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### **Last pages: Membership Application Forms**

Cover photo: *This Citrine Wagtail Motacilla citreola was at Akrotiri Gravel Pits briefly on 10th October 2016 giving John East the chance to take some photographs. Generally a scarce passage migrant this species had appeared to becoming more regular during the last five years but 2016 saw less observations of what is always a popular bird among local and visiting birders.*

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## **Important announcement regarding changes to the BirdLife Cyprus Management**

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Martin Hellicar, our longest-serving employee, as the new BirdLife Cyprus Director, following the departure through mutual agreement of Dr. Claire Papazoglou from her role as Director, on 1 November 2016. We would like to thank Claire for all her efforts in bringing BirdLife Cyprus to where it is today and wish her all the best for the future.

Until Martin takes up his new role in December 2016, Project Coordinator, Melpo Apostolidou, and Illegal Bird Killing Campaign Manager, Tassos Shialis, are in charge of the everyday running of the office.

Looking ahead, and under Martin's leadership, we are confident of building on our achievements of recent years and of our ability to continue to grow within the BirdLife partnership. We aim to achieve this in cooperation with our key partners and collaborators, but also with the invaluable support of our members, the driving force that helps us reach our vision and achieve our mission to protect the wild birds of Cyprus, their habitats and wider biodiversity.

From everyone here at BirdLife Cyprus we would like to wish Martin every success in his new role!

### **Σημαντική ανακοίνωση – Αλλαγές στη διοίκηση του Πτηνολογικού Συνδέσμου Κύπρου**

Βρισκόμαστε στην ευχάριστη θέση να ανακοινώσουμε τον διορισμό του Μάρτιν Χέλλικαρ, στη θέση του Διευθυντή μετά από την αποχώρηση (με αμοιβαία συμφωνία) της Δρ. Κλαίρης Παπάζογλου από τον ρόλο της ως Διευθύντρια του Πτηνολογικού, από την 1η Νοεμβρίου 2016. Ο Μάρτιν, που αριθμεί τα περισσότερα χρόνια υπηρεσίας στον οργανισμό, θα αναλάβει καθήκοντα Διευθυντή από τον Δεκέμβριο 2016. Με αυτή την ευκαιρία ο Πτηνολογικός θα ήθελε να ευχαριστήσει την Κλαίρη για όλες τις προσπάθειές της να φέρει τον οργανισμό στο επίπεδο που βρίσκεται σήμερα και να της ευχηθεί ό,τι καλύτερο για το μέλλον.

Μέχρι να αναλάβει καθήκοντα ο Μάρτιν, υπεύθυνοι για την καθημερινή λειτουργία του γραφείου είναι η Μέλπω Αποστολίδου, Συντονίστρια Προγραμμάτων και ο Τάσος Σιαλής, Υπεύθυνος Εκστρατείας ενάντια στη Λαθροθηρία.

Κοιτάζοντας μπροστά, και κάτω από την καθοδήγηση του Μάρτιν, είμαστε σίγουροι ότι θα συνεχίσουμε να χτίζουμε πάνω σε ό,τι πετύχαμε τα τελευταία χρόνια καθώς και στην ικανότητά μας να συνεχίζουμε να δυναμώνουμε εντός του BirdLife. Αυτό στοχεύουμε να το επιτύχουμε σε συνεργασία με τους βασικούς εταίρους και συνεργάτες μας, αλλά επίσης και με την πολύτιμη υποστήριξη από τα μέλη μας, την κινητήρια δύναμη που συμβάλει στην επίτευξη του οράματός μας και στην διεκπεραίωση της αποστολής μας: την προστασία των άγριων πουλιών της Κύπρου, των οικοτόπων τους και της ευρύτερης βιοποικιλότητας.

Από όλους εδώ στον Πτηνολογικό ευχόμαστε στον Μάρτιν κάθε επιτυχία στον νέο του ρόλο!

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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.

Join the [BirdLife Cyprus Google](#) group to exchange and receive emails updating local and visiting birders about recent sightings <https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/birdlifecyprusbirds>

## **BIRDTRACK UPDATE: CYPRUS PORTAL NOW AVAILABLE**

Since February 2016 users can now access the BirdTrack bird recording system via the Cyprus Portal. Instead of entering the system via the Global Portal as you had been doing, please now use the following link [blc.birdtrack.net](http://blc.birdtrack.net) and remember to update your bookmark.

Through the Cyprus portal, there is now a Gazeteer of the most frequently used birding sites in Cyprus which new users will find especially useful. More features will be added over the coming months.

Any problems or for further details please contact Jane Stylianou [janestycy@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:janestycy@yahoo.co.uk) mobile: 99558953.

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## **KEEP UP TO DATE AND SHARE RECENT SIGHTINGS WITH THE BIRDLIFE CYPRUS GOOGLE GROUP**

Continuing BirdLife Cyprus' attempts to ensure both resident and visiting birders receive up to date information on the birds being spotted on the island, we have set up a Google Group through which group members can email in their recent sightings and bird news and receive and read those of other members.

If you would like to join please [click here](#).

Email: [BirdLifeCyprusBirds@googlegroups.com](mailto:BirdLifeCyprusBirds@googlegroups.com)

Once you are a member you can choose whether to receive all emails or check the news via the web at a time convenient to you. Visit the settings option to ensure that you get emails if you want to. It is an informal group for birders to share what is around. It cannot be checked for accuracy or be held responsible for misinformation. The group is open to both BirdLife Cyprus members and non-members alike. If you know a non-member or friend who may be interested please let them know.

Any news will also be shared with the BirdLife Cyprus BirdLine 25 934076 and the BirdLife Cyprus [Recent sightings page](#) of the website. You can also use these two resources to find out what is around if you don't want to join the Google group.

In addition, do not forget to make your records count by submitting your bird records to the BirdLife Cyprus Recorder and adding them to the country database. Use the [Cyprus portal of BirdTrack](#), download [our reporting excel](#) or email the BirdLife Cyprus Recorder, Jane Stylianou [janestycy@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:janestycy@yahoo.co.uk)

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**YOUR BIRDING SIGHTINGS ARE IMPORTANT.**  
**PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO SEND THEM TO THE RECORDER**

*Jane Stylianou*

Whether you go out bird watching regularly or just enjoy noting what you see when out on a walk, any record of what you see is important to help us keep an up to date database of the birds of Cyprus.

Most people submit their records on a monthly basis. To be included in the Systematic List that appears in the Monthly Checklist please make sure that Jane receives your records by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the following month or are added to BirdTrack by that date. But don't worry if you miss the deadline; your sightings will still be added to the database and be used in compiling the annual Cyprus Bird Report. On occasions, you may be asked to provide extra details of rarer birds or of those seen out of season or away from their usual locations. This is something that happens to all observers and is not a reflection on anyone's bird watching skills! A list of the species for which a Rare Bird Report is required can be obtained from Jane.

There are several ways to make sure that your records count by submitting them to the BirdLife Cyprus Recorder, Jane Stylianou who will add them to the country database:

Use the Cyprus portal of BirdTrack <http://blc.birdtrack.net> or download our [reporting excel](#). The recorder is happy to receive your sightings by email but where possible please try to use either BirdTrack or the Excel form. Please contact her if you have any questions [janestytcy@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:janestytcy@yahoo.co.uk) mobile telephone 99558953.

Οι καταγραφές σας είναι σημαντικές για μας για να μπορέσουμε να κρατήσουμε τη βάση δεδομένων για τα πουλιά της Κύπρου ενημερωμένη. Για να συμπεριληφθούν οι καταγραφές σας στον Μηνιαίο Συστηματικό Κατάλογο παρακαλούμε συμπληρώστε [το έντυπο αυτό](#) και στείλτε το στην Jane την Υπεύθυνη Καταγραφών, μέχρι τις 10 του επόμενου μήνα ή ανεβάστε τις καταγραφές σας στο [BirdTrack](#) μέχρι εκείνη την ημερομηνία. Μην ανησυχείτε όμως εάν χάσετε την προθεσμία. Οι καταγραφές σας θα προστεθούν στη βάση δεδομένων και θα χρησιμοποιηθούν στην Ετήσια Ορνιθολογική Αναφορά.

Για οποιαδήποτε διευκρίνιση επικοινωνήστε με την Jane στο [janestytcy@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:janestytcy@yahoo.co.uk) ή στο 99558953.

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## COMPILATION OF MONTHLY CHECKLIST

*The Monthly Checklist and Society News is compiled by John Stapley and Dave Walker.*

*Any suggestions concerning subjects for future inclusion gratefully received, as are photographs of any recent sightings. Photographs of recent sightings for inclusion in the Systematic List should be sent to Jane Stylianou by 18<sup>th</sup> of the month. Please send to [janestytcy@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:janestytcy@yahoo.co.uk)*

We would love to hear from members and friends who would like to provide bird and bird watching related articles in future editions of the Monthly Checklist. Get in touch and let us know your ideas. Suggestions for topics could include ID pointers, great locations to visit, birding walks or drives or interesting personal birding experiences that you feel fellow readers would enjoy. Please contact John Stapley [johnstapley8@gmail.com](mailto:johnstapley8@gmail.com) 26652223 or 99554561 or Dave Walker 99915907 [davidwalker@cytanet.com.cy](mailto:davidwalker@cytanet.com.cy)

If you are sending photographs for inclusion in the Systematic List please send them by 18<sup>th</sup> of the month to Jane Stylianou. Every effort is made to ensure that the work of as many contributors as possible is used but inclusion cannot be guaranteed. Please send photographs in JPEG format where possible. Please send to [janestytcy@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:janestytcy@yahoo.co.uk). Telephone: 99558953

## **SCHEDULE OF BIRDLIFE CYPRUS FIELD MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES**

### **Winter 2016 – Spring 2017**

*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.*

*The schedule of field trips is drawn up well in advance of the actual dates. The schedule will only change due to an extraordinary event. However, it is sometimes necessary to assign a different leader.*

***Please note certain field trips require pre booking with the leader to ensure there are suitable conditions at the site for the time of year and sufficient participation (These will be marked Pre Book). Participants in field trips are always advised therefore to check with the BirdLife Cyprus website in case of any late changes or cancellations.***

*Whilst BirdLife Cyprus does not charge for attending field trips, any voluntary donation to its conservation work would be very welcome. Please present your gift to the leader on the day.*

*To assist new members and visiting birders, who have access to a GPS or Google Earth, to locate our 'meeting points more easily', **we have introduced coordinates into the following schedule.** Simply copy and paste the coordinates into the "Search bar" in "Google Earth" and click on it. For most instruments it is unnecessary to type in the degree and minute symbols (° & ') or the N and E letters.*

***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.

***Σημαντική Ανακοίνωση:*** Η συμμετοχή σας στις εξορμήσεις του Πτηνολογικού Συνδέσμου γίνεται με δική σας ευθύνη. Ο Πτηνολογικός Σύνδεσμος Κύπρου δεν φέρει καμία ευθύνη για τυχόν ατυχήματα, ασθένειες, απώλειες ή ζημιές σε προσωπικά αντικείμενα. Οι εξορμήσεις απαιτούν ελαφριά με μέτρια άσκηση. Παρακαλούμε επικοινωνήστε με τον εκάστοτε υπεύθυνο εξορμήσεων για περισσότερες πληροφορίες που σχετίζονται με το βαθμό δυσκολίας, αποστάσεις και συνθήκες των εξορμήσεων.

