



Welcome to the LBC eNewsletter – March 2024

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The Lincolnshire Bird Club

**Cordially invites you to Whisby NP Education Centre
from 13.30hrs on Saturday March 23rd 2024.**

for a talk by Tim Mackrill at 14.00hrs

Who will be talking on

**" The Roy Dennis Foundation and the return of White-tailed Eagle to
England "**

The talk is free to everyone and will be followed by a brief break and then the
Annual General Meeting (members only)



The proposed Grimsby to Walpole Great Grid Upgrade.

A proposal to build 140km long new electricity cables on pylons through Lincolnshire have been announced.

A consultation has launched on The National Grid's proposal for the infrastructure to run from west of Grimsby to Walpole in Norfolk. The proposed route is shown below;



The routing of transmission projects is a complex process. It requires a balance between a number of issues, including National Grid's obligations to ensure a safe and secure transmission grid, land use constraints, cost, engineering and other technical requirements.

However, the impacts on the natural environment must also be considered.

Transmission lines have the potential to impact on birds and routing of new lines must take this into account. Published information from around the world has shown that certain birds are more at risk of collision with transmission lines than others. Large species such as swans, geese, and cranes are most at risk.

Details of the scheme can be found at <https://www.nationalgrid.com/electricity-transmission/network-and-infrastructure/infrastructure-projects/grimsby-to-walpole> and an opportunity to raise YOUR concerns regarding the scheme can be found on this page.

NOTE - public consultation is now open **and will close on 13 March 2024.**

Maps showing the proposed route can be found at <https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/1fab14e7350844bcafd40ca44709d98e>

If you have concerns regarding the impact of the proposed new powerline on Lincolnshire's birdlife, then make sure you raise them before 13th March



Lincolnshire County Council has already raised objections.

Coun Colin Davie, executive councillor for economic development, environment and planning said in a media release: “This so-called ‘Great Grid Upgrade’ won’t be great for Lincolnshire’s visitor economy as these pylons, substations and overhead cables will carve up our beautiful landscape.

“Alongside our seaside resort towns, a huge part of our coastal charm is the miles of unspoilt nature and beaches that make up the east of Lincolnshire.

“There are a string of nature reserves along the east coast, not to mention the Lincolnshire Wolds, the beauty of which would be severely impacted by these unsightly pylons.

“I understand the need for infrastructure to connect new sources of renewable energy to the grid. However, elsewhere in the country, National Grid’s plans involve burying these cables under the ground or under the sea; why can’t that be done in Lincolnshire too?

“And this isn’t power being brought in to supply Lincolnshire’s needs, necessarily. This wall of wires and pylons is ostensibly to take power down to London and the south east.”

“We refuse to let Lincolnshire be seen as a place to dump unwanted infrastructure projects. But as these pylon plans are classed as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project, permission won’t be determined locally.

“The council, as a statutory consultee, will be sure to make our views on the proposals clear to the relevant Secretary of State who will make the final decision to grant consent or not.”



SOUTH ORMSBY ESTATE WALK 20:01:2024

By kind invitation of the Estate owner, Jon Thornes, and led by him.

On Saturday 20th January fourteen members from the Lincs. Bird Club gathered in the courtyard of the Estate, where we were given a warm welcome by Jon. It was a chilly morning with a south westerly wind blowing and temperatures not much above freezing.

Jon started by telling us a bit about the Estate and about their vision for its future development. Set in an area of Outstanding Natural Beauty but with recent declines in its original character and potential, it comprises a Grade 2 listed seventeenth century country house, surrounded by 3000 acres of parkland, farmland, tenanted properties and business facilities. Passionate about conservation and seeking to reverse some of the declines, and provide local employment and recreational opportunities for an increasing number of people, the Estate has long-term plans to develop on site accommodation for visitors; workshops and office space and cycle and walking tracks, along with the ongoing excavation of a second large lake. Many new trees have been planted, also hedges, beetle banks, and field margins to encourage wild life and maximise the diversity of habitats.

The Estate supports a pedigree herd of Lincoln Red cattle and a flock of Lincoln Buff chickens. The herd are entirely grass fed and produce beef graded as having "High health status". Jon strongly believes that the health of the environment depends on the health of the soil, so the farm is completely organic, with no artificial fertilizers or sprays used. The Parkland is divided into two huge areas containing many old and diverse trees where the cattle are grazed throughout the spring and summer. One half is used for twelve months, with the other area allowed to rest and for the grass to grow long, sustaining large populations of mice, voles and insects which, in turn feed the resident owls and other mammals. The following year the paddocks are reversed.

No poisons are allowed on the Estate, and tenants are given financial support to achieve this.

