

HDNS Bird Species List 2020

Acknowledgment: Until publication of this list the reference for birds recorded in the Harrogate and District Naturalist's Society area was Mather's Birds of the Harrogate District (2001). This contains a detailed account of all species ever seen in the area up to the end of 2000. This list could not have been compiled without it and any naturalist who wants more information should obtain a copy.

Not recorded since before 1947

Very rare = ten or less records in total

Rare = less than annual

308 species recorded up to end of 2020 (Categories A to C)

BRENT GOOSE *Branta bernicla* Very scarce winter visitor

RED-BREASTED GOOSE *B. ruficollis* Very rare vagrant

CANADA GOOSE *B. canadensis* Common naturalised resident

BARNACLE GOOSE *B. leucopsis* Uncommon passage and winter visitor; some naturalised residents

SNOW GOOSE *Anser caerulescens* Irregular naturalised visitor

GREYLAG GOOSE *A. anser* Common naturalised resident

PINK-FOOTED GOOSE *A. brachyrhynchus* Regular passage migrant

TUNDRA BEAN GOOSE *A. serrirostris* Rare winter visitor

WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE *A. albifrons* Scarce winter visitor

MUTE SWAN *Cygnus olor* Common resident

BEWICK'S SWAN *C. columbianus* Rare winter visitor formerly more common

WHOOOPER SWAN *C. cygnus* Scarce winter visitor and passage migrant

EGYPTIAN GOOSE *Alopochen aegyptiaca* Uncommon naturalised visitor

SHELDUCK *Tadorna tadorna* Local summer breeding visitor and common passage migrant

RUDDY SHELDUCK *T. ferruginea* Rare passage migrant

MANDARIN DUCK *Aix galericulata* Scarce naturalised visitor, has bred

GARGANEY *Spatula querquedula* Scarce passage migrant

SHOVELER *S. clypeata* Scarce resident, common passage migrant and winter visitor

GADWALL *Mareca strepera* Scarce resident and common autumn and winter visitor

WIGEON *M. penelope* Common winter visitor and passage migrant, bred in 2005

AMERICAN WIGEON *M. americana* Very rare winter visitor

MALLARD *Anas platyrhynchos* Common resident

PINTAIL *A. acuta* Scarce passage migrant and winter visitor

TEAL *A. crecca* Uncommon resident, common passage and winter visitor

GREEN-WINGED TEAL *A. carolinensis* Rare mainly winter visitor

RED-CRESTED POCHARD *Nett rufina* Scarce passage migrant and winter visitor

POCHARD *Aythya ferina* Common passage migrant and winter visitor

FERRUGINOUS DUCK *A. nyroca* Very rare vagrant

RING-NECKED DUCK *A. collaris* Very rare mainly winter visitor

TUFTED DUCK *A. fuligula* Common resident

SCAUP *A. marila* Scarce autumn and winter visitor

LESSER SCAUP *A. affinis* Very rare vagrant

EIDER *Somateria mollissima* Rare, seen mainly in the winter months

VELVET SCOTER *Melanitta fusca* Very rare vagrant

COMMON SCOTER *M. nigra* Scarce erratic visitor

LONG-TAILED DUCK *Clangula hyemalis* Rare irregular visitor

GOLDENEYE *Bucephala clangula* Common passage migrant and winter visitor

SMEW *Mergellus albellus* Scarce winter visitor

GOOSANDER *Mergus. merganser* Fairly common local breeder, passage migrant and winter visitor

RED-BREASTED MERGANSER *M. serrator* Scarce winter visitor

RUDDY DUCK *Oxyura jamaicensis* Former resident and breeder now rare vagrant

RED GROUSE *Lagopus lagopus* Common resident on high ground

BLACK GROUSE *Lyrurus tetrix* Scarce but increasing reports following a reintroduction scheme