#### **December 2016**

##### **Saturday 3rd December: Kidasi**

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

Griffon Vultures and winter visitors.

Meet at 9.00 am, Asprokremnos Dam car park. 34° 43.666' N, 32° 33.14' E

##### **Saturday 10th December: Larnaca Sewage Works**

**PLEASE PRE BOOK WITH LEADER**

Leader: Martin Hellicar. Mobile: 99907893

Wintering gulls and waterfowl.

Meet at 9.00 am, dirt track leading to Larnaca Sewage Pool hide. 34° 51.61' N, 33° 37.64' E

- **January 2017**

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> January: Akrotiri Peninsula**

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

Wintering gulls, waterfowl and passerines.

Meet at 9.00 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. 34° 38.57' N, 33° 00.23' E

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> January: New Year get-together**

Join us for lunch at Oasis Restaurant, Lady's Mile after the field trip. If not attending the field trip at 12.30pm. Please contact Loria Phylaki for more details, Mobile: 99413383

email: [loriaph@gmail.com](mailto:loriaph@gmail.com) 34° 38.36' N, 33° 00.57' E

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> January: Larnaca Sewage Works**

**PLEASE PRE BOOK WITH LEADER**

Leader: Martin Hellicar. Mobile: 99907893

Wintering gulls and waterfowl.

Meet at 9.00 am, dirt track leading to Larnaca Sewage Pool hide. 34° 51.61' N, 33° 37.64' E

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> January: Akrotiri Peninsula**

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

Waterbirds and other winter visitors.

Meet at 9.00 am, Phassouri Reed beds. 34° 37.964' N, 32° 56.05' E

- **February 2016**

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> February: Larnaca Sewage Works, Seafont and (possibly) Oroklini Marsh**  
**PLEASE PRE BOOK WITH LEADER**

Leader: Stavros Christodoulides. Mobile: 99425050

Wintering gulls and waterfowl.

Meet at 9.00 am, dirt track leading to Larnaca Sewage Pool hide. 34° 51.61' N, 33° 37.64' E

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February: Paphos Foothills**

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

Winter thrushes and finches.

Meet at 9.00 am, roundabout Paphos end of motorway, lay-by at "Konia" exit.

34° 47.09' N, 32° 26.74' E

- **March 2016**

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March: Akhna Dam & Oroklini Marsh**

**PLEASE PRE BOOK WITH LEADER**

Leader: Stavros Christodoulides. Mobile: 99425050

Late winter visitors, early spring migrants and waterbirds

Meet 09.00 am west end of Akhna Dam Wall. 35° 03.25' N, 33° 48.91' E

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March: Akrotiri Peninsula**

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

Late winter visitors, water birds and spring migrants

Meet 8.30 am, (Please note the earlier start time) Viewing hide at Zakaki Marsh.

34° 38.57' N, 33° 00.23' E



**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March: Paphos Lighthouse**

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

Early Spring migrants

Meet 8.30 am (please note the earlier start time), Entrance of Archaeological area by the Paphos Harbour Car Park.

34° 45'36" N, 32° 24.51' E

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March: Larnaca Sewage Works & Oroklini Marsh**

**PLEASE PRE BOOK WITH LEADER**

Leader: Martin Hellicar. Mobile: 99907893.

Spring migrants and waterbirds

Meet 9.00 am, Larnaca Sewage Works Hide. 34° 51.61' N, 33° 37.64' E

• **April 2016**

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April: Asprokremmos Dam and Mandria**

Leader: Alan Crane, Mobile: 99276310

Spring migrants.

Meet at 9.00 am, Asprokremmos Dam car park. 34° 43.666' N, 32° 33.14' E

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April: Karpas Peninsula**

Spring migrants and rare residents

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

Details will follow. Meet 11.00 am west end of Akhna Dam Wall. 35° 03.25' N, 33° 48.91' E

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

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April - Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April (Cypriot Easter)**

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April: Cape Greko**

**PLEASE PRE BOOK WITH LEADER**

Leader: Stavros Christodoulides. Mobile: 99425050

Spring migrants

Meet 7.30 am, Kermia Beach Hotel turn-off (please note earlier start time).

34° 58.54' N, 34° 02.46' E

Meet 9.30 am, Kermia Beach Hotel turn-off (a second meeting time for those unable to make the earlier one)

• **May 2016**

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May: Kannaviou Dam & Paphos Forest**

Leaders Dave and Jan Walker, Tel: Mobile: 99915907

Resident raptors, recent migrants and water birds.

Meet 9.00 am, Stroumbi, Ezzo Petrol Station, opposite turn off to Polemi.

34° 52.62' N, 32° 28.947' E

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May: Akrotiri Peninsula.**

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

Late spring migrants and water birds.

Meet 8.30 am, (please note the earlier start time), Akrotiri Marsh (Phassouri Reed-beds).

34° 37.964' N, 32° 56.05' E

## **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May: End of Season Get Together Lunch**

12.30 pm at Kyrenia Restaurant, Avdimou. 34° 39.49' N, 32° 46.015' E

For booking please contact: Mrs Loria Phylakti, Tel: Mobile: 99413383, email: [loriaph@gmail.com](mailto:loriaph@gmail.com)

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## **FIELD MEETING – PAPHOS LIGHTHOUSE AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE**

**29th October 2016**

*John Stapley*

A group of fifteen assembled at the Beach Cafe car park on this very bright, warm and sunny morning. Before setting off, we heard the startled ki-ki-ki call of a **Common Kestrel** in the distance while **House Sparrows** fed noisily by the fence. A male **Common Stonechat** was perched as always on a tall stem, its mate only a few metres away. This was to be the first of many such sightings of pairs of Stonechats. On the beach, some **Hooded Crows** foraged for scraps along the tide level.

Sitting on a protruding rock at the water's edge was a **Common Kingfisher** with its back to us looking for an early meal. It flew, then settled on an old rusty steel drum – this time facing more towards us so that we could establish that it was a female by the redcolouring of the lower mandible. A pair of **Crested Lark** busied themselves searching for insects and grubs on the ground. Some members spotted another lark. Unfortunately, they were unable to attract my attention soon enough before it had disappeared. They ruled out Crested Lark and Eurasian Skylark. Apparently, it had allowed them to approach to within a metre or so before showing itself and then running off. This behaviour together with what they perceived as a larger beak than on a Crested Lark suggested the very rare Dupont's Lark. However, they were not sufficiently confident of their sighting to submit a formal claim.



*Photo by Dave Walker*

As we walked along the footpath, we saw, a **Yellow-legged Gull** flying away from us out to sea. A **Common Sandpiper** was spotted as it probed among the rocks for a tasty morsel. We added to our list a female **Northern Wheatear**, another group of House Sparrow which together with a

number of **Spanish Sparrow** were seen flitting between a dense bush and the surrounding long grass and a small flock of overflying **European Goldfinch**.

Further along the shore we spotted what appeared from a distance to be 4 resting **Greater Sand Plover** and another Common Sandpiper. On moving closer, and getting a better view of their features, one of the Greater Sand Plovers turned out to be a **Dunlin** – the smaller size and longer, slightly down-curved bill being the initial distinguishing characteristics. At the point of the headland 7 **Common Linnet** were feeding on the ground.

On our walk back to the cars, 2 **Grey Heron** flew lazily eastwards around the coast. We also noticed a single **Ruddy Turnstone** which had eluded us on the way up. We wondered where its colleagues were – at least another 3 had been seen here recently. We then drove around to the main harbour car park by the entrance to the Archaeological Site.

Within a few steps of the entrance, we were greeted by a noisy **Great Tit** and some squabbling House Sparrow. From the top of the steps, we found a male Common Stonechat and a little further away, perched prominently on a twig giving a good view of its surroundings was a **Red-backed Shrike**. A **White Wagtail** and a female **Black Redstart** were disturbed by other visitors and flew off before some of the group could get a sighting. Several **European Robin** were heard, but proved evasive and none was seen on this occasion. We did, however, manage to see a pair of **European Greenfinch**, a **Chiffchaff**, the first of a number of **Sardinian Warbler** and a **Common Chaffinch**. A stunning male Common Kestrel sat in a nearby tree, the sun highlighting its grey head and brick-red plumage.

Stopping in the shade of trees along a recently opened track we could hear the twittering of several of the species that we had already encountered during the morning. However, another call alerted us and we stayed longer to try to confirm its identity. We were rewarded when a male **Eurasian Blackcap** appeared briefly through the dense foliage. On our way out, we spotted a female Common Kestrel.

Afterwards, Ann and I decided to have lunch at the harbour. We were looking for a restaurant that had been recommended, but in the end, went elsewhere. At the eastern end of the pedestrian promenade – within less than 5 metres of the general public was a Ruddy Turnstone pecking at something. 40 minutes or so later when we had finished our lunch, there were 3 Turnstone all busy feeding at the same spot. We assumed that some kind person had deliberately put food out for them.

## **FIELD MEETING REPORT- AKROTIRI PENINSULA– 9 NOVEMBER 2016**

*by June Neal*

Zakaki hide was our meeting place and it was wonderful to see the results of the recent work party to clear a viewing area to the water. Everyone expressed their thanks to the volunteers who had turned out one Saturday morning – members and staff of BirdLife Cyprus, staff from the SBA Environmental Department, members of the Akrotiri Hunting Association and volunteers from the Akrotiri Environmental Education Centre.

Our large group had to split their time in the hide as we numbered at least 26 people! **Water Pipit**, 14 **Common Starling**, a few **White Wagtails**, **Common Linnet**, **Crested Larks**, a **Little Egret** and two **Eleonora's Falcon** flew around the area and a **Red-throated Pipit** called as it flew over us. Three female **Western Marsh Harrier** put up the few ducks on the water – **Mallard**, **Eurasian Teal** and **Northern Shoveler**. The **Eurasian Coot**, at least two calling **Water Rails** and **Common Moorhen** disappeared into the reeds as the Harriers repeatedly quartered the area. **Penduline Tits** were heard calling and a few people saw a **Bluethroat** and a **Common Reed Bunting** at the edge of the reeds.

