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BirdLine Operated by June Neal on behalf of BirdLife Cyprus is the bird information hotline. To hear a pre-recorded message with recent interesting bird sightings and to add your own observations, please phone 00357 25 934076.

The Monthly Newsletter and Society News is compiled by Jane Stylianou (mobile phone number 99558953). Any suggestions concerning subjects for future inclusion gratefully received, as are photographs of any recent sightings. Please send to janesty@yaho.co.uk.

Cover photo: Barn Swallow *Hirundo rustica* are common migrant breeders in Cyprus as well as abundant passage migrants. The in-depth assessment carried out by BirdLife Cyprus under contract with the Game and Fauna Service, as part of the 'Article 12' of the EU Birds Directive shows that this is one of the Cyprus breeding species that have undergone a decline since 1980. This adult was photographed feeding one of its fledglings early this summer by Stavros Christodoulides.

BIRDLIFE CYPRUS FIELD MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

Autumn 2014

For field trips, please don't forget your flask of coffee and sandwiches

*Although their higher clearance is an advantage, 4x4s are not necessary for any of the field trips unless **stated otherwise** below.*

September 2014

Saturday 6th September: Cape Greko

Leader: Martin Hellicar. Mobile: 99907893

Autumn migrants: Raptors and passerines.

Meet at 9.30 am, Kermia Beach Hotel turnover.

Friday, Saturday & Sunday 12th, 13th & 14th September: Akamas Weekend, including Latchi Boat Trip

Joint Leaders: Melis Charalambides and Loria Phylakti.

Following last year's successful inaugural Akamas venture which created an enjoyable, sociable, birding weekend to see seabirds and autumn migrants, we are holding a similar one this autumn.

Meet at 6.30 pm at Droushia Heights Hotel on 12th for a PowerPoint presentation by John Stapley on the 'Conservation Efforts by BirdLife Cyprus', followed by a buffet dinner.

Meet at 9.30 am on 13th at J&P Restaurant in Latchi for boat trip returning to hotel afterwards for dinner. Departure at 9.00 am on 14th to attend bird-ringing demonstration at Neo Chorio to be led by Alan Crabtree. Mobile: 99455345

Further details to follow. However, please book in advance separately for Accommodation and Dinners with Melis Charalambides Mobile: 99653205 **or for the Boat Trip with Loria Phylakti.** Mobile: 99413383

Saturday 20th September: Paphos Lighthouse

Leader: John Stapley. Tel: 26652223, Mobile: 99554561

Autumn passerines and shore birds.

Meet 9.00 am, near beach cafe at CTO beach, west end of Paphos Lighthouse archaeological site. Please note slightly earlier start time.

Saturday 27th September: Akrotiri Peninsula

Leader: June Neal. Tel: 25932008, Mobile: 99918665.

Birds of prey, water birds & autumn passerines.

Meet at 9.30 am, Phassouri Reed-beds.

October 2014

Saturday 4th October: EuroBirdwatch - Cape Pyla Ringing Demonstration

Leader: Claire Papazoglou. Mob: 99545094

Demonstration from 9.00 am to 12.30 pm.

Directions for Meeting Point: Take the Xylophagou exit from the A3 (Larnaca to Ayia Napa Highway) and then turn right to go over the Motorway. Meet at the side of the dirt track to the left and await escort vehicle. (*Map can be found on our website.*)

Sunday 5th October: EuroBirdwatch

BirdLife Cyprus will be recording the autumn migration from different vantage points giving you a unique opportunity to watch raptors, soaring birds, cranes, bee-eaters and other species as they travel over Cyprus during migration. (More details on our website).

All sightings will be added to the EuroBirdwatch total to help increase the number of birds and species seen at a European level.

Note: Binoculars and bird guides will be provided by BirdLife Cyprus.

For more information please contact Maria Christodoulou on 22 455072 or email maria.christodoulou@birdlifecyprus.org.cy.

Friday 10th to Sunday 12th October: Karpasia Peninsula

Leader: Melis Charalambides. Mobile: 99653205, Home Tel: 22632155

Autumn migrants, raptors and passerines.

Details will follow.

Please book in advance with Melis Charalambides. Note, there is a 50 euro deposit on each booking.

Saturday 18th October: Mandria, Asprokremmos Dam & Anarita Park

Leader: Colin Richardson. Home Tel: 26946682

Late autumn migrants and winter visitors.

Meet at 9.00 am Mandria (please note the earlier start time), 'Lark Corner', on coastal track opposite rocky islands.

Saturday 25th October: Larnaca Sewage Works

Leader: Stavros Christodoulides. Mobile: 99425050

Early wintering gulls and waterfowl.

Meet at 9.30 am, dirt track leading to Larnaca Sewage Pool hide.

November 2014

Saturday 1st November: Paphos Lighthouse

Leader: John Stapley. Tel: 26652223, Mobile: 99554561

Winter visiting passerines and shore birds.

Meet 9.30 am, near beach cafe at CTO beach, west end of Paphos Lighthouse archaeological site.

Saturday 15th November: Akrotiri Peninsula

Leader: June Neal. Home Tel: 25932008, Mobile: 99918665

Waterbirds and winter visitors.

Meet at 9.30 am, car park adjacent to the new hide at Zakaki ponds off the road to Lady's Mile. Note this meeting point is near the one used some years ago before the drainage works commenced.

Saturday 22nd November: Athalassa Park and Agios Sozomenos

Leader: Martin Hellicar. Mobile: 99907893

This is a new location for one of our field trips and is aimed at attracting more of our Nicosia-area members. Winter residents and visitors such as the regular, but fairly scarce, Finsch's Wheatear.

Meet at 9.30 am. From the big Nicosia general hospital roundabout, take exit towards GERI, then, after the traffic lights, take exit on left signposted for 'Athalassa Park' and follow narrow surfaced track to car park, where we will meet.

Saturday 29th November: Troodos

Leader: Stavros Christodoulides. Mobile: 99425050

Winter visitors and mountain endemics.

Meet at 9.30 am, Forestry Department Environment Centre next to Dolphin Restaurant.

December 2014

Saturday 6th December: Kidasi

Leader: Colin Richardson. Home Tel: 26946682

Griffon Vultures and winter visitors.

Meet at 9.30 am, Asprokremmos Dam car park.

Saturday 13th December: Larnaca Sewage Works

Leader: Martin Hellicar. Mobile: 99907893

Wintering gulls and waterfowl.

Meet at 9.30 am, dirt track leading to Larnaca Sewage Pool hide.

January 2015

Saturday 10th January: Akrotiri Peninsula

Leader: June Neal. Home Tel: 25932008, Mobile: 99918665

Wintering gulls, waterfowl and passerines.

Meet at 9.30 am, car park adjacent to the new hide at Zakaki ponds off the road to Lady's Mile. Note this meeting point is near the one used some years ago before the drainage works commenced.

Saturday 10th January: New Year get-together

Details to be announced

Important Announcement: Participation in BirdLife Cyprus field meetings is at one's own risk. BirdLife Cyprus accepts no liability or responsibility for accidents, illness, injury or loss or damage to property that might occur. Field trips require light to moderate exercise. Please contact the field trip leader for more information on difficulty, distances and terrain of a particular field trip.

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BIRD PHOTO QUIZ
Stavros Christodoulides

PHOTO # 20



Last Month's Quiz answer

While its right wing obscures its head we can still see enough of June's mystery bird to make a safe identification. The general colouration, long slender wings and forked tail suggest this is a species of Tern. Though closely related, most tern species have a unique and distinctive shape. The bird's shape and jizz can immediately eliminate several species. The wings are thin, with an especially long hand while the body appears long and slim, suggesting a rather large Tern species. These two features eliminate the three species of marsh tern, Black, White-winged and Whiskered Tern which are small, short-bodied and broad-winged as well as Little Tern which is also very small. The shallow forked tail rules out Common Tern, as well as the vagrant Arctic Tern, which in adult plumage show long tail streamers, while even immatures show a considerably deeper tail fork.

We are left with only three Tern species that have been recorded in Cyprus. To pin down the identification the wingtip pattern is key. From above the bird shows greyish 5 outermost primaries with a distinctive black trailing edge. This rules out Sandwich Tern which shows a dark wedge in adult plumage and a much darker wing in juvenile plumage. Caspian Tern on the other hand shows extensively dark underwings, while our bird shows rather plain underwings with a rather indistinct dark trailing edge (due to indentations of pale outer webs). In fact this distinctive wingtip pattern alone is enough to identify our mystery bird as a **Gull-billed Tern**, and from the rather plain rest of the upperwing an adult bird.

AKAMAS WEEKEND REMINDER

On Friday, Saturday & Sunday 12th, 13th & 14th September, BirdLife Cyprus is organising a weekend at Akamas, including a boat trip at Latchi and a ringing demonstration

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Departure at 9.00 am on 14th to attend bird-ringing demonstration at Neo Chorio to be led by Alan Crabtree. Mobile: 99455345

Price for Double room, HB, 85 euros

Price for Single room, HB, 60 euros

Price for boat trip, 25 euros per person.

If you are interested please book in advance, separately:

For Accommodation and Dinners with Melis Charalambides Mobile: 99653205

For the Boat Trip with Loria Phylakti Mobile: 99413383.

Bookings can be taken just for the hotel stay, the talk or the boat trip if wanted.

HIGHLIGHTS OF SPRING MIGRATION 2014

Jane Stylianou

A look back at the spring of 2014 – a review of the sightings of less common birds and other notable events. This resumé refers to reports that may not yet have been verified, some of which are under consideration by the Rarities sub-committee. Observers' names have not been included. Covers March – May 2014.



A moulting adult Rose-coloured Starling photographed at Cape Greco by Stavros Christodoulides on 22nd April 2014.

GREAT CRESTED GREBE *Podiceps cristatus* Σκουφοβούτιης: One was seen at various dates at Akhna Dam between 8 – 22nd March. One was off shore at Mandria on 23rd March.

SCOPOLI'S (CORY'S) SHEARWATER *Calonectris diomedea* Πελαγόμυχος: One was seen off Cape Elia on 17th March with eight off Mandria on 24th and four heading W there on 30th March. During April three were seen at Agios Filonas on 1st April, one from Paphos Lighthouse on 17th, 20 from the Karpasia Peninsula on 25th and two were moving NW off Cape Kormakitis on 28th. Then in May four were seen from Cape Kormakitis on 11th while off Mandria after singles on 6th and 7th and two on 9th another 50 were counted moving W between 13.15pm and 16.15pm on 9th.

YELKOUAN SHEARWATER *Puffinus yelkouan* Θαλασσόμυχος: One was seen from Cape Elia on 17th March with two heading W at Mandria on 30th March. In April one was moving E off Cape Kormakitis on 28th. Two were seen off heading W off Mandria on both 6th and 9th May with another single there also on 9th.

NORTHERN GANNET *Morus bassanus* Σούλα: A second winter bird was seen heading W off Mandria on 30th March.

WHITE STORK *Ciconia ciconia* Ασπροπελαργός: Two were thermalling up over Germasogeia Dam on 16th March with one over the Karpasia Peninsula on 24th. During April a single was over Asprokremmos Dam on 5th April with two the same day heading NW over Cape Greco. Three were seen earlier in the month, on 2nd April - over the Minthis Hills area. One was seen on 27th May over Goudi.

RED-BREASTED MERGANSER *Mergus serrator* Θαλασσοβουτηκτήης: Three females were offshore at Kermia Beach on 21st March.

GOOSANDER *Mergus merganser* Λιμνοβουτηκτήης: A male Goosander seen at Fresh Water Lake (South) outside Famagusta on 9th and 13th March is a possible 6th Cyprus record.

BLACK KITE *Milvus migrans* Γυπογεράκα: One was seen over Kouklia (Paphos) on 2nd March.

LESSER SPOTTED EAGLE *Aquila pomarina* Φλυαρογεράκα: Two records of this species during 2014 spring migration. One was reported at Fresh Water Lake (South) on 31st March and a sub-adult was seen thermalling with other large raptors at Kivisilli, Larnaca 5th April.

BOOTED EAGLE *Aquila pennata* Νανογεράκα: A dark phase bird that had been seen around the Kouklia area of Paphos during the winter is likely to have been the bird reported from there on 2nd and 14th March and at Asprokremmos Dam on 22nd March. Likewise a pale morph bird at Akhna Dam on 8th March may have been the overwintering bird in that area. One was seen migrating N over Cape Greco on 3rd April and on 23rd two were reported from Pachyammos forest. The last spring record was one over Anarita Park on 12th May.

OSPREY *Pandion haliaetus* Ψαρεπτός: A single Osprey was at Akrotiri Gravel Pits on 10th March with another there on 3rd April when another was over Cape Greco. On 9th April one was at Germasogeia Dam; another at Akhna Dam on 16th and one over the Karpasia Peninsula on 20th. In May one was at Akhna on 10th, 11th & 15th, one at Oroklini Marsh on 10th and others at Kannaviou Dam on 15th May and over Droushia on 20th May.

SAKER FALCON *Falco cherrug* Στεπτόζάνος: Just one report this spring of a bird at Agia Napa Sewage Works on 4th April.

BAILLON'S CRAKE *Porzana pusilla* Βαλοτοπουλλάδα: One was seen on several occasions at Phassouri Reed Beds between 4th and 10th April 2014.

CORNCRAKE *Crex crex* Ορτυκομάνα: On 24th March one was near Paphos Airport; one was ringed at Polis Reed Beds on 20th April and another was at Mandria on 9th May.

COMMON CRANE *Grus grus* Γερανός: During March 2014 65 were reported at Akrotiri Gravel Pits on 9th, a flock heard near Kyperounda on 9th, 11 over motorway near Lefkara on 8th, 30 over the motorway near Klavdia, Larnaca on 14th and 60 were seen during an atlas square survey in the Orounda area on 22nd. A flock of 27 on 22nd over Limassol were presumed to be this species. On 3rd April seven were seen heading NW over Kensington Cliffs.

PIED AVOCET *Recurvirostra avosetta* Αβοκέτα: A single Pied Avocet was at Larnaca Sewage Works on 16th March with a flock of 17 on the Salt Lake there on 23rd.

CREAM-COLOURED COURSER *Cursorius cursor* Αμμοδρόμος: A bird seen at Akrotiri Gravel Pits on 3rd March was in the same location as one there for several days in late February. Another was briefly at Larnaca Sewage Works on 5th April.

CASPIAN PLOVER *Charadrius asiaticus* Στεπτοπλουμίδι: One was reported at Paralimni Lake on 24th March.

BROAD-BILLED SANDPIPER *Limicola falcinellus* Πικατσονεραλλίδι: Three of this species were at Akrotiri Salt Lake on 26th April, one was at Akhna Dam on 9th and 10th May and five, again at Akrotiri, on 11th May.

GREAT SNIPE *Gallinago media* Διπλοπικιάτσονο: One was reported from Trachoni Pools on 25th April.

BAR-TAILED GODWIT *Limosa lapponica* Λαπωνική Βαλομπεκάτσα: A very photogenic and approachable individual was on Lady's Mile between 14th – 24th May.

RED-NECKED PHALAROPE *Phalaropus lobatus* Λιμνονεραλλίδα: One was on Larnaca Airport Pools North on 3rd and 10th April and a male was at Akrotiri Salt Lake on 26th April.

GREAT BLACK-HEADED GULL *Larus ichthyaetus* Αετόγλαρος: A group of seven were seen during a sea watching stint off Cape Elia on 17th March and an adult flew past Mandria on 8th March.

CASPIAN TERN *Hydroprogne caspia* Γιγαντογλάρονο: Two Caspian Tern were at Akhna Dam on 17th April.

BLACK-BELLIED SANDGROUSE *Pterocles orientalis* Πουρτάλλα: A female was videoed at Cape Kormakitis on 28th April.

STOCK DOVE *Columba oenas* Φασσοπέζουνο: Two were seen flying north upstream at Germasogeia Dam on 9th April and another two were at Kinoussa Gorge on 26th May.

WHITE-THROATED KINGFISHER *Halcyon smyrnensis* Συμυρονέρουπιππος: One was near the channel opposite Limassol Port on 24th, 25th and 26th March 2014.

PIED KINGFISHER *Ceryle rudis* Κήρυλος: The female that had been seen during February opposite Limassol Port was recorded there again on 12th and 18th March. Towards the end of April one was seen at Fresh Water Lake (South) on 22nd and 27th, one at Parekklishia on 25th, one at Zakaki on 27th and one at Akhna Dam on 30th.

BLUE-CHEEKED BEE-EATER *Merops persicus* Πράσινος Μελισσοφάγος: Singles were at Kouklia (Paphos) on 6th April, Mandria on 22nd April, Akrotiri Gravel Pits on 24th April with two at Oroklini Marsh on 1st May and another single at Latchi the next day.

BIMACULATED LARK *Melanocorypha bimaculata* Ασπιροτράσιηλος: Up to two were at Mandria on several dates between 17th and 30th March. One was seen at Cape Greco on 30th March with two close by at Kermia Beach on 8th and 9th April. One was at Paralimni Lake on 13th April and one at Mandria on 15th.

BROWN-THROATED SAND MARTIN *Riparia paludicola*: Two birds thought to be of this species were ringed at Polis Reed Beds on 1st and 12th May 2014. If their ID is confirmed they will be first and second records for Cyprus.

RICHARD'S PIPIT *Anthus richardi* Διπλογαλούδι: One was seen at Mandria on 22nd March. Two were at Lara on 16th April with another at Mandria on 22nd and 24th and two there on 27th April.

OLIVE-BACKED PIPIT *Anthus hodgsoni* Δασογαλούδι: A possible fifth Cyprus record for this species was seen at Paphos Lighthouse on 15th April.

MASKED WAGTAIL *Motacilla alba personata*: A probable 4th record for Cyprus of this race of *Motacilla alba* was seen at Mandria on a BirdLife Cyprus field trip on 1st March and was re seen there on 3rd.

EUROPEAN ROBIN *Erithacus rubecula* Κοτσινολαίμης: The first May records of this species since 1999 were reported from the Old University of Cyprus campus in Nicosia where it was one was heard on 8th and 29th May and seen on 15th.

SIBERIAN STONECHAT *Saxicola maurus* Σιβηρική Παπαθιάκι: Birds thought to be of this race were seen at Cape Greco on 23rd and 29th March, at Agia Napa Sewage Works on 23rd and Anarita Park on 31st March. Singles were also at Melanda Beach on 16th April and at the Tombs of the Kings archaeological site, Paphos on 19th April.