We began our walk by entering the garden of the main house, where a range of bird feeders were set up, leading from there across the grass to the lake. Geese were the most prevalent birds present, mainly a sizeable flock of Greylags, but also 2 Canada geese and a single pink foot. Moorhens were pottering along the lake margin, and a few mallard and single teal were resting on the island. A pair of mute swans and a coot were spotted as well. The party then split up with people choosing their own routes to further explore



the surrounding area. A stand of mature trees allowed us to connect with woodland birds such as nuthatch, tree creeper and a range of tits. Chaffinch were calling, also great spotted woodpecker, whilst further across the grassland some members connected with a flock of redwing, and a few beautiful brambling.

Raptors overhead included at least three red kites, a buzzard, sparrowhawk, marsh harrier and a kestrel. Common and lesser black-backed gulls were also seen.



After a warming break in the shed to the rear of the main house where a wood burner had been especially lit, we set off along Lime avenue at the end of which was a gate leading to the main walk around the farmland and back to the Old School House, where lunch was very kindly provided. One lucky member of the group had earlier flushed two woodcock from the side of the stream to the right of the Avenue, but it was otherwise fairly quiet.

Unfortunately, I had to miss the walk from the gate to the schoolhouse, due to a problem with my foot, however, following lunch we walked back down the road leading towards the cross roads, seeing a mistle thrush, further redwings, a single fieldfare and several more bramblings. A song thrush and a brown hare were other sightings by group members, with a total of around 40 species recorded during a very enjoyable morning in great company.

With very many thanks to Jon and his team for their great hospitality !

Sally Prescott



'A life in presence of birds offers world of simple joy'

ANY new book that speaks up for birds and birdwatching is to be encouraged, so plaudits to publishers DK and all concerned in the production of *Chris Packham's Birdwatching Guide*.

Due in the bookshops (and online) on March 7, this profusely-illustrated 159-page hardback is packed with vibrantly-presented information.

It covers all aspects of birds - from anatomy to plumage and from song to flight - in straightforward language.

There are also important sections on the extensive range of bird habitats - from garden to urban, from lakes and reservoirs to heath and scrubland - as well as on nestboxes and bird-gardening.

The book also points a way to choosing the most suitable optical equipment such as binoculars, scopes and cameras.

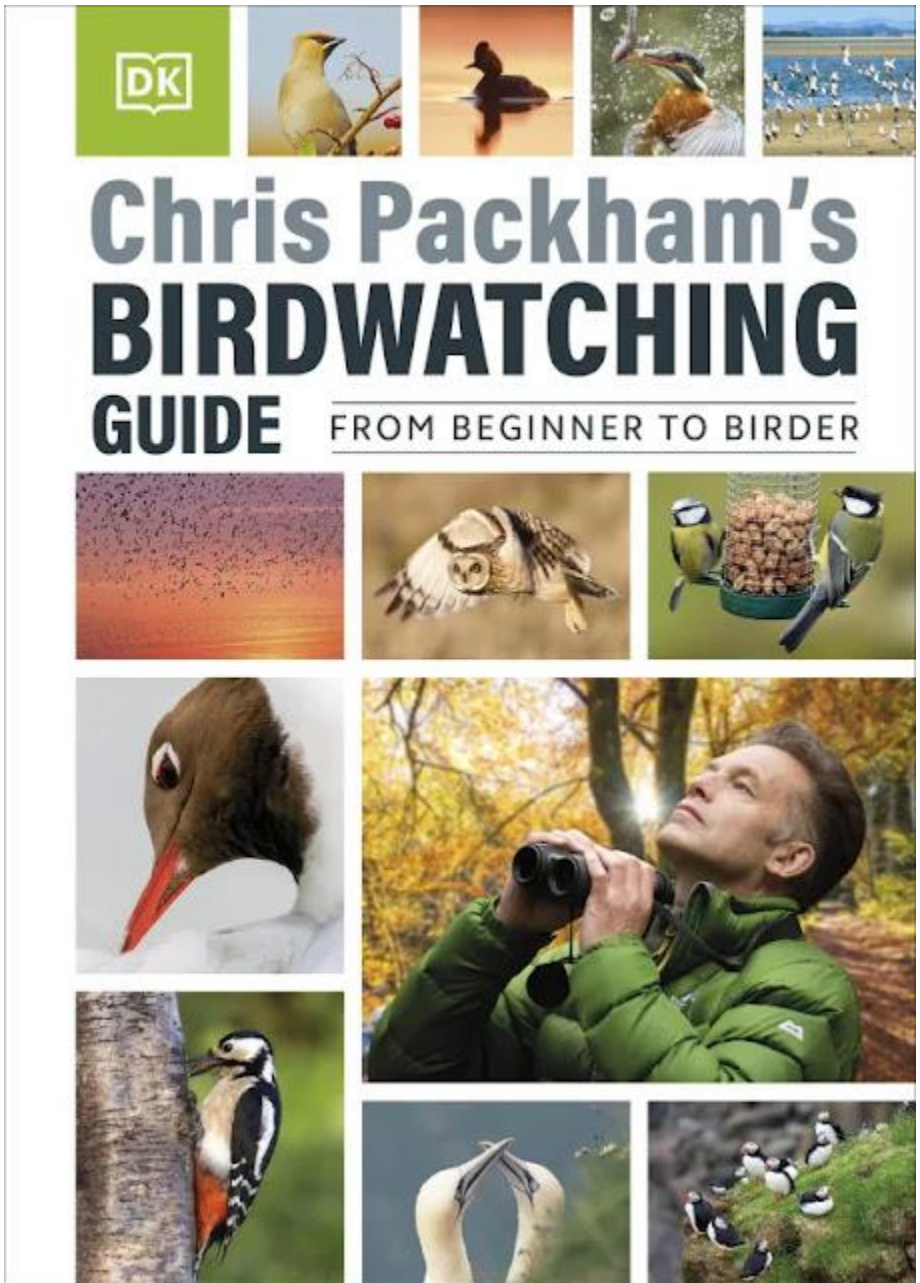
But as Chris Packham says in the introduction: "You don't need posh binoculars and you don't need to live on a nature reserve.