Many **Common Black-headed Gulls** flew between the port, the shore and the pool so we moved down to the Oasis Restaurant area where we eventually found several **Armenian Gulls**, two **Slender-billed Gull**. The flock was very mobile and two **Sandwich Tern** were noted by a few people but they kept moving around, a **Caspian Gull** was also identified. Travelling along Lady's Mile only four **Kentish Plover** were seen. Crossing the causeway to the Zakaki Marsh we saw more **Common Stonechat** and **Crested Lark** then a large flock of **Linnet**. Jane led us successfully to the area where the **Steppe Grey Shrike** had been seen on previous days. It was

not happy about our approach and flew towards the salt lake. Water deterred us from venturing further so we stopped for a coffee break.

Bishop's Pool provided a closer view of the ducks we'd seen earlier plus many **Little Grebe** and two female **Northern Pintail**. A female **Western Black Redstart**, **European Robin**, **Common Chiffchaffs** were present. A **Great Egret** flew down to the pool and one **Grey Wagtail** flew out of its way, then back to the pool. One (possibly two) female Marsh Harriers hunted the edges of the pool. Towards the south fields more Common Starling flew over and White Wagtails fed on the tilled earth. **Common Chaffinches** flitted along the tree line and a few **Rock Dove** disappeared towards the quarry area.

At the Akrotiri Environmental Centre a small flock of Common Starling flew in and we admired the distant flock of **Greater Flamingo** huddled close together on the salt lake. At Akrotiri Marsh (Phassouri Reed-beds) a **Ring-tailed Harrier**, a **Common Kestrel** then a male **Hen Harrier** hunted around the area with four female Marsh Harriers. Two **Cattle Egret**, **Meadow Pipits**, **Zitting Cisticolas** and a Bluethroat were seen on the water meadow. A **Blackcap** was heard singing and Chaffinches were calling.

Kensington Cliffs was our last stop and seven **Eurasian Griffon Vulture** treated us to repeated fly-overs – a magnificent sight. Three **European Shag** were noted flying very high over the cliffs heading east and at least four **Yellow-legged Gull** floated around the cliff tops. An enjoyable outing and my thanks to all who took part.

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### **Electric fence to manage grazing at Akrotiri Marsh**

*by Melpo Apostolidou*

To enhance grazing for conservation purposes at Akrotiri Marsh, the Darwin project has erected an electric fence at the site. The electric fence brings us one step closer to having untethered grazing at Akrotiri Marsh. This change in grazing method will help graziers to manage their cattle and will make their life much easier as they will not have to carry water to tethered animals. It will also help keep the herds of different graziers from mixing and at the same time untethered grazing animals will be doing a much better job at controlling the reed expansion and pushing the reeds further back and therefore creating suitable habitat for wildlife.

The electric fence is a movable fence and has been marked with warning signs. Its voltage is enough to keep cattle away but it is not strong enough to impact human health. However, visitors are advised not to touch the electric fence as it can cause a rather unpleasant feeling.

In case of further information please contact the Project Coordinator on [melpo.apostolidou@birdlifecyprus.org.cy](mailto:melpo.apostolidou@birdlifecyprus.org.cy).

To find out more about the project and its progress, please visit the project website <http://www.akrotirimarsh.org>.

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## BIRD PHOTO QUIZ

*Stavros Christodoulides*

PHOTO # 44



### Last Month's Quiz answer

October's mystery bird was photographed from behind with its head in the water, yet enough can be seen for safe identification. At first glance the bird's most striking features are the long, pointed buff and white tail and prominent feathered thighs. These features immediately rule out all species of wader as well as all herons, storks, ibises and spoonbill. On further inspection the underparts appear dark bluish-grey while the wings appear black with brownish fringes to the feathers, while there appears no obvious primary projection. These are all features of Rails and Crakes, a family of ground-dwelling species usually associated with water. The two commonest members of the family, Eurasian Coot and Common Moorhen can immediately be ruled out as both are black in adult plumage and brownish or grey in juvenile plumage with no obvious pattern on their upperparts. The aquatic habitat and long, pointed tail also rules out Corncrake, a bird usually associated with fields and scrub. We are left with four species, Water Rail and three species of Crake, Little, Baillon's and Spotted Crake. Baillon's and Little Crake in all plumages show a barred tail and can be ruled out. The remaining two can usually quite easily be separated but from this awkward angle and with their bare parts hidden they can appear very similar. The safest way to identify the two is by the absence of white transverse bars on the photographed bird's flight feathers which rules out Spotted Crake and identify our mystery bird as an adult plumaged (due to the dark bluish underparts) **Water Rail**.

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Each photograph is accompanied by information about the species and the photographer. The calendar has a new modern design (dimensions 21.5 X 30.5 cm) and it costs €7 for members and €10 for non-members. You can find the new calendar at our offices or you can place your order by contacting Romina Constantinou, BirdLife Cyprus on 22455072 or at [romina.constantinou@birdlifecyprus.org.cy](mailto:romina.constantinou@birdlifecyprus.org.cy)



## SYSTEMATIC LIST FOR OCTOBER 2016

Jane Stylianou

3670 bird records received

207 species and forms recorded October 2016, compared to 200 in October 2015.

[Please note, the list has been edited for the purposes of this newsletter and contains records that have not been corrected or corroborated. Some records for September were received late and are included here for information]

### LITTLE GREBE *Tachybaptus ruficollis*

Νεροβούτιης

Largest counts:

Agia Eirini Dam 120 21-Sep NCP

Athalassa Dam c100 22-Oct FGe

Bishop's Pool 43 13-Oct JSta

Mia Milia Water Treatment Plant 210 18-Sep NCP

### BLACK-NECKED GREBE *Podiceps*

*nigricollis* Μαυροβούτιης

Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 5-Oct MSS

Larnaca Sewage Works 2 22-Oct JN

### SCOPOLI'S SHEARWATER *Calonectris*

*diomedea* Πελαγόμευχος

Cape Pomos 20+ heading W 10-Oct

JWa

Cape Pomos 139 heading W 13-Oct JWa

Cape Pomos 72 heading W 14-Oct JWa

Paphos headland 6 3-Oct TDu

Paphos Headland c5 offshore 5-Oct TDu

### YELKOUAN SHEARWATER *Puffinus*

*yelkouan* Μύχος της Μεσογείου

Cape Pomos 17 Heading W 13-Oct JWa

### GREAT CORMORANT *Phalacrocorax*

*carbo* Κορμποράνος

Max count per location:

Asprokremnos Dam 6 22-Oct MSS

Athalassa Dam c40 22-Oct FGe

Evretoi Dam 1 14-Oct DJW

Kannaviou Dam 4 14-Oct DJW

Larnaca Sewage Works 4 22-Oct JN

### EUROPEAN SHAG *Phalacrocorax*

*aristotelis* Θαλασσοκόρακας

Max count per location:

Baths of Aphrodite 1 2-Oct JS

Cape Aspro 3 7-Oct JSta

Dhekelia 3 15, 27 & 29-Oct BB/JS

Kensington Cliffs 3 8-Oct FM/PCu

Mandria 4 1, 3, 15 & 17-Oct IKB/DJW

Paphos Headland 2 13-Oct LAC

Spiros Beach 2 27-Oct JS

Timi Beach 2 14-Oct LAC

### GREAT WHITE PELICAN *Pelecanus*

*onocrotalus* Ροδοπελεκάνος



Great White Pelican, Kensington Cliffs, 12<sup>th</sup> October. Photograph by John East.

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 6-Oct ABW/TRE

Bishop's Pool 1 stayed for only ten mins  
13-Oct JSta

Cape Greco 1 24-Oct AKe

Fresh Water Lake (South) 1 Flew high  
over 25-Sep NCP

Karakoumi, Kyrenia 1 early afternoon

heading W along coast. Imm 22-Oct RE

Kensington Cliffs 1 fly-by overhead 12-  
Oct JE

Larnaca Sewage Works 4 one adult and  
three juvs 2-Oct VTV

Larnaca Sewage Works 1 4, 10, 11 & 22-  
Oct JS/Sti/JWa/BR

Larnaca Sewage Works 2 8-Oct SC with  
A Kirschel & F Georgiades

Mandria 4 migrating to N over hillside in  
distance 15-Oct JN

### EURASIAN BITTERN *Botaurus stellaris*

Βουρωδιός

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 Flying high to N over  
Salt Lake 10-Oct PH



**LITTLE BITTERN** *Ixobrychus minutus*

Νανορωδιάς



*Little Bittern, Akhna Dam, 27<sup>th</sup> October.  
Photograph by Jane Stylianou*

Akhna Dam 1 juv 8, 12, 15, 27 & 29-Oct  
SC/AKir/FGe/AG/BB/JS

**BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON**

*Nycticorax nycticorax* Νυχτοκόρακας  
Agios Amvrosios 3 Westerly coastal  
passage 17-Sep NCP

Asprokremnos Dam 1 dead juvenile 6-Oct  
HSt

Athalassa Dam 2 2-Oct DK

Athalassa Dam 1 22-Oct FGe

Fresh Water Lake (South) 10 Juvs 19-  
Sep NCP

Fresh Water Lake (South) 20 22-Sep  
NCP

Fresh Water Lake (South) 2 7-Oct CC/MC

Zakaki Marsh 2 9-Oct LDz

Zakaki Marsh 1 juvenile 13-Oct FM

**SQUACCO HERON** *Ardeola ralloides*

Βορτακοφάς

Agios Amvrosios 7 Westerly coastal  
passage 16-Sep NCP

Fresh Water Lake (South) 20 19 & 25-Sep  
NCP

Fresh Water Lake (South) 25 22-Sep  
NCP

Fresh Water Lake (South) 2 7-Oct CC/MC

**CATTLE EGRET** *Bubulcus ibis* Γελαδάρης

Largest counts:

Agia Napa Football Fields 27 2-Oct DT

Agios Sozomenos 25 20-Oct JS

Athalassa Dam c35 22-Oct FGe

Xylophagou surroundings c20 flying over  
road 8-Oct SC with A Kirschel & F  
Georgiades

**LITTLE EGRET** *Egretta garzetta* Χιονάτη

Largest counts:

Agios Amvrosios 197 85 + 112 Westerly  
coastal passage 16-Sep NCP

Agios Amvrosios 213 80+18+75+25+15  
westerly passage 25-Sep NCP

Athalassa Dam 24 21-Oct JS

Fresh Water Lake (South) 10 7-Oct  
CC/MC

**GREAT EGRET** *Ardea alba* Χανούμισσα

*Great Egret, Athalassa Dam, 21<sup>st</sup> October.  
Photograph by Jane Stylianou*