CASPIAN STONECHAT *Saxicola maurus variegatus* Κασπική Παπαθιάκι: A female was reported at Cape Greco on 29th March with a male there on 31st March. On 1st April a female was again seen at Cape Greco with another at Phassouri Reed Beds on 7th April.

HOODED WHEATEAR *Oenanthe monacha* Σκουφοσκαλιφούρτα: An adult male was seen at Cape Greco on 30th March and in April a female was also at Cape Greco on 13th and 14th with a male at Cape Aspro on 20th.

SAVI'S WARBLER *Locustella luscinioides* Νερομουγιούδι: As usual several of the Savi's Warblers reported this spring were ringed – one at Polis Reed Beds on 18th March with two ringed on 7th April and single birds ringed on 9th and 17th of that month. Elsewhere during March individuals were recorded at Latchi on 14th, at Zakaki on 23rd, at Anarita Park and Nikokleia on 24th, at Limassol Port Channel on 24th and 31st, at Mandria on 26th March and Kouklia Soakaways on 27th and 28th. Two were at Nikokleia on 25th March. In April singles were at Chrysochou Ford on 1st, at Marathounta Valley on 4th and at Agia Varvara on 9th.

MARSH WARBLER *Acrocephalus palustris* Βαλτομουγιούδι: One was observed at Mandria on 21st April and on 8th May at Zakaki Marsh.

OLIVE-TREE WARBLER *Hippolais olivetorum* Ελιοτριβιτούρα: A bird, probably this species, was observed at Goudi on 17th April. If proven it will be the 14th record of this species since 1994.

ICTERINE WARBLER *Hippolais icterina* Κιτρινοτριβιτούρα: A few records of this warbler in the second half of April – one was seen at Anarita Park on 16th and 18th, one at Avagas Gorge on 17th, one at Akhna Dam on 19th and two at Cape Greco on 25th. In May singles were noted at Cape Greco on 4th, 9th and 10th, another was at Mandria on 9th with one at Anarita Mast on 16th.

BARRED WARBLER *Sylvia nisoria* Γιαλλούρα: Like the above species the Barred Warbler was seen in the second half of April and in early May. Singles were seen at Latchi on 16th April, Androlikou on 17th, Agios Amvrosios on 24th and Akhna Dam on 25th. A female was at the tip of the Karpasia Peninsula on 3rd May.

SEMI-COLLARED FLYCATCHER *Ficedula semitorquata*: Eight records for this species during March and April 2014. The first was a male at Droushia on 18th March followed by one at Cape Greco on 19th, another at Paphos Lighthouse on 21st and 23rd with a female at Mandria on 25th. In April birds were reported from Akhna Dam on 1st (a male), singles at Anavargos Hills, Paphos on 6th and 14th, two at Cape Greco on 13th April and a female at Akrotiri Gravel Pits on 30th.

EURASIAN COAL TIT *Parus ater* Possible bird of nominate race was seen at Cape Greco on 23rd March. There are two recent reports of birds of the nominate race from April and May 1972.

ISABELLINE SHRIKE *Lanius isabellinus* Ξανθοκεφαλός: One was reported at Cape Greco on 25th and 26th March.

SOUTHERN GREY SHRIKE *Lanius meridionalis* Διπλοκεφαλάς: One seen at Agia Napa Sewage Works on 23rd March was not seen well enough to be assigned to race. A possible *aucheri* was at Mandria 16th, 17th and 18th March with another at Akrotiri Gravel Pits on 10th April.

STEPPE GREY SHRIKE *Lanius meridionalis pallidirostris* Νότιος Διπλοκεφαλός: A probable 12th record of this species was at Agios Philonas, Karpasia on 21st March 2014.

ROSE-COLOURED STARLING *Sturnus roseus* Ακριδοπούλλι: Three adults were seen, of which two were photographed, this spring. One at Cape Greco on 22nd April, one at Lara on 29th May and another the next day at Phassouri Reed Beds.

EURASIAN SISKIN *Carduelis spinus* Θκιολαρούδι: After a poor winter for this species four were seen at Kidasi on 26th March.

HAWFINCH *Coccothraustes coccothraustes* Κεφαλόσπιννος: No records for this finch either during the 2013-14 winter but one was heard calling and then seen well near the Troodos Environmental Centre on 10th March.

TRUMPETER FINCH *Bucanetes githagineus* Ερημόσπιννος: Four were found by visiting birders at Cape Greco on 7th May 2014.

CINEREOUS BUNTING *Emberiza cineracea* Συμυρνοπιτίλλα: One Cinereous Bunting was at Mandria on 1st April, another was at Cape Greco on 5th April with a female seen there on 13th April.

MARSH TERNS IN THE AUTUMN

Jane Stylianou

The term 'marsh terns' is applied to the three '*Chlidonias*' terns which differ from the '*Sterna*' or 'sea terns' in more than just their dietary habits, breeding ecology and preference for fresh water. They have a lazier style of flight and can be seen banking from side to side more often. Their wings are slightly shorter and broader and their tails are less forked. They rarely plunge dive into the water and tend to feed by dipping down to the water's surface to pick insects or catching them in flight. They are very agile flyers. The Whiskered Tern *Chlidonias hybrida* and White-winged (Black) Tern *Chlidonias leucopterus* are both regular during the autumn migration in Cyprus and reports have been received of both since mid-July this year and are likely to continue into October and on occasions into November. The Cyprus Bird Report 2012 notes that the White-winged Tern is usually the most common. The Black Tern *Chlidonias niger* is noted as an uncommon passage migrant mostly in late summer and autumn and as the least common of the marsh terns here.

In their attractive breeding plumage the three birds are very distinctive and easily separated. Even the moulting adults that can be seen over areas such as Akhna Dam and Larnaca Sewage Works in July and early August should be distinguishable. The Collins Bird Guide (2nd edition) is very helpful in the ID pointers that it gives. It notes that moulting adult White-winged Tern have white mottled heads and underparts as does the Black Tern at the same time of year; but that the former can easily be told by its black underwing coverts that are still retained. From September onwards the adult White-winged Terns have gained their full winter plumage. Then they have a dark streaked crown which appears predominately white – as opposed to that of the Black Tern which is solidly black and that of the Whiskered Tern whose forehead is white but which has a rear crown which is finely streaked black and has a solid black patch behind its eye. The winter adult White-winged Tern also lacks the breast side patches of the Black Tern. In contrast to both the Black and Whiskered Tern it has a whitish-grey rump and tail sides and its four outer primaries are darker than the rest of the upper wing.

The adult winter plumaged Whiskered Tern has a plainer upper wing than that of the White-winged with very pale grey upper parts and a light grey rump. Its bill appears slightly stronger and thicker than that of the White-winged whose bill is the shorter of the three. If you come across a winter plumaged Black Tern – in fact one was at Evretou Dam in early December 2012 and another at Oroklini Marsh in February 2013 – its upper parts, including rump and tail are a darker grey than the other two and as noted above it has a solid black crown which extends behind the eye. Its underparts are white. It has a solid dark 'smudge' at the side of the breast which is distinctive to both the winter plumaged adult and the juvenile. Some adult Whiskered Tern may have a hint of a similar 'smudge' but here the head pattern and paler upperparts would rule out Black Tern.

During September and October many of the Whiskered and White-winged Terns that pass through Cyprus are juvenile birds. The pictures in the field guides seem to make them appear quite distinctive but in flight at a distance they may cause a few problems. The juvenile Whiskered has the broader wings of the pair and usually a stronger looking bill. It has a pale grey rump and tail which usually has a thin dark end band; whereas the rump of the juvenile White-winged is white and it has a pale grey tail with white sides. The juvenile Whiskered has no carpal bar which can appear quite dark on the White-winged. It has a coarsely patterned back (or saddle) which appears black spotted and scaly and has a ginger wash. The juvenile White-winged has a very dark back which is a blackish brown in colour and this contrasts with its pale wings and rump

when seen in flight. It can be separated from a juvenile Black Tern – as they do turn up occasionally- by more white on its forehead and the lack of a dark breast-side patch which is distinctive of the Black Tern. Another confusion species could possibly be a young Little Gull.

These birds can be found over most of Cyprus' natural and artificial wetlands during September and October. Try Akhna Dam, Oroklini Marsh, Larnaca Sewage Works, Zakaki Marsh, Akrotiri Salt Lake, Asprokremmos Dam and Evretou Dam.



Above: Juvenile Whiskered Tern by Stavros Christodoulides.

Below: Juvenile White-winged Tern by Stavros Christodoulides





Juvenile Black Tern by Stavros Christodoulides



*Left: White-winged Tern and below
Whiskered Tern. Both photos by
Dave Nye.*



AIDS TO RAPTOR ID DURING THE AUTUMN MIGRATION

Jane Stylianou

I don't think I would be too far off the mark if I wrote here that almost all of those who bird watch in Cyprus regularly enjoy the raptor migration of the autumn but also that most of us often like more than a little help with identifying them as they soar over us in the hazy skies over Akrotiri, Cape Greco or Mandria. Everyone will have their favourite ID book - or in this electronic age even phone 'app' - and I thought I would mention just a few here that seem to be useful.

Most local birders will have a copy of the Collins Bird Guide by L. Svensson, K. Mullarney and D. Zetterström and for our area of the world it covers just about anything that is likely to turn up here. It accurately illustrates most of the varied plumages of, for example, the Honey Buzzard and would probably be the first field guide most of us will turn to. The Collins Bird Guide has just issued an 'app' for iPhone and iPad which includes all the text of the book plus video footage and calls and seems to be the direction of bird ID guides for the future.

The second edition of the Birds of the Middle East by Richard Porter and Simon Aspinall is another well illustrated field guide with good coverage of the areas raptors. Several ID guides have been published that are dedicated to raptors alone and good ones include The Raptors of Europe and the Middle East: A Handbook to Field Identification by Dick Forsman and A Field Guide to the Raptors of Europe, the Middle East and North Africa by William Clark.

Comparative identification guides such as The Handbook of Bird Identification for Europe and the Western Palearctic by M Beaman and S Madge and the newly revised The Helm Guide to Bird Identification by K. Vinicombe, A Harris and L. Tucker are helpful in distinguishing between similar species. The Helm Guide does not cover all European species concentrating on those likely to occur in the UK regularly or as vagrants but is still has relevance for those of us birding in Cyprus.

Trawling the internet for images and ID papers can also give some help in sorting out the species you may have seen. The website of raptor specialist Dick Forsman can often give some help <http://www.dickforsman.com/bird-identification/>. He has written a very interesting paper on separating ring-tail harriers and it can be of great help at this time of year when many are passing over <http://www.dickforsman.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/09/cirmac-pyg-ringtails1995dbvol17-p41-54.pdf>

With some many birders taking photos these days, trying to get a good picture of the bird(s) you are trying to ID and then confirming what it is at home afterwards using your favourite field guide or website takes some of the stress out of trying to sort out what is what when out in the field. But remember to get a good 'feel' of the birds movement and flight as well as these are often vital in clinching a definite identification but can be missing from the static photo.

IMPORTANT UPDATE: AS PART OF THE IBACareCY PROJECT FUNDED BY EEA GRANTS DICK FORSMAN WILL BE IN CYPRUS DURING OCTOBER AND WILL GIVE A TALK ON 17TH OCTOBER IN AKROTIRI, WHICH WILL BE OPEN TO MEMBERS.

FURTHER DETAILS WILL BE ANNOUNCED SOON

LOOKING BACK AT SEPTEMBER 2012

Jane Stylianou

A look at the birds that were seen on Cyprus this time of year in the past. This month featuring September 2012

Akrotiri Salt Lake had good numbers of water birds in September 2012 as had remained around its edges throughout the summer. Two **White Stork** were there on 3rd with up to six recorded regularly throughout the month and a flock of nearly 130 seen over Bishop's Pool on 10th. Four **Black Stork** were also seen over the Gravel Pits on 23rd. Twelve **Eurasian Spoonbill** were in that area on 5th with smaller numbers recorded on other dates. Four others were at Oroklini Marsh on 13th with twenty one seen migrating off Coral Bay on 16th. The only wader of note during the month was a juvenile **Bar-tailed Godwit**, again at Akrotiri, which was first seen on 12th and stayed all month. As for other wetlands: in the north of the island there were high numbers of **Eurasian Coot** in the reservoirs – 600 at Agia Eirini Dam and 1217 at Geuyneli Dam, both counted on 19th. At Asprokremmos Dam there was a **Great White Pelican** on 3rd September with at least one around Akrotiri until the end of the month and two there on 28th.

Raptor migration during the month was well monitored at Akrotiri with 390 **Honey Buzzard** counted there on 3rd September and 575 on 20th. **Osprey**, **Booted Eagle**, a single **Lesser Spotted Eagle** and a sub-adult **Egyptian Vulture** were recorded over Akrotiri and other **Booted Eagle** were also seen at Avagas Gorge, Akhna Dam and Armou Hills. Two **Osprey** were seen regularly at Akhna. Of the smaller raptors, at least fifty **Red-footed Falcon** were at Mandria on 24th September.

Two **Corncrake** were at Agia Napa Sewage Works on 2nd where a **Barred Warbler** was also present on 4th. One had also been reported from Zakaki Marsh at the start of the month. Other passerines of note include juvenile **Thrush Nightingale** at Akhna Dam and Cape Pyla on 22nd, with a **Citrine Wagtail** at Akhna on 26th. Throughout the month the long staying **White-throated Kingfisher** was seen at Bishop's Pool where it remained into 2013.

SYSTEMATIC LIST FOR JUNE/JULY 2014

Jane Stylianou

5422 bird records received

150 species and forms recorded in June/July 2014, compared to 132 in June/July 2013.

[Please note, the list has been edited for the purposes of this newsletter and contains records that have not been corrected or corroborated]

LITTLE GREBE *Tachybaptus ruficollis*

Νεροβούτιπης

Largest counts:

Agia Napa Sewage Works 32 20-Jul ME
Bishop's Pool 28 incl 4 chicks 14-Jul CR
Fresh Water Lakes c20 19-Jul JS/MH/ASi
Larnaca Sewage Works 45 Only adult
birds seen 15-Jul JS
Oroklini Marsh 18 18-Jul MH
Vathia Gonia Water Treatment Plant c30
14-Jun FGe

EUROPEAN SHAG *Phalacrocorax*

aristotelis Θαλασσοκόρακας

Dhekelia 1 22-Jul ME

Kensington Cliffs 2 29-Jul DJW

Mandria 2 1-Jun CR

Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 juv, moult 24-Jun
& 8-Jul CR

Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 La Plage
breakwater 27-Jul CR

Spiros Beach 3 7-Jun ME

GREAT WHITE PELICAN *Pelecanus*

onocrotalus Ροδοπελεκάνος

Oroklini Marsh 1 29-Jul NK/GF

LITTLE BITTERN *Ixobrychus minutus*

Νανορωδιάς

Akhna Dam 1 6-Jun AKe

Zakaki Marsh 1 female 21 & 31-Jul TRe

Zakaki Marsh 1 male 26-Jul TRe

Zakaki Marsh 1 28 & 29-Jul IBr/DJW

Zakaki Marsh 2 One male and one female
28-Jul TRe

BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON

Max count per location:



*Black-crowned Night Heron, Akhna Dam ,
6th July. Photograph by Stavros
Christodoulides*

Akhna Dam 9 15-Jul AKe

Asprokremmos Dam 1 2CY 5-Jun CR

Fresh Water Lake South 7 4 Nests 2-Jun
ME

Germasogeia Dam –Finikaria 3 2 ad+juv
6-Jun ADT

Lower Ezousas 3 3 & 22-Jul CR

Oroklini Marsh 2 5-Jul FGe

Trachoni Pools 11 8-Jun ME

Zakaki Marsh c30 mostly juveniles 28-Jul
NK/GF

SQUACCO HERON *Ardeola ralloides*

Βορτακοφάγος

Max counts per location:

Akhna Dam 6 13-Jun AKe

Evretou Dam 1 12 & 20-Jun HSt/DJW

Fresh Water Lakes 11 incl 6 juvs near
nests 19-Jul MH/JS/ASi

Lower Ezousas 1 imm 3, 9, 22 & 31-Jul
CR

Oroklini Marsh 1 7-Jun SC

Phassouri Reed-beds 4 7-Jun JN

Zakaki Marsh 4 10-Jun JS

CATTLE EGRET *Bubulcus ibis* Γελαδάρης

Max count per location each month:

*Cattle Egret, Akhna Dam, 24th June.*

Photograph by Jane Stylianou

Akhna Dam c80 30-Jun ME
 Akhna Dam c400 Evening roost 20 & 27-Jul ME
 Aradippou Slurry Pits 4 7-Jun SC
 Evretou Dam 1 20-Jun DJW
 Frenaros 3 4-Jun AKe
 Fresh Water Lake South c400 c150 nests with chicks 2-Jun ME
 Fresh Water Lake South c300 1-Jul ME
 Oroklini Marsh c60 several nests in tamarisks 7 & 14-Jun SC
 Oroklini Marsh 117 70 young; c30 nests 18-Jul MH
 Paphos Sewage Plant 1 1 & 5-Jun CR
 Phassouri Reed-beds 4 7-Jun JN
 Trachoni Pools 17 8-Jun ME
 Zakaki Marsh 2 6 & 24-Jun TRe/CR

LITTLE EGRET *Egretta garzetta* Χιονάτη

Max count per location each month:

Akhna Dam 3 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 20 & 30-Jun
 Akhna Dam 4 16-Jul BB
 Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 21-Jul TRe
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 2 24-Jun CR
 Bishop's Pool 1 on nest 24-Jun CR
 Bishop's Pool 3 1 recently fledged (nest 1), 2 downy chicks (nest 2) 14-Jul CR
 Trachoni Pools 2 8-Jun ME
 Evretou Dam 2 7 & 27-Jun VP/CR
 Fresh Water Lake (South) 3 2-Jun ME
 Fresh Water Lake (South) 2 19-Jul JS/MH/ASi
 Karpasia Peninsula 5 7-Jun MH
 Oroklini Marsh 5 5-Jun ME
 Oroklini Marsh 36 at least 22-Jul JN
 Paphos Lighthouse 1 pale green legs, up to tarsus, feeding on marine life in pools like Western reef! But narrow black bill 22-Jun CR