GREY PARTRIDGE *Perdix perdix* Scarce resident

PHEASANT *Phasianus colchicus* Common naturalised resident

QUAIL *Coturnix coturnix* Irregular and scarce summer visitor

RED-LEGGED PARTRIDGE *Alectoris rufa* Common resident

NIGHTJAR *Caprimulgus europaeus* Scarce summer visitor

ALPINE SWIFT *Tachymartia melba* Very rare spring migrant

SWIFT *Apus apus* Common summer visitor and passage migrant

PALLID SWIFT *A. pallidus* Very rare spring vagrant

#GREAT BUSTARD *Otis tarda* Very rare vagrant

CUCKOO *Cuculus canorus* Scarce summer visitor

#PALLAS'S SANDGROUSE *Syrrhaptes paradoxus* Very rare vagrant only seen in 1888

ROCK DOVE/FERAL PIGEON *Columba livia* Feral population common

STOCK DOVE *C. oenas* Common resident

WOODPIGEON *C. palumbus* Abundant resident and winter visitor

TURTLE DOVE *Streptopelia .turtur* Rare passage migrant and former breeder

COLLARED DOVE *S. decaocto* Common resident

WATER RAIL *Rallus aquaticus* Scarce resident, passage migrant and winter visitor

CORNCRAKE *Crex crex* Former scarce resident now very rare

SPOTTED CRAKE *Porzana porzana* Very rare usually autumn migrant

MOORHEN *Gallinula chloropus* Common resident

COOT *Fulica atra* Very common resident, passage migrant and winter visitor

#LITTLE CRAKE *Zapornia parva* Very rare vagrant

CRANE *Grus grus* Rare visitor

LITTLE GREBE *Tachybaptus ruficollis* Common resident, passage migrant and winter visitor

PIED-BILLED GREBE *Podilymbus podiceps* Very rare vagrant

RED-NECKED GREBE *Podiceps grisegena* Rare winter visitor

GREAT CRESTED GREBE *P. cristatus* Common resident, passage migrant and winter visitor

SLAVONIAN GREBE *P. auratus* Scarce winter visitor

BLACK-NECKED GREBE *P. nigricollis* Scarce passage migrant, winter visitor and has bred

#STONE CURLEW *Burhinus oediconemus* Very rare vagrant

OYSTERCATCHER *Haematopus ostralegus* Fairly common summer visitor and passage migrant

BLACK-WINGED STILT *Himantopus himantopus* Very rare spring vagrant

AVOCET *Recurvirostra avosetta* Scarce visitor and rare breeder

LAPWING *Vanellus vanellus* Common resident, passage migrant and very common winter visitor

GOLDEN PLOVER *Pluvialis apricaria* Local upland breeder, common passage migrant and winter visitor

AMERICAN GOLDEN PLOVER *P. dominica* Very rare vagrant

GREY PLOVER *P. squatarola* Scarce passage migrant

RINGED PLOVER *Charadrius hiaticula* Local summer visitor and fairly common passage migrant

