2500+ Curlew

**Gibraltar Point**

9 Buzzard, 3000 Dunlin, 2500 Bar-tailed Godwit, 4 Greenshank, 70000 Red Knot, 800 Oystercatcher, 6100 Grey Plover, 5 Spotted Redshank, 22 Spoonbill, Whinchat

**Trent Port**

Hobby, Raven, Yellow Wagtail, 2 Lesser Whitethroat

**03/09/2023**

**Alkborough Flats**

Bluethroat

**Baston & Langtoft Pits**

Garganey

**Frampton Marsh**

800+ Black-tailed Godwit, Pink-footed Goose, 4 Marsh Harrier, 300 Red Knot, 30+ Curlew Sandpiper, 10 Common Shelduck, 2 Ruddy Shelduck, 3 Little Stint, 30 Spoonbill, Whimbrel, Whooper Swan

**Gibraltar Point**

Great Northern Diver, 4 Little Gull, Woodchat Shrike. Black Tern



Woodchat Shrike at Gibraltar Point - Image © Stuart Ainsworth

1750 Curlew, 70 Little Egret, 2 Whinchat

**Rimac**

4 Spotted Redshank, Wood Sandpiper

**Toft Newton Reservoir**

Black-necked Grebe

**02/09/2023**

**Baston & Blacktoft Pits**

Avocet, Turnstone

**Deeping Lakes**

Osprey

**Frampton Marsh**

Little Gull, 5 Short-eared Owl, 31 Curlew Sandpiper.

**Gibraltar Point**

Pied Flycatcher

**Messingham**

Black Tern

**Toft Newton**

Black-necked Grebe, Spotted Redshank, Black Tern

**01/09/2023**

**Anderby Creek**

3 Long-tailed Skua, Little Stint, 2 Black Tern

**Cadney Reservoir**

Black-necked Grebe

**Cleethorpes**

Curlew, 10 Dunlin, 12 Bar-tailed Godwit, 20 Oystercatcher, 20 Ringed Plover, Sanderling, 100 Common Tern, 3 Whimbrel

**Frampton Marsh**

47 Greenshank, 2 Hobby, 2 Kingfisher, 3 Short-eared Owl, 10 Spotted Redshank, 24 Curlew Sandpiper, Pectoral Sandpiper, 31 Spoonbill, 7 Little Stint, Whinchat, Whooper Swan

**Freiston Shore**

Guillemot

**Gibraltar Point**

Sabine's Gull, Pomarine Skua

**Swanpool Cowfields**

4 Spotted Flycatcher

**Toft Newton**

Osprey, Black Tern



## Lincs Bird Club Website

Website: <http://www.lincsbirdclub.co.uk>

Twitter [@Lincsbirding](#)

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/LincolnshireBirdInformation/>

LBC County Bird Recorder

Phil Hyde [recorder\\_south@lincsbirdclub.co.uk](mailto:recorder_south@lincsbirdclub.co.uk)

BTO - <https://www.bto.org>

RSPB - <https://www.rspb.org.uk/>

Birdguides - <https://www.birdguides.com/>

Rarebird Alert - <https://www.rarebirdalert.co.uk/>

## Recording

BTO Birdtrack - <https://app.bto.org/birdtrack/login/login.jsp>

eBird - <https://ebird.org/home>

iRecord - <https://www.brc.ac.uk/irecord/>

Nature Lister - <http://www.naturelister.co.uk>

Wildlife Recorder - <https://www.wildlife.co.uk>

## Lincolnshire Naturalists' Union Website

<http://lnu.org/>

LNU e-mail: [info@lnu.org](mailto:info@lnu.org)

**Love Lincs Plants** <https://www.lincstrust.org.uk/what-we-do/love-lincs-plants> Love Lincs Plants Twitter feed  
[@LoveLincsPlants](#)

## Sir Joseph Banks Society

<http://www.joseph-banks.org.uk>

[enquiries@joseph-banks.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@joseph-banks.org.uk)

## Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust

<http://www.lincstrust.org.uk/>

## Lincolnshire Bat Group website

<http://www.lincsbatgroup.co.uk/>

## Butterfly Conservation Lincolnshire Branch

<http://butterfly-conservation.org/300/lincolnshire-branch.html>

## FIGHTING WILDLIFE CRIME

Rural Crime Officer

Pc 160 Nick Willey

Force Wildlife, Rural Crime Officer

Force Dog Training Establishment

Lincolnshire Showground.

Grange-De-Lings.

Lincoln

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Rural Crime News - <https://www.lincs.police.uk/news-campaigns/news/2019/rural-crime-news/>

## STAYING SAFE

EasyTide

<http://easytide.ukho.gov.uk/EasyTide/EasyTide/index.aspx>

Met Office Severe Weather E-mail Service

<http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/about-us/guide-to-emails>

Environment Agency Flood Information/Floodline

<http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/default.aspx>

Lyme Disease

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/lyme-disease/>

## SPECIES IDENTIFICATION AND RECORDING

### Botany

Botanical Group in South Lincs

Contact: Sarah Lambert - [sarah.lambert7@ntlworld.com](mailto:sarah.lambert7@ntlworld.com)

Also see: <http://bsbi.org/south-lincolnshire-v-c-53>

LNU Sawflies, Bees, Wasps and Ants Recorder

Dr. David Sheppard - [d.a.sheppard@btinternet.com](mailto:d.a.sheppard@btinternet.com)

### Lincolnshire Mammals

Chris Manning, [Chris.LincsDeer@gmail.com](mailto:Chris.LincsDeer@gmail.com)

### Mammal Atlas

You can download and print off a hard copy or view it online.

[http://www.glnp.org.uk/our-](http://www.glnp.org.uk/our-publications/biodiversity/projects-and-reports.php)

[publications/biodiversity/projects-and-reports.php](http://www.glnp.org.uk/our-publications/biodiversity/projects-and-reports.php)

### Lincs Amphibian and Reptile Group

The Lincolnshire ARG (Amphibian & Reptile Group)

Ashley Butterfield - [learningoutdoors@btinternet.com](mailto:learningoutdoors@btinternet.com)

### Local Bat Helpline

Grounded bats, bat problems, advice and information.

Contact Annette and Colin Faulkner on

01775 766286 or e-mail: [annettefaulkner@btinternet.com](mailto:annettefaulkner@btinternet.com)

Confidential Bat Records

You may send confidential bat records direct to Annette

Faulkner on: [annettefaulkner@btinternet.com](mailto:annettefaulkner@btinternet.com)

## USEFUL WILDLIFE CONTACTS

### Greater Lincolnshire Nature Partnership

<http://www.glnp.org.uk/>

Contact: [charlie.barnes@glnp.org.uk](mailto:charlie.barnes@glnp.org.uk)

or for more general [queries:info@glnp.org.uk](mailto:queries:info@glnp.org.uk)

### Natural England

<http://www.naturalengland.org.uk/>

### Lincolnshire Environmental Awards

[www.lincsenvironmentalawards.org.uk](http://www.lincsenvironmentalawards.org.uk)

### Life on the Verge and Wildflower Meadow Network Project

<http://www.lifeontheverge.org.uk/>



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