"You don't have to be an expert No ticket required, no queue and no qualifications needed.

"A life in the presence of birds offers a whole world of simple joy."

Subtitled *From Beginner to Birder*, Chris Packham's *Birdwatching Guide* is priced at £12.99.

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The Conservation Buddha

Hi, My name is Stephen Thompson, I have been a Greenkeeper for 33 years, 32.5 of them at John o' Gaunt G. C in Bedfordshire and since 5th June 2023 at Woodhall Spa G.C in Lincolnshire. I have always had an interest in birds from an early age but since working at John o' Gaunt my interest in all wildlife has grown dramatically. I love working outside, it's great being able to combine your hobby and your job but I never thought when I started that a golf course could be such amazing place for wildlife. Golf Courses around the UK really do offer a huge array of habitats for wildlife to make it their home.



John o' Gaunt G C Bluebells in full bloom



Woodhall Spa Hotchkin Course

Being outside most of the time you start to notice more and you become aware of just how valuable a Golf Course is in terms of adding to the local biodiversity. I was involved in various projects such as putting up Nestboxes and creating wildflower areas. At John o' Gaunt I recorded:

- over 100 species of birds (Inc Osprey, Red Kite, Barn Owl and Kingfisher)
- 23 species of Mammals (Inc Otter, Water Vole and Badger)
- 25 species of Butterfly (Inc 1 record of Purple Emperor)
- 460 species of Moth (Inc the rare White-spotted Pinion Moth)
- 19 species of Dragon/Damselfly (Inc Emperor & 4 Spotted Chaser)
- Various other species such as Wasp Spider & Roesel's Bush Cricket.
- 157 species of fungi



I now take all of my experience and knowledge to Woodhall Spa Golf Club and carry on my work with wildlife & conservation and improving the 2 courses & promoting golf courses in a positive light.

Woodhall has 2 amazing golf courses, a SSSI Heathland course (Hotchkin) and a parkland course (Bracken) with lots of trees, ponds and a big lake. **In my first 6 months I have already recorded 14 species of Dragon/Damselfly, 14 Species of Butterfly, nearly 50 species of Birds and added a further 76 species of Moth to the site list which now stands at 311.**

In March 2022 I set up my own website, initially to help promote wildlife and conservation on golf courses writing blogs but also offering services such as survey work, talks to local schools/wildlife groups etc and selling Nestboxes.



Here are some of the nestboxes I have for sale, more can be made to order:

25mm or 32mm holes, £8 each or £11 with a metal plate around the entrance to protect from Woodpeckers

The site has grown and been updated and now includes blogs and stories of wildlife etc from around the UK such as recent holidays or mothing nights, guest blogs too and photos/videos but still at it's core is the promotion of golf courses and their place in the UK as a home for nature.

Please do take a look at my site, let me know what you think, all contact details are on the site. I am also active on social media: Conservation Buddha on Facebook, Instagram, Tik Tok and Twitter.

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If anyone has any questions, feel free to drop me a message on what's app or by email

Stephen Thompson

Lincolnshire Bird News – February 2024

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. 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) 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.

