

Lincs Bird News - March 2020

31/03/2020

Brumby Woods

2 Nuthatch, Great Spotted Woodpecker

Grantham

2 Red Kite, 5 Wigeon (over)

Huttoft Pit

Spoonbill (over)

Langtoft

Common Scoter (large flock heard over in the early hours)

Skewbridge (Lincoln)

16 Common Teal, Pied Wagtail

30/03/2020

North Thoresby

3 Collared Dove, Coal Tit 2, Mistle Thrush

New Waltham

Tawny Owl

29/03/2020

No sightings reported on social media. I do need a location if you are reporting garden birds - my garden is not enough

28/03/2020

Teal Lake, Lincoln

2 Garganey, Mandarin on Millennium Green a couple of days ago

Near Rippingale

800 Common Gull

27/03/2020

Alvingham

2 Kingfisher

Baston & Langtoft Pits

Swallow, 2 2 Avocet

Baston Fen

Great White Egret

Bottesford

2 Collared Dove, 12 Cormorant, 30 Goldfinch, 50 Starling, 6 House Sparrow

Kettleby Quarries

5 Buzzard, 5 Chiffchaff. Sand Martin, Ringed Plover, Swallow,

26/03/2020

Gibraltar Point - car parks, toilets and visitor centre closed until further notice.

Gibraltar Point

Brambling, 5 Buzzard, Marsh Harrier, 2 Kestrel, Stonechat, Green Woodpecker,

Lincs Coast

Rough-legged Buzzard, 2 Firecrest (no location given)

Swanpool

2 Little Ringed Plover

25/03/2020

Gibraltar Point

Common Crane, Marsh Harrier, Black Redstart, 43 Redwing

Grimoldby

Chiffchaff

Louth

Red Kite

Theddlethorpe

3 Chiffchaff

Sutton on Sea

Black Redstart

Swanpool

Blackcap

24/03/2020

Alkborough Flats

4 Water Pipit

Fulbeck

2 Oystercatchers, 2 Teal

Gibraltar Point

Brambling, 4 Buzzard, Merlin, 42 Siskin, Grey Wagtail

Grantham

2 Red Kite

Grimsby

Black-throated Thrush, Red Kite

Howdens Pullover

Hen Harrier, Stonechat,

Lincoln

Buzzard, 2 Peregrine Falcons on the Cathedral

Mablethorpe

Red Kite

Rimac

Linnet, Great Spotted Woodpecker

Swanholme Lakes

Chiffchaff

23/03/2020

Anderby Creek

Red Kite

Deeping St Nicholas

Rough-legged Buzzard

Healing

Chiffchaff

Lincs Coastal CP

2 Grey Plover, Purple Sandpiper

Swanpool cow-field flashes

2 Little Ringed Plover

Willow Tree Fen

Garganey

22/03/2020

Alkborough Flats

Hen Harrier (ring-tail)

Baston & Langtoft Pits

Short-eared Owl

Deeping High Bank

Rough-legged Buzzard

Gibraltar Point

Short-eared Owl, Water Pipit, Jack Snipe, 3 Siskin

Grimsby

Glaucous Gull, Black-throated Thrush

Killingholme

75 Avocet, 1 Curlew, 14 Redshank 2 Redshank

New Holland to Goxhill Haven

Whinchat

Rosper Road Pools

100 Teal, 20 Shoveler

21/03/2020

Alkborough Flats

Hen Harrier (ring-tail)

Deeping High Bank

Rough-legged Buzzard

Baston & Langtoft Pits

Bar-tailed Godwit

Fulbeck

Stonechat (Female)

Gibraltar Point

Red Kite, Jack Snipe, Water Pipit, Cetti's Warbler

Grimsby

[Black-throated Thrush](#)

Trent Port, Marton

Chiffchaff, 20 Gadwall, 17 Lapwing, 6 Oystercatcher, 12 Redshank, 5 Shelduck, 2 Shoveler, 12 Whooper Swan, 30 Teal, Treecreeper, 250 Wigeon