Partenitis Dam 5 7-Jun SC
 Phassouri Reed-beds 2 24-Jun CR
 Phassouri Reed-beds 1 14 & 15-Jul CR/MSS
 Trachoni Pools 2 8-Jun ME
 Zakaki Marsh 26 most on mound 24-Jun CR
 Zakaki Marsh 12 14-Jul CR

GREY HERON *Ardea cinerea* Ψαροφάς

Max counts per location each month:

Akhna Dam 3 29-Jun ME
 Akhna Dam 5 11, 15, 17, 29 & 31-Jul AKe/ME
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 24-Jun CR
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 2 in the heat haze, outer edge of lake salt-crusted 14-Jul CR
 Evretou Dam 1 20, 24 & 28-Jun and 5-Jul DJW/ HSt/CR
 Larnaca Sewage Works 1 17-Jul ME
 Oroklini Marsh 2 18 & 23-Jul MH/ME
 Trachoni Pools 1 8 & 10-Jun ME
 Vyzakia Dam 1 28-Jun FGE
 Zakaki Marsh 1 24-Jun CR

PURPLE HERON *Ardea purpurea*

Πορφυρός Ψαροφάς
 Germasogeia Dam -Finikaria 1 juv 6-Jun ADT
 Phassouri Reed-beds 1 18 & 24-Jun HSt/CR
 Zakaki Marsh 1 7 & 24-Jun JN/CR

WHITE STORK *Ciconia ciconia*

Ασπροπτελαργός

*White Stork, Polis, 13th June. Photograph by Harry Stanford*

Polis village 1 Overflying. Photographed 13-Jun HSt

GLOSSY IBIS *Plegadis falcinellus*

Χαλάκοτα

Akhna Dam 6 15-Jul JS
 Akhna Dam 1 26-Jul ME

Fresh Water Lake South c20 3 Nests with Chicks 2-Jun ME
 Fresh Water Lake South 8 2 Nests with Chicks 8-Jun ME
 Fresh Water Lake South 14 1 Large Fledged Imm / at least 2 nests with chicks 1-Jul ME
 Fresh Water Lake South 6 2 Imms 12-Jul ME
 Fresh Water Lake South 13 3 Imms 15-Jul ME
 Fresh Water Lake South 8 incl 6 juvs near nests 19-Jul MH
 Fresh Water Lake South 9 25-Jul ME
 Larnaca Salt Lake North 2 1 & 7-Jun ME
 Latchi 50+30 large flocks seen offshore first noted on 21st July 21-Jul IBr
 Oroklini area 2 7-Jun SC
 Oroklini Marsh 7 22-Jul JN
 Oroklini Marsh 2 23-Jul ME
 Oroklini Marsh 1 24 & 25-Jul JS/SC with C Stavrou
 Oroklini Marsh 3 31-Jul ME
 Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 flying west over sea, very distant 16-Jul CR
 Polis Chrysochou Bay 7 14.40h 20-Jul CR
 Polis Chrysochou Bay 110 25+55+30, 15.00h - 17.50h 27-Jul CR
 Zakaki Marsh 1 11, 14, 15, 18, 21, 29 & 31-Jul JS/CR/MSS/MH/DJW/TRe
 Zakaki Marsh 3 28-Jul TRe

EURASIAN SPOONBILL *Platalea leucorodia* Κουταλάς



Eurasian Spoonbill, Oroklini Marsh, 15th July. Photograph by Jane Stylianou

Akhna Dam 1 juvenile 18, 19, 24, 25 & 27-Jun AKe/JS/ME
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 Adult 26-Jun ME
 Oroklini Marsh 2 1 adult, 1 juvenile 9 & 12-Jul ME/SC/JS
 Oroklini Marsh 3 2 adult, 1 juvenile 15, 17, 18, 22, 23, 24 & 25-Jul

JS/ME/MH/JN/SC with C Stavrou

GREATER FLAMINGO *Phoenicopterus roseus* Φλαμίνγκο



Greater Flamingo, Akrotiri Salt Lake, June 14th. Photograph by Albert Stöcker

Max counts per location each month:
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 140 24-Jun CR
 Akrotiri Salt Lake c.30 seen distantly 28-Jul IBr
 Fresh Water Lake South 1 Adult 1-Jul ME
 Larnaca Airport Pool North 25 7-Jun ME
 Larnaca Sewage Works 2 7-Jun ME
 Larnaca Sewage Works 1 26 & 28-Jul SC/JS
 Oroklini Marsh 89 29-Jun ME
 Oroklini Marsh c100 1-Jul ME
 Pachyrammos bay 1 24-Jun CS
 Spiro's Beach 4 Flying West 17-Jul ME

EGYPTIAN GOOSE *Alopochen aegyptiaca* Φοινικόσηνα



Egyptian Goose, Asprokremmos Dam, 19th June. Photograph by Albert Stöcker

Asprokremmos Dam 1 Photographed 19 & 20-Jun ASi/CR
 (First record since 1989. If of wild origin will be the fourth Cyprus record)

COMMON SHELDUCK *Tadorna tadorna*

Αλδούτρος

Larnaca Sewage Works 1 17-Jun & 7, 8,
15, 17, 21, 23, 24, 25 & 28-Jul JS/ME
Oroklini Marsh 1 Very Late 1-Jun ME
Oroklini Marsh 1 5-Jun ME

EURASIAN TEAL *Anas crecca* Σαρσέλλι

Akhna Dam 3 1 Eclipse Drake / 2 Fems
30-Jun ME

Evretou Dam 1 m, roosting 27-Jun CR
Evretou Dam 1 eclipse 5-Jul CR

MALLARD *Anas platyrhynchos*

Πρασινοτζέφαλη

Max count per location each month:

Akhna Dam c20+ 15-Jul SC with F

Georgiades

Bishop's Pool 2 m,f 14-Jul CR

Evretou Dam 11 1 ad fem, with 9 baby
chicks, plus 1 chick 100m away! 27-Jun
CR

Evretou Dam 10 1 ad fem + 9 chicks 5-Jul
CR

Fresh Water Lake South 3 2-Jun ME

Fresh Water Lake South 15 19-Jul MH

Larnaca Sewage Works 34 Adults inc 1 f
with 5 young, 1f with 8, another f with 5, 1f
with 10 and 1f with 6 17-Jun JS

Larnaca Sewage Works 119 All ages
included 15-Jul JS

Oroklini Marsh c40 including female with
ducklings 7-Jun SC

Oroklini Marsh c60 including female with
ducklings 3-Jul SC

Phassouri Reed Beds 3 10-Jun JS

Trachoni Pools 1 Fem 8-Jun ME

Vathia Gonia Water Treatment Plant 25
including two females with their duckling
14-Jun FGe

Zakaki Marsh 10 24-Jun CR

Zakaki Marsh 6 18-Jul MH

GARGANEY *Anas querquedula*

Μασουρατζής

Polis Chrysochou Bay 55 speeding around
on horizon, small ducks assumed this sp.
24-Jun CR

Polis Chrysochou Bay 18 distant, flying
from north 27-Jul CR

Sotira Pond 2 Fems 30-Jul ME

NORTHERN SHOVELER *Anas clypeata*

Σαξάνα

Larnaca Sewage Works 2 Pair 1-Jun ME

Larnaca Sewage Works 1 Male. 17-Jun
JS

Larnaca Sewage Works 1 Female 8 & 23-
Jul JS/ME

Zakaki Marsh 1 female 7-Jun JN

RED-CRESTED POCHARD *Netta rufina*

Κορσινιοτζέφαλη

Oroklini Marsh 5 3 Ducks / 2 Drakes 1-
Jun ME

Oroklini Marsh 4 2 pairs 5-Jun ME

Oroklini Marsh c3 females 7-Jun SC

Oroklini Marsh 2 Pair 8-Jun ME

FERRUGINOUS DUCK *Aythya nyroca*

Βαλτόπαπια

Fresh Water Lake South 8 2-Jun ME

Fresh Water Lake South 6 3 Male / 1 Fem
/ 2 Imms 1-Jul ME

Fresh Water Lake South 3 15-Jul ME

Fresh Water Lake South 10 19-Jul

JS/MH/ASI

Larnaca Sewage Works 2 Pair 7 & 17-Jun
and 17-Jul ME/JS

Zakaki Marsh 3 7 & 24-Jun ME/CR

Zakaki Marsh 5 7-Jun JN

Zakaki Marsh 4 10 & 19-Jun JS/TRE

Zakaki Marsh 2 14 & 18-Jul CR/MH

Zakaki Marsh 1 31-Jul TRE

EUROPEAN HONEY BUZZARD *Pernis**apivorus* Μελισσοσίχινο

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 21-Jul TRE

EURASIAN GRIFFON VULTURE *Gyps**fulvus* Γύπας

*Eurasian Griffon Vulture, Mousere, 28th
July. Photograph by Chris Holt.*

Diarizos Valley 1 17-Jun JN

Diarizos Valley, Xtreme view café 3 over
distant eastern hills 1-Jul CR

Kensington Cliffs 7 15-Jul MSS

Latchi-Androlikou 1 Wing tagged 4-Jun
PSa

Mousere 15 circling over us, feeding dump nearby 28-Jul CR/CHO

NORTHERN GOSHAWK *Accipiter gentilis*

Διπλοσιάχινο
Armou Hills 1 nearly as large as a buzzard 15-Jul CR
Roudias Bridge 1 brief view through the trees as it flew off 24-Jun CR/DJW
Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-Malia10x10km square 1 adult with missing primaries in left wing 24-Jun JN

LONG-LEGGED BUZZARD *Buteo rufinus*

Σιαχινολάγουδο
Agios Theodoros 1 28-Jul DJW
Akamas Peninsula 1 28-Jun MH
Akhna Dam 1 31-Jul ME
Akoursos - Kathikas 1 27-Jul CR
Anogyra, Pachna, Prastio, Avdimou10 x 10 km square 1 15-Jun JN
Armou Hills 1 23-Jun & 7-Jul CR
Armou Hills 2 6 & 19-Jul CR
Armou Hills 3 26-Jul CR
Arodhes 3 2-Jun DJW
Episkopi - Kensington Cliffs 1 adult 23-Jul IBr
Erimi, Limassol 1 26-Jun JN
Evretou Dam 2 12-Jun HSt
Evretou Dam 3 15-Jun HSt
Evretou Dam 4 1 + 3 27-Jun CR
Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa H04 Atlas Square 1 9-Jun CP/PPa
Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square 1 at Limnatis 19-Jun JN
Kouklia Soakaway 1 ad 22-Jul CR
Marathounta 1 19.40h 12-Jul CR
Minthis Hills 4 24-Jul MSS
Omodhos to Agios Nikolaos road vineyard area 1 adult 19-Jul JN
Panagia Stazousa SPA 3 Two adults and two young on nest. One possibly dead 9-Jun JS
Panagia Stazousa area 2 1 adult, 1 juvenile in nest 14-Jun SC with F Georgiades
Panagia Stazousa SPA 3 Two adults and an almost fully fledged young 19-Jun JS
Panagia Stazousa SPA 2 One adult and one fledgling near to nest site 30-Jun JS
Peristerona, Paphos 2 12 & 13-Jun HSt
Pissouri 1 Adult 23-Jul JN
Prodromi-Latchi 1 adult seen on 26th, 27th and 30th July 30 Jul IBr
Pytargou Woodland: Ezousas 1 12-Jul MSS

Sotira, Limassol 1 over motorway 14-Jul CR
Spilia 1 Pale morph juvenile on tree top 28-Jun FGe
Tsada 1 17-Jul CR
Tsadha Golf Club Track 1 25-Jun MSS
Tsadha Golf Club Track 2 15-Jul MSS
Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-Malia10x10km square 1 20-Jun JN
Vougies 4 family with 2 fledglings 3-Jun FGe
Zeledonos, Koili 4 5-Jul JSt

Buzzard sp: Anavagos 5 17-Jun MSS

BOOTED EAGLE *Aquila pennata*

Νανογεράκι
Akhna Dam 1 (pale) 6-Jun AKE

BONELLI'S EAGLE *Aquila fasciatus*

Περτικοσιάχινο
Akamas Peninsula 2 adult pair 28-Jun MH
Anavargos Hills 1 Adult flying high 25-Jul MSS
Baths of Aphrodite 1 adult. circling low then higher as headed inland 30-Jul RAT
E709 near Drousiea junction 2 adults 27-Jul IBr
Kamares (Tala) 1 adult 22-Jun & 13-Jul DJW
Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square 2 adults at Limnatis 19-Jun JN
Mavrokolymbos Dam 1 imm 2-Jun DJW
Mousere 1 ad. 28-Jul CR/CHO
Omodhos 2 adults soaring together 19-Jul JN
Panagia Stazousa SPA 2 1 adult and 1 sub-adult flying and calling over area 21-Jul JS
Zeledonos, Koili 1 6-Jul JSt

COMMON KESTREL *Falco tinnunculus*

Κίτρως



Common Kestrel, Agios Theodoros, 9th June. Photograph by Agammemnon Loutsios

Largest counts:

Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square (H05) 9 7-Jun CP/PPa
Akamas Peninsula IBA 27 29-Jun MH
Anarita Park 7 15-Jul MSS
Anavargos Hills 6 4 chicks ready to fly 8-Jun MSS
Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square 19 including juveniles 19-Jun JN
Kivisili 9 Inc 2 juveniles. 23-Jun JS
Larnaca Salt Lake 6 17-Jun JS
Mennogeia 6 Inc 1 juvenile 23-Jun JS
Perivolia 15 Including 1m, 3f and 2 juvenile. M05 Atlas Square 16-Jun JS
Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-Malia 10x10km square 16 includes 1 pair and 3 males, others too high to determine sex/age 24-Jun JN

EURASIAN HOBBY *Falco subbuteo*

Δενδροφάλκωνο

Agia Varvara 1 flew fast over soakaways 9-Jul CR
Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 chasing hirundines, and failing to catch any 24-Jun CR
Anavargos Hills 1 8-Jun MSS
Armou Hills 1 23 & 25-Jun and 7, 16 & 26-Jul CR
Kamarea (Tala) 1 26 & 28-Jun and 5, 6, 7, 9 & 15-Jul DJW
Kamarea (Tala) 2 1 & 24-Jun and 12, 13, 20 & 31-Jul DJW
Kamarea (Tala) 3 7-Jul DJW
Kathikas 2 23-Jul IBR
Kili (Kamarea) 1 23-Jun DJW
Kili (Kamarea) 2 20-Jul DJW
Koili, Paphos 1 23-Jun DJW
Minthis Hills 1 20-Jun & 30-Jul CR

Mousere 1 chasing Bonelli's Eagle 28-Jul CR/CHO
Near Tseri 1 3-Jun PS
Phassouri Reed-beds 3 on insects amongst the hirundines, 3 seen together 7-Jun JN
Phassouri Reed Beds 2 28-Jul IBR
Pytargou Woodland: Ezousas 1 12-Jul MSS
Souni 1 23-Jun JN
Souni 2 flying together 10-Jul JN
Tsada 2 MSS found territorial activity, I joined within 5 mins and we watched pair at possible nest site, 2 birds circling and calling from tops of adjacent cypress trees 15-Jul CR/MSS
Tsada 2 circling over 'nest site', very wary 17-Jul CR/MSS
Tsada Oak Valley 2 One on nest with sparrow - appearing to be feeding young 24-Jul MSS
Tsadha Golf Club Track 1 25-Jun and 15-Jul MSS
Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-Malia 10x10km square 3 24-Jun JN
Zelemonos, Koili 2 5 & 6-Jul JSt

ELEONORA'S FALCON *Falco eleonora*

Μαυρομμάτης



Eleonora's Falcon, Tala, 11th July. Photograph by Dave Walker.