28/02/2023

Alkborough Flats

Shore Lark (over)

Anderby Creek

Caspian Gull

Crook Bank

Green-winged Teal

Frampton Marsh

Hen Harrier, Green-winged Teal, Lesser Yellowlegs



The long staying Lesser Yellowlegs in the car-park at Frampton Marsh - Image © Ian Misselbrook

Messingham

58 Tufted Duck 160 Black-headed Gull, 36 Pochard, 1 Red-crested Pochard (male), 7 Shelduck, Treecreeper. 3 Cetti's Warbler

27/02/2024

Wilder Doddington

2 Kestrel, Tawny Owl, 2 Great Spotted Woodpecker, Green Woodpecker

Frampton Marsh

Green-Winged Teal, Lesser Yellowlegs

Tetney Marsh

6 Lapland Bunting, Caspian Gull, 25 Twite

Tongue End

Cattle Egret

26/02/2024

Frampton Marsh

85 Avocet, Great White Egret, Peregrine Falcon, Kingfisher, Jack Snipe, Whooper Swan, Lesser Yellowlegs

Gibraltar Point

16 Corn Bunting, 2 Long-tailed Duck, Hen Harrier, 3 Shore Lark, Red-breasted Merganser, 44 Whooper Swan, Sandwich Tern

Hartsholme Park

2 Goosander (1 male, 2 female)

Mablethorpe

Purple Sandpiper



The long staying Purple Sandpiper on Mablethorpe Beach - Image © Owen Beaumont

Willow Tree Fen

2 Common Crane, Stonechat

25/04/2024

Deeping High Bank

Green-winged Teal

Boultham Mere

Green Sandpiper

Far Ings

3 Bittern, Marsh Harrier, 12000 Starling

Fosdyke

3 Waxwing

Frampton Marsh

Lesser Yellowlegs

Gibraltar Point

2 Long-tailed Duck, Corn Bunting, Pink-footed Goose, 3 Shore Lark, Barn Owl, 5 Stonechatt

Hartsholme Park

Nuthatch

Marston

2 Stonechat

Trent Port

22 Red-legged Partridge, 10 Whooper Swan, Great Spotted Woodpecker, Green Woodpecker

24/02/2024

Cowbit

489 Dunlin, Turnstone

Deeping High Bank

Green-winged Teal

Deeping Lakes

Glossy Ibis, Long-eared Owl

Frampton Marsh

Hen Harrier (m&f), Short-eared Owl, Spotted Redshank, Lesser Yellowlegs

Job's Lane

Smew (m)

Messingham

Ring-necked Duck



Ring-necked Duck at Messingham - Image © Wayne Gillat

Willow Tree Fen

6 Common Crane

23/02/2024

Black Bank

10 Whooper Swan

Burringham

3 Buzzard, 400 Fieldfare, Little Owl

Deeping Lakes

Glossy Ibis

East Butterwick

4 Grey Partridge

Fishtoft

10 Cattle Egret

Frampton Marsh

135 Avocet, Hen Harrier (male), Merlin, Water Rail, Stonechat Bearded Tit, Lesser Yellowlegs

Messingham

Ring-necked Duck, Egyptian Goose, Oystercatcher 10, c20 Pochard, 14 Shelduck

Saltfleetby/Theddlethorpe Dunes

2 Lapland Bunting

Tongue End

2 Cattle Egret

Willow Tree Fen

Hen Harrier (rt)

22/02/2024

Gibraltar Point

17 Corn Bunting, Red-throated Diver, Little Gull, Barn Owl, 2 Bearded Tit, Woodlark

Messingham

Ring-necked Duck, 7 Oystercatcher, c 90 Pochard, 8 Shelduck, c 100 Tufted Duck

Winter's Pond

White-fronted Goose

21/02/2024

Alkborough Flats

Cattle Egret

Fishtoft

10 Cattle Egret

Frampton Marsh

Lesser Yellowlegs

20/02/2024

Anderby Creek

2 Velvet Scoter (south)

Deeping Lakes

Glossy Ibis

Frampton Marsh

91 Avocet, Great White Egret, Peregrine Falcon (male & female) Hen Harrier (male), Stonechat, Lesser Yellowlegs (155th day)

Gibraltar Point

Water Pipit

Messingham

Ring-necked Duck (female)

Rimac

6 Cattle Egret

Tongue End

2 Cattle Egret

Wolla Bank

2 Velvet Scoter (south)

19/02/2024

Wilder Doddington

3 Gadwall, Sparrowhawk, Stonechat, 3 Wigeon

Deeping Lakes

Glossy Ibis

Far Ings

3 Bittern, Hen Harrier (rt), 2 Marsh Harrier, 15000 Starling,

Frampton Marsh

Lapland Bunting, 2 Peregrine Falcon (m&f), Barnacle Goose, Hen Harrier (rt), Kingfisher, Water Pipit, Stonechat, Cetti's Warbler, Lesser Yellowlegs

Gibraltar Point

10 Corn Bunting, 2 Long-tailed Duck, 2 Peregrine Falcon, 2 Red Kite, Barn Owl, Waxwing

Messingham

Ring-necked Gull

18/02/2002

Boultham Mere

Starling (80000? Murmuration)

