

■ seen  
 □ heard only  
 ▨ new record

# WANDSWORTH COMMON BIRDS

## AUGUST 2019 (1)

DATE	1	6	11	16	20	27
SPECIES	33	30	32	24	31	26
Starling	■	■	■	■	■	■
Woodpigeon	■	■	■	■	■	■
Stockdove	■	■	■	■	■	■
Collared Dove	■	■	■	■	■	■
Common Crow	■	■	■	■	■	■
Magpie	■	■	■	■	■	■
Jay	■	■	■	■	■	■
Blackbird	■	■	■	■	■	■
Song Thrush	■	■	■	■	■	■
Mistle Thrush	■	■	■	■	■	■
Robin	■	■	■	■	■	■
Wren	■	■	■	■	■	■
Dunnock	■	■	■	■	■	■
Blue tit	■	■	■	■	■	■
Great tit	■	■	■	■	■	■
Coal tit	■	■	■	■	■	■
Long Tail tit	■	■	■	■	■	■
Chiffchaff	■	■	■	■	■	■
Blackcap	■	■	■	■	■	■
Chaffinch	■	■	■	■	■	■
Goldfinch	■	■	■	■	■	■
Greenfinch	■	■	■	■	■	■
Pied Wagtail	■	■	■	■	■	■
Gt. Spot Woodpecker	■	■	■	■	■	■
Green Woodpecker	■	■	■	■	■	■
B/N Parakeet	■	■	■	■	■	■
Nuthatch	■	■	■	■	■	■
Mute Swan	■	■	■	■	■	■
Canada Goose	■	■	■	■	■	■
Egyptian Goose	■	■	■	■	■	■
Mallard	■	■	■	■	■	■
Tufted Duck	■	■	■	■	■	■
Coot	■	■	■	■	■	■
Moorhen	■	■	■	■	■	■
Grey Heron	■	■	■	■	■	■
Cormorant	■	■	■	■	■	■
Black Hd. Gull	■	■	■	■	■	■
Herring Gull	■	■	■	■	■	■
Lesser B/Pod Gull	■	■	■	■	■	■
Mandarin	■	■	■	■	■	■
Goldcrest	■	■	■	■	■	■
Kestrel	■	■	■	■	■	■
Sparrowhawk	■	■	■	■	■	■
* OSPREY	■	■	■	■	■	■
Kingfisher	■	■	■	■	■	■
Willow Warbler	■	■	■	■	■	■
Common Gull	■	■	■	■	■	■

Visits 6  
 Species seen 42  
 Heard only 2  
 Total 44  
 Daily Average 29

**OSPREY!** Whilst near the Lake at about 7.30 am on 11th I saw a very large raptor flying away west quite high with slow, languid wing beats. It was dark on the back and white underparts. It was an Osprey. The first ever recorded over the common and my 112th bird there.

**KINGFISHER** Also on 11th I met Nick RUTHER by the Lake. On 9th he "flushed a kingfisher at the railwayside lake but could not relocate it." On 11th he said had that morning seen it three times fly over the water. When I went to the Lake Extension I saw it momentarily perched on a wooden stanchion. It was the 7th time I have recorded Kingfisher here, the last being on 23rd May 2018.

**MANDARIN** On 1st NR told me there was either one female or young mandarin at the Lake Extension. I went there and it was sat on a wooden stanchion. I later saw one fly east encircling the Anglers Lake but returning to the extension saw in addition to the one still on the stanchion, two young on the water so three were present. Nick said the three still present on 3rd. I saw 2 there on 11th and on 16th. 2 were now on the Anglers Lake and 3 were at the Extension on 27th.

**KESTREL (1)** NR saw one fly over the Bowling Green on 3rd (2) On 6th I saw a male flying about the Sports Field and coming on to the grass to eat either a worm or beetle.

**SPARROWHAWK (1)** NR heard one calling on the scope on 3rd.

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(2) on 6th. I saw one juvenile fly over the scope near what must have been the nesting site (3) On 20th. I saw one dash through lakeside trees.

WILLOW WARBLER (1) NR saw one at the Lake Extension on 3rd. (2) He recorded 7 (!) on 11th, (3) I saw two very yellow-breasted 1st year birds in a sunlit lakeside tree on both 20th and 27th.

CHIFFCHAFF Two calling birds on 1st, one seen by Lake.

BLACKCAP Just one male seen by Lake on 1st and one female in bushes there on 6th.

GOLDCREST (1) one seen in a lakeside tree on 1st and (2) one in firs towards the lake on 16th.

NUTMATCH (1) NR had two at the Lake Extension on 1st (2) I heard one calling by the Lake on 11th.

PIED WAGTAIL 10 were on the sports field on 1st whilst the grass was being mown obviously attracted by insects being disturbed, only one present on 6th and 11th.

GREEN WOODPECKER one heard calling on 11th.

AMISTLE THRUSH Astonishing number on sports field with NR counting 23 (1) on 9th and I counted 19 there on 11th.

COLLARED DOVE 1-2 on 4 occasions along Tim Trail.

COMMON GULL one on sports field on 20th.

LESSER BLACK-BACK GULL one on then flying about sports field on 20th.

EGYPTIAN GOOSE on 1st one had 7 goslings, down to 6 on 6th and 5 for remainder of month getting larger.

CANADA GOOSE 17 on sports field on 16th and 21 on 20th.

OTHER REPORTED BIRDS (NICK RUTTER)

HOBBOY NR saw one flying over south on 9th.

SPOTTED FLYCATCHER He saw one on a hawthorn bush by lake on 15th.

COMMON WHITETHROAT one was in the same bush as the flycatcher on 15th, and Nick a great photo, showing both birds in the same frame.

HOUSE MARTIN (1) NR saw two on East side of common on 19th and (2) three on 22nd. I have not seen one yet over the common this year.

SAND MARTIN NR saw 4 fly over on 22nd.

SWIFT For me they had gone from the common but Nick last saw two on 19th.

GREENFINCH Nick had one beyond the tennis courts on 11th.

COAL TIT Nick saw one on 1st.

Peter White