LITTLE RINGED PLOVER *C. dubius* Local summer visitor and passage migrant

KENTISH PLOVER *C. alexandrinus* Very rare vagrant

DOTTEREL *C. morinellus* Scarce irregular passage migrant

WHIMBREL *Numenius phaeopus* Uncommon passage migrant

CURLEW *N. arquata* Summer resident, passage migrant and winter visitor

BAR-TAILED GODWIT *Limosa lapponica* Scarce but regular passage migrant

BLACK-TAILED GODWIT *L. limosa* Regular passage migrant

TURNSTONE *Arenaria interpres* Scarce but regular passage migrant

KNOT *Calidris canutus* Scarce passage migrant

RUFF *C. pugnax* Uncommon passage migrant

BROAD-BILLED SANDPIPER *C. falcinellus* Very rare passage migrant

CURLEW SANDPIPER *C. ferruginea* Scarce, irregular passage migrant

TEMMINCK'S STINT *C. temminckii* Rare passage migrant

SANDERLING *C. alba* Scarce passage migrant

DUNLIN *C. alpina* Scarce upland breeder, common passage migrant, some in winter

PURPLE SANDPIPER *C. maritima* Very rare autumn migrant

BAIRD'S SANDPIPER *C. bairdii* Very rare vagrant

LITTLE STINT *C. minuta* Scarce, irregular passage migrant

WHITE-RUMPED SANDPIPER *C. fuscicollis* Very rare autumn vagrant

BUFF-BREASTED SANDPIPER *C. subruficollis* Very rare vagrant

PECTORAL SANDPIPER *C. melanotos* Very scarce passage migrant

LONG-BILLED DOWITCHER *Limnodromus scolopaceus* Very rare vagrant

WOODCOCK *Scolopax rusticola* Fairly common local resident and winter visitor

JACK SNIFE *Lymnocyptes minimus* Thinly distributed winter visitor

#GREAT SNIFE *Gallinago media* Very rare vagrant

SNIFE *G. gallinago* Thinly distributed resident and passage migrant

RED-NECKED PHALAROPE *Phalaropus lobatus* Rare passage migrant

GREY PHALAROPE *P. fulicarius* Very rare autumn migrant

COMMON SANDPIPER *Actitis hypoleucos* Fairly common summer visitor and passage migrant

SPOTTED SANDPIPER *A. macularius* Very rare vagrant

GREEN SANDPIPER *Tringa ochropus* Fairly common passage migrant and winter visitor

LESSER YELLOWLEGS *T. flavipes* Very rare vagrant, one bird has wintered

REDSHANK *T. totanus* Common resident and passage migrant

WOOD SANDPIPER *T. glareola* Scarce passage migrant

SPOTTED REDSHANK *T. erythropus* Scarce passage migrant

GREENSHANK *T. nebularia* Passage migrant, mainly autumn

#CREAM-COLOURED COURSER *Cursorius cursor* Very rare vagrant

KITTIWAKE *Rissa tridactyla* Irregular passage visitor

SABINE'S GULL *Xena sabini* Very rare vagrant

BLACK-HEADED GULL *Chroicocephalus ridibundus* Common resident, abundant passage migrant and winter visitor

LITTLE GULL *Hydrocoloeus minutus* Scarce passage migrant and rare winter visitor

MEDITERRANEAN GULL *Ichthyaetus melanocephalus* Uncommon visitor

COMMON GULL *Larus. canus* Common passage migrant and winter visitor

RING-BILLED GULL *L. delawarensis* Very rare vagrant

GREAT BLACK-BACKED GULL *L. marinus* Mainly a winter visitor

GLAUCOUS GULL *L. hyperboreus* Rare winter visitor

ICELAND GULL *L. glaucoides* Rare winter visitor

HERRING GULL *L. argentatus* Common passage migrant and winter visitor

CASPIAN GULL *L. cachinnans* Rare visitor most often seen in autumn and winter

YELLOW-LEGGED GULL *L. michahellis* Scarce visitor

LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL *L. fuscus* Common passage migrant and scarce winter visitor

CASPIAN TERN *Hydroprogne caspai* Very rare autumn vagrant

SANDWICH TERN *Thalasseus sandvicensis* Scarce passage migrant

LITTLE TERN *Sternula albifrons* Very scarce passage migrant

ROSEATE TERN *Sterna dougalli* Very rare spring vagrant

COMMON TERN *Sterna hirundo* Passage visitor and scarce breeder

ARCTIC TERN *S. paradisaea* Irregular passage migrant.

WHISKERED TERN *Chlidonias hybrida* Very rare vagrant I report 2009

WHITE-WINGED BLACK TERN *Chlidonias leucopterus* Very rare passage migrant

BLACK TERN *Chlidonias niger* Irregular passage migrant

GREAT SKUA *Stercorarius skua* Very rare vagrant

POMARINE SKUA *S. pomarinus* Very rare late autumn visitor

ARCTIC SKUA *S. parasiticus* Rare passage visitor

LONG-TAILED SKUA *S. longicaudus* Very rare vagrant

LITTLE AUK *Alle alle* Rare vagrant

COMMON GUILLEMONT *Uria aaige* Very rare vagrant

BLACK GUILLEMONT *Cephus grille* Very rare vagrant

PUFFIN *Fratercula arctica* Very rare vagrant

RED-THROATED DIVER *Gavia stellata* Rare mainly winter visitor

BLACK-THROATED DIVER *G. arctica* Very rare winter visitor

PACIFIC DIVER *G. pacifica* Very rare vagrant

GREAT NORTHERN DIVER *G. immer* Rare mainly winter visitor

#STORM PETREL *Hydrobates pelagicus* Very rare vagrant

LEACH'S PETREL *H. leucorhoa* Rare vagrant mostly in late autumn

FULMAR *Fulmarus glacialis* Rare visitor

MANX SHEARWATER *Puffinus puffinus* Very rare vagrant

WHITE STORK *Ciconia ciconia* Rare visitor though many records may refer to birds based at Harewood Bird Garden

