

May 2020 - A Review
Bradford Ornithological Group

Mandarin Duck

Ogden - pair on 3rd
Burley - pair with six chicks 12th
Denso Marsten - pair 14th
Strid Wood - five on 14th

Gadwall

Otley Wetland NR - male on 1st
Apperley Bridge/Eshot - two males 12th
Apperley Bridge - female with ten chicks 27th

Mallard -

Heights Lane/Walsh Lane - pair with five chicks 30th

Tufted Duck

Pennithorn, Baildon - pair on lake 29th
Knotford Nook - three pairs, one pair with four ducklings 29th

Goldeneye

Otley Wetland NR - male on 8th, also on 17th

Goosander -

Keighley GC - female + seven young on 13th
Strid Wood - female with a chick
River Aire Utley - female + seven young on 16th
Addingham - female with one chick on 27th

Grey Partridge

Slippery Ford - pair on 7th
Eldwick Reservoir - pair on 14th

Grey Heron

Esholt - Heronry established

Great Crested Grebe

Otley Wetland NR - two pairs on 25th
Knotford Nook - pair on 29th

Hobby

Glovershaw - seen early evening on 27th

Water Rail

Otley Wetland NR - male on 8th

Moorhen

Heights Lane/Walsh Lane - pair with two chicks on 30th

Lapwing

Storiths - four of five nests hatched successfully (17 eggs)
Thornton Moor - adults + chicks on 13th
Fly Flatts - adults + chicks on 13th

Ringed Plover -

Fly Flatts - two on 2nd, four on 3rd, five on 5th, 6 on 7th, 10 on 16th
Fly Flatts - successful breeding, two chicks on 30th

Whimbrel

Leeshaw - single flew east on 11th

Dunlin

Fly Flatts - nine on 3rd, 14 on 6th, 13 on 7th, 10 on 10th, 14 on 12th, 12 on 13th, nine on 16th,
19 on 19th

Common Sandpiper

Fly Flatts - eight on 2nd & 3rd, 13 on 5th, 11 on 6th, 12 on 7th, 17 on 10th, nine on 13th, seven on 19th
River Aire, Utley to Silsden - four on 4th

Redshank -

Fly Flatts - four on 2nd, six on 10th
Whetstone - one of 3rd

Oystercatcher

Knotford Nook - pair with two chicks on 29th

Woodcock

Stainburn Forest - up to four birds on 20th

Common Tern

Otley Wetland NR - pair on 1st, pair on 8th & 25th

Stock Dove

Shipley Glen - breeding pair on 6th
Apperley Bri/Esholt - breeding pair
Storiths - breeding pair 20th

Cuckoo -

Haworth - bird on 7th
Fly Flatts - bird on 7th, one on 8th, 16th
Nab Water Lane - bird on 9th
Pennithorn - bird on 9th, also 16th, 19th, 20th
Ilkley Moor - calling bird on 9th
Storiths - male on 15th
Lower Barden - bird on 16th, 18th, 19th
Low Snowdon - two birds calling on 16th

Tawny Owl

Baildon - bird with young in Walker Wood on 18th
Utley - Present on 19th
Stainburn Forest - in flight on 20th
Harden Moor - single on 29th

Nightjar

Stainburn Plantation - single on 21st

Swift

Storiths - five on 4th
Eldwick - at breeding site on 7th
Utley - noted at breeding site on 28th

Kingfisher

Strid Wood - breeding pair on 14th
Ben Rhydding Gravel Pits NR - breeding pair on 27th
Oakenshaw Country Park - breeding pair 30th

Green Woodpecker

Crossflatts/Bingley - near Premier, male on 7th then Bingley on 8th
Folly Wood - male on 14th
Storiths - male on 15th
Shipley Glen - male on 16th, flew over 25th
Harden Moor - two males on 17th

Great Spotted Woodpecker

Shipley Glen - feeding young 6th, two nests feeding on 9th
Apperley Bri/Esholt - breeding pair feeding at nest 12th

Raven

Bingley over town centre 2nd, pair over town on 3rd
Heights Lane - single on 7th
Thornton Moor - pair on 16th
Storiths - bird on 20th

Goldcrest

Beckfoot Lane - pair on 8th

Great Tit

Heights Lane/Walsh Lane - pair with three chicks on 30th

Sand Martin -

River Aire, Utley to Silsden - 30 adults at three sites 4th, 20 birds at site on 16th,
34 adults in two colonies (possibly three) on 30th
Apperley Bri/Esholt - a site with 15+ adults
Strid Wood - colony established on 23rd
Addingham - small colony on 27th

Swallow

Glovershaw Farm, Baildon - pair collecting mud on 6th
Eldwick Reservoir - 13 feeding on 8th, 30+ on 14th

House Martin

Eldwick Reservoir - 25 feeding over reservoir on 14th

Wood Warbler

Heber's Ghyll male on 2nd, two on 4th & 6th established on 12th
Beckfoot Lane - male singing on 4th, two males on 6th, one on 8th
Nan Scar Beck - one singing on 17th
Strid - bird on 23rd