20/03/2020

233 Whooper Swan

Deeping High Bank

[Rough-legged Buzzard](#)

Gibraltar Point

2 Buzzard, Tawny Owl, Water Pipit, Spotted Redshank, Sparrowhawk, Great Spotted Woodpecker, Green Woodpecker

East Halton Skitter

Hen Harrier

19/03/2020

Anderby Creek

10 Chiffchaff, [Firecrest](#)

Barton Pits

Red-crested Pochard, Willow Warbler

Deeping High Bank

[Rough-legged Buzzard](#) (flying towards Deeping St Nicholas but was lost from view and not relocated by dusk)

Frampton Marsh

100+ Avocet, Mediterranean Gull, Marsh Harrier, Merlin, Water Rail, Spotted Redshank

Gibraltar Point

Great White Egret, Short-eared Owl, 8 Water Pipit, Water Rail

Grasby

Red Kite

Grimsby

[Black-throated Thrush](#)

Sandtoft

[2 Common Crane](#), 42 Whooper Swan

Toft Newton

Red Kite

18/03/2020

Anderby Creek

3 Chiffchaff

Cleethorpes

100 Red Knot, 2 Stonechat, 2 Wheatear,

Frampton Marsh

Hen Harrier (male), Water Rail, Whimbrel

Gibraltar Point

2 Brambling, c680 Chaffinch, 70 Eider Duck, Mandarin Duck, Short-eared Owl, Water Pipit, 2 Water Rail, 6 Siskin, 2 White Wagtail, Great Spotted Woodpecker, Green Woodpecker,

Huttoft

Chiffchaff

Louth

Peregrine Falcon

Rippingale

Chiffchaff

Wolla Bank

Chiffchaff

17/03/2020

Boultham Mere

8 Buzzard, Chiffchaff, 2 Goosander, Marsh Harrier, 2 Kingfisher, Great Spotted Woodpecker

Branston Fen

C500 Whooper Swan

Fiskerton Fen/Short Ferry

Great White Egret, Marsh Harrier

Gibraltar Point

3 Brambling, 6 Buzzard, Crossbill, 6 Eider, Peregrine Falcon, 2 Firecrest, 2 Red Kite, 2 Sand Martin, 5 Red-breasted Merganser, Merlin, 21 Water Pipit, Water Rail, Woodlark. An excellent day at Gib Point. [See their blog \(address above\) for a more comprehensive list](#)

Grimsby

[Black-throated Thrush](#)

RAF Woodhall Spa

Northern Wheatear

Rippingale

[Lesser Spotted Woodpecker](#)

Riseholme Lake

70 Gadwall, Great Crested Grebe

16/03/2020

Frampton Marsh

53 Avocet, Buzzard, Bar-tailed Godwit, 850 Black-tailed Godwit, 850 Dark-bellied Brent Goose, Hen Harrier, 9 Red-breasted Merganser, 35 Whooper Swan, 4 Cetti's Warbler,

Gibraltar Point

26 Corn Bunting, 3 Chiffchaff, Merlin, 400 Wood Pigeon, 7 Water Pipit,

Grimsby

[Black-throated Thrush](#)

East Halton to Dawson City

Black Redstart

Hartsholme Park

4 Great Crested Grebe, 6 Grey Heron, Tawny Owl, Song Thrush, 2 Great Spotted Woodpecker

Huttoft Pits

Green Sandpiper

Millenium Green (Lincoln)

3 Chiffchaff

15/03/2020

Anderby Creek

C1000 Chaffinch

Branston Fen

104 Mute Swan, 482 Whooper Swan

Frampton Marsh

100 Avocet, Mediterranean Gull, Hen Harrier (ring tail), Water Rail, Spotted Redshank, 30 Whooper Swan, Cetti's Warbler

Grimsby

Black-throated Thrush

East Halton to Dawson City

72 Avocet, 168 Curlew, 4 Goldeneye, Marsh Harrier, 2 Kingfisher, 4 Water Pipit, 61 Redshank, 26 Snipe, Bearded Tit, Cetti's Warbler, Wheatear (first of the year?)

