

SEPTEMBER 2010

Sept 30th: New birds in today included an **Olive-backed Pipit**, **Hornemann's Arctic Redpoll**, **Great Grey Shrike** and a **Hawfinch**. The **Buff-bellied Pipit** and **Buff-breasted Sandpiper** remained. Scarce birds include 2 **Common Rosefinch**, **Barred Warbler**, 9 **Yellow-browed Warbler** and a **Little Bunting**. The Wood Duck has been re-identified as a **Mandarin**. Commoner migrants include 19 Wigeon, 5 Teal, Long-tailed Duck, Red-breasted Merganser, 8 Grey Heron, 3 Kestrel, Sparrowhawk, Merlin, Hen Harrier, Water Rail, 4 Purple Sandpiper, 12 Dunlin, 7 Jack Snipe, 2 Woodcock, Greenshank, Stock Dove, 6 Wood Pigeon, 2 Short-eared Owl, **Swift**, 7 Swallow, 5 Tree Pipit, 320 Meadow Pipit, Dunnock, 17 Robin, 8 Redstart, 9 Whinchat, 14 Wheatear, 9 Ring Ouzel, 24 Blackbird, Fieldfare, 140 Song Thrush, 75 Redwing, 3 Mistle Thrush, 2 Sedge Warbler, 6 Lesser Whitethroat, Whitethroat, 2 Garden Warbler, 14 Blackcap, 4 Chiffchaff, 5 Willow Warbler, 25 Goldcrest, 3 Spotted Flycatcher, Pied Flycatcher, 43 Chaffinch, 100 Brambling, 5 Greenfinch, 210 Siskin, 1 *North-western type* Common Redpoll, 175 Lapland Bunting, 12 Snow Bunting and 13 Reed Bunting.

Sept 29th: A **Little Bunting** was new in today as was a very elusive juv/fem **Wood Duck**. The **Buff-bellied Pipit** and **Buff-breasted Sandpiper** remained. A **Corncrake**, 2 **Barred Warbler**, **Yellow-browed Warbler** and a **Common Rosefinch** rounded up the scarce bits. Commoner migrants include 14 Barnacle Goose, 36 Wigeon, 6 Teal, 3 Long-tailed Duck, Pintail, Red-breasted Merganser, Sooty Shearwater, 4 Cormorant, Grey Heron, 3 Kestrel, Sparrowhawk, 2 Hen Harrier, Water Rail, Curlew Sandpiper, 3 Purple Sandpiper, 7 Dunlin, 7 Jack Snipe, 56 Common Snipe, Woodcock, 30 Redshank, Greenshank, 73 Turnstone, Arctic Skua, 5 Wood Pigeon, Stock Dove, 4 Short-eared Owl, 3 Swallow, Tree Pipit, 3 Dunnock, 16 Robin, 8 Redstart, 4 Whinchat, 10 Wheatear, 7 Ring Ouzel, 16 Blackbird, 2 Fieldfare, 311 Song Thrush, 60 Redwing, 2 Mistle Thrush, Whitethroat, 6 Garden Warbler, 9 Blackcap, 7 Chiffchaff, 3 Willow Warbler, 44 Goldcrest, 8 Pied Flycatcher, 29 Chaffinch, 170 Brambling, 44 Siskin, Linnet, 140 Twite, 3 *North-western type* Common Redpoll, 160 Lapland Bunting, 17 Snow Bunting and 11 Reed Bunting,

Sept 28th: Three **Red-breasted Flycatcher** and a **Corncrake** were new in today. Scarce migrants include a **Bluethroat**, 2 **Barred Warbler**, 7 **Yellow-browed Warbler** and a **Common Rosefinch**. The **Buff-bellied Pipit** and **Buff-breasted Sandpiper** remained. Commoner migrants include a flock of 35 Barnacle Goose, 4 Wigeon, 12 Teal, Long-tailed Duck, Pintail, 5 Cormorant, 3 Grey Heron, 2 Kestrel, 2 Hen Harrier, Moorhen, Water Rail, Curlew Sandpiper, Purple Sandpiper, 2 Jack Snipe, 62 Common Snipe, Woodcock, Greenshank, 2 Wood Pigeon, Stock Dove, Long-eared Owl, Swallow, Grey Wagtail, Dunnock, 8 Robin, 4 Redstart, 10 Whinchat, 6 Ring Ouzel, 13 Blackbird, 158 Song Thrush, 74 Redwing, Mistle Thrush, Reed Warbler, 4 Lesser Whitethroat, Whitethroat, 6 Garden Warbler, 14 Blackcap, 13 Chiffchaff, 6 Willow Warbler, 79 Goldcrest, 2 Spotted Flycatcher, 19 Pied Flycatcher, 14 Chaffinch, 140 Brambling, 14 Siskin, 2 *North-western type* Common Redpoll, 195 Lapland Bunting, 34 Snow Bunting and 5 Reed Bunting.