Anogyra, Limassol 2 10-Jun JN
Aphrodite's Rock 2 15-Jul MSS
Avdimou 2 13-Jun JN
Avdimou 1 5-Jul JS
Bishop's Pool 2 14-Jul CR
Episkopi - Kensington Cliffs 6 2 dark, 4 pale/intermediate 23-Jul IBR
Kamarea (Tala) 2 11 & 14-Jul DJW
Kamarea (Tala) 3 12-Jul DJW
Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square 2 19-Jun JN
Kensington Cliffs 4 7-Jun ME
Kensington Cliffs 1 10-Jun JS

Kensington Cliffs 9 9+ 1 couple mating
15-Jul MSS
Kensington Cliffs 8 23-Jul ME
Kensington Cliffs 5 29-Jul DJW
Lower Ezousas 1 22-Jul CR
Marathounta Rubbish Dump 2 prob 29-Jul
CR/CHO
Mavrokolymbos Dam 2 20-Jul DJW
Pachna 1 possible 1 other, but too far
24-Jun CR
Paramali 1 2-Jun JN
Phassouri Reed Beds 7 7-Jun ME
Phassouri Reed Beds 2 10-Jun JS
Souni 1 13-Jun JN
Souni 3 14-Jun and 10-Jul JN
Souni 4 23-Jun JN
Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-
Malia 10x10km square 2 24-Jun JN
Zakaki Marsh 2 6-Jun TR

PEREGRINE FALCON *Falco peregrinus*

Τζάνοç
Akhna Dam 1 18, 21 22 & 26-Jul
AKe/AST/ME
Ag Nik (ESBA) 1 Male 21-Jul ME
Episkopi - Kensington Cliffs 1 23-Jul IBR
Ezousas Valley, Episkopi 2 ads. on village
cliff 12-Jul CR
Freneros 1 Male 22-Jul ME
Kamares (Tala) 1 18 & 22-Jun and 6, 12 &
13-Jul DJW
Nicosia Airport 1 7-Jul ME
Pachyammos Bay 1 25-Jun CS
Panagia Stazousa SPA 1 Flew across
valley. Adult 30-Jun JS
Pegeia 1 23-Jul IBR
Persiterona, Paphos 1 12-Jun HSt
Phassouri Reed Beds 1 10 & 18-Jun JS
Zakaki Marsh 1 6-Jun TR

CHUKAR *Alectoris chukar* Περγόκι

Largest counts:
Agios Theodoros Agrou, Limassol (T100)
30 13-Jul CP/PPa
Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square
(H05) 17 7-Jun CP/PPa
Akamas Peninsula 36 including 3 family
groups 29-Jun MH
Armou Hills 28 31-Jul CR
Cape Aspro 18 two family flocks 6-Jul
MH
Cape Greco 50 incl. young 14-Jun AKe
Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa
H04 Atlas Square 31 9-Jun CP/PPa
Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square
25 including juveniles 19-Jun JN

Kourion Ancient stadium 20 23-Jul IBR
Meneou Pool 23 20 large young and 3
adults 17-Jun JS
Panagia Stazousa area c80 14-Jun SC
Pipis Forest c20+ 3-Jul SC
Souni 21 includes 3 family groups seen
11-Jun JN

BLACK FRANCOLIN *Francolinus* *francolinus* Φραγκολίνα

Largest counts:
Anogyra, Limassol 4 3 heard and 1 male
seen 10-Jun JN
Mandria 3 2 calling, plus 1 male seen 1-
Jun CR
Peristerona (T102) 3 13-Jun CP/PPa
Perivolía 8 2m and 1 f seen and 5 heard
only. M05 Atlas Square 16-Jun JS
Perivolía 4 2m and 2f 23-Jul JS
Petounta Point 6 2h, 1m, 1f & 2 young
seen 23-Jun JS
Pytargou Woodland: Ezousas 3 12-Jul
MSS

COMMON QUAIL *Coturnix coturnix* Ορτύκι

Anogyra, Pachna, Prastio, Avdimou 10 x 10
km square 2 heard, possibly more 15-
Jun JN
Ayioi Trimitthias CBMS T123 1 5-Jun
CP/PPa
Frenaros 1 calling 9-Jul AKe
Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square
2 at least 2 19-Jun JN
Polis - Natura Beach Hotel fields 1 one
singing; also another near the campsite at
Polis 29-Jul IBR

COMMON MOORHEN *Gallinula chloropus*

Αρκοπετεινάρο
Largest counts:
Fresh Water Lake (South) 10 19-Jul
MH/JS/ASi
Oroklini Marsh 12 1-Jul ME
Partenitis Dam c12 adults 12-Jul SC
Zakaki Marsh 5 7-Jun JN

EURASIAN COOT *Fulica atra* Καρπαπατᾶç

Largest counts:
Akhna Dam c30 15-Jul SC with F
Georgiades
Fresh Water Lake South 36 19-Jul
MH/JS/ASi
Larnaca Sewage Works 34 All adult. No
young seen 17-Jun JS
Oroklini Marsh c200 1-Jul ME

EURASIAN OYSTERCATCHER

Haematopus ostralegus Στρειδοπάγος
Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 landed on beach
after calling, adult. Photographed. 8-Jul
CR

BLACK-WINGED STILT *Himantopus*

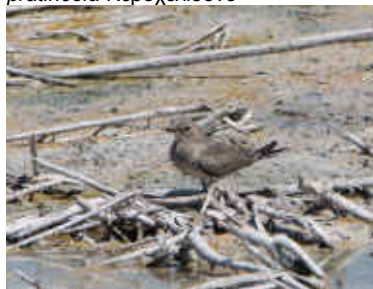
himantopus Καλαμοκαννάς
Max count per location per month:
Akhna Dam 12 24-Jun AKE
Akhna Dam 14 8-Jul JS
Akrotiri Salt Lake 19 7-Jun ME
Akrotiri Salt Lake 4 14-Jul CR
Athalassa Park 3 two adults and one large
young 27-Jul JS
Bishop's Pool 3 14-Jul CR
Fresh Water Lake South 4 2-Jun ME
Fresh Water Lake South 38 1-Jul ME
Lady's Mile 3 incl 2 juvs 18 & 23-Jul
MH/TRe
Larnaca Airport Pool North 2 7-Jun ME
Larnaca Salt Lake 4 17-Jun JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 6 Adult + 2 large
young 17-Jun JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 23 17-Jul ME
Leivadia, Larnaca 3 One adult and two
juvenile. In drainage canal opposite Jumbo
toy shop 24-Jul JS
Oroklini Marsh c40 1-Jun and 1-Jul ME
Phassouri Reed-beds 3 1 imm 14 & 15-
Jul CR/MSS
Trachoni Pools 9 8-Jun ME
Vathia Gonia Water Treatment Plant,
Nicosia 5 including one chick 14-Jun
FGe
Zakaki Marsh 10 incl 5 chicks 24-Jun CR
Zakaki Marsh 14 6 adult and 8 juvenile
11-Jul JS

EURASIAN STONE-CURLEW *Burhinus*

oedicephalus Τρουλλουριόδα
Acheleia 10 incl. 1 recently fledged very
pale sandy juv 31-Jul CR/CHO
Akhna Dam 3 7-Jun AKE
Akhna Dam 6 9-Jun AKE
Akhna Dam 4 10-Jun AKE
Akhna Dam 2 11-Jun AKE
Akhna Dam 1 26-Jun and 2 & 15-Jul
ME/AKE
Alaminos 2 Heard. Night survey. 27-Jun
JS
Anthoupoli Fields 1+ heard only 3-Jun
SC with F Georgiades
Anthoupoli Fields 2 1 seen, 1 heard only
5-Jun SC with F Georgiades
Ay Nik (ESBA) 1 Heard 6-Jun ME

Ay Nik (ESBA) 2 Heard 13 & 17-Jul ME
Karpasia Peninsula 2 1 on Lefkoniso islet
7-Jun MH
Kiti Dam 1+ heard. Nocturnal Survey. 21-
Jun JS
Kivisili 5 Heard. Night survey 27-Jun JS
Lara Bay area 8 28-Jul MSS
Larnaca Airport Pools North 1+ heard.
Nocturnal Survey. 21-Jun JS
Larnaca Salt Lake 1 Heard near Tekke.
Nocturnal Survey. 21-Jun JS
Latchi 1 28-Jul IBR
Meneou Beach 1 Heard at sun set 26-Jun
and 23-Jul JS
Meneou Pool 1+ heard. Nocturnal Survey.
21-Jun JS
Mennogeia 2 Heard. Night survey. 27-
Jun JS
Panagia Stazousa SPA 1 heard 9-Jun
MH
Perivolia 1 Heard. Nocturnal Survey M05
15-Jun JS

COLLARED PRATINCOLE *Glareola* *pratincola* Νεροχελίδοβο



*Collared Pratincole juvenile, Zakaki Marsh,
29th July. Photograph by Dave Walker.*

Akhna Dam 1 6, 8, 9, 12, 18, 25, 26 & 29-
Jul SC with F Georgiades, C Makris & L
Sergides/JS/AKE/BB/AST/ME
Akhna Dam 4 12-Jul FGe
Akhna Dam 5 Adults 13-Jul ME
Akhna Dam 3 14, 16 & 28-Jul AKE/ME
Akhna Dam 2 1 Imm 17-Jul ME
Akhna Dam 6 26-Jul ME
Larnaca Desalination Plant 1 Flying over
fields that were being watered 8 & 23-Jul
JS
Larnaca Desalination Plant 2 On fields
which were being watered 21, 22 & 28-Jul
JS
Larnaca Desalination Plant 4 Fields still
being watered 24-Jul JS

Paphos Sewage Plant 1 flew over at 10.15h heading west 9-Jul CR
Zakaki Marsh 2 29 & 31-Jul DJW/TRe

LITTLE RINGED PLOVER *Charadrius dubius* Λιμνοπλουμίδι

Max counts per location each month:
Akhna Dam 3 19-Jun AKe
Akhna Dam 35 31-Jul AKe
Fresh Water Lake South 8 25-Jul ME
Larnaca Desalination Plant 5 In fields being watered 17-Jul JS
Leivadia 2 In drainage canal opposite Jumbo toy shop 24-Jul JS
Oroklini Marsh 1 1 & 5-Jun ME
Oroklini Marsh 3 18 & 25-Jul MH/SC with C Stavrou
Phassouri Reed-beds 5 flying over 14-Jul CR
Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 8 & 20-Jul CR
Spiros Pool Fields 2 26-Jul SC with L Sergides
Zakaki Marsh 2 24-Jun CR
Zakaki Marsh 6 four adults and two juvenile 3-Jul JS

COMMON RINGED PLOVER *Charadrius hiaticula* Αμμοπλουμίδι

Akhna Dam 1 1, 2, 3 & 5-Jun ME/AKe

KENTISH PLOVER *Charadrius alexandrinus* Πλουμίδι

Max count per location each month and other interesting records:
Agia Thekla 5 16-Jul ME
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 two adults and one young bird. Female sitting on nest 10-Jun JS
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 21-Jul TRe
Akrotiri Salt Lake 3 10-Jun JS
Akrotiri Salt Lake 7 14-Jul CR
Lady's Mile 2 10-Jun JS
Lady's Mile c150 including a few well-developed chicks 28-Jul IBR
Larnaca Desalination Plant 83 In fields 30-Jul JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 4 17-Jun JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 8 8-Jul JS
Latchi 1 26-Jul IBR
Meneou Pool 3 plus two almost fully grown juvenile. 17-Jun JS
Spiros Beach 92 including juveniles 17-Jul JS
Spiros Pool 5 17-Jun JS
Zakaki Marsh 4 at runoff 15-Jul MSS

GREATER SAND PLOVER *Charadrius leschenaultii* Βραχοπλουμίδι



Greater Sand Plover, Paphos Headland. 29th July. Photograph by Chris Holt.

Agia Thekla 1 with remains of orange breast band 16-Jul ME
Paphos Lighthouse 2 moulting 22-Jun CR
Paphos Lighthouse 4 at least 2 in ad plumage 18-Jul CR
Paphos Lighthouse 3 22, 27, 28 & 29-Jul CR/IBR/CHO

SPUR-WINGED LAPWING *Vanellus spinosus* Πελλοκατερίνα



Spur-winged Lapwing, Paphos Sewage Plant, 31st July. Photograph by Chris Holt.

Max count per location each month and interesting records:
Akhna Dam 30 incl. chicks 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 16, 20, 25, 26 & 27-Jun AKe
Akhna Dam 20 inc some juveniles 2, 15, 18, 26 & 31-Jul JS/SC/FGe/AKe
Aradippou Slurry Pits 2 7-Jun SC
Fresh Water Lake South 1 2-Jun ME
Fresh Water Lakes c25 19-Jul JS
Larnaca Salt Lake 4 1 & 17-Jun ME/JS
Larnaca Salt Lake 1 15-Jul JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 9 inc one incubating 17-Jun JS
Larnaca Sewage Works c12 26-Jul SC with L Sergides

Leivadia 10 12-Jul FGe
 Oroklini Marsh 16 5-Jun ME
 Oroklini Marsh 19 3 Chicks 31-Jul ME
 Paphos Sewage Plant 9 5-Jun CR
 Paphos Sewage Plant 12 incl. 1 tiny chick
 and 1 grown chick 31-Jul CR/CHO
 Paralimni Lake 4 29-Jun AKe
 Trachoni Pools 2 8-Jun ME
 Vathia Gonia Water Treatment Plant,
 Nicosia 2 14-Jun FGe
 Zakaki Marsh 3 24-Jun CR
 Zakaki Marsh 4 2 juvs 14 & 15-Jul
 CR/MSS

LITTLE STINT *Calidris minuta*
 Νανονεραλλίδι



Little Stint, Larnaca Desalination Plant, 21st July. Photograph by Jane Stylianou

Max counts per location each month:
 Akhna Dam 13 1 & 2-Jun AKe
 Akhna Dam 11 29-Jul ME
 Fresh Water Lake South 4 25-Jul ME
 Lady's Mile c10 28-Jul IBr
 Larnaca Desalination Plant 4 On fields
 which were being watered 21-Jul JS
 Larnaca Sewage Works 1 17-Jun JS
 Larnaca Sewage Works 3 15-Jul JS
 Oroklini Marsh 2 1-Jun ME
 Oroklini Marsh 5 22 & 26-Jul ME/JN

TEMMINCK'S STINT *Calidris temminckii*

Στρουθονεραλλίδι
 Akhna Dam 1 3-Jun ME/AKe
 Akhna Dam 1 11, 12, 15, 17, 18, 20, 22,
 28, 30 & 31-Jul
 AKe/FGe/SC/BB/JS/ME/LSe
 Akhna Dam 3 21-Jul AKe
 Akhna Dam 4 26-Jul ME
 Akhna Dam 2 27-Jul ME

CURLEW SANDPIPER *Calidris ferruginea*

Κοτσινονεραλλίδι
 Akhna Dam 1 Going or Return Passage?
 1 & 2-Jun ME/AKe

DUNLIN *Calidris alpina* Λασπονεραλλίδι
 Akhna Dam 1 4-May ME/JDS
 Larnaca Sewage Works 2 17-Jul ME

BROAD-BILLED SANDPIPER *Limicola falcinellus* Πικαιοσυνεραλλίδι

Lady's Mile 1 adult, photographed 28-Jul
 IBr

RUFF *Philomachus pugnax* Μαχητής

Akhna Dam 2 14, 15, 18 & 26-Jul
 AKe/SC/FGe/ME
 Akhna Dam 3 26, 28 & 30-Jul AKe/ME
 Akhna Dam 5 29-Jul ME
 Akhna Dam 1 31-Jul ME/AKe
 Fresh Water Lake South 2+ 19-Jul
 JS/MH/ASI
 Fresh Water Lake South 5 25-Jul ME
 Larnaca Airport Fields 1 17-Jul ME
 Larnaca Desalination Plant 2 Males still
 showing some breeding plumage 24-Jul
 JS
 Larnaca Sewage Works 1 17 & 30-Jul
 ME/JS
 Larnaca Sewage Works 2 23-Jul JS
 Larnaca Sewage Works 5 25-Jul JS
 Oroklini Marsh 6 1-Jun ME
 Oroklini Marsh 1 5-Jun and 26-Jul ME
 Oroklini Marsh 2 25-Jul JS/SC with C
 Stavrou
 Phassouri Reed-beds 1 14-Jul CR
 Zakaki Marsh 1 with damaged leg 10-Jun
 JS
 Zakaki Marsh 2 Both with damaged legs
 19-Jun TRe
 Zakaki Marsh 2 3-Jul JS
 Zakaki Marsh 1 28-Jul IBr/TRe

BLACK-TAILED GODWIT *Limosa limosa*

Βαλομπεκάτσα



Black-tailed Godwit, Akhna Dam, 6th July. Photograph by Stavros Christodoulides

Akhna Dam 1 2, 3, 4 & 6-Jul

JS/ME/AKe/SC with F Georgiades, C Makris & L Sergides
Oroklini Marsh 5 29-Jun and 1-Jul ME
Oroklini Marsh 4 2-Jul JS
Oroklini Marsh 3 non-breeding plumage 3-Jul SC
Oroklini Marsh 1 5, 6, 9, 12, 15, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 & 31-Jul
FGe/SC/CM/LSe/ME/JS/JN/CS
Zakaki Marsh 2 3-Jul JS
Zakaki Marsh 1 11, 14, 15, 21, 23, 26 & 28-Jul JS/CR/MSS/TRe

EURASIAN CURLEW *Numenius arquata*

Νερομπεκιάτσα

Larnaca Desalination Plant 1 On fields in newly sprouted crop. Flew off east calling. 25-Jul JS

SPOTTED REDSHANK *Tringa erythropus*

Μαυρονεραλλίδα

Akhna Dam 1 Adult Breeding 30-Jun and 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12 & 15-Jul ME/JS/AKe/FGe/BB
Oroklini Marsh 1 adult moulting 12-Jul SC
Spiros Pool 1 Flew over. Breeding plumage. 15-Jul JS

COMMON REDSHANK *Tringa totanus*

Φλυαρονεραλλίδα

Akhna Dam 1 8, 15, 18 & 21-Jul JS/SC/FGe/AKe
Akrotiri Salt Lake 2 24-Jun CR
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 15-Jul JS
Oroklini Marsh 1 29-Jun and 1, 3, 5, & 22-Jul ME/SC/FGe
Oroklini Marsh 3 2-Jul JS
Oroklini Marsh 2 6 & 18-Jul SC with F Georgiades, C Makris & L Sergides/MH
Zakaki Marsh 1 3 & 28-Jul JS/IBr

MARSH SANDPIPER *Tringa stagnatilis*

Βαλτονεραλλίδα

Akhna Dam 1 4-Jun and 3 & 4-Jul AKe
Akhna Dam 2 2-Jul ME
Fresh Water Lake South 1 25-Jul ME
Oroklini Marsh 1 3, 6 & 26-Jul SC with F Georgiades, C Makris & L Sergides/ME

COMMON GREENSHANK *Tringa*

nebularia Στακτονεραλλίδα

Akhna Dam 1 17, 24, 25, 26, 27 & 30-Jun and 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 18, 20, 21, 23, 25, 28, 29 & 31 AKe/ME/FGe/SC/CM/LSe

Akhna Dam 2 7, 8, 26, 27 & 30-Jul AKe/JS/ME/SC/FGe/LSe
Akhna Dam 3 9, 15, 17 & 19-Jul AKe/JS/ME/FGe
Akhna Dam 5 10, 12 & 16-Jul ME
Akhna Dam 4 11-Jul AKe
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 21-Jul TRe
Fresh Water Lake South 3 1-Jul ME
Fresh Water Lake South 2 15-Jul ME
Fresh Water Lake South 1 25-Jul ME
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 1 & 7-Jun ME
Oroklini Marsh 1 1-Jul ME
Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 5-Jul CR
Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 on beach 11h, then later 16.00h along Latchi beach 8-Jul CR
Polis Chrysochou Bay 3 flew in to beach 11.50h 20-Jul CR

GREEN SANDPIPER *Tringa ochropus*

Πρασινονεραλλίδα

Max counts per location each month:

Agia Varvara 1 9-Jul CR
Akhna Dam 20 19-Jun AKe
Akhna Dam 21 23-Jul ME/AKe
Bishop's Pool 4 14-Jul CR
Evretou Dam 5 7-Jun VP
Evretou Dam 4 5-Jul CR
Fresh Water Lake (South) 6 19-Jul MH/JS/ASI
Kiti Dam 1 15-Jun FGe
Larnaca Salt Lake North 1 1-Jun ME
Larnaca Sewage Works 10 Flew in together 17-Jul JS
Minthis Hills 2 24-Jul MSS
Oroklini Marsh 1 5-Jun ME
Oroklini Marsh 2 1 & 22-Jul ME/JN
Partenitis Dam c5 12-Jul SC
Phassouri Reed-beds 1 h 24-Jun CR
Saittas Dam 1 28-Jul DJW
Tsadha Golf Club Track 3 15-Jul MSS
Vyzakia Dam 15 28-Jun FGe
Zakaki Marsh 3 24-Jun CR
Zakaki Marsh 2 21, 28 & 31-Jul TRe/IBr