Marston

White Wagtail

Rimac

230 Chaffinch

14/03/2020

Boultham

81 Pink-footed Geese

Frampton Marsh

80 Avocet, Buzzard, Chiffchaff, 80 Dunlin, Peregrine Falcon, Black-tailed Godwit, Pink-footed Goose, 5 Marsh Harrier, Water Pipit, 2800 Golden Plover, 30 Ringed Plover, 2 Water Rail, Spotted Redshank, 60 Ruff, Cetti's Warbler

Grimsby

Red Kite, Black-throated Thrush

Howden's Pullover

Hen Harrier (male)

Nettleton

Buzzard, 3/400 Golden Plover, Skylark

Nocton Fen

412 Whooper Swan

Short Ferry

Spotted Redshank

Skidbrooke

16 Whooper Swan

Toft Newton Reservoir

4 Black-necked Grebe, 2 Pintail, 33 Whooper Swan



The four Black-necked Grebe at Toft Newton - Image © Roy Harvey

Witham Mouth

2 Eider, 40 Red Knot, 8 Red-breasted Merganser, 3000 Oystercatcher

13/03/2020

Frampton Marsh

Peregrine Falcon, Hen Harrier, Short-eared Owl, 3 Spotted Redshank, Little Stint

Gibraltar Point

25 Corn Bunting, Red Kite, 64 Water Pipit, Green Sandpiper

Grimsby

Black-throated Thrush

Messingham

2 Bullfinch, 6 Goldeneye, 26 Gadwall, 4 Oystercatcher, 8 Red-crested Pochard, 12 Shelduck, 6 Siskin, Cetti's Warbler

Saltfleet Haven

Hen Harrier

Wolla Bank

Siberian Chiffchaff

12/03/2020

Anderby Marsh

46 Curlew, 6 Dunlin, 2 Little Egret, 4 Lapwing, 2 Ringed Plover, 14 Sandering, Shelduck, 500 Starling, 34 Teal

Deeping Lakes NR

1 Sand Martin

Freiston Shore

Firecrest

Gibraltar Point

9 Corn Bunting, 35 Chaffinch, 23 Little Egret, 14 Greenfinch, Marsh Harrier, Red Kite, 2 Tawny Owl, Short-eared Owl, Water Pipit, 14 Redwing, c150 Siskin, Jack Snipe, 2 Sparrowhawk, Stonechat, 2 Mistle Thrush, 6 Song Thrush, Bearded Tit, Treecreeper, 2 Great Spotted Woodpecker,

Grimsby

Black-throated Thrush

11/03/2020

Frampton Marsh

150 Avocet, Chiffchaff, 6 Dunlin 400 Black-tailed Godwit, Marsh Harrier, Merlin, Grey Plover, Skylark, 60 Whooper Swan, 30 Ruff, Cetti's Warbler

Gibraltar Point

Peregrine Falcon, Kingfisher, 4 Red Kite, 2 Hen Harrier (male). Merlin, 83 Water Pipit, 2 Stonechat, Grey Wagtail, 2 Cetti's Warbler, Woodlark

Grimsby

Black-throated Thrush

Lincoln Cathedral

Peregrine Falcons (showing well)

Marston

2 Green Sandpiper

10/03/2020

Anderby Creek

203 Chaffinch, 184 Red-throated Diver, 3 Great Crested Grebe, 2 Marsh Harrier, Little Owl, 200 Golden Plover, 73 Common Scoter, Whimbrel