Sept 27th: Not one but 2 **Red-flanked Bluetail** turned up this afternoon. The **Buff-bellied Pipit** and **Buff-breasted Sandpiper** remained faithful to the island. New scarce birds include a **Hornemann's Arctic Redpoll**, **Red-throated Pipit**, **Richard's Pipit**, 5 **Bluethroat**, 4 **Barred Warbler**, 15 **Yellow-browed Warbler** and a **Common Rosefinch**. Commoner migrants

include 27 Pink-footed Goose south, 50+ Barnacle Goose, 12 Wigeon, 14 Teal, Long-tailed Duck, 3 Grey Heron, 2 Hen Harrier, Kestrel, Curlew Sandpiper, 2 Purple Sandpiper, 5 Dunlin, 3 Jack Snipe, 69 Common Snipe, 3 Curlew, 24 Redshank, Greenshank, 50 Turnstone, Wood Pigeon, 108 Skylark, 2 Swallow, 400 Meadow Pipit, Grey Wagtail, 3 Robin, Redstart, 4 Whinchat, 17 Wheatear, 4 Ring Ouzel, 3 Blackbird, Fieldfare, Song Thrush, 95 Song Thrush, 14 Redwing, Sedge Warbler, 3 Lesser Whitethroat, Common Whitethroat, 12 Garden Warbler, 9 Blackcap, 4 Chiffchaff, 15 Willow Warbler, 14 Goldcrest, 9 Pied Flycatcher, 5 Chaffinch, 120 Brambling, 2 Siskin, Linnet, 150 Twite, 3 *North-western type* Common Redpoll, 123 Lapland Bunting, 32 Snow Bunting and 4 Reed Bunting.

Sept 26th: Popular birds today included a **Nightingale** found in the morning at the mast, and a **Subalpine Warbler** found in the afternoon at Lower Leogh. The **Buff-bellied Pipit** and **Buff-breasted Sandpiper** remained. Scarce migrants included 3 **Barred Warbler**, **Yellow-browed Warbler** and a **Common Rosefinch**. Commoner migrants include 2 White-fronted Goose, Teal, Sooty Shearwater, Cormorant, 2 Grey Heron, Merlin, Kestrel, Peregrine, 2 Hen Harrier, Curlew Sandpiper, 2 Purple Sandpiper, Jack Snipe, 33 Common Snipe, 23 Redshank, 2 Greenshank, 24 Turnstone, 104 Skylark, 6 Swallow, 365 Meadow Pipit, 'flava' Wagtail, Grey Wagtail, Dunnock, Robin, Black Redstart, 16 Whinchat, 11 Wheatear, 11 Song Thrush, 4 Redwing, 9 Garden Warbler, 4 Blackcap, 2 Chiffchaff, 4 Willow Warbler, 2 Chaffinch, 18 Brambling, 3 Siskin, 3 *North-western type* Common Redpoll, 113 Lapland Bunting and 2 Snow Bunting.

Sept 25th: The **Buff-bellied Pipit** and **Buff-breasted Sandpiper** were still on the island. A 1st Winter Glaucous Gull was new in the Gull roost. Commoner migrants include 7 Wigeon, 6 Teal, 2 Red-breasted Merganser, 3 Cormorant, Grey Heron, Sparrowhawk, 2 Kestrel, Peregrine, Water Rail, 2 Oystercatcher, 37 Lapwing, Knot, Curlew Sandpiper, 8 Purple Sandpiper, 4 Dunlin, 3 Jack Snipe, 11 Redshank, Greenshank, 56 Turnstone, Wood Pigeon, Short-eared Owl, 2 Swallow, Tree Pipit, 1 'flava' Wagtail, Grey Wagtail, Dunnock, 2 Robin, Black Redstart, 6 Whinchat, Blackbird, Fieldfare, 4 Song Thrush, Redwing, Barred Warbler, Lesser Whitethroat, Common Whitethroat, 2 Blackcap, Chiffchaff, Willow Warbler, *North-western type* Common Redpoll and 6 Snow Bunting.