Deeping Lakes

Gloosy Ibis, Long-eared Owl

Doddington Park

10 Lesser Redpoll, 6 Siskin

Frampton Marsh

Hen Harrier (m&f)

Gibraltar Point

Waxwing

Messingham

Ringed-necked Duck (f)

Swanhole Lakes

Goosander

Trent Port

2 Bullfinch, 2 Little Egret, Barn Owl, 2 Oystercatcher, Red-legged Partridge, 48 Wigeon

17/02/2024

Cowbit

Brent Goose, 7 Turnstone, 14 Bewick's Swan

Dunston

Common Crane (over then west)

Frampton Marsh

6 Spotted Redshank, Greater Scaup, Lesser Yellowlegs

Gibraltar Point

Hen Harrier (male)

Heighington Fen

3 Common Crane (over then towards Bardney)

Saltfleetby/ Theddlethorpe Dunes

Chiffchaff, Water Rail, Mistle Thrush, Song Thrush, Cetti's Warbler, Great Spotted Woodpecker

Tongue End

Short-eared Owl

16/02/2024

River Ancholme

100 Curlew, 56 Goosander (34 male), 350 Lapwing, 2 Siskin, 17 Yellowhammer

Anderby Marsh

5 Dunlin, 97 Gadwall, Black-tailed Godwit, Water Pipit, 94 Teal 150 Wigeon

Cleethorpes

150 Curlew, 100 Bar-tailed Godwit, 4000 Red Knot, 300 Oystercatcher

Crook Bank

2 Snow Bunting

Deeping Lakes

Gloosy Ibis, Long-eared Owl

Frampton Marsh

Short-eared Owl, Greater Scaup (m), Lesser Yellowlegs

Freiston Shore

2 Greater Scaup (m)

Gibraltar Point

Hen Harrier (rt)

Job's Lane

Smew (m)

Messingham

2 Buzzard, 6 Goldeneye, 3 Marsh Harrier, 40 Lapwing, 26 Pochard, 13 Shelduck, 10 Shoveler, 16 Siskin, 3 Cetti's Warbler

Scunthorpe

2 Siskin, Sparrowhawk

Tongue End

2 Cattle Egret

15/02/2024

Deeping Lakes

2 Long-eared Owl

Doddington Parl

Common Redpoll

Freiston Shore

2 Greater Scaup

Frampton Marsh

Lesser Yellowlegs

Gibraltar Point

4 Corn Bunting, 6 Snow Bunting, Chiffchaff, 2 Long-tailed Duck, 500 Pink-footed Goose, 3 Shore Lark, Treecreeper, Grey Wagtail



One of the three Shore Lark at Gibraltar Point - Image © Russell Hayes

14/02/2024

Crook Bank

27 Snow Bunting

Deeping Lakes

Glossy Ibis, 3 Long-eared Owl

Doddington Park

1 Common Redpoll, 7 Lesser Redpoll, 3 Siskin

Frampton Marsh

Great White Egret, Peregrine Falcon, Hen Harrier, 2 Greater Scaup, 10000 Starling, Stonechat, Lesser Yellowlegs