Agia Eirini Dam 1 21-Sep NCP

Akhna Dam 1 10-Oct STI

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 flew down to large  
pool nearest Agios Georgios Church and  
stayed for 40 mins 8-Oct JN

Athalassa Dam 3 21-Oct JS

Athalassa Dam 2 22-Oct FGe

Protaras, Famagusta 2 S at first light 10-  
Oct AG

**GREY HERON** *Ardea cinerea*

Σταχτοψαροφάς

Largest counts:

Agios Amvrosios 90 75+15 Westerly  
coastal passage 16-Sep NCP

Akrotiri Salt Lake c200 24-Oct ABW

Cape Greco 12 24-Oct AKe

Karpasia Peninsula 15 8-Oct CC/MC

Latchi 24 Flock over harbour 9.20 am then  
headed E 1-Oct JS

Latchi 33 Flying South 2-Oct TM

Vavylas Headland 261 In 13 flocks

migrating west 26-Sep NCP

Zakaki Marsh 50+ 1, 16 & 18-Oct  
FM/LDz/IKB

**PURPLE HERON** *Ardea purpurea*

Πορφυροψαροφάς

Agios Amvrosios 48 30+8+10 Westerly  
coastal passage 17-Sep NCP

Bishop's Pool 1 12 & 13-Oct ABW/JSSta

Latchi 1 With flock of 24 Grey Heron circling over harbour then heading E 9.20am 1-Oct JS  
 Latchi 1 juvenile 7-Oct TM  
 Protaras 28 Heading S at first light 10-Oct AG  
 Vavylas Headland 49 In 5 flocks migrating west 26-Sep NCP  
 Zakaki Marsh 1 29-Oct WAS

**BLACK STORK** *Ciconia nigra* Μαύρος Πελαργός

Cape Greco 1 Headed out to sea only to return later. 12,30 - 14,30 10-Oct AG

**WHITE STORK** *Ciconia ciconia* Λευκός Πελαργός



White Stork, Paphos Sewage Works, 5<sup>th</sup> October. Photograph by Dave Walker.

Paphos Sewage Plant 3 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10 & 11-Oct  
 DJW/MSS/LDz/IKB/TDu/LAC/CSe/FM/PCu/ TRe  
 Pyla 1 12.30pm took off from field near student accommodation. Gained height and headed towards coast 13-Oct AG

**EURASIAN SPOONBILL** *Platalea leucorodia* Κουταλάς



Eurasian Spoonbill, Athalassa Dam, 21<sup>st</sup> October. Photograph by Jane Stylianou.

Agia Eirini Dam 1 Juvenile 21-Sep NCP

Akrotiri 1 1025-1026 1 possibly this species flew over the gravel pits to SW and over sea then back descending to shoreline out of view 4-Oct JN  
 Akrotiri 3 Raptor count 8-Oct ADT  
 Akrotiri Gravel Pits 3 6-Oct FM  
 Athalassa Dam 5 16-Oct VTV/GKo  
 Athalassa Dam 3 Juveniles 21 & 22-Oct JS/FGe  
 Larnaca Sewage Works 1 flew over NE 1-Oct DT  
 Larnaca Sewage Works 2 10-Oct STi  
 Zakaki Marsh 2 2-Oct SC with Eurobirdwatch group  
 Zakaki run-off 2 same birds 2-Oct SC with Eurobirdwatch group  
 Zakaki Marsh 3 5-Oct HST

**GREATER FLAMINGO** *Phoenicopterus roseus* Φλαμίνγκο



Greater Flamingo, Akrotiri Gravel Pits, 18<sup>th</sup> October. Photograph by Ian Bloomer.

Largest counts:  
 Akrotiri Salt Lake c15 Going W along beach 11-Oct PH  
 Akrotiri Salt Lake c130 Zakaki run off area 30-Oct WAS  
 Larnaca Sewage Works 77 Seven on pools and flock of 70 over 11-Oct JWa  
 Oroklini Marsh 5 Heard and then seen flying low over marsh 5.30am 11-Oct AG

**GREATER WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE**

*Anser albifrons* Αρκόσιγνα  
 Larnaca Sewage Works 5 21, 22, 26 & 30-Oct STi/JN/JS

**EURASIAN WIGEON** *Anas penelope*

Αρμαπάσσης  
 Bishop's Pool 1 fem 13-Oct JSta

**EURASIAN TEAL** *Anas crecca* Σαρσέλλι

Largest counts:  
 Agia Eirini Dam 65 21-Sep NCP

Athalassa Dam c20 21-Oct JS  
 Bishop's Pool 40+ 13-Oct JSta  
 Cape Pomos c20 Several in flock of c90  
 ducks flying W 13-Oct JWa  
 Larnaca Sewage Works c50 8-Oct SC  
 with A Kirschel & F Georgiades  
 Mia Milia Water Treatment Plant 75 18-  
 Sep NCP

**MALLARD** *Anas platyrhynchos*

Πρασινοτζίεφαλη



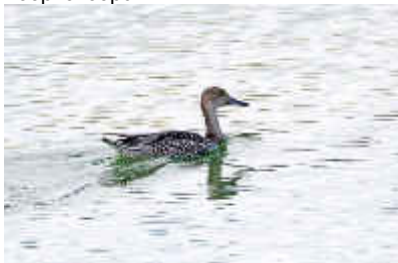
*Mallard, Bishop's Pool, 20<sup>th</sup> October.*  
*Photograph by John East.*

Largest counts:

Agia Eirini Dam 140 21-Sep NCP  
 Agia Napa Sewage Works 20 27-Oct JS  
 Bishop's Pool 30+ 13-Oct JSta  
 Larnaca Sewage Works 129 26-Oct JS  
 Mia Milia Water Treatment Plant 130 18-  
 Sep NCP  
 Vathia Gonia Water Treatment Plant,  
 Nicosia 24 29-Oct FGe

**NORTHERN PINTAIL** *Anas acuta*

Σουβλονούρα



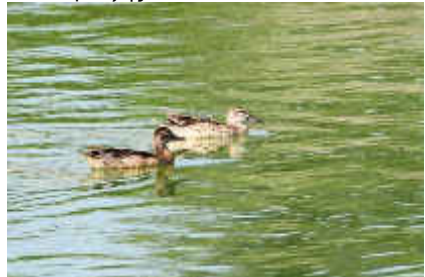
*Northern Pintail, 10<sup>th</sup> October. Photograph by*  
*Dave Nye.*

Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 5-Oct MSS  
 Akhna Dam 1 5 & 12-Oct MSS/AG  
 Akhna Dam 3 26 & 27-Oct AKe/JS  
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 10 11-Oct MSS  
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 17-Oct TRe

Akrotiri Salt Lake 3 30-Oct WAS  
 Asprokremmos Dam 2 26-Oct LAC  
 Bishop's Pool 2 11 & 17-Oct  
 JWa/ABW/LAC  
 Bishop's Pool 3 fem 13-Oct JSta  
 Cape Pomos c200 flock west probably this  
 spp 13-Oct JWa  
 Clapsides, Famagusta 1 female 7-Oct  
 CC/MC  
 Larnaca Sewage Works 1 preening female  
 22-Oct JN  
 Mavrokolymbos Dam 1 female 30-Oct  
 DJW  
 Minthis Hills Golf Course 5 26-Oct MSS  
 Vathia Gonia Water Treatment Plant,  
 Nicosia 1 fem 29-Oct FGe

**GARGANEY** *Anas querquedula*

Μασουρατζιής



*Garganey, 7<sup>th</sup> October. Photograph by Dave*  
*Nye.*

Agios Amvrosios 40+30 Westerly coastal  
 passage 16-Sep NCP  
 Bishop's Pool 2 11 & 13-Oct MSS/JSta  
 Bishop's Pool 8 15 & 28-Oct PH  
 Cape Kormakitis 50 Westerly coastal  
 passage 21-Sep NCP  
 Cape Pomos c20 Several in flock of c90  
 ducks flying W 13-Oct JWa  
 Larnaca Sewage Works 20 11-Oct JWa  
 Lefkoniko Dam 3 19-Sep NCP  
 Minthis Hills Golf Course 2 21-Oct MSS  
 Minthis Hills Golf Course 1 26-Oct MSS  
 Vavylas Headland 144 In 6 flocks  
 migrating west 26-Sep NCP

**NORTHERN SHOVELER** *Anas clypeata*  
Σαζάνα



*Northern Shoveler, Bishop's Pool, 14<sup>th</sup> October. Photograph by John East.*

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 11-Oct MSS  
Akrotiri 5 flew up from Bishop's Pool and presumed migrated to SW 19-Oct JN  
Bishop's Pool 4 8-Oct JN  
Bishop's Pool 3 13-Oct JSta  
Cape Pomos c50 at least 50 of flock of 90 ducks W past Cape Pomos 13-Oct JWa  
Larnaca Sewage Works c20 8-Oct SC with A Kirschel & F Georgiades  
Larnaca Sewage Works 10+ 11-Oct JWa  
Larnaca Sewage Works 150 22-Oct JN  
Larnaca Sewage Works 153 26-Oct JS  
Larnaca Sewage Works c100 29-Oct JS  
Vathia Gonia Water Treatment Plant 36 29-Oct FGe

**COMMON POCHARD** *Aythya farina*  
Κουντούρα  
Agia Eirini Dam 28 21-Sep NCP

**FERRUGINOUS DUCK** *Aythya nyroca*  
Βαλιόπαπια



*Ferruginous Duck, Bishop's Pool, 28<sup>th</sup> October. Photograph by John East.*

Bishop's Pool 1 13, 15 & 17-Oct  
JSta/PH/LAC  
Bishop's Pool 3 28-Oct JE

Mia Milia Water Treatment Plant 2 18-Sep NCP  
Minthis Hills Golf Course 1 21-Oct MSS

**EUROPEAN HONEY BUZZARD** *Pernis apivorus* Μελισσοσίχλινο

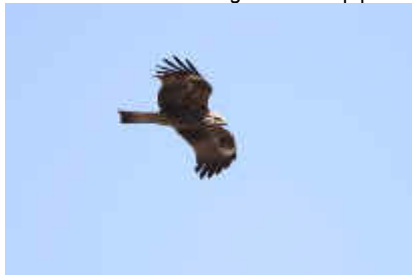


*European Honey Buzzard, 10<sup>th</sup> October. Photograph by Dave Nye.*

Largest counts:

Akrotiri 28 Raptor count 3-Oct ADT  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 16 8 circling up to NE migrated SW, 7 then another 1 migrating S from over SE mound 1-Oct JN  
Mandria 16 2-Oct LAC  
Phassouri Reed-beds 19 1-Oct JN

