



Goldsworth Birds

Summary of Sightings by Neil Bew October 2019



Below is the list of Neil's sightings for October based on a survey he undertook on 13th October plus a couple of observations made on 12th. Please let Natural Goldsworth Park know of any sightings you have seen recently. Pictures can be posted on our facebook page or email projects@ourgoldsworthpark.org.uk. Facebook @Natgoldsworth

| Species | Location | Frequency | Latest record | Comments |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|---------------|---|
| MUTE SWAN | Lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | 3 now regular birds |
| MALLARD | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | common, present year-round, breeds |
| GREAT CRESTED GREBE | Lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | 5 including a couple of recent youngsters |
| CORMORANT | Lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | 1 flew in during the survey |
| MOORHEN | Lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | resident breeder |
| COOT | Lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | resident breeder min 18 on 13/10 |
| BLACK-HEADED GULL | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | common visitors in large numbers |
| FERAL PIGEON | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | common |
| WOOD PIGEON | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | common breeding, resident |
| COLLARED DOVE | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | common breeding, resident |
| TAWNY OWL | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 12/10/2019 | 1 by Beaufort School heard 10.00pm 12/10 |
| RING NECKED PARAKEET | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | Regularly seen in the park and potential breeder |
| GREATER SPOTTED WOODPECKER | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | breeds on the park, resident |
| PIED WAGTAIL | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | recorded round the lake, rare in winter |
| WREN | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | common breeder, resident |
| DUNNOCK | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | recorded as breeding on the park |
| ROBIN | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | common resident, breeds on the park |
| BLACKBIRD | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | common breeder, resident |
| GREAT TIT | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | common breeder, resident |
| BLUE TIT | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | common breeder, resident |
| LONG-TAILED TIT | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 12/10/2019 | common breeder, resident |
| MAGPIE | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | common breeder, resident |
| JAY | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | common resident, numbers boosted in winter |
| JACKDAW | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | spectacular roost of over 550 birds in woodland by the lake |
| CARRION CROW | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | common, has breed on the park |
| STARLING | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | common breeder on the park |
| HOUSE SPARROW | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | common breeder on the park |
| GOLDFINCH | North Meadow and lake | Regular | 13/10/2019 | common breeder, resident |

Notes:

29 sightings in October. Our thanks to Neil for the above list and for photographs of three of the above species, the Dunnock, Magpie and Long-Tailed Tit. Additionally, thanks to Katy Murray for the superb picture of the Green Woodpecker, which was snapped on the ground feeding near the lake and can be viewed on the NGP facebook page.