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The World of birds

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# Welcome

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Welcome to the 20th of many newsletters from the world of birds. This will have fun facts and much more. We thank you for signing up to the newsletter and hope you are not disappointed by what you see here. Please email us if you have any inquires at [theworldofbirdsoffical@gmail.com](mailto:theworldofbirdsoffical@gmail.com)

## **35 for my top 35 most favourite birds is,**

### The Cedar Waxwing, to find out more pay a visit to our website <http://theworldofbirds.weebly.com>



Most seen bird of the month:

Blue Tit

Noisiest bird of the month:

Chiffchaff

**Birds seen this month!!!**

* Coal tit Feral pigeons
* Ring-necked parakeet Magpie
* Jay Starling
* Black birds Gold crest
* Song thrush Black cap
* Great spotted woodpecker Green woodpecker
* Great tit Crow
* Dunnock Jackdaw
* Robin Collar dove
* Wren Nuthatch
* Chaffinch Sparrow hawk (male only)
* Goldfinch Siskin
* Greenfinch Pied wagtail
* Grey wagtail Long-tailed tit
* Tawny owl Stock Dove

Total: 30 species seen

**Our migrants UPDATE!!!**

We have officially witnessed the biggest mass migration event to come through the area. On Friday the 18th September a flock of somewhere between 1000 and 2000 House Martins and Swallows could be seen riding the leading edge of a thunder storm for their winter vacation, there could have been other spices mixed in too, but the main ones have been named.

Winter Chiffchaffs have started to arrive and can already be seen and heard at the moment, The Black caps and Redwings are still at least a month away from arriving!

Next Issue Join us For The Final Summer migrant watch for 2015, winter migrant watch and possibly The Final fledgling count.

**Fledgling Report**

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| Species | Number | Comment |
| Blue tit | 40+ | This is our record year doubling last year’s count. |
| Great tit | 30+ | This is yet again a record year doubling last year’s count. |
| Coal Tit | 4+ |  |
| Long-tailed Tit | 40+ | This is a record amount tripling our annual count. |
| Ring-necked Parakeets | 15+ | This is a record year as we normally only get 7 individuals at any one time. |
| Great Spotted Woodpecker | 2 | This is the same amount our pair has produced for the last 6 years. They are now attempting to raise a second brood!!! |
| Robin | 6 | This is about average! |
| Wren | 6+ | Our record year as we have only ever had as many as 5 before. |
| Magpie | 4 | This is below average as we have had 6+ for the last 6 years. |
| Starling | 20 | This is the first year we have had starling and 4 adults managed to fledge 20 young. |
| Jackdaw | 20+ | This is the first year we have had more than one pair breed. |
| Crow | 4 | This is below average, but we are not too hopeful of getting more! |
| Jay | 2 | This is average |
| Black Bird | 6 | This is about average |
| Wood Pigeon | 18 | This expected to increase slowly in the coming months |
| Feral Pigeon | 2 | This is the first year that we have recorded young from them in the garden and we should have more soon. |
| Goldfinches | 4 | This the first time we have had more than one survive the first week! I regretfully inform you that at least 1 have been taken by the sparrow hawk. |
| Gold Crests | 4 | This is the double the normal count. |
| Green Woodpecker | 2 | This is normal |
| Greenfinches | 6 | They may have been late, however better late than never. This is the most we have had. They have in the past averaged at 2 or 3. I regretfully inform you that at least 2 have been taken by the sparrow hawk. |
| Chaffinches | 1 | There is still no sign of any more than 1! This is a very worrying sign. |
| Nuthatches | 2-3? | We haven’t had a glimpse of the young yet so we don’t know how many there are yet. They have however fledged |

Join us next issue to find out how many more fledglings have appeared.

The next issue will be out around 21st October!!!

**We would love you to join in with our Summer Migrant Watch. Go to our website to find out more. http://theworldofbirds.weebly.com**

**The Webcam should be up and running by the end of the winter (January/February) 2016 Sorry for any inconvenience!!!!**