**BLACK KITE** *Milvus migrans* Γυτογεράκα



*Black Kite, 2<sup>nd</sup> October. Photograph by Dave Nye.*

Akrotiri 1 5-Oct DN  
Bishop's Pool 1 3-Oct JE  
Mandria, Paphos 2 3-Oct DJW  
Phasouri bee-hives area 2 2-Oct SC with Eurobirdwatch group  
Phasouri bee-hives area 3 11.30 to 14.15 2-Oct ADT  
Phasouri Reed-beds 1 2-Oct SC with Eurobirdwatch group

**EURASIAN GRIFFON VULTURE** *Gyps fulvus* Γύπας  
Giant Juniper, Troodos 5 17-Oct MSS  
Kensington Cliffs 2 11-Oct JWa

Kensington Cliffs 7 13 & 24-Oct IKB  
Kensington Cliffs 6 22-Oct PH  
Kensington Cliffs 5 28-Oct JS  
Kensington Cliffs 19 30-Oct PH  
Vretsia, Paphos 4 seen from below village  
on opposite side of Xeros valley 22-Oct  
DJW

**SHORT-TOED SNAKE EAGLE** *Circaetus  
gallicus* Φιδαιτός

Akrotiri 1 juv. Raptor count 8-Oct ADT  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 photographed 26-  
Oct TRE

**WESTERN MARSH HARRIER** *Circus  
aeruginosus* Βαλτοσιάχινο  
Largest counts:

Akrotiri 21 Raptor count 3-Oct ADT  
Mandria 8 1-Oct IKB  
Phassouri 5 3-Oct JE

**HEN HARRIER** *Circus cyaneus*  
Ορνιθοσιάχινο



*Hen Harrier, Akrotiri Salt Lake, 24<sup>th</sup> October.  
Photograph by Tony Reeves*

Akhna Dam 1 26-Oct AKe  
Akrotiri Salt Lake 2 male and female 24-  
Oct TRE  
Minthis Hills Golf Course 1 26-Oct MSS  
Omodos to Agios Nikolaos road 1 Ring tail  
25-Oct JS

**PALLID HARRIER** *Circus macrourus*  
Ασπροσιάχινο

Akhna Dam 1 juvenile high over drifting  
SW 4-Oct DT  
Akrotiri 1 juv. Raptor count 8-Oct ADT  
Asprokremmos Dam 1 2nd winter male  
photographed 26-Oct BR  
Ineia to Neo Chorio track 1 adult male 3-  
Oct AKir  
Karakoumi, Kyrenia 1 male in off sea  
heading S. 07:35 25-Oct RE  
Phassouri Reed-beds 1 1-Oct FM/JS

**MONTAGU'S HARRIER** *Circus pygargus*

Καμποσιάχινο  
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 1-Oct DT  
Phassouri bee-hives area 1 juvenile 2-Oct  
SC with Eurobirdwatch group  
Zakaki Marsh 1 juvenile 2-Oct SC with  
Eurobirdwatch group

**NORTHERN GOSHAWK** *Accipiter gentilis*  
Διπλοσιάχινο

Agios Nikolaos (Paphos) 1 17-Oct MSS  
Filani 1 9-Oct FGe  
Phassouri Reed-beds 1 adult female 25-  
Oct PH  
Pittokopos to Androlikou track 1 Flew out  
of a track side tree as I passed in car 2-Oct  
JS  
Prodromos 1 1-Oct AKir

**EURASIAN SPARROWHAWK** *Accipiter  
nissus* Ξεφτέρη

Agia Varvara 1 21 & 28-Oct IKB/DJW  
Akrotiri 2 Raptor count 3-Oct ADT  
Akrotiri 1 4 & 12-Oct JN  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 migrating S above  
Honey Buzzards 1-Oct JN  
Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 27-Oct TRE  
Anarita Park 1 15-Oct DJW/JN  
Avagas Coast 1 19-Oct DJW  
Avagas Gorge 1 30-Oct DJW  
Cape Pomos 1 In off sea on north coast  
14-Oct JWa  
Kamareas (Tala) 1 18-Oct DJW  
Karpasia 1 23-Sep NCP  
Kensington Cliffs 1 13-Oct JWa  
Macronissos Beach, Agia Napa 1 Flew  
along coast and put up all the plovers 27-  
Oct JS  
Mandria 1 3 & 22-Oct DJW  
Mandria 3 24-Oct LAC  
Paphos Sewage Plant 1 13 & 25-Oct  
HSt/MSS  
Phassouri Reed-beds 3 females from N  
migrated S fast, separately 1-Oct JN  
Prodromos 1 1-Oct AKir

**COMMON BUZZARD** *Buteo buteo*  
Γερακίνα

Akrotiri 1 Raptor count 6-Oct ADT  
Argaka - Petrides Villa 1 6-Oct RB  
Karpasia Peninsula 2 8-Oct CC/MC

**STEPPE BUZZARD** *Buteo. b. vulpinus*  
Στεππογερακίνα

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 21-Oct PH  
Akrotiri Salt Lake 3 31-Oct PH

Asprokremmos Dam 1 30-Oct PH  
Phasouri bee-hives area 2 11.30 to 14.15  
2-Oct ADT  
Phasouri bee-hives area 1 11-Oct MSS

**LONG-LEGGED BUZZARD** *Buteo rufinus*  
Διπλογέρακο



*Long-legged Buzzard, Koilinea, 21<sup>st</sup> October.*  
*Photograph by Dave Walker.*

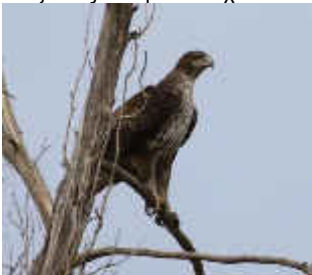
Ones and twos reported throughout  
September from usual locations. Sightings  
of three plus listed below:

Agios Nikolaos (Paphos) 3 30-Oct IKB  
Goudhi 3 8-Oct RAT  
Kamares (Tala) 3 15-Oct DJW  
Mandria 3 2-Oct LAC

**LESSER SPOTTED EAGLE** *Aquila*  
*pomarina* Κραυγαετός  
Secret Valley Golf Course area 1  
9-Oct MSS

**BOOTED EAGLE** *Aquila pennata*  
Γερακαετός  
Akrotiri 1 in orchards 3-Oct NK/GF

**BONELLI'S EAGLE** *Aquila fasciatus*  
Σπιζαετός – Περτικοσιάχινο



*Bonelli's Eagle, Zakaki, 12<sup>th</sup> October.*  
*Photograph by Tony Reeves.*

Agia Varvara 1 2nd-imm 15-Oct IKB  
Akrotiri 1 3 & 8-Oct ADT/NK/GF  
Asprokremmos Dam 2 22-Oct MSS

Avagas Gorge 3 2 adult, 1 Immature 19-  
Oct DJW  
Ayios Sozomenos 2 Adults, chased by  
Peregrines. 29-Oct FGe  
Bishop's Pool 1 11-Oct MSS  
Drouseia 2 Pair circling 9-Oct JWa  
Fresh Water Lake 1 Sub Adult 25-Sep  
NCP  
Kamares (Tala) 2 adults 18-Oct DJW  
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 juvenile flew in  
22-Oct BR  
Lefkoniko Dam 1 Sub Adult 19-Sep NCP  
Mavrokolymbos Dam 3 2 adult, 1  
immature 14-Oct DJW  
Minthis Hills 1 21-Oct MSS  
Phasouri bee-hives area 1 11-Oct MSS  
Phasouri Reed-beds 1 11-Oct PH  
Sarama, Paphos 1 14-Oct DJW  
Secret Valley Golf Course area 4 2 ad and  
2 juv 9-Oct MSS  
Tsada, Oak Valley 1 26-Oct MSS  
Zakaki Marsh area 1 juv 12-Oct TRE

**OSPREY** *Pandion haliaetus* Ψαραετός

Akhna Dam 1 5, 8 & 10-Oct  
MSS/SC/FGe/AKir/STi  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 12, 14 & 15-Oct  
JN/JE/PH  
Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 14-Oct ABW  
Arakapas Dam 1 on pole eating fish 26-  
Oct NK/GF  
Mandria 1 2-Oct LAC/DJW

**LESSER KESTREL** *Falco naumanni*

Κιρκινέζι  
Akrotiri 2 0826-0828 2 together migrating  
S over Akrotiri Marsh from N 8-Oct JN  
Mandria 1 3-Oct MSS  
Phasouri bee-hives area 2 11-Oct MSS

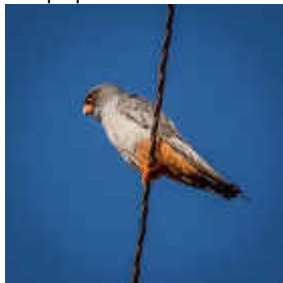
**COMMON KESTREL** *Falco tinnunculus*

Κίρσης  
Largest counts:  
Akrotiri 11 8-Oct JN  
Frenaros 20 1-Oct AKe  
Karpasia Peninsula 15 8-Oct CC/MC



**RED-FOOTED FALCON** *Falco vespertinus*

Μαυροπόλακονο



Red-footed Falcon, Goudi, 5<sup>th</sup> October.  
Photograph by Ray Atkinson.