Sept 24th: The **Buff-bellied Pipit** was re-found today, still at North Light. The **Hornemann's Arctic Redpoll** remained as did the **Buff-breasted Sandpiper** and a **Common Rosefinch**. Also of note was an adult Norwegian-ringed Great Black-backed Gull. Common birds include 3 Pink-footed Goose, 7 Wigeon, 7 Teal, Red-breasted Merganser, 7 Cormorant, 2 Grey Heron, Kestrel, Peregrine, 12 Ringed Plover, 48 Golden Plover, 35 Lapwing, Knot, Curlew Sandpiper, 2 Purple Sandpiper, 6 Dunlin, Ruff, 4 Jack Snipe, 74 Common Snipe, 6 Curlew, 31 Redshank, 64 Turnstone, 107 Skylark, 3 Swallow, 425 Meadow Pipit, Grey-headed Wagtail, Grey Wagtail, Dunnock, Robin, 6 Whinchat, 16 Wheatear, 3 Song Thrush, 2 Redwing, Fieldfare, Blackbird, Garden Warbler, 3 Blackcap, 2 Willow Warbler, 6 Brambling, Siskin, 96 Twite, 5 *North-western type* Common Redpoll, 125 Lapland Bunting and 9 Snow Bunting.

Sept 23rd: A **Hornemann's Arctic Redpoll** made it to Easter Lothar this afternoon. A **Corncrake** was also new in, around Furse. The **Pallas's Grasshopper Warbler**, **Citrine Wagtail**, **Buff-breasted Sandpiper**, **Common Rosefinch** and **Yellow-browed Warbler** remained on the island. Commoner migrants include 4 Pink-footed Goose, 15 Wigeon, Teal,

Great Northern Diver, 4 Red-throated Diver, Merlin, 2 Kestrel, Peregrine, 8 Ringed Plover, 40 Golden Plover, 17 Lapwing, Knot, Curlew Sandpiper, Purple Sandpiper, 7 Dunlin, Jack Snipe, 34 Common Snipe, 5 Curlew, 48 Redshank, Common Sandpiper, 54 Turnstone, 103 Skylark, Swallow, 2 Tree Pipit, 345 Meadow Pipit, 1 'flava' Wagtail, 3 Whinchat, 9 Wheatear, 3 Song Thrush, Fieldfare, 3 Common Whitethroat, Garden Warbler, Blackcap, 3 Willow Warbler, Chaffinch, 9 Brambling, Siskin, 130 Twite, 5 *North-western type* Common Redpoll, 100 Lapland Bunting and 8 Snow Bunting.



Pallas's Grasshopper Warbler

Photographs by Deryk Shaw

Sept 22th: A **Pallas's Grasshopper Warbler** turned up this morning at Leogh. A **Citrine Wagtail** was new in around the Haven's. The **Buff-bellied Pipit**, **Buff-breasted Sandpiper**, **Barred Warbler**, 3 **Yellow-browed Warbler** and 3 **Common Rosefinches** remained on the island. Commoner migrants included 57 Pink-footed Goose, 11 Wigeon, 3 Teal, Tufted Duck, 2 Grey Heron, Sparrowhawk, 8 Ringed Plover, 25 Golden Plover, 24 Lapwing, Knot, Purple Sandpiper, 3 Dunlin, 3 Jack Snipe, 4 Curlew, 21 Redshank, 20 Turnstone, 7 Swallow, 2 Tree Pipit, 'Flava' Wagtail, Dunnock, Robin, 6 Whinchat, 10 Wheatear, 2 Redwing, 8 Song Thrush, Sedge Warbler, Lesser Whitethroat, Common Whitethroat, 2 Garden Warbler, 6 Blackcap, 4 Chiffchaff, 4 Willow Warbler, 3 Chaffinch, 17 Brambling, Siskin, 8 *North-western type* Common Redpoll, 80 Lapland Bunting and a Snow Bunting.