Gibraltar Point

2 Long-tailed Duck

Scunthorpe

8 Waxwing (Skippingdale RT)

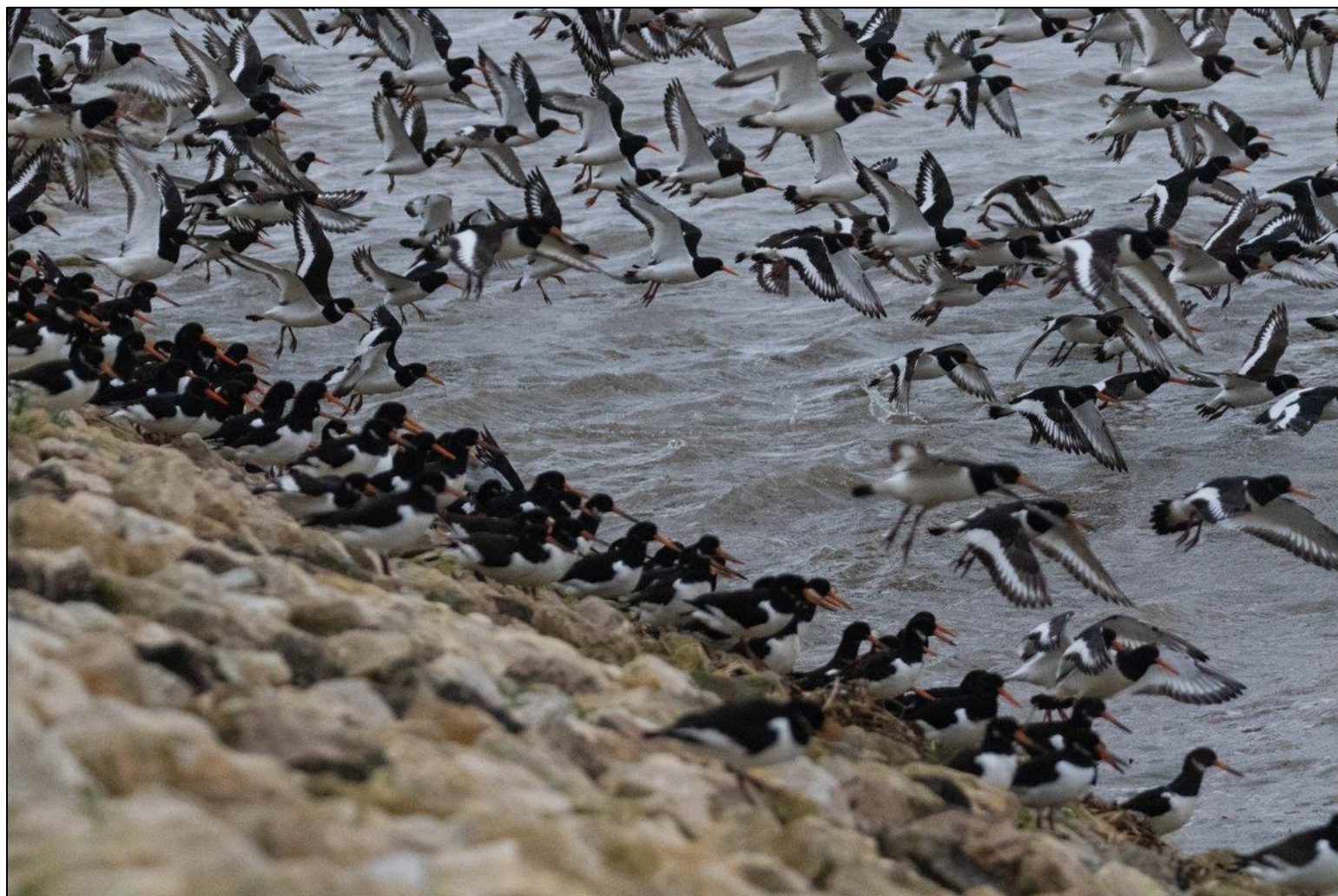
13/02/2024

Barton Upon Humber

Waxwing

Cut End

Avocet, 150 Curlew, 1500 Dunln, 2 Little Egret, Bar-tailed Godwit, Black-tailed Godwit, Great Crested Grebe, Brent Goose, 3000 Lapwing, 14 Red-breasted Merganser, 3500 Oystercatcher, 150 Shelduck, 700 Starling



A few of the several thousand oystercatchers roosting by /the hide at Cut End - Image © Chris Grimshaw

Dog Kennel Wood

2 Raven

Elm House Farm

750 Pink-footed Goose

Frampton Marsh

2 Marsh Harrier, Lesser Yellowlegs

Freiston Shore

2 Greater Scaup

Gibraltar Point

2 Long-tailed~Duck

Job's Lane

Smew (m)

Nocton Fen

3 Buzzard, Marsh Harrier, Kestrel, 300 Lapwing, 8 Red-legged Partridge, 500 Starling

Saltfleetby/ Theddlethorpe Dunes

Buzzard, Song Thrush, Barn Owl, Tawny Owl, Water Rail, Cetti's Warbler

Scunthorpe

9 Waxwing

12/02/2024

Brant Broughton

Hen Harrier (m)

Cradge Bank

26 Snow Bunting

Cut End

Hen Harrier (rt)

Deeping Lakes

Glossy Ibis

Frampton Marsh

Lesser Yellowlegs

Wilder Doddington

2 Goldcrest, Kestrel, 2 Stonechat, 3 Song Thrush

Old Wood

3 Nuthatch, Song Thrush

11/02/2024

Barton upon Humber

15 Waxwing

Deeping Lakes

Long-eared Owl

Frampton Marsh

Hen Harrier (rt), 3 Short-eared Owl, 2 Greater Scaup, Green-winged Teal, Lesser Yellowlegs,

Freiston Shore

5 Cattle Egret

Job's Lane

Smew (m)

Langtoft

Waxwing

Marston

Hen Harrier (m)

Tongue End

Short-eared Owl

Willow Tree Fen

Short-eared Owl

10/02/2024

Barton upon Humber

14 Waxwing



One of the Waxwing present i Barton upon Humber recently - Image © Roy Harvey

Boultham Mere

Great White Egret, 164 Pink-footed Goose, Sparrowhawk, 5 Song Thrush

Cress Marsh

Buzzard, 4 Curlew, 3 Little Egret, Kestrel, 11 Lapwing, 3 Redshank, Green Sandpiper, 13 Shoveler, 4 Skylark