GANNET *Morus bassanus* Scarce visitor mainly in the late summer

CORMORANT *Phalacrocorax carbo* Common non-breeding resident and winter visitor

SHAG *P. aristotelis* Uncommon passage migrant, not annual

GLOSSY IBIS *Plegadis falcinellus* Very rare vagrant

SPOONBILL *Platalea leucorodia* Rare visitor

BITTERN *Botaurus stellaris* Scarce resident and winter visitor

NIGHT HERON *Nycticorax nycticorax* Very rare vagrant

GREY HERON *Ardea. cinerea* Common resident and passage migrant

PURPLE HERON *A. purpurea* Very rare vagrant

GREAT WHITE EGRET *A. alba* Rare visitor increasing in frequency

LITTLE EGRET *Egretta garzetta* Scarce visitor increasing rapidly

OSPREY *Pandion haliaetus* Regular spring and autumn passage migrant

HONEY BUZZARD *Pernis apivarus* Rare passage migrant

GOLDEN EAGLE *Acquila chrysaetos* Rare winter visitor

SPARROWHAWK *Accipter nisus* Common resident

GOSHAWK *A. gentilis* Rare resident

MARSH HARRIER *Circus aeruginosus* Scarce but regular passage migrant

HEN HARRIER *C. cyaneus* Very scarce breeder, scarce passage migrant and winter visitor

MONTAGU'S HARRIER *C. pygargus* Rare passage migrant

RED KITE *Milvus milvus* Fairly common reintroduced resident and visitor

BLACK KITE *M. migrans* Very rare spring vagrant

WHITE-TAILED EAGLE *Haliaeetus albicilla* Very rare visitor

ROUGH-LEGGED BUZZARD *Buteo lagopus* Rare winter visitor

BUZZARD *B. buteo* Common resident, passage migrant and winter visitor

BARN OWL *Tyto alba* Thinly distributed resident

LITTLE OWL *Athene noctua* Common resident

#SCOPS OWL *Otus scops* Very rare vagrant

LONG-EARED OWL *Asio otus* Scarce resident and winter visitor

SHORT-EARED OWL *A. flammeus* Scarce breeder, passage migrant and winter visitor

SNOWY OWL *Buba scandiacus* Very rare vagrant

TAWNY OWL *Strix aluco* Common resident

HOOPOE *Upupa epops* Rare mainly spring migrant

ROLLER *Caracias garrulus* Very rare vagrant

KINGFISHER *Alcedo atthis* Fairly common resident

BEE-EATER *Merops apiaster* Very rare vagrant

WRYNECK *Jynx torquilla* Rare passage migrant

LESSER SPOTTED WOODPECKER *Dryobates. minor* Scarce resident

GREAT SPOTTED WOODPECKER *Dendrocopos. major* Common resident

GREEN WOODPECKER *Picus viridis* Fairly common resident

KESTREL *Falco tinnunculus* Common resident and passage migrant

RED-FOOTED FALCON *F. vespertinus* Very rare vagrant

MERLIN *F. columbarius* Scarce resident, passage migrant and winter visitor

HOBBY *F. subbuteo* Scarce summer visitor and passage migrant

#GYR FALCON *F. rusticolus* Very rare vagrant

PEREGRINE *F. peregrinus* Scarce resident, autumn and winter visitor

RED-BACKED SHRIKE *Lanius colluria* Very rare passage migrant

GREAT GREY SHRIKE *L. excubitor* Rare winter visitor formerly more common

WOODCHAT SHRIKE *L. senator* Very rare vagrant

GOLDEN ORIOLE *Oriolus oriolus* Very rare spring vagrant

JAY *Garrulus glandarius* Fairly common resident

MAGPIE *Pica pica* Abundant resident

#CHOUGH *Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax* Very rare vagrant