Sept 21st: The **Buff-bellied Pipit** was still at the North Lighthouse and the **Buff-breasted Sandpiper** was still around Barkland. Scarce migrants include a **Turtle Dove**, **Barred Warbler**, 2 **Yellow-browed Warbler** and 4 **Common Rosefinch**. Other migrants included a Pink-footed Goose, 10 Wigeon, 3 Teal, Tufted Duck, 13 Grey Heron, Kestrel, Sparrowhawk, 34 Golden Plover, Knot, Curlew Sandpiper, 15 Purple Sandpiper, 11 Dunlin, 2 Jack Snipe, 42 Common Snipe, 12 Curlew, 23 Redshank, 2 Common Sandpiper, 15 Turnstone, 137 Skylark, 7 Swallow, Tree Pipit, 600 Meadow Pipit, 3 'flava' Yellow Wagtail, 3 Dunnock, 6 Whinchat, 14 Wheatear, 4 Song Thrush, Redwing, Fieldfare, Grasshopper Warbler, Lesser Whitethroat, 2 Common Whitethroat, Garden Warbler, 3 Blackcap, 2 Chiffchaff, 8 Willow Warbler, 2 Pied Flycatcher, 7 Chaffinch, 33 Brambling, 15 Siskin, 2 Linnet, **335** Twite, 2 *North-western type* Common Redpoll, 105 Lapland Bunting and 8 Snow Bunting.



Buff-bellied Pipit.

Photograph by Deryk Shaw



Lapland Buntings.

- Photograph by Deryk Shaw

Sept 20th: A very showy **Buff-bellied Pipit** was found this morning up at the North Lighthouse. Just one **Buff-breasted Sandpiper** was still at Barkland, **Ortolan Bunting** still at Quoy and a new **Barred Warbler**, 2 **Marsh Warblers**, 2 **Bluethroat** and 5 **Yellow-browed Warblers** made it to the island. Other birds included a Tufted Duck, Red-breasted Merganser, 2 Grey Heron, 5 Kestrel, 2 Sparrowhawk, 2 Merlin, Peregrine, 65 Golden Plover, 25 Lapwing, Knot, Curlew Sandpiper, 6 Dunlin, 5 Jack Snipe, 38 Common Snipe, 6 Curlew, 22 Redshank, Greenshank, Common Sandpiper, 16 Turnstone, 2 Woodpigeon, 9 Swallow, 2 Tree Pipit, 840 Meadow Pipit, 2 'flava' Yellow Wagtail, 1 Grey-headed Wagtail, 3 Dunnock, 2 Robin, Black Redstart, 4 Redstart, 13 Whinchat, 26 Wheatear, 5 Song Thrush, Redwing, Sedge Warbler, Reed Warbler, Lesser Whitethroat, 2 Whitethroat, 2 Garden Warbler, 6 Blackcap, 2 Chiffchaff, 12 Willow Warbler, 12 Pied Flycatcher, Spotted Flycatcher, 10 Chaffinch, 29 Brambling, 3 Siskin, 2 Linnet, 240 Twite, 3 *North-western type* Common Redpoll, **Common Rosefinch**, Lapland Bunt, 112 Lapland and 10 Snow Buntings.



Buff-bellied Pipit



Photographs by Deryk Shaw

Sept 19th: **Ortolan Bunting** at Quoy and **Bluethroat** near the shop were firsts of the autumn. The two **Buff-breasted Sandpipers** reduced to one mid-morning at Barkland. Other birds include 5 Wigeon, 14 Teal, Red-breasted Merganser, Grey Heron, 3 Kestrel, Merlin, Peregrine, 6 Golden Plover, 45 Golden Plover, 24 Lapwing, Knot, 2 Purple Sandpiper, 5 Dunlin, Jack Snipe, 36 Common Snipe, 7 Curlew, 21 Redshank, Common Sandpiper, 22 Turnstone, Wood Pigeon, 820 Meadow Pipit, 'Flava' Wagtail, 4 Dunnock, 7 Whinchat, 13 Wheatear, Song Thrush, Fieldfare, Reed Warbler, 3 Whitethroat, Garden Warbler, 3

Blackcap, 7 Willow Warbler, Spotted Flycatcher, 12 Chaffinch, 4 Siskin, 2 Linnet, 3 *North-western type* Common Redpoll, **160** Lapland Bunting, 9 Snow Bunting.