Frampton Marsh

Hen Harrier, Green-winged Teal, Lesser Yellowlegs

Gibraltar Point

Avocet, Chiffchaff, 20 Corn Bunting, 25 Snow Bunting, 3 Long-tailed Duck, Hen Harrier, 3 Shore Lark, 3 Water Pipit, 64 Whooper Swan, 2 Woodcock

Grantam

Blackcap, 2 Siskin

Hill Holt Wood

200 Pink-footed Goose

Trent Port

Great White Egret, 2 Little Egret 45 Pink-footed Goose, 50 Linnet, Red-legged Partridge, 2 Pintail, 2 Shelduck, 3 Stonechat, 20 Wigeon, Green Woodpecker

09/02/2024

Barton upon Humber

14 Waxwing

Boultham Mere

Pintail

Deeping Lakes

Short-eared Owl

Frampton Marsh

29 Goldeneye, **Hen Harrier**, 20+ Marsh Harrier, **Otter**, 17500 Starling, **73 Whooper Swan**, Lesser Yellowlegs

Gibraltar Point

c20 Snow Bunting, 3 Long-tailed Duck, 3 Shore Lark, 3 Water Pipit

08/02/2024

Cradge Bank

Velvet Scoter

Freiston Shore

2 Great Scaup

Rimac

5 Cattle Egret

Tongue End

Cattle Egret

Witham St Hughes

20 Siskin

07/02/2024

Donna Nook

2 Peregrine Falcon, Marsh Harrier, **Merlin**, Barn Owl, 100 Twite

Frampton Marsh

Peregrine Falcon (m&f), 10 Goldeneye, **Hen Harrier (f)**, Marsh Harrier, **Merlin**, 20 Pochard, **Cetti's Warbler**, Lesser Yellowlegs

Gibraltar Point

20 Corn Bunting, 20 Snow Bunting, 3 Long-tailed Duck, Slavonian Grebe, **Hen Harrier (m)**, 3 Shore Lark, Water Pipit, 50 Whooper Swan

Huttoft

200 Pink-footed Goose, 4 Shelduck

Kirmond le Mire

4 Siskin

Osgodby

41 Siskin

Paradise

18 Curlew, Gadwall, 3 Redshank, 60 Shoveler, 150 Teal

Rimac

Buzzard, Curlew, **5 Cattle Egret**, 5 Little Egret, 150 Pink-footed Goose, Redshank, Shoveler, Teal, Wigeon

Ruckland

250 Common Gull, c6 Buzzard, **c3 Red Kite**, Kestrel, Sparrowhawk

Stenigot

8 Corn Bunting

Trent Port

Bullfinch, 75 Fieldfare, Goldcrest, 105 Pink-footed Goose, **2 Stonechat**, Great Spotted Woodpecker, **Green Woodpecker**

Willow Tree Fen

2 Common Crane, 37 Marsh Harrier, **2 Barn Owl**, Short-eared Owl, Stonechat, 18 Whooper Swan

06/02/2024

Barton upon Humber

12 Waxwing (Baysgarth Park)

Broadholme

Glossy Ibis (over - flying towards Skellingthorpe Woods)

Far Ings

Bittern, Marsh Harrier, 10000 Starling

Frampton Marsh

Peregrine Falcon, Lesser Yellowlegs

Gibraltar Point

Slavonian Grebe (on the sea)

Louth

2 Little Egret, 2 Kingfisher, Green Sandpiper, 2 Snipe, 3 Grey Wagtail, 51 Pied Wagtail

Pyewipe

Eider

Thoresby Bridge

Great White Egret

Saltfleetby St Clements

Cattle Egret

Stallingborough

8 Snow Bunting

Tongue End

Cattle Egret

05/02/2024

Black Bank

3 Jay, 2 Treecreeper, Great Spotted Woodpecker

Bourne

Cattle Egret

Cowbit

Turnstone

Cress Marsh

Caspian Gull

Frampton Marsh

2 Greater Scaup, 12 Whooper Swan, Cetti's Warbler

Gibraltar Point

4 Snow Bunting, Black-throated Diver, 3 Long-tailed Duck, 200 Eider, Hen Harrier, Merlin, Water Pipit, Water Rail

Job's Lane

Smew (m)

Marston

1 Waxwing

North Somercotes

Raven

04/02/2024

Cleethorpes

20+ Curlew, Great White Egret, 2 Little Egret, 2 Grey Heron

Cradge Bank

Velvet Scoter

Deeping Lakes

2 Long-eared Owl

Frampton Marsh

Lesser Yellowlegs

Gibraltar Point

9 Snow Bunting, Black-throated Diver, 3 Long-tailed Duck, Smew (rt), 3 Waxwing (Mill Hill)

Job's Lane

Smew (m)