JACKDAW *Coloeus monedula* Abundant resident

ROOK *Corvus. frugilegus* Abundant resident

CARRION CROW *C. corone* Very common resident

HOODED CROW *C. cornix* Once scarce now rare mainly winter visitor

RAVEN *C. corax* Very local, scarce resident on high ground

WAXWING *Bombycilla garrulus* Irregular winter visitor

COAL TIT *Periparus ater* Common resident

MARSH TIT *Poecile. palustris* Thinly distributed local resident

WILLOW TIT *P. montana* Scarce local resident

BLUE TIT *Cyanistes caeruleus* Abundant resident

GREAT TIT *Parus major* Abundant resident

PENDULINE TIT *Remiz pendulinus* Very rare vagrant

BEARDED TIT *Panurus biarmicus* Rare mainly winter or autumn visitor

WOODLARK *Lullula arborea* Very rare visitor, has bred

SKYLARK *Alauda arvensis* Common resident, passage migrant and winter visitor

SHORELARK *Eremophila alpestris* Very rare vagrant

SAND MARTIN *Riparia riparia* Common summer visitor and passage migrant

SWALLOW *Hirundo rustica* Very common summer visitor and passage migrant

HOUSE MARTIN *Delichon urbicum* Common summer visitor and passage migrant

RED-RUMPED SWALLOW *Cecropis daurica* Very rare spring migrant

CETTI'S WARBLER *Cettia cetti* Scarce resident

LONG-TAILED TIT *Aegithalos caudatus* Common resident

WOOD WARBLER *P. sibilatrix* Former breeder now scarce spring passage migrant

YELLOW-BROWED WARBLER *P. inornatus* Rare autumn migrant

WILLOW WARBLER *Phylloscopus trochilus* Very common summer visitor and passage migrant

CHIFFCHAFF *P. collybita* Common summer visitor and passage migrant, occasional in winter

GREAT REED WARBLER *Acrocephalus arundinaceus* Very rare spring migrant

SEDGE WARBLER *A. schoenobaenus* Common summer visitor and passage migrant

REED WARBLER *A. scirpaceus* Local summer visitor and passage migrant

ICTERINE WARBLER *Hippolais icterina* Very rare autumn migrant

SAVI'S WARBLER *Locustella luscinioides* Very rare spring migrant

GRASSHOPPER WARBLER *L. naevia* Scarce summer visitor

BLACKCAP *Sylvia atricapilla* Common summer visitor, scarce winter visitor

GARDEN WARBLER *S. borin* Fairly common summer visitor

BARRED WARBLER *Curruca nisaria* Very rare autumn migrant

LESSER WHITETHROAT *C. curruca* Locally common summer visitor

WHITETHROAT *C. communis* Common summer visitor

FIRECREST *Regulus ignicapilla* Rare passage migrant and winter visitor

GOLDCREST *R. regulus* Fairly common resident

WREN *Troglodytes troglodytes* Very common and widespread resident

NUTHATCH *Sitta europaea* Fairly common local resident

TREECREEPER *Certhia familiaris* Fairly common resident

ROSE-COLOURED STARLING *Pastor roseus* Very rare vagrant

STARLING *Sturnus vulgaris* Fairly common resident, abundant passage migrant

SONG THRUSH *T. philomelos* Fairly common resident, passage migrant and winter visitor

MISTLE THRUSH *T. viscivorus* Common resident

REDWING *T. iliacus* Common passage migrant and winter visitor

BLACKBIRD *T. merula* Abundant resident, passage migrant and winter visitor

RED-THROATED THRUSH *T. ruficollis* Very rare vagrant

FIELDFARE *T. pilaris* Very common passage migrant and winter visitor

RING OUZEL *Turdus torquatus* Local summer visitor and very scarce passage migrant

SPOTTED FLYCATCHER *Muscicapa striata* Fairly common summer visitor and passage migrant