Sept 18th: With westerly's finally petering out wings were back over Fair Isle. Not only did the first planes for a few days arrive with a new incursion of birders but two 2 juvenile **Buff-breasted Sandpipers** arrived, and sought company with the Golden Plover flock at Barkland. Other birds included 2 Whooper Swans, 38 Greylag Goose, 15 Wigeon, 3 Teal, 2 Red-breasted Mergansers, Red-throated Diver, Slavonian Grebe, 5 Kestrels, Merlin, Sparrowhawk. Waders included 5 Knot, 2 Sanderling, Curlew Sandpiper, Purple Sandpiper, 6 Dunlin, Jack Snipe, 31 Common Snipe, 6 Curlew, 25 Redshank, Common Sandpiper, 84 Turnstone. Passerines consisted of a Tree Pipit, 640 Meadow Pipit, 2 'Flava' Wagtail, Black Redstart, 8 Whinchat, 19 Wheatear, Fieldfare, Whitethroat, Garden Warbler, 4 Blackcap, 2 Chiffchaff, 3 Willow Warbler, 3 Chaffinch, Siskin, 3 *North-western type* Common Redpoll, 79 Lapland Bunting and 4 Snow Buntings.



Buff-breasted Sandpipers
Photograph by Deryk Shaw

Sept 17th: A significant decrease in the number of passerines today due to the very strong NW'ly winds, regular heavy showers and cool temperatures with 47 Skylark, 4 Tree Pipit, 550 Meadow Pipit, 2 'Flava' Wagtails, Robin, Black Redstart, Redstart, 3 Whinchat, 22 Wheatear, Fieldfare, 2 Whitethroat, 5 Blackcap, Chiffchaff, 4 Willow Warbler, 2 Chaffinch, 7 Siskin, 130 Twite, 1 *North-western type* Common Redpoll, 67 Lapland Bunting and 2 Snow Bunting. Wildfowl included 15 Greylag Goose, 32 Pink-footed Goose, 14 Wigeon, 4 Teal, 6 Red-breasted Merganser. The Merlin, Sparrowhawk and 3 Kestrels remained. Waders included 5 Knot, Sanderling, 2 Purple Sandpiper, 3 Dunlin, Common Sandpiper and 100 Turnstone.

Sept 16th: A Tufted Duck and 6 Red-breasted Merganser were new in. Raptors included a Merlin, 6 Kestrel and a female Sparrowhawk. Two Knot, 1 Sanderling, 1 Purple Sandpiper, 7 Dunlin, 1 Jack Snipe, 6 Curlew, 43 Redshank, Common Sandpiper, 34 Turnstone were the best of the waders. Passerines included 63 Skylark, House Martin, Tree Pipit, 930 Meadow

Pipits, 5 'Flava' Wagtails, 6 Whinchat, 33 Wheatear, 2 Fieldfare, 1 Song Thrush, 1 Sedge Warbler, 1 Reed Warbler, 1 Whitethroat, 5 Blackcap, 1 Chiffchaff, 6 Willow Warbler, 6 Chaffinch, 9 Siskin, 145 Twite, 2 *North-western type* Common Redpoll, 90 Lapland Buntings and the autumn's first Snow Bunting.

Sept 15th: Undoubtedly the highlight of an otherwise quiet day was a **Swainson's Thrush** discovered in the garden at Lower Stoneybreck. Although the underwing was clearly black and white, the bird's whereabouts shortly after its discovery wasn't and after originally being seen superbly (by just one lucky tour guide!) it quickly disappeared. Despite a thorough search of the island it wasn't seen again but with winds strengthening it looks unlikely that the bird will leave so hopefully it will be relocated tomorrow. A Merlin was the only new raptor. Waders included a single Little Stint, Curlew Sandpiper, 2 Ruff and Jack Snipe. Passerines included 13 Tree Pipit, 660 Meadow Pipit, 3 'Flava' Wagtails, 2 Robin, 1 Black Redstart, 1 Redstart, 10 Whinchat, 95 Wheatear, 2 Song Thrush, 1 Blackbird, 2 Fieldfare, 2 Sedge Warbler, 1 Reed Warbler, 1 Common Whitethroat, 6 Garden Warbler, 7 Blackcap, 2 Chiffchaff, 9 Willow Warbler, 1 Spotted Flycatcher, 12 Chaffinch, 1 Brambling, 8 Siskin, 2 *North-western type* Common Redpoll and 42 Lapland Bunting.