Chiffchaff -

Eldwick Reservoir - two on 8th

Willow Warbler

Glen Road, Baildon - at least ten pairs (30th)

Garden Warbler

Storiths two singing on 1st,
Otley Wetland NR - three on 1st, two on 8th
Bingley GS - one on 3rd
Washburn - at least four on 7th
Haworth garden - a single on 9th
Low Snowdon - singing male on 16th
River Aire, Utley - bird on 16th, three on 30th
Strid Wood - three on 16th
Ben Rhydding Gravel Pits NR - pair on 27th

Lesser Whitethroat

Sun Lane NR - singing male on 5th,
Greenholme Mills, Burley-in-Wharfedale - singing on 18th & 22nd
Leathley - male on 5th
Calverley (Shell Lane) - male on 25th

Common Whitethroat

Glovershaw - two on 2nd, two on 8th, feeding on 25th
Glen Road - one on 2nd, two on 6th, also 25th & 30th
Stones Lane - singing male on 9th
Apperley Bridge/Esholt - five birds on canal/river bank on 12th
Keighley GC - single on 15th
Low Snowdon - two males on 16th
Snaygill - single on 17th
Cemetery Rd - singing by ASDA on 19th
Haworth garden - breeding pair on 20th
Hewenden Reservoir - single bird on 23rd

Stockbridge - single bird on 27th
Harden Moor - breeding birds feeding young on 29th
River Aire, Utley to Silsden - four birds on 30th

Grasshopper Warbler -

Otley Wetland NR - pair on 8th
Thornton Moor - male on 16th
Pennithorn, Baildon - singing bird on 19th

Reed Warbler

up to 8 birds singing Otley Wetland NR on 1st
Stockbridge - two on 17th, single on 23rd

Sedge Warbler -

Otley Wetland NR - single on 8th
Stockbridge - one on 17th, two on 23rd
Snay Gill - single on 17th

Nuthatch

Apperley Bri/Esholt - breeding pair on 12th
Shipley Glen - two breeding pairs on 30th

Wren

Knotford Nook - single with six young 29th

Dipper

Hirstwood - breeding pair on 3rd, 10th
Myrtle Park - breeding pair on 12th

Ring Ouzel

pair at Lower Barden 16th, also on 18th

Mistle Thrush

Shipley Glen - two pairs feeding young away from the nest on 1st,
three adults plus brood in fields on 13th
Eldwick Reservoir - breeding pair, nest with two eggs on 8th

Spotted Flycatcher

Bradup male on 3rd
Heber's Ghyll - single on 9th
Keighley GC - single on 15th & 23rd
Strid Wood - three on 16th
Storiths - newly arrived on 20th

Pied Flycatcher

Storiths - male on 5th, bird on 15th
Washburn - two males on 7th
Low Wood - singing male on 9th, two on 15th, two males + female on 16th
Strid Wood - three pairs on 14th, several on 16th, breeding pair on 23rd, three pairs on 28th
Barden Bridge - one on 17th

Redstart -

Storiths - male on 5th, male on 15th
Newsholme - singing male 7th
Washburn - three on 7th, three on 15th
Ilkley Moor - two males in separate plantations 9th
Strid Wood - male on 14th, two on 16th, single on 23rd.

Whinchat

Whetstone - male on 3rd

Stonechat

female at Glovershaw on 1st
Nab Water - two on 2nd, four on 7th, three on 8th, pair on 17th
Whetstone - male on 3rd

Ilkley Moor - pair on 9th
Harden Moor - male on 14th
Thornton Moor - pair on 16th
Lower Barden - several on 16th
Pennithorn - pair on 19th

Wheatear

Glovershaw - two on 1st, two on 2nd, two on 8th, one on 15th
Nab Water Lane - two on 1st, three on 2nd, two on 4th, three on 5th, 4 on 6th, four on 7th, five on 8th, five on 9th
Fly Flatts - four on 3rd, 2 on 13th, 7 on 16th, 3 on 19th one showing Greenland characteristics.
Whetstone - two on 3rd

Yellow Wagtail

Gallows Hill/Knotford - male bird on 14th, pair on 18th
East Busk Lane, Otley - pair seen on 17th

Grey Wagtail

Hirstwood - breeding pair on 10th

Pied Wagtail

Hirstwood - pair on 11th

Tree Pipit

Stainburn Plantation - breeding pairs established

Chaffinch

Haworth garden - breeding pair on 9th

Greenfinch -

Haworth garden pair on 9th
Shipley Glen - a couple of breeding pairs on 9th

Linnet

Northcliffe - pair on 14th
Low Snowdon - pair on 16th
Pennithorn, Baildon - pair on 21st

Bullfinch

Glen Rd - pair on 2nd
Hardnese Clough - pair on 9th

Yellowhammer

male at Oats Royd on 27th and 30th

Reed Bunting

Glovershaw - two pairs on 9th