Langtoft

3 Smew (2m, 1f)

Market Rasen

250+ Pink-footed Goose

Millennium Green

2 Egyptian Goose, Linnet, 53 Pochard

Paradise

Green-winged Teal

Rimac

5 Cattle Egret

03/02/2024

Cradge Bank

Velvet Scoter

Doddington Park

7 Lesser Redpoll, 5 Siskin

Frampton Marsh

Great White Egret, Peregrine Falcon, 2 Hen Harrier, Marsh Harrier, Lapwing, Short-eared Owl, Golden Plover, Starling, Lesser Yellowlegs

Gibraltar Point

9 Snow Bunting, 3 Shore Lark, Raven, Smew, 6 Bewick's Swan (over), 49 Whooper Swan

Langtoft

3 Smew

Paradise

Green-winged Teal



A beautiful shot of the Green-winged Teal at Paradise - Image © Mark Johnson

Rimac

5 Cattle Egret

Ruckland

Rough-legged Buzzard

Swanpool Cow-fields

2 Song Thrush, Great Spotted Woodpecker

Trent Port

2 Bullfinch, 180 Fieldfare, Hen Harrier, 65 Lapwing, Shelduck, Stonechat

Winter's Pool

2 Russian White-fronted Goose

02/02/2024

Black Bank

3 Buzzard, 3 Kestrel, 10 Lapwing, 50 Linnet, 200 Rook

Burringham

Little Egret, 200 Fieldfare, Kestrel, 6 Pied Wagtail

Cleethorpes

1 Snow Bunting, 2 Stonechat, 5 Yellowhammer

Covenham

Shag

Elm House Farm

2500 Brent Goose, 25 Pink-footed Goose

Donna Nook

4 Collared Dove, 32 Lapwing, 200 Redshank, Shelduck, 200 Teal

Gibraltar Point

Brambling, Black-throated Diver, Great Northern Diver, 30+Red-throated Diver, 3 Long-tailed Duck, 30 Eider, Goosander, Hen Harrier (rt), 2 Red-breasted Merganser, Water Rail, 48 Whooper Swan

Messingham

3 Reed Bunting, Buzzard, 106 Tufted Duck, 41 Gadwall, Goldcrest, 6 Goldeneye, 10 Common Gull, 2 Marsh Harrier, Kestrel, 250 Lapwing, 56 Pochard, 12 Redwing, 17 Shelduck, 4 Cetti's Warbler

Paradise

70 Eurasian Teal, Gadwall, Mallard, Green-winged Teal, Shoveler

RAF Woodhall Spa

160 Coot, 33 Cormorant, 17 Redshank, 2 Stonechat, 200 Teal, 300 Wigeon

Rimac

5 Cattle Egret, Little Egret, Kestrel, Shoveler, Teal, Wigeon

01/02/2024

Bourne

2 Cattle Egret

Cradge Bank

Velvet Scoter

Frampton Marsh

10 Avocet, Brambling, Corn Bunting, Great White Egret, Peregrine Falcon, Hen Harrier, Merlin, Water Rail, Bearded Tit

Freiston Shore

Greater Scaup, Water Pipit

Gibraltar Point

Corn Bunting, Hen Harrier, Red Kite, Barn Owl, Smew, 51 Whooper Swan, Twite, Woodcock

Neville Wood

Nuthatch

Paradise

Green-winged Teal

Rimac

4 Cattle Egret

Swanpool Cow-fields

5 Grey Partridge, 5 Snipe, 2 Jack Snipe Stonechat

Tongue End

Cattle Egret

Willow Tree Fen

Buzzard, 9 Common Crane, Great White Egret, Peregrine Falcon, 61 Goosander, 20+ Marsh Harrier, Red Kite, Barn Owl, Stonechat

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

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

Love Lincs Plants [https://www.lincstrust.org.uk/what-we-](https://www.lincstrust.org.uk/what-we-do/love-lincs-plants)

[do/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

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.

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PAGER : 07654-330877

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

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

Lincolnshire Mammals

Chris Manning, 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

Local Bat Helpline

Grounded bats, bat problems, advice and information.

Contact Annette and Colin Faulkner on

01775 766286 or e-mail: annettefaulkner@btinternet.com

Confidential Bat Records

You may send confidential bat records direct to Annette

Faulkner on: annettefaulkner@btinternet.com

USEFUL WILDLIFE CONTACTS

Greater Lincolnshire Nature Partnership

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

Contact: charlie.barnes@glnp.org.uk

or for more general queries:info@glnp.org.uk

Natural England

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

Lincolnshire Environmental Awards

www.lincsenvironmentalawards.org.uk

Life on the Verge and Wildflower Meadow Network Project

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



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