WOOD SANDPIPER *Tringa glareola*

Δασονεραλλίδα

Max counts per location each month:

Agia Varvara 1 15-Jul MSS
Akhna Dam 4 14-Jun BB
Akhna Dam 34 17-Jul ME
Bishop's Pool 3 14-Jul CR
Evretou Dam 2 24-Jun CR
Evretou Dam 1 20-Jun DJW
Fresh Water Lake South 9 25-Jul ME

Larnaca Desalination Plant 1 Fields being watered 22-Jul JS
Oroklini Marsh 2 29-Jun and 1-Jul ME
Partenitis Dam 2 12-Jul SC
Phassouri Reed Beds 1 10-Jun and 14-Jul JS/CR
Tsadha Golf Club Track 1 25-Jun MSS
Zakaki Marsh 5 7-Jun ME
Zakaki Marsh 1 14, 28 & 31-Jul CR/IBr/TRe

COMMON SANDPIPER *Actitis hypoleucos*
Μικρονεραλλίδα

Max counts per location each month:
Acti Beach, Paphos 1 30-Jul MSS
Akhna Dam 1 16 & 20-Jun AKe
Akhna Dam 10 18 & 23-Jul AKe
Arminou Dam shallow end 1 28-Jul CR/CHO
Ayia Napa Sewage Works 2 20 & 27-Jul ME
Fresh Water Lake South 3 25-Jul ME
Lara Bay area 4 28-Jul MSS
Larnaca Airport Coast 19 In a flock on rocks on coast 15-Jul JS
Larnaca Desalination Plant 1 On fields which were being watered 21 & 24-Jul JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 5 15-Jul JS
Latchi 7 28-Jul RAT
Oroklini Marsh 2 3, 9, 22, 25 & 31-Jul SC/ME/JN/CS
Paphos Lighthouse 2 18-Jul CR
Polis Chrysochou Bay 3 20-Jul CR
Saïttas Dam 2 28-Jul DJW
Zakaki Marsh 1 3, 21, 23 & 28-Jul JS/TRe

RUDDY TURNSTONE *Arenaria interpres*

Βραχονεραλλίδα
Latchi 1 26-Jul IBr
Paphos Lighthouse 2 moulting, at seaweed west of beach 22-Jun CR
Paphos Lighthouse 2 west of council beach 18-Jul CR
Paphos Lighthouse 2 22-Jul CR
Paphos headland 2 28-Jul IBr

COMMON BLACK-HEADED GULL *Larus ridibundus* Χωραφόγλαρος
Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 ad. 24-Jun CR
Oroklini Marsh 1 1S 5-Jun ME

SLENDER-BILLED GULL *Larus genei*

Ροδόγλαρος
Akhna Dam 1 Adult 16, 17, 18, 19 & 20-Jul ME/AKe/FGe

Akhna Dam 2 Adults 21, 22 & 23-Jul ME/AKe
Latchi 11 (8+3) two parties, the 8 included at least 1 juv 26-Jul IBr
Oroklini Marsh 2 6, 9 & 12-Jul SC with F Georgiades, C Makris & L Sergides/ME/JS
Oroklini Marsh 1 8, 17, 18, 19, 25 & 26-Jul JS/ME/MH/SC/CS
Zakaki Marsh 1 14-Jul CR

AUDOUIN'S GULL *Larus audouinii*

Νησόγλαρος
Agia Triada 1 3-Jul SC
Karpasia Peninsula 2 7-Jun MH

BALTIC GULL *Larus fuscus fuscus*

Μελανόγλαρος
Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 flying west, ad 20-Jul CR
Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 ad. 27-Jul CR

YELLOW-LEGGED GULL *Larus michahellis*

Χιντιανόγλαρος
Max counts per location each month:
Akrotiri Salt Lake 44 10-Jun JS
Asprokremnos Dam 7 17-Jun JN
Asprokremnos Dam 150 on surface 1-Jul CR
Chrysochou Bay c20 inc 8 juv 30-Jun DJW
Evretou Dam, Paphos 1 7-Jun VP
Fresh Water Lake South 2 8-Jun ME
Karpasia Peninsula 4 7-Jun MH
Kensington Cliffs 2 10-Jun JS
Kensington Cliffs 5 15-Jul MSS
Lady's Mile 2 18-Jul MH
Larnaca Airport Coast 52 30-Jul JS
Larnaca Airport Fields 61 17-Jul ME
Larnaca Sewage Works 2 17-Jun JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 26-Jul SC with L Sergides
Limni 5 29-Jul IBr
Marathounta Rubbish Dump 7 ads. 29-Jul CR/CHO
Mavrokolymbos Dam 1 20-Jun DJW
Pachyammos Bay 4 26-Jun CS
Paphos Lighthouse 2 18-Jul CR
Polis Chrysochou Bay 4 8-Jul CR
Pomos Point 4 juveniles 28-Jul CS
Spiros Beach 20 8-Jul JS
Spiros Pool c60 26-Jul SC with L Sergides
Zakaki Marsh 1 14-Jul CR

CASPIAN GULL *Larus cachinnans*

Κασπικός Γλάρος

Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 ad.flew in, settled on sea with Baltic Gull 27-Jul CR

ARMENIAN GULL *Larus armenicus*

Αρμενικός Γλάρος

Larnaca Sewage Works 3 All 3 CY 1-Jun ME (Confirmed)

GULL-BILLED TERN *Gelochelidon nilotica*

Γελογλάρονο

Gull-billed Tern, Akhna Dam, 18th July.

Photograph by Albert Stöcker

Akhna Dam 2 adults 1 & 29-Jun AKe/ME

Akhna Dam 1 adult 2, 6, 26 & 30-Jun AKe/ME

Akhna Dam 2 adults 1, 2, 3 & 14-Jul AKe

Akhna Dam 1 adult 5, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 & 20-Jul

FGe/AKe/FGe/ME/BB/JS/SC/ASt

Akhna Dam 3 10 & 22-Jul ME

Akhna Dam 4 Adults 13-Jul ME

Akhna Dam 5 3 Imms / 2 Adults 21-Jul ME

Akhna Dam 1 1 CY 26, 27 & 28-Jul ME

Akrotiri Salt Lake 3 1ad, 2 juvs 24-Jun CR

Fresh Water Lake South 1 2-Jun ME

Oroklini Marsh 1 adult, breeding plumage

but signs that it's started moulting 12-Jul SC

Oroklini Marsh 3 26-Jul ME

LITTLE TERN *Sterna albifrons* Γλαρόνι

Akhna Dam 1 Adult 26-Jun ME

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 7-Jun ME

Akrotiri Salt Lake 5+ 10-Jun JS

Larnaca Airport Coast 2 Juveniles flying along coast 21-Jul JS

Oroklini Marsh 4 5-Jun ME

Oroklini Marsh 6 7-Jun SC

Oroklini Marsh 1 29-Jun and 2 & 6-Jul

ME/JS/SC/FGe/CM/LS

Oroklini Marsh 4 5-Jul FGe

Zakaki Marsh 20+ 17-Jun TRe

Zakaki Marsh 1 24-Jun and 3-Jul CR/JS

Zakaki Marsh 3 including a juv 28-Jul IBR

WHISKERED TERN *Chlidonias hybrida*

Λιμνογλάρονο

Akhna Dam 2 adults 16-Jun AKe

Akhna Dam 4 adults 17-Jun AKe

Akhna Dam 1 adult 19-Jun AKe

Akhna Dam 1 adult 19, 20, 21, 25, 26 & 28-Jul FGe/ME/AKe/BB

Akhna Dam 2 Adults 29-Jul ME

Oroklini Marsh 1 Moulting Adult 7-Jun ME

Oroklini Marsh 1 Adult 23-Jul ME

Paralimni Lake 1 juvenile 29-Jun AKe

Zakaki Marsh 2 18-Jul TRe

Zakaki Marsh 1 26, 29 & 31-Jul

TRe/DJW/TRe

Zakaki Marsh 3 inc one juv 28-Jul NK/GF

BLACK TERN *Chlidonias niger*

Μαυρογλάρονο

Akhna Dam 1 1 & 7-Jun ME/AKe/SC

Akhna Dam 2 1 Adult Moulting 8, 9, 10,

11 & 12-Jun ME/AKe

WHITE-WINGED TERN *Chlidonias**leucopterus* Ασπρογλάρονο

Akhna Dam 1 Adult non-breeding 30-Jun

and 2 & 3-Jul ME/AKe

Akhna Dam 1 Adult Moulting 13, 20, 21 & 31-Jul ME

Akhna Dam 3 Adult Moulting 27 & 28-Jul ME

Larnaca Desalination Plant 1 Adult in breeding plumage flying over new crops.

Not same as bird at LSW 25-Jul JS

Larnaca Sewage Works 1 Still in breeding plumage 25-Jul JS

Zakaki Marsh 1 28 & 31-Jul IBR/TRe

Zakaki Marsh 2 29-Jul DJW

ROCK DOVE *Columba livia* Αρκοπέζουνο

Bishop's Pool 9 14-Jul CR

Kato Akourdaleia c20 20-Jun DJW

Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square

8 at least at Limnatis 19-Jun JN

Kensington Cliffs 1 7-Jun ME

Kensington Cliffs 2 23-Jul ME

COMMON WOODPIGEON *Columba**palumbus* Φάσσα

Largest counts:

Agia Varvara 20 9-Jul CR

Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square (H05) 38 7-Jun CP/PPa
 Akoursos – Kathikas 20 27-Jul CR
 Armou Hills 23 6-Jul CR
 Aspro dam Canal 20 14-Jul CR
 Ezousas Valley, Pitargou forest c104 16-Jul CR/MSS
 Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa H04 Atlas Square 30 9-Jun CP/PPa
 Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square 21 19-Jun JN
 Souni 23 10-Jul JN
 Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-Malia10x10km square 125 24-Jun JN

EURASIAN COLLARED DOVE

Streptopelia decaocto Φιλικουτούνη
 Largest counts:
 Agia Napa 30 28-Jul AKe
 Agia Napa Football Fields 18 12-Jul FGe
 Akhna Dam c10 12-Jul SC
 Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square 9 19-Jun JN
 Vyzakia 14 28-Jun FGe

EURASIAN TURTLE DOVE *Streptopelia turtur* Τρυγόνι

Largest counts:
 Armou Hills 5 7 & 31-Jul CR
 Athalassa Park 6+ heard 27-Jul JS
 Ezousas Valley, Episkopi weir 6 several calling 12-Jul CR
 Lara Bay area 10+ 28-Jul MSS
 Pytargou Woodland: Ezousas 15 mainly young 12-Jul MSS

LAUGHING DOVE *Stigmatopelia*

senegalensis Φοινικοτρυγόνι
 Agia Napa 4 family with 2 juveniles 12-Jul FGe
 Agia Napa 4 25-Jul SC with C Stavrou
 Agia Napa 1 On wire opposite Marina Hotel 25-Jul JS
 Agia Napa 1 26-Jul SC with L Sergides

GREAT SPOTTED CUCKOO

Clamator glandarius Καλοχρονιά



Great Spotted Cuckoo, Anarita Park, 13th June. Photograph by Dave Walker

Seen in ones and twos throughout June (mainly juveniles). Largest counts and all July records:
 Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 21 & 23-Jul TRe
 Anarita Park 3 1 adult, 2 juv 13-Jun DJW
 Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square 7 all juveniles 19-Jun JN
 Kiti Dam 3 2 juvenile 15-Jun FGe
 Pytargou Woodland: Ezousas 1 12-Jul MSS
 Souni 7 all juveniles, mainly with Magpie parent 13-Jun JN
 Souni 1 heard calling close to Magpies 14-Jul JN
 Souni 1 seen in pines 25-Jul JN
 Tala, Paphos 3 Juv's being fed by Magpie 3-Jun DJW
 Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-Malia10x10km square 4 3 juveniles seen and 1 heard calling 24-Jun JN

COMMON CUCKOO *Cuculus canorus*

Κούκος
 Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 26-Jul SC with L Sergides
 Akhna Dam 1 juvenile 21 & 30-Jul AKe
 Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa H04 Atlas Square 1 9-Jun CP/PPa
 Old University Campus, Nicosia 1 Seen perched and then in flight 27-Jul JS

BARN OWL *Tyto alba* Ανθρωποπούλλι

Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square (H05) 1 7-Jun CP/PPa
 Mazotos 1+ juveniles heard. Near derelict house. Night survey 27-Jun JS
 Pachiammos 1 Village centre 30-Jul CS/EK/PS
 Vretsia 1 in village, sitting on monument, 21.00h 24-Jun CR/DJW

EURASIAN SCOPS OWL *Otus scops*

Θουρί
 Akamas Peninsula 1 28-Jun MH
 Alaminos 1 Heard, Night survey. 27-Jun JS
 Androlίκου 2 22-Jun BCRS
 Anogyra 1 heard around 7.24 am 10-Jun JN
 Anogyra, Pachna, Prastio, Avdimou 10 x 10 km square 14 heard 15-Jun JN between Smiyies and Neo Chorio c3 heard and at least one bird seen in car headlights 26-Jul IBr
 Ineia 4 11-Jun BCRS
 Kamares (Tala) 1 calling 8 & 10-Jun and 17-Jul DJW
 Larnaca Salt Lake, Dromolaxia, Kiti M06 Atlas Square 1 Heard near Dromolaxia village 21-Jun JS
 Lythrodonas 1 or 2 roosts in pine next to house 1-30 June PS
 Neo Horio 5 3-Jun BCRS
 Neo Horio 3 22-Jun BCRS
 Nicosia Town Centre 1 on wire, just outside the archaeological museum 12-Jun FGe
 Nicosia, Pedagogical Academy Forest 2 1 seen, 1 heard only 5-Jun SC with F Georgiades
 Nicosia, Pedagogical Academy Forest 1 heard only 22-Jul SC
 Panagia Stazousa SPA 1 heard 9-Jun MH/JS
 Pedieos near small church, Nicosia 1+ 3-Jun SC with F Georgiades
 Saïttas Dam 1 Seen in flight in day time 14-Jun JS
 Souni 1 4 & 8-Jun JN
 Souni 2 heard 7-Jun JN
 Troodos Leave Centre Valley 2 Heard 28-Jun ME
 Troodos Visitor Centre 1 Heard calling briefly 11-Jul JS
 Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-Malia 10x10km square 4 heard 20-Jun JN
 Zelemenos, Koili 1 5-Jul JSt

LITTLE OWL *Athene noctua*

Κουκουφικιάς



Little Owl, Asprokremmos Dam, June 19th. Photograph by Albert Stöcker

Akhna Dam 1 15, 26, 28, 29 & 31-Jul ME
 Alaminos 3 Heard. Night survey 27-Jun JS
 Anarita Park 1 13-Jun HST
 Anavargos Hills 3 8-Jun MSS
 Androlίκου 1 15-Jun HST
 Anogyra, Pachna, Prastio, Avdimou 10 x 10 km square 6 heard 15-Jun JN
 Anthoupoli Fields 4 2 adult, 2 juvenile, at nest site 3 & 5-Jun SC with F Georgiades
 Asprokremmos Dam 1 juvenile 19-Jun AS
 Ay Nik (ESBA) 1 Heard 29-Jul ME
 Ayioi Trimithias CBMS T123 2 5-Jun CP/PPa
 Dali 1 15-Jun FGe
 Evretou Dam 1 12-Jun HST
 Famagusta 1 18-Jul ME
 Germa-sogeia Dam 1 6-Jun ADT
 Kalavassos 1 8-Jun MH
 Kivisili 2 Duetting. Night survey 27-Jun JS
 Koilinia – Vretsia 1 24-Jun CR/DJW
 Koilinia 1 24-Jul DJW
 Larnaca Salt Lake 2 One heard and another seen 21-Jun JS
 Mennogeia 2 One heard and one seen. Night survey 27-Jun JS
 Neo Horio 3 27-Jun HST
 Omodhos 1 in flight 20-Jun JN
 Panagia Stazousa SPA 1 At nest hole 9-Jun JS
 Panagia Stazousa SPA 2 30-Jun and 21-Jul JS
 Parekkliasia 2 6-Jun ADT
 Pervolia 2 Heard. Nocturnal Survey M05 15-Jun JS
 Petounta Point 1 Heard 27-Jun JS
 Souni 2 4 & 9-Jun JN

Souni 1 8, 17 & 29-Jun and 12, 13, 15, 17, 20, 22, 23, 25, 27, 28, 29 & 31-Jul JN
Souni 3 23-Jun and 11 & 21-Jul JN
Souni 4 9 & 10-Jul JN
Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-
Malia10x10km square 4 heard 20-Jun
JN
Vrysoulles 2 Juvs 1-Jun ME
Zelemenos, Koili 2 5-Jul JS

LONG-EARED OWL *Asio otus*

Αρκόθουπος
Analiontas 1 juvenile, roadkill 7-Jun FGE
Armou Hills 1 28-Jul CR
Kiti Dam 1 Adult heard. Nocturnal Survey.
21-Jun JS
Lythrodondas 1 12 & 24-Jun PS
Mazotos 1+ juvenile heard. Night survey.
27-Jun JS
Meneou Pool 2+ One adult seen in one
location at dusk and one or two young
heard elsewhere. Nocturnal Survey. 21-Jun
JS
Salamis c10 In eucalyptus trees near Sky
Venus Hotel 25-Jul GW

EUROPEAN NIGHTJAR *Caprimulgus*

europaeus Νυκτοπούλλι
Anogyra, Pachna, Prastio, Avdimou10 x 10
km square 2 heard near Pachna, in pines
15-Jun JN
Kissonerga 2 On an unlit back road 7pm
30-Jul IF
Kourion Ancient stadium 1 female flushed
from daytime roost 23-Jul IBr
Lara Bay area 1 Flushed from track 28-
Jul MSS
Lythrodondas 1 1-Jun PS
Pachyammos 1 26-Jun CS/EK
Pachyammos 1 15-17th and 27-31st July.
Probably present all month 15-Jul CS/EK
Paramali, Limassol 3 13-Jul MH
Aspromi-Latchi 2 seen on arrival at our
villa but not subsequently 16-Jul IBr
Pytargou Woodland: Ezousas 1 12-Jul
MSS
Roudhias Bridge, Xeros Potomas 4 3 seen
1 heard 24-Jul DJW
Smiyies 1 heard churring 26-Jul IBr
Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-
Malia10x10km square 3 heard 20-Jun JN