## Largest counts:

Akrotiri 290 mostly in citrus plantations  
and surrounding fields 3-Oct NK/GF  
Kolossi c30 12-Oct ABW  
Mandria 70 3-Oct DJW  
Trachoni 79 at least on wires in orchards  
14-Oct JN

**MERLIN** *Falco columbarius* Νανοπόλακονο

Anarita Park 1 31-Oct MSS

**EURASIAN HOBBY** *Falco subbuteo*

Δεντροπόλακονο

Akrotiri 1 Raptor count 3 & 6-Oct ADT  
Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 20 & 25-Oct PH  
Cape Pomos 1 prob this species 10-Oct  
JWa  
Drouseia 1 10 & 12-Oct JWa  
Ineia to Neo Chorio track 1 3-Oct AKir  
Kamares (Tala) 1 15-Oct DJW  
Lefkoniko Dam 1 22-Sep NCP  
Mavrokolymbos Dam 1 juv attempting to  
roost 12-Oct JWa  
Secret Valley Golf Course area 6 9-Oct  
MSS

**ELEONORA'S FALCON** *Falco eleonorae*

Μαυρομμάτης



Eleonora's Falcon, Kensington Cliffs, 13<sup>th</sup>  
October. Photograph by Ian Bloomer

## Largest counts:

Akrotiri 33 27-Oct JN  
Cape Aspro 8+ Two pairs seen feeding  
begging youngsters 7-Oct JSta  
Kensington Cliffs c20 8, 15 & 22-Oct  
FM/PCu/PH

**PEREGRINE FALCON** *Falco peregrinus*

Ζάνος

Akhna Dam 1 12-Oct AG  
Argaka - Petrides Villa 1 6-Oct RB  
Avagas Gorge 2 1 adult, 1 immature 19-  
Oct DJW  
Ayios Sozomenos 2 *Brookei* race.  
Chasing two Bonelli's Eagles 29-Oct FGe  
Episkopi 1 5-Oct IKB  
Episkopi, Paphos 1 9-Oct HST  
Evretou Dam 1 7-Oct RAT  
Kalogyros track, Troodos 1 1-Oct AKir

**CHUKAR** *Alectoris chukar* Περίτιζι

## Largest counts:

Agios Sozomenos 16 20-Oct JS  
Karpasia Peninsula 25 8-Oct CC/MC  
Kensington Cliffs 20 5-Oct HST  
Pittokopos to Androlikou track 20 1-Oct  
JS

**BLACK FRANCOLIN** *Francolinus**francolinus* Φραγκολίνα

## Largest counts:

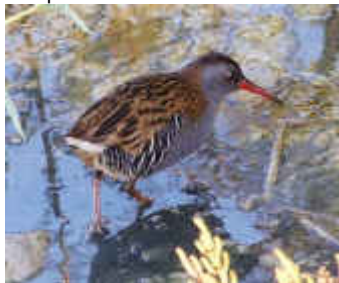
Agia Napa Football Fields 1 5-Oct MSS  
Agios Sozomenos 1 20-Oct JS  
Akhna Dam 1 15-Oct BB  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 12-Oct JN  
Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 14-Oct TRE  
Karpasia Peninsula 5 8-Oct CC/MC  
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 26 & 29-Oct JS  
Mandria 1 22-Oct MSS  
Paphos Sewage Plant 1 3 & 6-Oct  
MSS/LAC  
Phasouri Reed-beds 3 1-Oct FM  
Phassouri Reed-beds 1 in flight 12-Oct  
JN  
Pomos 1 male 11-Oct HST  
Zakaki Marsh 2 pair, male calling 4-Oct  
JN  
Zakaki Marsh 1 12 & 14-Oct TRE/FM

**COMMON QUAIL** *Coturnix coturnix* Ορτύκι

Phasouri Reed-beds 1 Flushed 17-Oct  
PH

**WATER RAIL** *Rallus aquaticus*

Μαυροπουλάδα



Water Rail, Zakaki Marsh, 20<sup>th</sup> October.  
Photograph by Ian Bloomer.

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 4, 6 & 14-Oct  
ABW/TRe/FM  
Akrotiri Salt Lake 2 11-Oct MSS  
Athalassa Dam 2 One heard only, another  
seen elsewhere 21-Oct JS  
Bishop's Pool 2 At least 2 maybe 3 28-  
Oct PH  
Zakaki Marsh c5 1, 13 & 16-Oct FM  
Zakaki Marsh 3 4 & 27-Oct JN/WAS  
Zakaki Marsh 1 9, 11, 12 & 16-Oct  
LDz/JWa/JN  
Zakaki Marsh 2 14 & 18-Oct FM  
Zakaki Marsh 1+ One seen and others  
heard 29-Oct WAS

**SPOTTED CRAKE** *Porzana porzana*

Στικτοπουλάδα

Zakaki Marsh 1 27-Oct WAS

**COMMON MOORHEN** *Gallinula chloropus*

Αρκοπετεινάρο

Largest counts:

Fresh Water Lake (South) 25 mostly juvs  
7-Oct CC/MC  
Mia Milia Water Treatment Plant 70 18-  
Sep NCP  
Zakaki Marsh 10+ 16-Oct FM

**EURASIAN COOT** *Fulica atra* Καραπατάς

Largest counts:

Agia Eirini Dam 470 21-Sep NCP  
Agia Napa Sewage Works 13 27-Oct JS  
Akhna Dam 12 26-Oct AKe  
Bishop's Pool 12 13-Oct JSta  
Fresh Water Lake (South) 12 7-Oct  
CC/MC  
Mia Milia Water Treatment Plant 320 18-  
Sep NCP

**COMMON CRANE** *Grus grus* Γερανός

Common Crane, 2<sup>nd</sup> October. Photograph by  
Dave Nye

Agioi Trimithias c40 Migrating over during  
morning 19-Oct JBr  
Akrotiri 1 juv 3-Oct ADT  
Akrotiri 9 from N gained height over RAF  
base then migrated to SW only to return  
later and try again - lost in haze very high  
over Akrotiri at 1104 - presumed to have  
migrated 19-Oct JN  
Akrotiri 4 migrating S over headland 19-  
Oct JN  
Akrotiri Salt Lake 3 Flew from Salt Lake  
over village 11.30am 28-Oct PH  
Cape Greco 20 31-Oct AKe  
Phasouri bee-hives area 1 2-Oct ADT

**BLACK-WINGED STILT** *Himantopus**himantopus* Καλαμοκαννάς

Evretou Dam 1 7 & 14-Oct RA/DJW/LDz  
Fresh Water Lake (South) 10 7-Oct  
CC/MC

Larnaca Sewage Works 1 heard calling  
but unseen 22-Oct JN

**PIED AVOCET** *Recurvirostra avosetta*

Αβοκέτα

Larnaca Sewage Works 9 took off heading  
N not long after our arrival 22-Oct JN

**EURASIAN STONE-CURLEW** *Burhinus**oedicephalus* Τρουλλουριά

Agios Sozomenos 1 23-Oct JS  
Agios Theodoros 2 flushed from coastal  
fields 13-Oct AG  
Akrotiri Salt Lake 1+ Heard after dark near  
Akrotiri Village 10-Oct PH  
Dhekelia 20+ in fields behind SBA fire  
station 10-Oct STi  
Dhekelia 31 15-Oct BB  
Dhekelia 47 29-Oct BB  
Mandria 1 2-Oct LAC  
Mandria 2 3-Oct MSS  
Mandria 6 6-Oct IKB



Mandria 50+ 22-Oct MSS  
Mandria 23 25-Oct MSS  
Mandria 17 30-Oct LAC  
Mandria 13 31-Oct LAC  
Meneou Pool 4 22-Oct JN

**COLLARED PRATINCOLE** *Glareola*

*pratincola* Νεροχελιδόνο

Akhna Dam 1 juvenile flew in from W,  
landed briefly before being disturbed by  
fisherman and flying off W again 4-Oct DT  
Akhna Dam 1 juv 5-Oct MSS

**LITTLE RINGED PLOVER** *Charadrius*

Akhna Dam 1 8-Oct SC with A Kirschel &  
F Georgiades  
Akhna Dam 15+ 12-Oct AG  
Akhna Dam 2 14 & 26-Oct AG/AKe

**COMMON RINGED PLOVER** *Charadrius*

*hiaticula* Αμμοπλουμίδι



*Common Ringed Plover, Akrotiri, 14<sup>th</sup> October.*  
*Photograph by John East.*

Max count per location:

Akhna Dam 10 4-Oct DT  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 3, 4, 6 & 7-Oct  
JE/TRe  
Evretou Dam 2 7-Oct RAT  
Lady's Mile 1 8 & 13-Oct JN/IKB  
Larnaca Airport Coast 3 feeding 22-Oct  
JN  
Larnaca Sewage Works 3 26-Oct JS  
Mandria 1 10-Oct LAC  
Paphos Sewage Plant 2 13-Oct TRe  
Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 Near Souli Hotel  
5-Oct TM  
Spiros Beach 2 27-Oct JS

**KENTISH PLOVER** *Charadrius*

*alexandrinus* Νανοπλουμίδι

Max count per location:

Akhna Dam 4 12-Oct AG  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 3 9-Oct JE  
Akrotiri Salt Lake 130 Zakaki run off 30-  
Oct WAS

Clapsides 1 7-Oct CC/MC  
Lady's Mile 48 8-Oct JN  
Larnaca Sewage Works 58 at least  
feeding on damp patches of empty left-  
hand pool area 22-Oct JN  
Macronissos Beach, Agia Napa c40 27-  
Oct JS  
Spiros Beach 1 26-Oct JS

**GREATER SAND PLOVER** *Charadrius*

*leschenaultii* Βραχοπλουμίδι

Macronissos Beach, Agia Napa 6 27-Oct  
JS  
Paphos headland 1 3 & 13-Oct TDu/LAC  
Paphos Headland 3 28 & 29-Oct  
DJW/LAC

**EURASIAN GOLDEN PLOVER** *Pluvialis*

*apricaria* Χρυσοπλουμίδι

Mandria 1 5-Oct DJW  
Mandria 2 6-Oct IKB

**GREY PLOVER** *Pluvialis squatarola*

Στακτοπλουμίδι

Akhna Dam 1 4, 5, 8, 12, 15, 27 & 29-Oct  
DT/MSS/SC/AG/BB/JS  
Lady's Mile Marshes 1 2-Oct SC  
Polis Chrysochou Bay 2 on rocks near  
Anassa Hotel 2-Oct TM  
Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 Near Souli Hotel  
5-Oct TM

**SPUR-WINGED LAPWING** *Vanellus*

*spinosus* Πελλοκατερίνα



*Spur-winged Lapwing, Paphos Sewage  
Works, 12<sup>th</sup> October. Photograph by Dave  
Nye.*

Max count per location:

Akhna Dam 11 4-Oct DT  
Fresh Water Lake (South) 130 19-Sep  
NCP  
Fresh Water Lake (South) 14 7-Oct  
CC/MC  
Geunyeli Dam 22 16-Sep NCP  
Larnaca Salt Lake 2 Kamares 26-Oct JS

Larnaca Sewage Works 5 22-Oct JN  
Mia Milia Water Treatment Plant 18 18-Sep NCP  
Paphos Sewage Plant 14 12-Oct FM

**NORTHERN LAPWING** *Vanellus vanellus*  
Γιαννής



*Northern Lapwing, Paphos Sewage Works 3<sup>rd</sup> October. Photograph by Dave Walker.*

Akhna Dam 1 12-Oct AG  
Akhna Dam 2 26-Oct AKe  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 20-Oct JE  
Akrotiri Salt Lake 2 17-Oct TRe  
Akrotiri 1 very probably this species flying high chased by an Eleonora's Falcon over Bishop's Pool 31-Oct JN  
Evretou Dam 2 7-Oct RAT  
Mandria 1 15-Oct DJW/JN  
Oroklini Marsh 4 21-Oct STi  
Paphos Sewage Plant 2 3 & 4-Oct MSS/TRe/IKB/DJW  
Paphos Sewage Plant 3 5 & 8-Oct DJW/TDu/FM/PCu  
Paphos Sewage Plant 9 6-Oct LAC  
Paphos Sewage Plant 1 9, 12 & 13-Oct HSt/FM/LAC/TRe  
Paphos Sewage Plant 15 11-Oct LAC  
Paphos Sewage Plant 8 15 & 23-Oct LAC  
Paphos Sewage Plant 4 16-Oct LAC  
Paphos Sewage Plant 5 25-Oct LAC