Frampton Marsh

150 Avocet, 600 Black-tailed Godwit, Cetti's Warbler, Otter & Stoat

Grimsby

Black-throated Thrush

Witham Mouth

Chiffchaff, 2 Eider, Peregrine Falcon, 5 Red-breasted Merganser, 2 Stonechat

09.03/2020

Cleethorpes CP

2 Waxwing

Frampton Marsh

Hen Harrier (ring-tail)

Gibraltar Point

Hen Harrier (male), Short-eared Owl, 13 Water Pipit

Grimsby

[Black-throated Thrush](#)

Tetney Marshes

Peregrine Falcon, Marsh Harrier, Merlin

08/02/2020

Cleethorpes CP

2 Waxwing

East Halton to Dawson City

47 Avocet, Chiffchaff, Red Kite, 2 Oystercatcher, 4 Water Pipit, 35 Snipe, Stonechat, Whooper Swan, 2 Cetti's Warbler,

Far Ings

Bittern (possibly up to three booming)

Fiskerton Fen

Great White Egret

Frampton Marsh

59 Avocet, Hen Harrier (ring tail), Red Kite, Merlin, 60 Whooper Swan,

Gibraltar Point

38 Corn Bunting, Pale-bellied Brent Goose, 2 Tundra Bean Goose, Marsh Harrier, Short-eared Owl, 62 Water Pipit

Grimsby

[Black-throated Thrush](#)

Trent Port, Marton

10 Shelduck, 2 Golden Plover, 10 Skylark, Green Woodpecker, Great Spotted Woodpecker

07/03/2020

Anderby Marsh

46 Curlew, Pink-footed Goose, 2 Marsh Harrier, 15 Sanderling, Stonechat, 17 Teal, Cetti's Warbler

Cleethorpes

Snow Bunting

Cleethorpes CP

Waxwing



A stunning photo of the waxwing at Cleethorpes CP (near ca-park) today - Image © John Clarkson

Fiskerton Fen/Short Ferry

Cattle Egret, Great White Egret

Frampton Marsh

49 Avocet, Chiffchaff, 4 Goldeneye, 3 Hen Harrier, Merlin, Water Rail, 30 Whooper Swan, Cetti's Warbler

Gibraltar Point

2 Tundra Bean Goose, Mediterranean Gull, 18 Water Pipit

Grimsby

[Black-throated Thrush](#)

06/03/2020

Alkborough Flats

Avocet, Water Rail, Bearded Tit

Baston Fen

Water Pipit

Cleethorpes CP

Waxwing

Deeping St Nicholas

Short-eared Owl

Far Ings

2 Bittern

Gibraltar Point

Brambling, 32 Corn Bunting, Pale-bellied Brent Goose, c900 Pink-footed Geese, 2 Tundra Bean Goose, Marsh Harrier, Short-eared Owl, 44 Water Pipit, Stonechat, Cetti's Warbler, Green Woodpecker,

Grimsby

[Black-throated Thrush](#)

Bellingham's Drove, Spalding South Fen

Short-eared Owl

05/03/2020

Chapel Point

Great Northern Diver (flew south)

Cleethorpes CP

Waxwing

Frampton Marsh

73 Avocet, 2000 Brent Geese, Hen Harrier (1 male, 2 female), Merlin, c3000 Golden Plover, 2 Spotted Redshank, Stonechat, Cetti's Warbler

Gibraltar Point

26 Corn Bunting, Nordic Jackdaw, Water Pipit, Water Rail

Grimsby

[Black-throated Thrush](#)

04/03/2020

Boultham Mere

2 Shelduck

Deeping Lakes

Long-eared Owl

Far Ings

Chiffchaff, Stonechat

Frampton Marsh

Buzzard, Peregrine Falcon, 18 Goldeneye, 1500+ Brent Geese, Hen Harrier, Merlin, Barn Owl, 3 Spotted Redshank, 30 Ruff, Common Sandpiper, Tree Sparrow, Stonechat, 154 Whooper Swan, Bearded Tit, Cetti's Warbler,