COMMON SWIFT *Apus apus*

Πετροχελίδονο
Largest counts:
Akhna Dam 100 19-Jun AKe

Anogyra 96 at least 10-Jun JN
Avgorou 150 7-Jun AKe
Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square
180 at least 19-Jun JN
Larnaca Salt Lake North c50 7-Jun ME
Souni 720 moving N from Akrotiri area -
mainly large counts 138, 135, 169, 134
then smaller numbers reaching the total.
11-Jun JN
Souni 140 moving N towards mountains
12-Jun JN
Souni 195 moving N to mountains 17-Jun
JN

PALLID SWIFT *Apus pallidus*

Στακτοπετροχελίδονο
Agia Napa Sewage Works c4 25 & 30-Jul
SC with C Stavrou/ME
Agros 4 23-Jun AKe
Akhna Dam 1 2, 5 & 9-Jun and 7-Jul
AKeAkhna Dam 2 3, 7, 10, 13, 16 & 25-
Jun AKe
Akhna Dam 4 19-Jun AKe
Arminou Dam shallow end 2 1-Jul CR
Fresh Water Lake South 3 19-Jul
JS/MH/ASI
Prodromos Dam c40 28-Jul ME
St George's Island c50 50 swifts seen
offshore were probably this species 21-Jul
IBr
Troodos c10 birds were seen entering
nest cavities on buildings opposite Atalante
trail 28-Jul IBr
Troodos Leave Centre Valley 6 28-Jul ME
Troodos Visitor Centre 1+ 11-Jul JS
Zakaki Marsh 2 31-Jul TR

ALPINE SWIFT *Tachymarptis melba*

Ασπροπετροχελίδονο
Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 25-Jul SC
with C Stavrou
Akhna Dam 1 26-Jun ME
Asprokremmos Dam 2 5-Jun CR
Cape Aspro 30 singing flock 6-Jul MH
Ezousas Valley, Vretsia 12 at least, some
flying high, 4 came over low 24-Jun
CR/DJW
Kensington Cliffs 2 10-Jun JS
Kolossi 1 14-Jul CR
Mandria 8 1-Jun CR
Panayia, Agios Therapon 2 moving N 18-
Jun JN
Panayia, Agios Therapon 1 low over hill
18-Jun JN
Pissouri Present heard 6-Jul MH

Roudhias Bridge, Xeros Potomas 12 24-Jul DJW
Zakaki Marsh 1 6-Jun TRe

COMMON KINGFISHER *Alcedo atthis*

Αλκυόνη

Acti Beach, Paphos 1 30-Jul MSS
Larnaca Airport Coast 1 30-Jul JS
Paphos Headland 1 27 & 28-Jul IBR
Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 landed on overhanging branch over beach 27-Jul CR
Pytargou Woodland: Ezousas 1 12-Jul MSS
Zakaki Marsh 1 28 & 31-Jul TRe

PIED KINGFISHER *Ceryle rudis* Κήρυκος

Akhna Dam 1 female 17-Jun AKe
Fresh Water Lake South 1 Fem 13 & 19-Jul ME/JS/MH/ASi

EUROPEAN BEE-EATER *Merops apiaster*

Μελισσοφάγος



European Bee-eater, Mamonia, 28th July. Photograph by Chris Holt.

Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 heard only 25-Jul SC with C Stavrou
Agios Theodoros Agrou, Limassol (T100) 20 13-Jul CP/PPa
Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square (H05) 2 7-Jun CP/PPa
Akhna Dam 35 migrants 31-Jul AKe
Aspro Dam Canal 5 incl 1 possible juv at nest hole entrance 14-Jul CR
Aspro Dam Canal 1 22-Jul CR
Athalassa Park 1 heard only 4-Jun SC
Athalassa Park 3 27-Jul JS
Ay Nik (ESBA) 2 or 3 Heard 24-Jul ME
Anavargos 4 My garden 21-Jun MSS
Dhiarizos R. Kouklia Present heard 15-Jul MSS
Kalavassos 2 8-Jun MH
Kamares (Tala) Present heard only 27-Jul DJW
Kouklia 1 juvenile 17-Jul TRe

Mamonia 12 1 or 2 ads only 28-Jul

CR/CHO

Mandria Canal 5 quarry nest sites nearly all destroyed 5-Jun CR

Nicosia, Pedagogical Academy Forest c30+ all seen well enough were juveniles

2-Jul SC with F Georgiades

Nicosia, Pedagogical Academy Forest 1+ heard only 22-Jul SC

Old University Campus, Nicosia 6 27-Jul JS

Panagia Stazousa SPA 1 19-Jun JS

Polis Reed Beds 1 28-Jun HST

Pyrga, Larnaca 2+ 30-Jun JS

Souni 1 on wires, seen by Chris Neal 28-Jul JN

Trachoni Pools 1 8-Jun ME

EUROPEAN ROLLER *Coracias garrulus*

Κράγκα



European Roller, Panagia Stazousa, 19th June. Photograph by Jane Stylianou

Over 150 records received for this species for June and July. Largest counts and interesting reports given below:

Agia Napa Sewage Works 5 25-Jul SC with C Stavrou
Akamas Peninsula 7 29-Jun MH
Akhna Dam 6 7, 17 & 19-Jun AKe
Akhna Dam 3 2 Imms 26-Jun ME
Anarita Park 8 15-Jul MSS
Anogyra 5 males 10-Jun JN
Aspro Dam Canal 1 at quarry nest site 14-Jul CR
Ay Nik (ESBA) 5 25-Jul ME
Ayioi Trimithias CBMS T123 7 5-Jun CP/PPa
Kato Akourdaleia 7 At least one entering nest hole 20-Jun DJW
Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square 10 19-Jun JN
Panagia Stazousa SPA 10 All adults 30-Jun JS
Souni 17 16-Jun JN

Tsadha Golf Club Track 7 25-Jun MSS
Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-
Malia10x10km square 8 6 males, 1 on
wires and 1 female 24-Jun JN

EURASIAN HOOPOE *Upupa epops*

Πουπουέσιος

Largest counts and interesting records:

Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square
(H05) 5 7-Jun CP/PPa

Akhna Dam 4 12-Jul ME

Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square
6 includes family party of 5 near Lofou 19-
Jun JN

Minthis Hills 5 feeding on golf course
grass 27-Jun CR

Neo Chorio 4 27-Jun HSt

Souni 7 including a probable juvenile as
still looked quite downy 12-Jun JN

Souni 9 seen 2 birds together, and 2 in
flight, others heard 16-Jun JN

Tsadha Golf Club Track 6 25-Jun MSS

CALANDRA LARK *Melanocorypha*

calandra Μαυροπράσιηλος

Akhna Dam 4 in song 5, 7 & 8-Jun AKe

Akhna Dam 10 in song 6, 9 & 12-Jun
AKe

Akhna Dam 6 in song 10 & 11-Jun AKe

Akhna Dam 1 13, 17 & 26-Jun AKe/ME

Peristerona (T102) 4 13-Jun CP/PPa

Pervolia 5+ Display Flight 1-Jun ME

GREATER SHORT-TOED LARK

Calandrella brachydactyla Τρασηλιούδα

Mandria 1 ad., head moulted, club foot -
possibly left behind 1-Jun CR

CRESTED LARK *Galerida cristata*

Σκορταλλός

Largest counts:

Agia Napa Sewage Works c10 25 & 26-Jul
SC/CS/LSe

Akhna Dam 20 7-Jun AKe

Ayioi Trimithias CBMS T123 14 5-Jun
CP/PPa

Klirou Dam c20 19-Jun SC

Larnaca Desalination Plant 15 17-Jun JS

Larnaca Sewage Works c20 24-Jul JS

Orounda (T106) 20 5-Jun CP/PPa

Pervolia 13 16-Jun JS

Spiros Pool 15 17-Jun JS

WOODLARK *Lullula arborea*

Πευκοτρασιήλα

Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square
(H05) 1 7-Jun CP/PPa

Troodos Leave Centre Valley 1 28-Jun
ME

SAND MARTIN *Riparia riparia*

Βαλοχελιόδοιο

Akhna Dam 1 2, 3 & 6-Jun AKe

Akhna Dam 1 With c150 Barn Swallows
30-Jul ME

Karpasia Peninsula 1 7-Jun MH

Larnaca Salt Lake North 5 7-Jun ME

Mandria 2 1-Jun CR

Phassouri Reed Beds 1 7 & 24-Jun
JN/CR

Zakaki Marsh 1 7-Jun JN

Zakaki Marsh 2 10-Jun JS

EURASIAN CRAG MARTIN *Ptyonoprogne*

rupestris Βραχοχελιόδοιο

Amiantos 4 23-Jul ME

Ezousas Valley, Vretsia 9 first 1 or 2, then
all flocked over us at sunset 24-Jun

CR/DJW

Roudhias Bridge, Xeros Potomas 9 24-Jul
DJW

BARN SWALLOW *Hirundo rustica* Χελιδόνι

215 records for this species for the two
months. Largest counts and interesting
records below:

Akhna Dam 300 incl. young 7-Jun AKe

Akhna Dam 200 incl. juveniles 30 & 31-
Jul AKe

Aspro Dam Canal 270 congregated on
wires, mostly juvs 14-Jul CR

Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square
101 includes juveniles 19-Jun JN

Meneou c300. Over maize fields near
tennis school 25-Jul JS

Paralimni Lake 100 incl. young 29-Jun
AKe

Pervolia 184 M05 Atlas Square 16-Jun
JS

Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-

Malia10x10km square 101 includes
juveniles 24-Jun JN

RED-RUMPED SWALLOW *Hirundo*

daurica Μιλιτοχελιόδοιο

Largest counts:

Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square
(H05) 14 7-Jun CP/PPa

Anogyra 17 probably more 10-Jun JN

Ezousas Valley, Episkopi weir 20 12-Jul CR
Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square 38 including juveniles 19-Jun JN
Mylikouri trail 16 28-Jun JN
Panayia, Agios Therapon 12 18-Jun JN
Roudhias Bridge, Xeros Potomas 12 possibly more (roosting in nest) 24-Jul DJW

COMMON HOUSE MARTIN *Delichon urbicum* Ασπροχελίδονο
Largest counts and ringing records:
Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square (H05) 245 7-Jun CP/PPa
Alona 400 incl. young 23-Jun AKe
Amiantos c300 28-Jun ME
Arminou Dam shallow end 120 swirling flock over water 1-Jul CR
Oroklini Marsh c120 7-Jun ME
Troodos 148 16-Jul BCRS
Troodos 48 22-Jul BCRS
Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-Malia 10x10km square 120 24-Jun JN

TAWNY PIPIT *Anthus campestris*
Καμπογαλούδι
Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 10-May ME/JDS
Asprokremnos Dam 1 11-Jan IB/KR
Davlos 2 2-May JS
Kannaviou Dam 1 flew off roadside 10-May CR
Mandria 1 6-May IB/KR
Potamia 1 4-May FGe

TREE PIPIT *Anthus trivialis* Δενδρογαλούδι
Kantara 1 7-May CR
Lower XP 1 late migrant 13-May CR
Minthis Hills 2 1-May CR
Neo Horio 1 3-May BCRS

RED-THROATED PIPIT *Anthus cervinus*
Κοτσινογιαλλούδι
Cape Kormakiti 1 Flying around the Cape 11-May ME/JDS
Karpasia South Road 1 2-May ME/JDS
Mandria 1 7-May IB/KR

YELLOW WAGTAIL *Motacilla flava*
Κίτρινος Ζευκαλάτης
Lower Ezousas 2 juv/imm/fems 31-Jul CR
Paphos Sewage Plant 1 17-Jun JN
Phassouri Reed-beds 1 imm/fem type 14-Jul CR

Zakaki Marsh 2 19-Jun TRE
Zakaki Marsh 1 juv 24-Jun CR

BLUE-HEADED WAGTAIL *Motacilla f. flava*
Γαλαζοκέφαλος Ζευκαλάτης
Phassouri Reed-beds 1 ad., odd with *feldegg*? 24-Jun CR

BLACK-HEADED WAGTAIL *Motacilla f. feldegg* Μαυροκέφαλος Ζευκαλάτης
Akhna Dam 1 adult male 25-Jun AKe
Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 Male 10-Jun JS
Evretou Dam 1 m 5-Jul CR
Larnaca Salt Lake 2 1m seen ?distraction display. Another heard 15-Jul JS
Oroklini Marsh 1 1 & 5-Jun and 18-Jul ME/MH
Phassouri Reed-beds 3 ad and 2 juvs, with *flava* (mixed pair?) 24-Jun CR
Phassouri Reed Beds 2 18-Jul MH
Zakaki Marsh 2 male and female 10-Jun and 11 & 15-Jul JS/MSS
Zakaki Marsh 1 ad in moult 24-Jun CR
Zakaki Marsh 1 male 3 & 14-Jul JS/CR

CITRINE WAGTAIL *Motacilla citreola*
Κίτεροζευκαλάτης
Akhna Dam 1 1st Winter 28, 29 & 30-Jul ME/AKe

GREY WAGTAIL *Motacilla cinerea*
Ποταμοζευκαλάτης
Arminou Dam shallow end 1 at stream edge, as it entered dam 1-Jul CR
Caledonian Falls Trout Farm 1 29-Jun ME
Caledonian Falls Trout Farm 2 23-Jul ME
Kelefos Bridge 7 29-Jul AST
Kelefos Bridge - Mylikouri (2km part only) 3 seen (2 territories) incl. male in full breeding plum. singing from a high branch, fem seen carrying food to prob nest site 1-Jul CR
Millomeris Waterfalls, Pano Platres 1 Adult 11-Jul JS
Millomeris Waterfalls, Pano Platres 1 male 26-Jul JN
Millomeris Waterfalls, Pano Platres 1 female or juvenile flying up waterfall 26-Jul JN
Mylikouri Trail 1 adult 28-Jun JN
Platania Picnic Site 1 19-Jul SC

WHITE WAGTAIL *Motacilla alba* Ασπρος Ζευκαλάτης
Zakaki Marsh 1 Photographed 10-Jun JS

WINTER WREN *Troglodytes troglodytes*

Τρυποκάρυδο



Winter Wren , Platania Picnic Site, 19th July.
Photograph by Stavros Christodoulides

Agios Theodoros Agrou (T100) 5 8-Jun CP/PPa
 Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square (H05) 19 7-Jun CP/PPa
 Caledonian Falls 2 29-Jun and 11-Jul ME/JS
 Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa H04 Atlas Square 3 9-Jun CP/PPa
 Kelefos Bridge - Mylikouri (2km part only) 9 incl. ad. with 2 begging juvs 1-Jul CR
 Livadi tou Pashia 2 Heard 11-Jul JS
 Livadi tou Pashia 1 seen in flight 12-Jul JN
 Louvaras Forest, Limassol (T093) 2 8-Jun CP/PPa
 Millomeris Waterfalls, Pano Platres 2 seen 26-Jul JN
 Mylikouri trail 6 28-Jun JN
 Persephone Trail, Troodos 1 26-Jul JN
 Platania Picnic Site 2+ 1+ seen, 1 heard only 19-Jul SC
 Troodos 2 28-Jul IBr

EUROPEAN ROBIN *Erithacus rubecula*

Κοτσινόλαιμης

Nicosia, Pedagogical Academy Forest (Old University Campus) 2 heard only 11-Jun SC with F Georgiades
 Nicosia, Pedagogical Academy Forest 1 heard only 22-Jun FGe
 Nicosia, Pedagogical Academy Forest 1+ heard only 2-Jul SC with F Georgiades (These appear to be the first records in Cyprus of this species for June and July)

COMMON NIGHTINGALE *Luscinia**megarhynchos* Αηδόνη

Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square (H05) 15 7-Jun CP/PPa

Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa H04 Atlas Square 1 9-Jun CP/PPa
 Kelefos Bridge - Mylikouri (2km part only) 1 heard briefly 1-Jul CR
 Psilo Dendro (Trout Farm trail), Platres, Troodos 2 seen and heard singing 18-Jun JN

CYPRUS WHEATEAR *Oenanthe cypriaca*

Σκαλιφούρτα

Largest counts and interesting records:
 Agios Nikolaos – Omodos 10 ads and juvs 28-Jul CR/Cho
 Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square (H05) 76 7-Jun CP/PPa
 Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa H04 Atlas Square 40 9-Jun CP/PPa
 Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square 36 including juveniles 19-Jun JN
 Koilinia – Vretsia 2 ad, juv upset by Little Owl 24-Jun CR/DJW
 Omodhos to Agios Nikolaos road vineyard area 12 a pair and 1 juvenile, 1 preening female, 3 juveniles and rest in flight 19-Jul JN
 Road to Kampos 13 26-Jul CS
 Souni 13 4-Jun JN
 Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-Malia 10x10km square 15 includes 5 juveniles 24-Jun JN

EURASIAN BLACKBIRD *Turdus merula* ♂

Μαυρόπουλλος (♀ Μαυρότζικλα)

Caledonian Falls Trout Farm 1 Male 29-Jun ME
 Caledonian Falls, Nicosia 2 Heard 11-Jul JS
 Gefyris Elias (Elias Venetian Bridge) 1 1-Jul CR
 Kannoures Track 2 1 male, 1 female 12-Jul JN
 Kannoures Track 1 heard only 19-Jul SC
 Livadi tou Pashia 2 1m and 1f 11-Jul JS
 Livadi tou Pashia 5 includes male and female seen, others heard calling 12-Jul JN
 Millomeris Waterfalls, Pano Platres 2 13-Jun AD
 Millomeris Waterfalls, Pano Platres 4 1 male and 3 heard calling 26-Jul JN
 Mylikouri trail 11 28-Jun JN
 Persephone Trail, Troodos 2 1 male under yellow plum tree and another calling nearby 26-Jul JN
 Platania Picnic Site c6 mostly juvenile 19-Jul SC