**SANDERLING** *Calidris alba*

Λευκογεραλλίδι

Akrotiri Salt Lake 3 11-Oct MSS  
Clapsides 1 7-Oct CC/MC  
Lady's Mile 1 adult winter 2-Oct SC with Eurobirdwatch group  
Lady's Mile 5 On beach 14-Oct AG  
Lady's Mile 2 on shore line 26-Oct TRe  
Spiros Beach 1 10-Oct STi

**LITTLE STINT** *Calidris minuta*

Νανογεραλλίδι

Largest counts:

Akhna Dam 15 12-Oct AG

Lady's Mile 16 17-Oct LAC  
Larnaca Sewage Works 23 26-Oct JS

**TEMMINCK'S STINT** *Calidris temminckii*

Σταχτογεραλλίδι

Fresh Water Lake 3 19-Sep NCP  
Fresh Water Lake 2 22 & 25-Sep NCP  
Geunyeli Dam 1 16-Sep NCP  
Lady's Mile 1 15-Oct PH

**CURLEW SANDPIPER** *Calidris ferruginea*

Δρεπανογεραλλίδι



*Curlew Sandpiper, Akrotiri, 18<sup>th</sup> October. Photograph by John East.*

Akhna Dam 5 4-Oct DT  
Akhna Dam 1 12-Oct AG  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 3, 7 & 18-Oct JE  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 5 6-Oct JE  
Lady's Mile 1 2 & 17-Oct SC with Eurobirdwatch group/LAC  
Lady's Mile 2 8 & 13-Oct JN/IKB

**DUNLIN** *Calidris alpina* Λασπογεραλλίδι

Max count per location:



*Dunlin, Akrotiri, 7<sup>th</sup> October. Photograph by John East.*

Akhna Dam 4 19 & 27-Oct AKe/JS  
Akrotiri Gravel pits 9 4-Oct TRe  
Akrotiri Salt Lake c10 2-Oct SC with Eurobirdwatch group  
Lady's Mile c15 16 & 28-Oct PH  
Larnaca Salt Lake 1 26-Oct JS  
Larnaca Sewage Works 4 22-Oct JN

Paphos headland 1 3, 28 & 29-Oct  
TDu/DJW/LAC

**RUFF *Philomachus pugnax*** Μαχητής

Akhna Dam 1 5 & 27-Oct MSS/JS  
Akhna Dam 8 12-Oct AG  
Clapsides 10 7-Oct CC/MC  
Fresh Water Lake (South) 5 7-Oct CC/MC  
Larnaca Sewage Works 2 11 & 22-Oct  
JWa/JN

**COMMON SNIFE *Gallinago gallinago***

Πικασόνι  
Akhna Dam 1 4, 26 & 27-Oct DT/AKe/JS  
Akhna Dam 2 5, 8 & 10-Oct  
MSS/SC/AKir/FGe/STi  
Akhna Dam 3 12-Oct AG  
Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 11-Oct MSS  
Athalassa Dam 7 22-Oct FGe  
Evretou Dam 1 7-Oct RAT  
Larnaca Salt Lake 3 North east corner 26-  
Oct JS  
Minthis Hills 1 26-Oct MSS  
Paphos Sewage Plant 2 3-Oct MSS  
Phasouri Reed-beds 1 maybe 2 18 & 19-  
Oct PH

**BLACK-TAILED GODWIT *Limosa limosa***

Λιμόζα  
Akhna Dam 1 27-Oct JS  
Cape Pomos 4 Heading W 13-Oct JWa

**WHIMBREL *Numenius phaeopus***

Φαιομπεκάτσα  
Paphos Headland 1 3, 11 & 13-Oct  
TDu/JWa/LAC

**EURASIAN CURLEW *Numenius arquata***

Νερομπεκάτσα  
Larnaca Airport Coast 4 22-Oct JN  
Spiros Pool 3 26-Oct JS  
Vavylas Headland 1 Westerly coastal  
passage 24-Sep NCP

**SPOTTED REDSHANK *Tringa erythropus***

Μαυροεραλλίδι  
Agia Eirini Dam 1 21-Sep NCP  
Fresh Water Lake 12 19-Sep NCP  
Fresh Water Lake 1 22-Sep NCP  
Fresh Water Lake 14 25-Sep NCP

**COMMON REDSHANK *Tringa totanus***

Κοκκινονεραλλίδι  
Max count per location:  
Akhna Dam 2 10 & 14-Oct STi

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12,  
145, 16, 20, 24 & 27-Oct  
JE/TRre/JN/PH/IKB

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 Zakaki run off 30-Oct  
WAS

Clapsides 4 7-Oct CC/MC  
Lady's Mile 1 16, 26 & 28-Oct PH/TRre  
Larnaca Sewage Works 2 22-Oct JN

**MARSH SANDPIPER *Tringa stagnatilis***

Βαλτονεραλλίδα  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 4 & 16-Oct TRre/PH

**COMMON GREENSHANK *Tringa***

*nebularia* Πρασινονεραλλίδι  
Clapsides 2 7-Oct CC/MC

**GREEN SANDPIPER *Tringa ochropus***

Δασονεραλλίδι  
Athalassa Dam 1 22-Oct FGe  
Bishop's Pool 1 11-Oct MSS  
Evretou Dam 1 7-Oct RAT  
Larnaca Salt Lake 1 Kamares 26-Oct JS  
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 22-Oct JN  
Vathia Gonia Water Treatment Plant,  
Nicosia 1 29-Oct FGe  
Zakaki Marsh 1 20-Oct IKB

**WOOD SANDPIPER *Tringa glareola***

Λάσπονεραλλίδι  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 4-Oct TRre  
Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 6-Oct TRre

**COMMON SANDPIPER *Actitis hypoleucos***

Ακτίτης  
Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 27-Oct JS  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 probable in flight 8-  
Oct JN  
Larnaca Sewage Works 2 22-Oct JN  
Latchi 2 2-Oct TM  
Paphos Harbour 1 13-Oct SMM  
Paphos Headland 3 14-Oct IKB  
Paphos Headland 1 28-Oct DJW  
Paphos Headland 2 29-Oct LAC

**RUDDY TURNSTONE *Arenaria interpres***

Χαλκονεραλλίδι  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 4, 12 & 27-Oct  
TRre/JN  
Clapsides 2 19-Sep NCP  
Paphos headland 1 3 & 29-Oct TDu/LAC  
Paphos Headland 5 14-Oct IKB  
Paphos Headland 2 30-Oct ABW  
Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 2 & 5-Oct TM  
Polis Chrysochou Bay 3 Near Souli Hotel  
4-Oct TM

**ARCTIC SKUA** *Stercorarius parasiticus*

Γερακοληστόγλαρος

Cape Pomos 1 During late afternoon  
seawatches, pale phase moving W 10 &  
14-Oct JWaCape Pomos 3 During late afternoon  
seawatches, pale phase moving W 13-Oct  
JWa**COMMON BLACK-HEADED GULL** *Larus**ridibundus* Χωραφόγλαρος

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 17-Oct TRe

Larnaca Airport Coast 11 including 2  
juveniles 22-Oct JN

Larnaca Sewage Works 13 22-Oct JN

Zakaki Marsh 1 adult 12-Oct JN

Zakaki Marsh 8 16-Oct FM

Zakaki Marsh 50+ 18-Oct FM

Zakaki Marsh 34 20-Oct IKB

Zakaki Marsh 60+ 27-Oct WAS

**SLENDER-BILLED GULL** *Larus genei*

Λεπτόραμφος Γλάρος

Cape Pomos 5 Tightly hugging water  
moving W past Cape Pomos 13-Oct JWaCape Pomos 14 Tightly hugging water  
moving W past Cape Pomos 14-Oct JWa**AUDOIN'S GULL** *Larus audouinii*

Νησόγλαρος

Agios Amvrosios 2 23-Sep NCP

Dhekelia 1 adult 10-Oct STi

Karpasia Peninsula 2 8-Oct CC/MC

**BALTIC GULL** *Larus fuscus fuscus*

Μελανόγλαρος Βαλτικής

Agios Amvrosios 6 Westerly coastal  
passage 16-Sep NCPAgios Amvrosios 5 Westerly coastal  
passage 22-Sep NCPAgios Amvrosios 3 Westerly coastal  
passage 23-Sep NCPAgios Amvrosios 1 Westerly coastal  
passage 24-Sep NCPCape Kormakitis 2 Westerly coastal  
passage 21-Sep NCPCape Pomos 1 Adult with Yellow-legged  
Gulls 10 & 13-Oct JWaVavylas Headland 9 Westerly coastal  
passage 24-Sep NCPVavylas Headland 27 7:45 - 13:00 passed  
by west in small groups 26-Sep NCP**YELLOW-LEGGED GULL** *Larus**michahellis* Ασημόγλαρος

Max count per location:

Akrotiri 19 27-Oct JN

Baths of Aphrodite 2 1-Oct JS

Cape Drepanum c40 27-Oct DJW

Karpasia Peninsula 10 8-Oct CC/MC

Kensington Cliffs 30+ 8-Oct FM/PCu

Larnaca Airport Coast 13 22-Oct JN

Larnaca Sewage Works 9 26-Oct JS

Paphos Headland 3 14-Oct IKB

Polis Chrysochou Bay 5 1-Oct JS

Spiros Beach 50+ 27-Oct JS

**CASPIAN GULL** *Larus cachinnans* Γλάρος

Κασπίας

Akrotiri Fish Farm 1 in low flight around  
shore and fields 4-Oct JNAkrotiri Salt Lake 8 Probably this species  
30-Oct WAS**ARMENIAN GULL** *Larus armenicus*

Γλάρος Αρμενίας

Spiros Beach 1 26-Oct JS

**GULL-BILLED TERN** *Gelochelidon nilotica*

Γελογλάρονο

Agios Amvrosios 22 Westerly coastal  
passage 24-Sep NCP

Akhna Dam 1 10-Oct STi

Vavylas Headland 3 Westerly coastal  
passage 26-Sep NCP**WHISKERED TERN** *Chlidonias hybrida*

Λιμνογλάρονο

Athalassa Dam 1 21-Oct JS

Athalassa Dam 2 22-Oct FGe

Larnaca Sewage Works 1 juvenile 11-Oct  
JWa**WHITE-WINGED TERN** *Chlidonias**leucopterus* Αργυρογλάρονο