Sept 14th: Wildfowl today included 18 Wigeon and 30 Teal. A Peregrine, 5 Kestrels and a Peregrine were still in the area. The **Pectoral Sandpiper** remained near the school as Curlew Sandpipers increased to 4. Golden Plovers have increased too with 64 on the island. Passerines included 2 Swallow, 1 Sand Martin, 19 Tree Pipit, 775 Meadow Pipit, 3 'Flava' Wagtails, 1 Grey Wagtail, 3 Redstart, 9 Whinchat, 107 Wheatear, 2 Blackbird, 1 Fieldfare, 1 Grasshopper Warbler, 1 Sedge Warbler, 1 Reed Warbler, 3 Common Whitethroat, 2 Garden Warbler, 7 Blackcap, 1 Chiffchaff, 6 Willow Warbler, 1 Spotted Flycatcher, 9 Chaffinch, 1 Brambling, 8 Siskin, a *North-western type* Common Redpoll and 55 Lapland Bunting. A report of a brief Buff-breasted Sandpiper at the airstrip unfortunately could not be relocated.

Sept 13th: A bit of a wash-out today low cloud and drizzle this morning followed with heavy rain all afternoon. The **Pectoral Sandpiper** was found bathing in the middle of the road near the school and the **Little Stint** visited the new Obs Pools, whilst the **Curlew Sandpiper** remained faithful to Bunes. A **Sand Martin** was new as were the first **Pink-footed Geese** (12) of the autumn and there were 21 **Siskin**.

Other news: The 2008 **Citrel Finch** has been accepted by BOURC onto Category A of the British List as the first record for Britain.

Sept 12th: The best birds of the day included a **Pectoral Sandpiper** at Da Water and Little Stint together with Curlew Sandpiper on Bunes. Wildfowl consisted of 9 Wigeon, 35 Teal and Tufted Duck whilst 8 Kestrels were the only raptors. Passerines included 44 Tree Pipit, 140 Meadow Pipit, 6 'flava' Wagtail, 2 Grey headed Wagtail, 6 Redstart, 25 Whinchat, 6 Fieldfare, 4 Song Thrush, Grasshopper Warbler, 3 Reed Warbler, 3 Whitethroat, 12 Garden Warbler, 14 Blackcap, 2 Chiffchaff, 35 Willow Warbler, 14 Spotted Flycatcher, 3 Pied Flycatcher, 27 Chaffinch, 3 Brambling, 22 Siskin, 330 Twite, Common Redpoll, Common Rosefinch and 73 Lapland Bunting.

Sept 11th: Bird of the day went straight through and was therefore only seen by one lucky soul – a Common Buzzard. Seven Kestrels, three Sparrowhawks and the two resident Peregrines made up the rest of the raptor count. Wildfowl comprised 25 Wigeon, 41 Teal and two Tufted Duck. Three each of Ruff and Common Sandpiper were the pick of the waders. Passerine counts included; 44 Tree Pipit, 590 Meadow Pipit, 11 'flava' Wagtail, 2 Grey-headed Wagtail, 10 Redstart, 31 Whinchat, 9 Song Thrush, 3 Fieldfare, 3 Grasshopper Warbler, 4 Reed Warbler, 19 Garden Warbler, 16 Blackcap, 28 Willow Warbler, 13 Spotted Flycatcher, 3 Pied Flycatcher, 43 Chaffinch, Brambling, 19 Siskin, 180 Twite, Common Redpoll, Common Rosefinch, 148 Lapland Bunting.

Sept 10th: An elusive Short-toed Lark was by far the best find today with the rest being in similar numbers to yesterday.