Psilo Dendro (Trout Farm trail), Platres,
Troodos 3 2 seen, 1 heard 18-Jun JN
Roudias Bridge 3 on track from south 24-
Jun CR/DJW
Roudhias Bridge, Xeros Potomas 3 24-Jul
DJW
Troodos 1 male 28-Jul IBR
Troodos Leave Centre Valley 1 Male 28-
Jun ME
Troodos, Limassol 2 1 male, other heard
calling 12-Jul JN

CETTI'S WARBLER *Cettia cetti*

Ψευταηδώνι

Largest counts:

Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square
(H05) 10 7-Jun CP/PPa
Akhna Dam 50 incl. young 6-Jun AKe
Ezousas Valley, Pitargou forest 6 16-Jul
CR/MSS
Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa
H04 Atlas Square 5 9-Jun CP/PPa
Phassouri Reed Beds 9 heard 7-Jun JN

ZITTING CISTICOLA *Cisticola juncidis*

Δουλαππάρης

Largest counts:

Akhna Dam 30 incl. young 6-Jun AKe
Alaminos 5 L05 Atlas Square 23-Jun JS
Los Alaminos Fishing Shelter 8 L05 Atlas
Square 23-Jun JS
Larnaca Salt Lake 5 M06 Atlas Square
17-Jun JS
Mandria 5 1-Jun CR
Peristerona (T102) 8 13-Jun CP/PPa
Pervolia 27 M05 Atlas Square 16-Jun JS
Petounta Point 12 L05 Atlas Square 23-
Jun JS
Phassouri Reed-beds 6 7-Jun JN
Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-
Malia10x10km square 6 24-Jun JN

EURASIAN REED WARBLER

Acrocephalus scirpaceus Καλαμομουγιούδι

Max count per location for each month:

Akhna Dam 50 incl. young 6 & 7-Jun
AKe
Akhna Dam 5 incl. juveniles 15-Jul AKe
Athalassa Park 1+ heard 27-Jul JS
Ezousas Valley, Episkopi 2 juvs. heard
begging 4-Jun CR
Germasogeia Dam-Finikaria 1 6-Jun ADT
Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa
H04 Atlas Square 2 but ID unsure-Gerasa
9-Jun CP/PPa

Larnaca Salt Lake 4 3 heard and one
seen. M06 Atlas Square 17-Jun JS
Larnaca Salt Lake 7 7+. Two seen, 5+
heard 15-Jul JS
Los Alaminos Fishing Shelter 1+ One
seen and young heard in reeds. L05 Atlas
Square 23-Jun JS
Lower Ezousas 3 3-Jul CR
Oroklini Marsh 1 Singing 1 & 7-Jun
ME/SC
Oroklini Marsh 4 18-Jul MH
Petounta Point 2 One seen and one
heard. L05 Atlas Square 23-Jun JS
Phassouri Reed Beds 28 at least, very
active in reeds 24-Jun CR
Phassouri Reed Beds 3 14-Jul CR
Zakaki Marsh 10 active on outside of
reeds 24-Jun CR
Zakaki Marsh 6 15-Jul MSS

GREAT REED WARBLER *Acrocephalus*

arundinaceus Τζικλομουγιούδι

Zakaki Marsh 1 7-Jun and 11, 15 & 21-Jul
JN/TRe/JS/MSS

EASTERN OLIVACEOUS WARBLER

Iduna pallida Τριβιτούρα

Largest counts:

Agia Napa 5 28-Jul AKe
Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square
(H05) 44 7-Jun CP/PPa
Akhna Dam 30 incl. young 7-Jun AKe
Anogyra 8 at least 10-Jun JN
Athalassa Park 5 5+ in a family group
27-Jul JS
Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa
H04 Atlas Square 28 9-Jun CP/PPa
Kannoures Track 5 2 seen, 3 others heard
calling: family party 12-Jul JN
Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square
24 including 1 juvenile 19-Jun JN
Livadi tou Pashia 9 Two seen, two heard
only and five in a family party 11-Jul JS
Millomeris Waterfalls, Pano Platres 5
family party 26-Jul JN
Souni 7 16-Jun and 25-Jul JN
Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-
Malia10x10km square 11 24-Jun JN

SPECTACLED WARBLER *Sylvia*

conspicillata Κοτσινοφτέρι

Agioi Trimitihias CBMS T123 12 5-Jun
CP/PPa
Akamas Peninsula 8 29-Jun MH
Akhna Dam 1 15-Jul SC with F
Georgiades

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 Male 10-Jun JS
Astromeritis, CBMS T098 3 13-Jun
CP/PPa
Cape Greco 2 20-Jul ME
Lady's Mile 1 18-Jul MH
Larnaca Salt Lake 1 M06 Atlas Square 17-
Jun JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 7-Jun and 15-
Jul ME/JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 2 17-Jun and 8-
Jul JS
Meneou Pool 5 M06 Atlas Square 17-Jun
JS
Minthis Hills 1 20-Jun and 30-Jul CR
Oroklini Marsh 1 1 & 7-Jun ME
Orounda (T106) 8 5-Jun CP/PPa
Panagia Stazousa SPA 2+ 21-Jul JS
Peristerona (T102) 12 13-Jun CP/PPa
Spiros Pool 2 M06 Atlas Square 17-Jun
JS
Spiros Pool 1 15-Jul JS

MENETRIES WARBLER

Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 Juv -
Description Submitted 31 Jul 30-Jul ME
Further details submitted for this possible
second record for Cyprus. One previous
record in 1998.

SARDINIAN WARBLER *Sylvia*

melanocephala Τρυποβάτης
Largest counts:
Akamas Peninsula 18 29-Jun MH
Anavargos Hills 6 8-Jun MSS
Armou - Mesa Chorio 6 family party 15-
Jul CR
Karpasia Peninsula 15 7-Jun MH
Pano Lefkara 7 9-Jun MH

CYPRUS WARBLER *Sylvia melanothorax*

Τρυπομάζης
Largest counts:
Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square
(H05) 22 7-Jun CP/PPa
Kalavassos 10 8-Jun MH
Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa
H04 Atlas Square 28 9-Jun CP/PPa
Karpasia Peninsula 10 7-Jun MH
Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square
28 including juveniles 19-Jun JN
Louvaras Forest, Limassol (T093) 12 8-
Jun CP/PPa
Maroni 14 9-Jun MH
Panagia Stazousa SPA 16 9-Jun MH
Pano Lefkara 35 9-Jun MH
Souni 33 9-Jun JN

EASTERN ORPHEAN WARBLER *Sylvia*

crassirostris Θαμνογαλαλούρα
Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 Fem/Imm
20-Jul ME
Agia Napa Sewage Works c10+ mostly
juveniles but also 1 adult male 25-Jul SC
with C Stavrou
Agia Napa Sewage Works 6 Fem/Imm
27-Jul ME
Agia Napa Sewage Works 5 1 Male / 4
Fems 30-Jul ME

LESSER WHITETHROAT *Sylvia curruca*

Συκαλλίδι
Armou Hills 1 in association with a
possible Orphean and phyllosc, not
identified! 5-Jul CR

EASTERN BONELLI'S WARBLER

Phylloscopus orientalis Πευκογιαννούδι
Akoursos - Kathikas 1 very active and
restless in bushes 27-Jul CR

SPOTTED FLYCATCHER *Muscicapa*

striata Μουσιχοάφτης
Anavargos Hills 1 8-Jun MSS
Artemis Trail 2 23-Jul ME
Caledonian Falls, Troodos end 10 One
adult alone, one adult with five young, one
adult with two young 11-Jul JS
Caledonian Falls 2 1 Imm 23-Jul ME
Gefyris Elias (Elias Venetian Bridge) 1 1-
Jul CR
Giant Junipers 4 28-Jun ME
Giant Junipers 7 2 Imm 23-Jul ME
Kannoures Track 4 12-Jul JN
Kelefos Bridge - Mylikouri (2km part) 5
incl. 1 carrying food (4 territories) 1-Jul CR
Livadi tou Pashia 1 Adult 11-Jul JS
Livadi tou Pashia 2 12-Jul JN
Mylikouri trail 18 28-Jun JN
Platania Picnic Site 2+ 19-Jul SC
Pytargou Woodland: Ezousas 2 12-Jul
MSS
Troodos 4 family party inc 2 juvs on
Atalante trail 28-Jul IBR
Troodos, Kannoures Track 1 19-Jul SC

COAL TIT *Parus ater* Πέμπτεπος

Agios Nikoas - Kelefos Bridge 1 1-Jul
CR
Agios Theodoros Agrou, Limassol (T100)
19 8-Jun CP/PPa
Agios Theodoros Agrou, Limassol (T100) 5
13-Jul CP/PPa

Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square (H05) 11 7-Jun CP/PPa
Arminou Dam shallow end 3 h 28-Jul CR/CHo

Artemis Trail 2 29-Jun ME
Artemis Trail 7+ Two adults and five juvenile seen. Others heard 11-Jul JS
Artemis Trail 6 23-Jul ME
Atalante Trail, Troodos 5+ 11-Jul JS
Giant Juniper, Troodos 2 23-Jul ME
Kakopetria, Nicosia 5 28-Jun FGe
Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa H04 Atlas Square 25 9-Jun CP/PPa
Kannoures Track 19 12-Jul JN
Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square 1 heard 19-Jun JN
Kato Platres 2 heard 12-Jul JN
Kelefos Bridge - Mylikouri (2km part) 14 1-Jul CR
Livadi tou Pashia, Troodos 7 12-Jul JN
Louvaras Forest, Limassol (T093) 20 8-Jun CP/PPa
Millomeris Waterfalls, Pano Platres 18 26-Jul JN
Mylikouri trail 41 28-Jun JN
Panagia Asinou 2 28-Jun FGe
Persephone Trail, Troodos 58 26-Jul JN
Platania Picnic Site c4 19-Jul SC
Prodromos Dam 1 28-Jun ME
Psilo Dendro (Trout Farm trail), Platres 2 18-Jun JN
Roudias Bridge 1 h 24-Jun CR/DJW
Spilia 4 28-Jun FGe
Troodos c.20 several family parties on Atalante trail 28-Jul IBr
Troodos Leave Centre Valley 1 28-Jun ME
Troodos Visitor Centre 4+ 11-Jul JS
Troodos, Kannoures Track 1 heard only 19-Jul SC
Troodos 11 12-Jul JN
Troodos 28 26-Jul JN

GREAT TIT *Parus major* Τσαγκαρούδι

Largest counts:

Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square (H05) 29 7-Jun CP/PPa
Athalassa Park c10 including several juveniles 4-Jun SC
Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa H04 Atlas Square 12 9-Jun CP/PPa
Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square 11 mainly heard 19-Jun JN
Souni 13 23-Jun JN

Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-Malia 10x10km square 19 includes 1 juvenile 24-Jun JN

SHORT-TOED TREECREEPER *Certhia brachydactyla* Δενδροβάτης

Artemis Trail 2 29-Jun ME
Artemis Trail, Troodos 4+ heard 11-Jul JS
Artemis Trail 1 23-Jul ME
Atalante Trail, Troodos 4 11-Jul JS
Caledonian Falls, Troodos end 6+ heard 11-Jul JS
Giant Juniper 4 23-Jul ME
Kelefos Bridge - Mylikouri (2km part) 10 singing 1-Jul CR
Livadi tou Pashia, Troodos 3+ heard 11-Jul JS
Livadi tou Pashia, Troodos 1 adult 12-Jul JN
Mylikouri trail 3 heard 28-Jun JN
Persephone Trail, Troodos 8 26-Jul JN
Platania Picnic Site c3 heard only 19-Jul SC
Troodos c.4 Atalante trail 28-Jul IBr
Troodos Visitor Centre 3+ 11-Jul JS
Troodos 3 including juv fed by adult 12-Jul JN
Troodos 2 heard 26-Jul JN

EURASIAN GOLDEN ORIOLE *Oriolus*

oriolus Κλορκός

Agios Theodoros Agrou, Limassol (T100) 1 8-Jun CP/PPa
Agios Theodoros Agrou, Limassol (T100) 4 3 singing males, 1 female 13-Jul CP/PPa

ISABELLINE SHRIKE *Lanius isabellinus*

Ξανθοκεφαλάς

Ayia Napa Sewage Works 1 Fem 30-Jul ME (Turkestan Shrike *Lanius isabellinus phoenicuroides*)

RED-BACKED SHRIKE *Lanius collurio*

Στακτοτζεφαλάς

Lower Ezousas 1 ad. fem 31-Jul CR

LESSER GREY SHRIKE *Lanius minor*

Διπλοδακκανούρα



Lesser Grey Shrike, Mamonía, 27th July.
Photograph by Dave Walker

Mamonía, Paphos 1 27-Jul DJW

WOODCHAT SHRIKE *Lanius senator*

Κοτσινιοτσεφαλάς

Akamas Peninsula 1 male 28-Jun MH

MASKED SHRIKE *Lanius nubicus*

Δακκανούρα

Largest counts and interesting records:

Agios Theodoros Agrou, Limassol (T100) 6
 8-Jun and 13-Jul CP/PPa

Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square
 (H05) 22 7-Jun CP/PPa

Armou Hills 6 2 juvs 26-Jul CR

Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa

H04 Atlas Square 26 9-Jun CP/PPa

Kannoures Track 6 2 females, 2 juveniles

and 1 in flight plus 1 heard calling 12-Jul

JN

Kapedes 8 7-Jun FGE

Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square

12 includes 3 juveniles 19-Jun JN

Koilinia – Vretsia 8 2 or 3 juvs 24-Jun

CR/DJW

Koilinia 7 inc 2 juv 24-Jul DJW

Livadi tou Pashia, Troodos 14 12-Jul JN

Omodhos to Agios Nikolaos road vineyard

area 9 includes a juvenile with 2 males,

one female and rest in flight 19-Jul JN

Panagia Stazousa SPA 6 2m and 4 juv

21-Jul JS

Souni 12 16-Jun JN

EURASIAN JAY *Garrulus glandarius* Κίσσα

Agios Theodoros Agrou, Limassol (T100) 5

8-Jun CP/PPa

Agios Theodoros Agrou, Limassol (T100) 4

13-Jul CP/PPa

Arminou Dam shallow end 4 1-Jul CR

Arminou Dam shallow end 1 28-Jul

CR/CHO

Artemis Trail 1 29-Jun and 23-Jul ME

Atalante Trail, Troodos 1 11-Jul JS

Caledonian Falls 1 Troodos end 11-Jul

JS

Giant Juniper, Troodos 1 23-Jul ME

Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa

H04 Atlas Square 3 9-Jun CP/PPa

Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square

1 possible in pines 19-Jun JN

Livadi tou Pashia 5 12-Jul JN

Millomeris Waterfalls 3 26-Jul JN

Mylikouri trail 10 includes probable

juveniles 28-Jun JN

Myllomeris Waterfall Nature walk 1 12-Jun

AD

Panagia Asinou 2 28-Jun FGE

Persephone Trail, Troodos 4 26-Jul JN

Platania Picnic Site c12 mostly juveniles

19-Jul SC

Roudhias Bridge, Xeros Potomas 1 24-Jul

DJW

Roudias Bridge 2 24-Jun CR/DJW

Troodos c8 Atalante trail 28-Jul IBR

Troodos Leave Centre Valley 1 28-Jul ME

Troodos Visitor Centre 2 11-Jul JS

Troodos, Kannoures Track 1 19-Jul SC

Troodos 5 12-Jul JN

Troodos 4 26-Jul JN

EURASIAN MAGPIE *Pica pica*

Κατσικορόνα

Largest counts:

Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square

(H05) 27 7-Jun CP/PPa

Akamas Peninsula 18 29-Jun MH

Akhna Dam 15 23-Jul ME

Akoursos – Kathikas 10 27-Jul CR

Alaminos 13 L05 Atlas Square 23-Jun JS

Evretou Dam 11 24-Jun CR

Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square

38 includes 5 juveniles 19-Jun JN

Kivisili 12 L05 Atlas Square 23-Jun JS

Marathounta Rubbish Dump 25 together,

large group 29-Jul CR/CHO

Mazotos 10 L05 Atlas Square 24-Jun JS

Mennogeia 18 L05 Atlas Square 23-Jun

JS

Minthis Hills 20 27-Jun CR

Panagia Stazousa SPA c10 9 & 30-Jun

JS

Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-

Malia10x10km square 45 includes 6

juveniles 24-Jun JN

WESTERN JACKDAW *Corvus monedula*

Κοιολός

Largest counts:

Diarizos Valley 75 at least in 3 groups 23-Jul JN

Kato Akourdaleia c60 20-Jun DJW

Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square

121 includes many juveniles 19-Jun JN

Mousere 200 28-Jul CR/CHO

Panagia Stazousa SPA c60 9-Jun JS

Pyrga c80 towards Stavrovouni 21-Jul JS

Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-

Malia10x10km square 276 includes many juveniles 24-Jun JN

HOODED CROW *Corvus cornix* Κοπάζινο

Largest counts:

Akhna Dam 19 27-Jul ME

Larnaca Desalination Plant 20+ 28-Jul JS

Lower Ezousas 40 31-Jul CR

Marathounta Rubbish Dump 160 29-Jul

CR/CHO

Mennogeia 15 L05 Atlas Square 23-Jun

JS

Minthis Hills 20 27-Jun CR

Old University Campus 30 22-Jun FGe

Paphos Sewage Plant 36 9-Jul CR

Pediaios river, Yiorkio area 32 including a few fledglings 6-Jun FGe

Perivolia 18 M05 Atlas Square 16-Jun JS

COMMON STARLING *Sturnus vulgaris*

Λαζούρι

Akhna Dam 1 24, 25 & 26-Jun and 1, 6 &

27-Jul AKe/SC/ME

HOUSE SPARROW *Passer domesticus*

Στρούθος

Largest counts:

Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square

(H05) 239 7-Jun CP/PPa

Akhna Dam 140 12-Jul FGe

Argaka Area 100+ Mainly House some

Spanish 22-Jun AD

Frenaros 1000 incl. young 18-Jun AKe

Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa

H04 Atlas Square 362 9-Jun CP/PPa

Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square

190 includes many juveniles 19-Jun JN

Mandria 100 1-Jun CR

Perivolia 405 Probably an undercount.

