

| | SIGHTINGS NOVEMBER 2011 |
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| BIRDS | |
| Red-throated Diver | 6 off Stag Rocks on the 6 th and 2 on the 17 th . |
| Slavonian Grebe | 8 off Stag Rocks on the 6 th . |
| Little Grebe | 1 Horncliffe on the 17 th , 1 at Wark on Tweed on the 29 th and 3 at Carham on the 29 th . |
| Little Egret | 3 near the Holy Island causeway on the 5 th . |
| Bewick Swan | 2 at Big Waters on the 22 nd . |
| Mute Swan | 50 + at Wark on Tweed from the 3 rd to 17 th , and 220+ at Norham 3 rd . |
| Whooper Swan | 9 at Branton Ponds on the 8 th and 9 on the 28 th , 15 at Beal on the 17 th , 4 at Wark on Tweed on the 17 th and 7 at Newton Ponds on the 22 nd . |
| Bean Goose (Tundra) | 2 Holy Island on the 16 th and 1 at Low Newton on the 22 nd . |
| Pinkfoot | 150+ at Norham on the 3 rd and 4 at Branton Ponds on the 28 th . |
| Barnacle Goose | 20 East Chevington on the 19 th and 20 Low Newton on the 22 nd . |
| Brent Goose(Pale-bellied) | 2200 at Fenham Flats on the 20 th . |
| Brent Goose(Dark-bellied) | 3 at Long Nanny on the 24 th . |
| White-fronted Goose | 9 Holy Island on 16 th and 14 on 17 th also 80 Low Newton on 22 nd . |
| Goosander | 18 at Carham on the 29 th . |
| Shelduck | 1 at Branton Ponds on the 8 th . |
| Long Tailed Duck | 1 off Stag Rocks on the 6 th . |
| Goldeneye | 12 at Branton Ponds on the 18 th and 7 at Carham on the 29 th . |
| Scaup | 1 at Hauxley on the 13 th . |
| Pintail | 6 East Chevington on the 19 th and 2 at Budle Bay on the 17 th . |
| Red-breasted Merganser | 2 off Stag Rocks on the 6 th . |
| Wigeon | 140 at Beadnell Flash on the 24 th . |
| Shoveler | 14 at Monks House Pool on the 17 th . |
| Goshawk | 1 near Hulne Park on the 26 th . |
| Peregrine | 1 at Elwick on the 20 th and 1 at Ratcheugh on the 30 th . |
| Merlin | 2 on Fenham Flats on the 20 th . |
| Hen Harrier | 2 on Holy Island on the 9 th and 1 at Beal on the 30 th . |
| Sparrowhawk | 1 at Swarland on the 18 th . |
| Buzzard | 3 at Rennington on the 24 th . |
| Grey Partridge | 2 at Preswick Carrs on the 29 th . |
| Sanderling | 90 at Low Newton on the 10 th . |
| Golden Plover | 2500 on Fenham Flats on the 20 th . |
| Purple Sandpiper | 45 at Stag Rocks on the 6 th . |
| Greater Yellowlegs | 1 at Hauxley from the 13 th , a great rarity from North America |
| Snipe | 8 at Monks House Pool on the 17 th . |
| Jack Snipe | 1 at Cresswell Ponds on the 19 th . |
| Grey Phalarope | 1 at Hauxley on the 13 th . |
| Greenshank | 1 at Budle Bay on the 17 th . |
| Woodcock | 1 Holy Island on 16 th , 1 Swarland on 7 th , 4 Smeafields on 18 th , 1 at Hannahs Hill 27 th and 3 at Ratcheugh on the 30 th . |
| Herring Gull | 100+ at Swarland on the 15 th . |
| Barn Owl | Singles at Holy Island 17 th , Smeafield 18 th , Pawston 18 th and Ratcheugh on the 30 th Also 3 youngsters near Warkworth on the 5 th . |
| Little Owl | 1 at Branton on the 5 th . |
| Short-eared Owl | 1 at Ratcheugh on the 30 th . |
| Kingfisher | 2 at Branton Ponds all month |
| Great Spotted Woodpecker | Singles all month at Swarland |
| Rock Pipit | 2 at Holy Island on the 16 th . |
| Waxwing | 3 Lemmington Bank on the 30 th . |

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| Fieldfare | 200 at Smeafield on the 8 th . |
| Redwing | 150 at Smeafield on the 11 th and 2000+ at Horncliffe on the 17 th . |
| Black Redstart | 1 on Holy Island on the 17 th . |
| Eastern Black Redstart | 1 on Holy Island from the 16 th , of the form <i>Phoenicurus Phoenicuroides</i> a 1 st for Northumberland and could have come from as far away as Kazakhstan. |
| Wren | Singles all month at Swarland . |
| Willow Tit | 1 at Swarland on the 12 th and 2 at Prestwick Carr on the 29 th . |
| Long-tailed Tit | Up to 4 at Swarland on 5 th and 17 th . |
| Nuthatch | Singles in Swarland all month and 1 at Horncliffe on the 17 th . |
| Treecreeper | 2 at Branton Ponds on the 21 st . |
| Jay | 1 at Swarland all month and 6 at Carham on the 29 th . |
| Tree Sparrow | Up to 7 in Swarland all month, 8 in Branton on the 25 th and 6 at Ratcheugh on the 30 th . |
| Twite | 28 at Guile Point on the 20 th . |
| Lesser Redpoll | 2 at Branton Ponds on the 22 nd . |
| Bullfinch | 2 at Smeafield on the 13 th . |
| Greenfinch | 100+ at Smeafield on the 27 th . |
| Snow Bunting | 1 at Hauxley on the 13 th . |
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| MAMMALS | |
| Red Squirrel | Singles at Branton on the 1 st , Lilburn on the 17 th , Smeafield on the 4 th and Swarland /Newton on the Moor all month. Also 2 at Jockeys' Bridge on the 11 th . |
| Hedgehog | 1 at Branton on the 5 th , it weighed only 290gms (should be about 600gms at this time of year); taken to Hedgehog rescue centre at Longframlington . |
| Fox | Singles at Lilburn 11 th , Kyloe 12 th , Newton on the Moor 1 st and Low Heighley on the 18 th . |
| Stoat | 1 at Branton on the 15 th . |
| Feral Goat | 19 on Yeavinger Bell on the 23 rd . |
| Porpoise | 2 off Stag Rocks on the 6 th . |
| INVERTEBRATES | |
| Red Admiral | Singles at Swarland on the 1 st and 20 th also Smeafield on the 3 rd . |
| Small Tortoiseshell | Singles at Swarland on the 12 th and Smeafield on the 3 rd . |
| 7 Spot Ladybird | Singles at Swarland on 16 th and 17 th . |
| Honey Bee | 1 (<i>Apis Mellifera</i>) Berwick upon Tweed on the 17 th . |
| PLANTS | |
| Bluebell | Carham 29 th . |
| REPTILES | |
| Common Toad | 1 Abbeyfields (Alnwick) 30 th . |
| RAINFALL | 16.4mm |
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