Gibraltar Point

2 Tundra Bean Goose, Marsh Harrier, 3 Siskin, Barn Owl, Short-eared Owl, 2 Tawny Owl, 91 Water Pipit, Woodcock

Grimsby

[Black-throated Thrush](#)

Nocton Fen

16 Redwing, 28 Whooper Swan (over), 600 Starling

Whisby

Water Rail



Beautiful photo of a Water Rail foraging in the frostat Whisby - Image © Jackie Spindley

03/03/2020

Dunsby

4 Chiffchaff

Frampton Marsh

48 Avocet, Chiffchaff, Peregrine Falcon, 45 Pink-footed Geese, 3 Hen Harrier (2m, 1f)

Gibraltar Point

36 Corn Bunting, Red-throated Diver, Eider, 1170 Pink-footed Geese, Red-breasted Merganser, Hen Harrier (male), Short-eared Owl, 68 Water Pipit, Stonechat,

Grimsby

Black-throated Thrush

Messingham SQ

Buzzard, 20 Cormorant, 40 Tufted Duck, 2 Goldeneye, 2 Great Crested Grebe, Kestrel, Red Kite, 5 Oystercatcher, 50 Golden Plover, 15 Pochard, 2 Red-Crested Pochard, 6 Shelduck, 10 Mute Swan, Treecreeper

02/03/2020

Alkborough Flats

6 Avocet, 3 Marsh Harrier, Water Rail, 3 Whooper Swan, Bearded Tit, Cetti's Warbler

Anderby

Hooded Crow (but flew south)

Far Ings

24 Whooper Swan

Frampton Marsh

46 Avocet, Buzzard, Peregrine Falcon, 632 Brent Goose, Hen Harrier (2 males 1 female), Marsh Harrier, Pintail, 5000 Golden Plover, Common Sandpiper, 15 Snipe, 2 Cetti's Warbler, Great Spotted Woodpecker

Gibraltar Point

18 Avocet, Blackcap, 16 Corn Bunting, 77 Curlew, 3 Goldcrest, Pale-bellied Brent Goose, 504 Dark-bellied Brent Goose, 900 Pink-footed Goose, Marsh Harrier, Kingfisher, Merlin, 10 Pintail, 27 Redwing, 2 Siskin, 2 Sparrowhawk, 96 Teal, Barn Owl, Short-eared Owl, 2 Tawny Owl, Stonechat, 8 Song Thrush, 2 Mistle Thrush, 2 Treecreeper, 13 Water Pipit, 292 Wigeon, 2 Great Spotted Woodpecker,

Grimsby

[Black-throated Thrush](#)

Hartsholme Park

2 Buzzard, 5 Grey Heron, 1 Tawny Owl, Treecreeper, Sparrowhawk, Great Spotted Woodpecker



Great Spotted Woodpecker, Hartsholme Park - Image © Chris Grimshaw

Whaplode Drove

2 Waxwing (Farrow Road briefly)

01/03/2020

Boultham cow-fields

8 Lesser Black-backed Gull, Mistle Thrush, 16 Redwing

Boultham Mere

3 Little Egret, 3 Goosander, 6 Lesser Black-backed Gull, 5 Shoveler, pair of Stonechat (about ½ mile down the drain towards the bypass)

Gibraltar Point

37 Corn Bunting, Hen Harrier (male), Barn Owl, 97 Water Pipit

Grimsby

[Black-throated Thrush](#)

Marston

Oystercatcher



Oystercatcher just returned to Marston - Image © Dave Roberts

Short Ferry

2 Dunlin, 36 Redshank, Spotted Redshank (still), 2 Ruff, c45 Golden Plover, 10 Snipe

Trent Port, Marton

10 Bullfinch, 7 Coot, 25 Fieldfare, 6 Great Black backed Gull, Barn Owl, 30 Wigeon, Green Woodpecker, 8 Skylark, 2 Teal

Whaplode Drove

2 Waxwing (Farrow Road)