

RINGING ON HOLT ISLAND 16 -17 FEBRUARY 2018

The weather on both days was dry cold and reasonably still with only the occasional breeze which made conditions good. We had a slow but good catch of 52 birds with about a quarter new birds and the rest re-traps of which a high percentage were Blue Tits and Great Tits. The feeders seem to back to normal with good numbers using them.

We saw a Little Egret on the far bank of the river and heard a Kingfisher. The Great Spotted Woodpeckers were drumming and we heard Reed Buntings singing as well as catching three of them, one of which was a re-trap.

In the meadow which has now been cut back making it larger we saw a Red Admiral flying.

It was nice to catch a pair of tree creepers by the meadow.

Species	New Adults	New First years	Re-trap Adults	Re-trap First Years	Total
Wren			1		1
Dunnock			5	3	8
Robin			1	2	3
Blackbird	1			1	2
Song Thrush		1			1
Long-tailed Tit	2		9		11
Blue Tit		4	6	1	11
Great Tit	1	3	2	4	10
Tree creeper			2		2
Reed Bunting	1	1	1		3
Total	5	9	27	11	52



Tree creepers

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PS. On 20th February a 2-3 day old Muntjac was seen in the reserve