Included juveniles. M05 Atlas Square 16-

Jun JS

Spiros Pool 104 M06 Atlas Square 17-Jun

JS

Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-

Malia10x10km square 334 includes many

juveniles 24-Jun JN

SPANISH SPARROW *Passer**hispaniolensis* Αρκόστρουθος

Largest counts:

Agios Theodoros Agrou, Limassol (T100)

100 8-Jun CP/PPa

Akhna Dam c80 20-Jul ME

Ezousas Valley, Episkopi weir 42 several

flocks of 10 heading down valley 18.00h to roost 12-Jul CR

Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa

H04 Atlas Square 34 9-Jun CP/PPa

Omodhos to Agios Nikolaos road vineyard

area 57 19-Jul JN

Paphos Sewage Plant 30 3-Jul CR

Polis Chrysochou Bay 30 27-Jul CR

Prodromi-Latchi c150 one of the sparrow

flocks appeared to consist mainly of

Spanish 26-29 Jul IBr

Tsada 50 17-Jul CR

COMMON CHAFFINCH *Fringilla coelebs*

Σπίνινο

Largest counts:

Agios Theodoros Agrou, Limassol (T100)

13 8-Jun CP/PPa

Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square

(H05) 10 7-Jun CP/PPa

Caledonian Falls Troodos end 12+ 11-Jun

JS

Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa

H04 Atlas Square 13 9-Jun CP/PPa

Mylikouri trail 37 28-Jun JN

Platania Picnic Site c30 19-Jul SC

EUROPEAN SERIN *Serinus serinus*

Μπασταρτοκανάρινο

Agios Theodoros Agrou, Limassol (T100) 1

8-Jun CP/PPa

Agros 100 incl. young 23-Jun AKe

Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square

(H05) 40 7-Jun CP/PPa

Argaka Area 1 21-Jun AD

Arminou Dam shallow end 7 all ages,

including a few juvs 1-Jul CR

Arminou Dam shallow end 1 28-Jul

CR/CHO

Artemis Trail 2 29-Jun ME

Kakopetria 5 28-Jun FGe

Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa

H04 Atlas Square 25 9-Jun CP/PPa

Kannoures Track 1 in flight 12-Jul JN

Kelefos Bridge - Mylikouri (2km part) 9 1-Jul CR
Mylikouri trail 12 28-Jun JN
Omodhos to Agios Nikolaos road vineyard area 2 17-Jun JN
Omodhos to Agios Nikolaos road vineyard area 6 1 male on wires, 1 juvenile and others in flight 19-Jul JN
Pera Pedi 1 7-Jun ME
Persephone Trail, Troodos 4 26-Jul JN
Phassouri nursery 1 male perched 24-Jun CR
Pipis Forest 2 heard only 3-Jul SC
Prastio Kellakidou c6 10-Jun JS
Prodromos Dam 1 Heard 28-Jun ME
Souni 1 male 11-Jul JN
Souni 4 1 male on wires, one in flight and 2 heard calling 22-Jul JN
Spilia 4 28-Jun FGe
Trimiklino 2 Heard 7-Jun ME
Troodos 2+ 28-Jul IBR
Troodos Leave Centre Valley 1 28-Jun ME

EUROPEAN GREENFINCH *Carduelis*

chloris Λουλουδάς

Largest counts:

Agia Napa 15 including several juveniles 12-Jul FGe
Anogyra 12 8 males 10-Jun JN
Athalassa Park 12 27-Jul JS
Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa H04 Atlas Square 58 9-Jun CP/PPa
Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square 74 includes juveniles 19-Jun JN
Louvaras Forest, Limassol (T093) 15 8-Jun CP/PPa
Meneou Beach 30+ 16-Jul JS
Panayia, Agios Therapon 16 heard 5, seen 9 including 1 male plus 1 male with 1 juvenile 18-Jun JN
Polis Chrysochou Bay 55 8-Jul CR
Souni 31 3-Jun JN
Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-Malia 10x10km square 34 24-Jun JN

EUROPEAN GOLDFINCH *Carduelis*

carduelis Σγαρίλι

Largest counts:

Agia Napa 50 including many juveniles 12-Jul FGe
Agia Napa Football Fields 25 12-Jul FGe
Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square (H05) 22 7-Jun CP/PPa
Akamas Peninsula 19 29-Jun MH
Anogyra 15 family parties 10-Jun JN

Ezousas Valley, Pitargou forest 16 16-Jul CR/MSS
Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa H04 Atlas Square 23 9-Jun CP/PPa
Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square 38 19-Jun JN
Kiti Dam 12+. M06 Atlas Square 17-Jun JS
Peristerona (T102) 41 13-Jun CP/PPa
Souni 17 9 & 12-Jun JN
Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-Malia 10x10km square 69 includes 5 juveniles 24-Jun JN

COMMON LINNET *Carduelis cannabina*

Τσακροσαύριλο

Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square (H05) 4 7-Jun CP/PPa
Akamas Peninsula 1 28-Jun MH
Akamas Peninsula 3 29-Jun MH
Akhna Dam 1 18-Jul AKE
Akoursos - Kathikas 2 27-Jul CR
Armou - Mesa Chorio 2 7-Jul CR
Armou Hills 1 23-Jun CR
Armou Hills 5 2 prs 5-Jul CR
Armou Hills 6 7-Jul CR
Armou Hills 8 15-Jul CR
Evretou Dam 3 24-Jun CR
Evretou Dam 9 incl. 6 in fam party 5-Jul CR
Ezousas Valley, Episkopi 6 5 juvs 4-Jun CR
Kannavia 4 29-Jun FGe
Kathikas 6 2-Jun DJW
Lady's Mile 2 10-Jun JS
Mandria 1 1-Jun and 15-Jul CR/MSS
Marathounta 1 20 & 22-Jun CR
Mintsh Hills 4 27-Jun and 24-Jul CR/MSS
Omodhos to Agios Nikolaos road vineyard area 19 28-Jun JN
Omodhos to Agios Nikolaos road vineyard area 9 19-Jul JN
Pano Lefkara 3 9-Jun MH
Pytargou Woodland: Ezousas Present 12-Jul MSS
Tsada 1f 17-Jul CR
Tsadha Golf Club Track, Paphos Present 25-Jun MSS
Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-Malia 10x10km square 4 family party 24-Jun JN

RED CROSSBILL *Loxia curvirostra*

Σταυρομούττη
Artemis Trail 2 29-Jun ME

Kannoures Track 1 heard calling 12-Jul JN
Persephone Trail, Troodos 2 female/juvenile at top of pine and one other heard calling nearby 26-Jul JN
Troodos Visitor Centre 1 1+ heard 11-Jul JS

CRETZSCHMAR'S BUNTING *Emberiza*

caesia Σιταροπούλλι

Largest counts:

Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square (H05) 7 7-Jun CP/PPa

Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa H04 Atlas Square 10 9-Jun CP/PPa

Kapedes 12 7-Jun FGe

Kato Kivides to Alassa 10 km Atlas square

10 includes juveniles 19-Jun JN

Panagia Asinou 7 28-Jun FGe

Panayia, Agios Therapon 6 18-Jun JN

Paramali 7 13-Jul MH

Souni 9 3-Jun JN

Pipis Forest 2 1 male, 1 female 3-Jul SC
Pittokopos 1 male 2-Jun DJW
Prastio Kellakidou 3 2m and 1f 10-Jun JS
Vasa-Agios Amvrosios-Pachna-Malia 10x10km square 6 24-Jun JN
Vouni 1 Singing Male 7-Jun ME

CORN BUNTING *Emberiza calandra*

Τσακρόστρουθος

Agios Fotios 9 2,600ft 24-Jun CR/DJW

Agios Photios 8 24-Jul DJW

Akamas Peninsula 9 29-Jun MH

Akhna Dam 1 8 & 12-Jun AKe

Akhna Dam 1 12-Jun AKe

Arminou Dam shallow end 12 1-Jul CR

Evretou Dam Present 7-Jun VP

Kathikas 7 2-Jun DJW

Omodhos to Agios Nikolaos road vineyard area 3 28-Jun JN

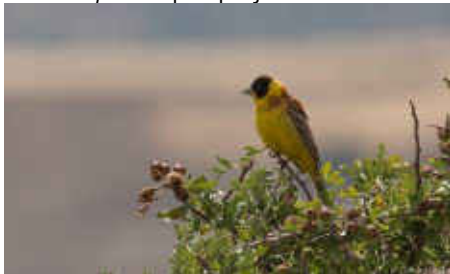
Souni 2 1 adult with 1 juvenile 17-Jul JN

Tsadha Golf Club Track 6 15-Jul MSS

Tsadha Golf Club Track 9 24-Jul MSS

BLACK-HEADED BUNTING *Emberiza*

melanocephala Τιρίλινγκος



Black-headed Bunting, Ineia, 2nd June.

Photograph by Dave Walker.

Agros, Ladoudera, Kato Mylos Atlas Square (H05) 27 7-Jun CP/PPa

Alona 10 in song 23-Jun AKe

Androlikou 1 15-Jun HSt

Anogyra, Pachna, Prastio, Avdimou 10 x 10 km square 1 unseen 15-Jun JN

Cape Greco 4 in song 14-Jun AKe

Kalo Chorio Limassol, Louvaras, Gerasa H04 Atlas Square 18 9-Jun CP/PPa

Kathikas 1 male 2-Jun DJW

Kathikas 2 male 20-Jun DJW

Omodhos to Agios Nikolaos road vineyard area 7 1 seen, others only heard 17-Jun JN

Omodhos to Agios Nikolaos road vineyard area 12 inc juveniles 19-Jul JN

Pervolia 1 Singing Male 1-Jun ME

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MONTHLY WATERBIRD COUNT

June 2014

Martin Hellicar

The BirdLife Cyprus waterbirds monitoring programme has been running since 2005 and covers around 60 wetlands and other waterbird sites around the island. All sites are covered at least every January (mid-winter count) and every May (breeding season count), while the more important sites are also covered in March, September and November. Key Important Bird Area (IBA) wetlands such as the island's two salt lakes, which attract large numbers of birds, are covered on a monthly basis. The monitoring programme is based on the voluntary work of a team of dedicated and experienced recorders and preliminary results are presented in the Monthly Checklist.

A total of only 8 sites were counted in June 2014, including key wetland Important Bird Areas (IBAs), though the Akrotiri IBA was not given complete coverage this month. A total of 309 birds of 24 species were recorded. The top site was Larnaca Sewage Works, with 11 species and 150 birds. The Mallard was the most common species (74 individuals), followed by Yellow-legged Gull and Coot.

The following breeding evidence was recorded at the sites visited:

At Larnaca Sewage Works, 5 female Mallard were seen duckling groups of 5-10, while there were also 2 young juvenile Black-winged Stilts and an incubating Spur-winged Plover recorded.

At Larnaca Salt Lake, there was evidence of Kentish Plover breeding, with two well-grown young seen, while the same species was also breeding at Akrotiri Salt Lake, where 1 young bird and a female on a nest were seen, though a complete survey of the site was not undertaken this month.

Site coverage for the June 2014 Waterbird Count

Site	Recorder	Date
Paphos Lighthouse	Colin Richardson	22nd June 2014
Mavrokolymbos Dam	Dave & Jan Walker	20th June 2014
Evretou Dam	Dave & Jan Walker	20th June 2014
Bishop's Pool	John & Ann Stapley	19th June 2014
Akrotiri Salt Lake, Meras & Lady's Mile	Jane Stylianou	10th June 2014
<i>Kiti Dam</i>	Jane Stylianou	17th June 2014
Larnaka Salt Lake	Jane Stylianou	17th June 2014
Larnaka Sewage Works	Jane Stylianou	17th June 2014

Sites in *italics* held no waterbirds (0 count).

June 2014 Site and Species Totals

WETLAND BIRD COUNT JUNE 2014	Little Grebe	Cattle Egret	Squacco Heron	Little Egret	Grey Heron	Greater Flamingo	Common Shelduck	Mallard	Northern Shoveler	Ferruginous Duck	Spotted Crane
Paphos Lighthouse				1							
Mavrokolymbos Dam											
Evretou Dam		1	1	1	1						
Akrotiri Salt Lake, Meras & Lady's Mile	12		2	4				1		4	1
Bishop's Pool						16					
Kiti Dam											
Larnaka Salt Lake											
Larnaca Sewage Works	13						1	73	1	2	
TOTAL	25	1	3	6	1	16	1	74	1	6	1

Common Coot	Black-winged Stilt	Spur-winged Lapwing	Kentish Plover	Greater Sand Plover	Little Stint	Wood Sandpiper	Common Sandpiper	Ruddy Turnstone	Yellow-legged Gull	Little Tern	Yellow Wagtail	Reed Warbler	TOTAL	species count
				2				2					5	3
						1			1				1	1
12							2					2	5	5
	3		7						44	5	1		40	9
													76	6
													0	0
	4	4	10						10			4	32	5
34	8	10	5		1				2				150	11
46	15	14	22	2	1	1	2	2	57	5	1	6	309	24

MONTHLY WATERBIRD COUNT

July 2014

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A total of 14 sites were counted in July 2014, including key wetland Important Bird Areas (IBAs). A total of 1,348 birds of 32 species were recorded. The top sites were Oroklini Marsh and Ayios Loukas Lake (South), Famagusta, both of which held good water and offered an identical species count of 17 and over 350 birds. Cattle Egret (316 individuals) was the commonest species overall, while Coot, Mallard and Kentish Plover were also recorded in triple figures and the passage of wader species was notable for variety, if not numbers.

Breeding evidence was recorded at a number of the sites:

At Ayios Lukas Lake (South), Famagusta, the Cattle Egret colony was still very active (though no nest count was attempted) and there was clear evidence of both Glossy Ibis (4 young juveniles) and Squacco Herons (6 young juveniles) breeding among the Cattle Egrets. A total of 13 young juvenile Black-winged Stilts were recorded at Ayios Loukas (among the total of 24 individuals of the species). Evidence of Black-winged Stilt breeding was also found at Klapsides saltmarsh, where an adult with 3 young juveniles were found in a small remaining pool.

At Oroklini Marsh, there were between 26 and 36 active Cattle Egret nests with 60-80 chicks (included in the count of 130 in table below), plus at least two families of Spur-winged Lapwings with chicks. At the nearby 'Jumbo' canal site, in the old refinery area on the Larnaca coast, a single Spur-winged Lapwing chick was among the 7 Spur-winged lapwings recorded.

At the Larnaca Salt Lake, the count for Kentish Plover (85 individuals) included 20-30 young birds. There were three small chicks among the 12 Spur-winged Lapwings recorded at Larnaca Sewage Works.

At Zakaki marsh, there was 1 young chick and 3 young juvenile birds among the 12 Black-winged Stilts recorded and also 6 Coot chicks, while at nearby Lady's Mile, there was a roughly 50-50 split between young and adult Kentish Plovers among the 22 recorded and also an adult Black-winged stilt with 2 young juveniles.

Site coverage for the July 2014 Waterbird Count

Site	Recorder	Date
Paphos Lighthouse	Colin Richardson	18th July 2014
Phassouri Reed Bed	Martin Hellicar & Andy Simpkin	18th July 2014
Akrotiri Meras, Salt Lake & Lady's Mile	Martin Hellicar & Andy Simpkin	18th July 2014
Zakaki Pond	Martin Hellicar & Andy Simpkin	18th July 2014
<i>Kiti Dam</i>	Jane Stylianou	15th July 2014
Larnaka Salt Lake	Jane Stylianou	15th July 2014
Larnaka Sewage Works	Jane Stylianou	15th July 2014
Oroklini Marsh	Martin Hellicar & Andy Simpkin	18th July 2014
Jumbo canal	Martin Hellicar & Andy Simpkin	18th July 2014
Achna Dam	Bill Barker	14th July 2014
Agios Loukas Lake (South)	Martin Hellicar, Jane Stylianou & Andy Simpkin	19th July 2014
<i>Silverbeach saltmarsh</i>	Martin Hellicar, Jane Stylianou & Andy Simpkin	19th July 2014
Klapsides saltmarsh	Martin Hellicar, Jane Stylianou & Andy Simpkin	19th July 2014
<i>Klapsides Pool</i>	Martin Hellicar, Jane Stylianou & Andy Simpkin	19th July 2014

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July 2014 Site and Species Totals

WETLAND BIRD COUNT JULY 2014	Little Grebe	Cattle Egret	Squacco Heron	Little Egret	Grey Heron	Glossy Ibis	Spoonbill	Greater Flamingo	Common Shelduck	Mallard	Ferruginous Duck
Paphos Lighthouse											
Phassouri Reed Bed											
Akrotiri Salt Lake, Meras & Lady's Mile											
Zakaki pond	5			7		1				6	2
Lamaka Salt Lake											
Lamaka Sewage Works											
Kiti Dam	45								1	119	2
Oroklini Marsh	17	130		2	2		3	94		28	
Jumbo canal											
Achna Dam		2	1	4							
Agias Loukas Lake (South)	20	184	11	2		8				15	10
Silverbeach saltmarsh											
Klapsides saltmarsh											
Klapsides pool											
TOTAL	87	316	12	15	2	9	3	94	1	168	14

Common Moorhen	Common Coot	Black-winged Stilt	Spur-winged Lapwing	Kentish Plover	Greater Sand Plover	Little Ringed Plover	Little Stint	Ruff	Spotted Redshank	Common Redshank	Green Sandpiper	Wood Sandpiper	Common Sandpiper	Ruddy Turnstone	Slender-billed Gull	Yellow-legged Gull
		1			4								2	2		
		3		22												2
4	11	12	1								1					
			1	85		2			1				19			75
	27	21	12				3			1	1		5			
5	70	1	40			3				2		1			1	
			8													
	2	3	11			22						16				
10	36	24	20			2		2			6	1	2			
		4														
19	146	69	93	107	4	29	3	2	1	3	8	18	28	2	1	77

WETLAND BIRD COUNT JULY 2014 (continued)	Whiskered Tern	Pied Kingfisher	Yellow Wagtail	Reed Warbler	TOTAL
Paphos Lighthouse					8
Phassouri Reed Bed			2		3
Akrotiri Salt Lake, flats and Lady's Mile					27
Zakaki pond	1			1	52
Larnaka Salt Lake					0
Larnaka Sewage Works			2	7	192
Kiti Dam					237
Oroklini Marsh			1	2	402
Jumbo canal					8
Achna Dam					61
Agias Loukas Lake (South)		1			354
Silverbeach saltmarsh					0
Klapsides saltmarsh					4
Klapsides pool					0
TOTAL	1	1	5	10	1348



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