ROBIN *Erithacus rubecula* Very common resident and winter visitor

BLUETHROAT *Luscinia svecica* Very rare vagrant

NIGHTINGALE *L. megarhynchos* Former breeder but now rare spring migrant

RED-BREASTED FLYCATCHER *Ficedula parva* Very rare spring vagrant

PIED FLYCATCHER *Ficedula hypoleuca* Local summer visitor, mainly in the west and scarce passage migrant

BLACK REDSTART *Phoenicurus ochruros* Scarce passage migrant

REDSTART *P. phoenicurus* Fairly common local summer visitor

WHINCHAT *Saxicola rubetra* Local summer visitor and scarce passage migrant

STONECHAT *S. rubicola* Local resident and winter visitor

WHEATEAR *Oenanthe oenanthe* Fairly common summer visitor and passage migrant

DIPPER *Cinclus cinclus* Fairly common, local resident

TREE SPARROW *P. montanus* Thinly distributed local resident

HOUSE SPARROW *Passer domesticus* Widespread but thinly distributed resident

DUNNOCK *Prunella modularis* Very common and widespread resident

YELLOW WAGTAIL *Motacilla flava* Uncommon summer visitor and passage migrant

GREY WAGTAIL *M. cinerea* Fairly common resident and winter visitor

PIED WAGTAIL *M. alba yarrelli* Common resident and passage migrant

MEADOW PIPIT *Anthus. pratensis* Common resident, passage migrant and winter visitor

TREE PIPIT *A. trivialis* Local summer visitor and scarce passage migrant

WATER PIPIT *A. spinoletta* Rare passage migrant

ROCK PIPIT *A. petrosus* Scarce passage migrant

CHAFFINCH *Fringilla. coelebs* Abundant resident, passage migrant and winter visitor

BRAMBLING *F. montifringilla* Fairly common, but erratic, passage migrant and winter visitor

HAWFINCH *Coccothraustes coccothraustes* Very scarce local resident, declining

BULLFINCH *Pyrrhula pyrrhula* Thinly distributed resident

COMMON ROSEFINCH *Carpodacus erythrina* Very rare vagrant

GREENFINCH *Chloris chloris* Common resident

TWITE *Linaria. flavirostris* Local summer resident on high ground, scarce winter visitor

LINNET *L. cannabina* Fairly common resident and passage migrant

COMMON REDPOLL *Acanthis flamea* Scarce first winter period and spring visitor

LESSER REDPOLL *A. cabaret* Fairly common resident, passage migrant and winter visitor

ARCTIC REDPOLL *A. hornemanni* Very rare winter visitor

PARROT CROSSBILL *Loxia pytyyopsittacus* Very rare winter vagrant

CROSSBILL *Loxia curvirostra* Irregular visitor and very occasional breeder

#TWO-BARRED CROSSBILL *L. leucoptera* Very rare vagrant

GOLDFINCH *Carduelis carduelis* Common resident and passage migrant

SERIN *Serinus serinus* Very rare spring vagrant

SISKIN *Spinus spinus* Local resident, passage migrant and winter visitor

LAPLAND BUNTING *Calcarius lapponicus* Very rare vagrant

SNOW BUNTING *Plectrophenax nivalis* Scarce irregular winter visitor

CORN BUNTING *Emberiza calandra* Local lowland resident and winter visitor

YELLOWHAMMER *E. citrinella* Thinly distributed resident and winter visitor

PINE BUNTING *E. leucocephalos* Very rare spring vagrant

#CIRL BUNTING *E. cirius* Very rare vagrant

LITTLE BUNTING *E. pusilla* Very rare spring vagrant

REED BUNTING *E. schoeniclus* Fairly common resident and passage migrant

Reference: Mather John R 2001 - Birds of the Harrogate District (2001)

ESCAPED AND FERAL BIRDS

BAR-HEADED GOOSE *Anser indicus* (Asia)

BLACK SWAN *Cygnus atratus* (Australia)

MUSCOVY DUCK *Cairina moschata* (South America)

HELMETED GUINEAFOWL *Numida meleagris* (Africa)