Lapland Bunting

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Lapland Bunting

Photograph by Roger Riddington

Sept 9th: Totals today included 14 Wigeon, 31 Teal, Common Scoter, 16 Grey Heron, 4 Sparrowhawk, 11 Kestrel, 15 Knot, 8 Ruff, 4 Common Tern, 83 Common Snipe, autumn's first Jack Snipe, Swift, Wryneck, 12 Song Thrush, Redwing, 3 Barred warbler, 32 Garden warbler, 16 Blackcap, 34 Willow Warbler, 4 Spotted Flycatcher, Chaffinch, Brambling, 6 Siskin, Common Rosefinch and 104 Lapland Bunting.

Sept 8th: The range of species and numbers of birds is increasing.....48 Teal, Common Scoter, 15 Grey Heron, 7 Sparrowhawk, 11 Kestrel, 3 Ruff, 3 Common Sandpiper, Green Sandpiper, Greenshank, Common Tern, Short-eared Owl, Swift, 26 Tree Pipit, 4 'flava' Wagtail, 2 Robin, 17 Redstart, 18 Whinchat, 47 Wheatear, 5 Fieldfare, 6 Song Thrush, Grasshopper Warbler, Reed Warbler, 3 Barred warbler, 23 garden warbler, 12 Blackcap, 36 Willow Warbler, 8 Spotted Flycatcher, 4 Pied Flycatcher, Chaffinch, 5 Brambling, 5 Siskin, 3 Common Rosefinch and 72 Lapland Bunting.

Sept 7th: 15 Grey Heron, 4 Sparrowhawk, 10 Kestrel, 2 Green Sandpiper, 12 Tree Pipit, 310 Meadow Pipit, 2 Grey-headed Wagtail, male Blue-headed Wagtail, Dunnock, 3 Robin, 29 Redstart, 7 Whinchat, 63 Wheatear, 4 Fieldfare, 4 Song Thrush, Marsh Warbler, 2 Reed Warbler, 12 Garden warbler, 10 Blackcap, Chiffchaff, 25 Willow Warbler, 16 Spotted Flycatcher, 7 Pied Flycatcher, 3 Siskin, 2 Common Rosefinch and 70 Lapland Bunting.

Sept 6th: The water and shore produced 13 Teal, 7 Wigeon, 13 Grey Heron, 13 Oystercatcher and 34 Ringed Plover. Inland were 300 Meadow Pipit, 4 Common Redstart, 3 Whinchat, 2 Fieldfare, Song Thrush, Reed warbler, 2 Barred Warbler, 15 Willow Warbler, 2 Spotted Flycatcher, Pied Flycatcher, 240 Twite, 2 Common Rosefinch and 90 Lapland Bunting.

Sept 5th: Male Sparrowhawk, 2 Peregrine and 3 Kestrel terrorised the few migrants on show – 2 Common Sandpiper, 2 Tree Pipit, Black Redstart, 3 Common Redstart, 8 Willow Warbler, 7 Common Rosefinch and 90 Lapland Bunting.

Sept 4th: Some movement including 17 Cormorant, 10 Grey Heron, 30 Ringed Plover, Short-eared Owl, 2 Tree Pipit, 2 Common Redstart, a Marsh Warbler, 4 Barred Warbler, first Blackcap, 6 Garden Warbler, 24 Willow Warbler, the month's first Spotted and Pied Flycatchers, 210 Twite, 6 Common Rosefinch and 140 Lapland Bunting. The Shoveler that arrived on 30th August was last seen today.

Sept 3rd: Totals of 15 Teal, 12 Cormorant, 34 Ringed Plover, 250 Meadow Pipit swamped the lone Tree Pipit, 3 Barred Warbler, 17 Willow warbler, 5 Common Rosefinch and 110 Lapland Bunting.

Sept 2nd: Highlights of Wryneck, 3 Barred Warbler, 17 Willow Warbler, 5 Common Rosefinch, the **Arctic Warbler** but just 140 Lapland Buntings today!

Sept 1st: First Slavonian Grebe of the autumn, yesterday's **Arctic Warbler** still present, Marsh Warbler, Icterine Warbler and 3 Barred Warblers plus a scattering of common warblers (16 Willow, 6 Garden, 4 Lesser Whitethroat), 2 Common Crossbill and 7 Common Rosefinch. Main highlight however was the invasion of Lapland Buntings – with an incredible record total of 185 logged!!