

WICKEN FEN (BIRD RINGING) GROUP

Brief news for June 2015

Despite the absences of Group members because of holidays, there was reasonable activity during June. The month's ringing total was 305 – a further 146 birds were retraps; making a total of 451. Individual species totals were (ringed, followed by retraps):

Common Tern	3, 0	Whitethroat	2, 0
Stock Dove	4, 0	Garden Warbler	2, 3
Cuckoo	1, 0	Blackcap	38, 7
Barn Owl	3, 0,	Chiffchaff	25, 12
Green Woodpecker	1, 0	Willow Warbler	10, 0
Swallow	8, 0	Bearded Tit	4, 1
Wren	11, 11	Long-tailed Tit	8, 3
Dunnock	7, 6	Blue Tit	20, 9
Robin	46, 8	Great Tit	31, 13
Blackbird	4, 19	Tree Creeper	2, 0
Song Thrush	0, 2	Jay	4, 0
Cetti's Warbler	3, 7	Chaffinch	4, 2
Sedge Warbler	15, 11	Greenfinch	0, 1
Reed Warbler	31, 17	Goldfinch	17, 5
Lesser Whitethroat	1, 0	Bullfinch	6, 1
		Reed Bunting	0, 2

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Old birds retrapped during the month were Blackbird XB9977 at 5 years 10 months, Cetti's Warbler L093219 at 4 years 11 months and Great Tit L504684 at 4 years 0 months .

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Some of the more interesting bird sightings during the month of June 2015 were:

Little Egret	10 on 16 th .
Bittern	2 on 4 th and 8 th .
Shelduck	4 on 16 th .
Buzzard	3 on 4 th .
Honey Buzzard	on 3 rd .
Kite	on 7 th and 17 th .
Peregrine	on 22 nd .
Quail	on 22 nd .
Oystercatcher	3 on 16 th .
Avocet	on 16 th .
Woodcock	3 on 21 st .
Black-tailed Godwit	on 23 rd .
Spotted Redshank	12 on 19 th .
Turtle Dove	on 8 th .