Akhna Dam 3 juveniles 12-Oct AG

**ROCK DOVE** *Columba livia* Αρκοπέζουνο

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 19 12-Oct JN

Akrotiri 17 19-Oct JN

Akrotiri 1 27-Oct JN

Akrotiri 11 31-Oct JN

Avagas Gorge 8 25-Oct DJW

Bishop's Pool 47 8-Oct JN

Bishop's Pool c150 Appeared to exhibit

Rock Dove features 17-Oct LAC

Cape Greco 100 31-Oct AKe

Omodhos to Agios Nikolaos road vineyard  
area 19 29-Oct JN

**COMMON WOODPIGEON** *Columba**palumbus* Φάσσα

Largest counts:

Akhna Dam c60 8-Oct SC with A Kirschel  
& F Georgiades  
Athalassa Dam c250 22-Oct FGe  
Kannaviou Dam c50 14-Oct DJW  
Karpasia Peninsula 50 8-Oct CC/MC

**EURASIAN COLLARED DOVE***Streptopelia decaocto* Φιλικουτούνη

Largest counts:

Akhna Dam 20 19-Oct AKe  
Karpasia Peninsula 30 8-Oct CC/MC  
Phassouri Reed Beds 20+ 25-Oct JS

**EURASIAN TURTLE DOVE** *Streptopelia**turtur* Τρυγόνι

Bishop's Pool 1 in flight 8-Oct JN  
Mandria 1 3, 4 & 17-Oct MSS/LAC/IKB  
Minthis Hills 1 heard 21-Oct MSS  
Paphos Sewage Plant 1 6, 11, 12 & 25-  
Oct LAC/MSS/FM  
Phassouri Reed-beds 1 8, 17 & 18-Oct  
JN/LAC/IKB

**LAUGHING DOVE** *Stigmatopelia**senegalensis* Φοινικοτρυγόνιο

Karpasia Peninsula 1 with Collared Doves  
around Koca Reis hotel 8-Oct CC/MC  
Mandria Village 4 4-Oct LAC  
Mandria Village 3 15-Oct LAC  
Mandria Village 1 17-Oct LAC  
Mandria Village 2 21-Oct LAC

**BARN OWL** *Tyto alba* Αθρωποπούλλι

Akhna Dam 1 found dead 12-Oct AG  
Goudhi 1 Road kill on B7. Second one  
found here recently 8-Oct RAT  
Kamares (Tala) 1 Flying over 21-Oct  
DJW  
Phasouri Reed-beds 3+ Late 13-Oct FM

**EURASIAN SCOPS OWL** *Otus scops*

Θουπί

Kritou Terra 1 3-Oct AKir  
Nicosia, Pedieos River 1 heard only 25-  
Oct SC

**LITTLE OWL** *Athene noctua*

Κουκουφικιάς

Agia Varvara 1 28-Oct DJW  
Agios Sozomenos 1 23 & 29-Oct JS/FGe  
Anarita Park 2 9-Oct HSt  
Anarita Park 1 23 & 25-Oct IKB  
Androlikou 1 2 & 15-Oct HSt

Androlikou 2 9-Oct HSt

Avagas Coast 1 19-Oct DJW

Engomi 1 crying 3 a.m 9-Oct FGe  
Karpasia Peninsula 4 8-Oct CC/MC  
Larnaca Salt Lake 1 26-Oct JS  
Mavrokolymbos Dam 1 9-Oct JWa  
Souni 1 6, 17, 20, 27 & 28-Oct JN  
Souni 2 18-Oct JN

**LONG-EARED OWL** *Asio otus*

Αρκόθουπος

Smyies 2 Roosting near picnic site 5-Oct  
TM

**SHORT-EARED OWL** *Asio flammeus*

Βαλτόθουπος

Mandria 1 15-Oct IKB/DJW/JN/LAC

**EUROPEAN NIGHTJAR** *Caprimulgus**europaeus* Νυκτοπούλλι

Smyies 1 Flushed from olive grove as a  
Common Kestrel flew through area 1-Oct  
JS

**ALPINE SWIFT** *Tachymarptis melba*

Ασπροπετροχειλίδοιο

Agia Napa Football Fields 4 heading W  
10:10hrs 8-Oct DT  
Drouseia 14 Passing over N to S at  
9.00am 1-Oct JS  
Drouseia 6 5-Oct RAT  
Drouseia c70 Flock of up to 70 birds  
gathering over NW coast and drifting inland  
from Polis to Drouseia 12-Oct JWa  
Goudhi 80 Circling high. Very vocal. Three  
buzzards also in the sky so maybe alarmed  
by them. 8-Oct RAT  
Polis 50+ Feeding over a field being  
cultivated by farmer. Inc several Common  
as well 11-Oct HSt  
Terra, Paphos 100 Very vocal 11-Oct  
RAT

**COMMON KINGFISHER** *Alcedo atthis*

Αλκυόνη

Singles reported from suitable locations  
throughout the month. Reports of two plus  
listed below:

Agia Eirini Dam 2 21-Sep NCP  
Athalassa Dam 3 21 & 22-Oct JS/FGe  
Fresh Water Lake (South) 4 25-Sep NCP  
Geunyeli Dam 2 16-Sep NCP  
Karpasia Peninsula 4 8-Oct CC/MC  
Pediaios river, Yiorkio area, Nicosia 2 21  
& 26-Oct FGe

**EUROPEAN BEE-EATER** *Merops apiaster*

Μελισσοφάγος

Largest counts and latest records:

Akrotiri 114 12-Oct JN

Akrotiri 6 migrating SW with hirundines  
19-Oct JN

Akrotiri Salt Lake 6 25-Oct PH

Mandria c30 1-Oct IKB

Mandria c30 Other flocks heard 3-Oct  
DJWNicosia Airport UN Buffer Zone 24 2-Oct  
FGe

Phassouri Reed-beds 41 1-Oct JN

Souni 45 migrating from N to S 2-Oct JN

**EUROPEAN ROLLER** *Coracias garrulus*

Κράγκα



European Roller, Mandria, 3<sup>rd</sup> October.  
Photograph by Dave Walker.

Mandria 3 1, 3, 5 &amp; 6-Oct

IKB/MSS/TRe/DJW

Mandria 4 2-Oct DJW

Mandria 1 9 &amp; 11-Oct MSS/TRe

Mandria 2 13-Oct HSt

Paphos Sewage Plant 1 4-Oct LAC

Potamia 1 20-Oct JS

**EURASIAN HOOPOE** *Upupa epops*

Πουπουύξιος

Agia Napa Football Fields 1 2 & 5-Oct  
DT/MSSAgios Amvrosios 1 In off the sea 24-Sep  
NCP

Cape Greco 1 5-Oct MSS

Kanli Dam 2 16-Sep NCP

Lower Ezousas River Mouth 1 9-Oct TDu

Mandria 1 1 &amp; 4-Oct LAC

Paphos Sewage Plant 1 4-Oct DJW

Paphos Sewage Plant 2 6-Oct LAC

**CALANDRA LARK** *Melanocorypha**calandra* Μαυροτράσιηλος

Mandria 1 1-Oct IKB/LAC

**GREATER SHORT-TOED LARK***Calandrella brachydactyla* Τρασιηλούδα

Mandria 12 3-Oct DJW

Mandria 25 10-Oct DJW

Mandria 7 15-Oct IKB/DJW/JN

Mandria c6 27-Oct LAC

**CRESTED LARK** *Galerida cristata*

Σκορταλλός

Largest counts:

Akhna Dam 40 13-Oct AKe

Cape Greco 30 31-Oct AKe

Frenaros 200 1-Oct AKe

**WOODLARK** *Lullula arborea*

Πευκοτρασιήλα

Agios Epifanios 2 10-Oct MH

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 27-Oct TRe

Cape Greco 1 31-Oct AKe

Mount Olympus 2 5-Oct FM

Mount Olympus 5+ 7-Oct TDu

Souni 1 in flight calling 28-Oct JN

**EURASIAN SKYLARK** *Alauda arvensis*

Τρασιήλα

Agios Sozomenos 1+ Heard 23-Oct JS

Akhna Dam 1 19-Oct AKe

Akhna Dam 2 26-Oct AKe

Akhna Dam 3+ 27-Oct JS

Cape Greco 2 17 &amp; 31-Oct AKe

Cape Greco 1 24-Oct AKe

Frenaros 2 21 &amp; 26-Oct AKe

Larnaca Airport Coast 22 26-Oct JS

Larnaca Airport Coast 5 30-Oct JS

Larnaca Sewage Works 3+ 26-Oct JS

Pervolia 5 29-Oct JS

**HORNED LARK\*** *Eremophila alpestris*

Χιονάδα

Artemis Trail, Troodos 2 Adult male and  
1st winter bird. Photographed. 25-Oct BR  
(Possible 4<sup>th</sup> record. Last recorded 2004)  
(Rare Bird Report received)

**SAND MARTIN** *Riparia riparia*

Οχθοχελιδονο



*Sand Martin, Mandria, 25<sup>th</sup> October.  
Photograph by Ian Bloomer.*

Agia Napa Football Fields 4 5-Oct MSS  
 Akhna Dam 1 27-Oct JS  
 Akrotiri Peninsula c200 2-Oct SC with  
 Eurobirdwatch group  
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 migrating S with other  
 hirundines 4-Oct JN  
 Bishop's Pool c50 5-Oct ABW  
 Frenaros 1 5-Oct AKe  
 Fresh Water Lake (South) 20 7-Oct  
 CC/MC  
 Mandria c300 1-Oct IKB  
 Mandria Beach 11 2-Oct LAC  
 Mandria 1 3-Oct DJW  
 Mandria 2 25-Oct IKB  
 Phassouri Reed-beds 1 migrating S 1-Oct  
 JN  
 Zakaki Marsh 1 18-Oct FM

**EURASIAN CRAG MARTIN** *Ptyonoprogne**rupestris* Βραχοχελιδονο

Goudhi 1 Found in with the Swallows,  
 presumably migrating. 10-Oct RAT

**BARN SWALLOW** *Hirundo rustica* Χελιδονι

Largest counts:

Bishop's Pool c200 5-Oct ABW  
 Mandria c500 Swallows migrating south  
 continually for over five hours 1-Oct IKB  
 Phassouri Reed-beds 1684 at least  
 migrating S 1-Oct JN

**RED-RUMPED SWALLOW** *Hirundo**daurica* Μιλτοχελιδονο

Agios Theodoros 2 13-Oct AG  
 Akhna Dam 2 5-Oct MSS  
 Akrotiri 19 aerial feeding then migrating to  
 SW 19-Oct JN  
 Drouseia 1 with migrating Barn Swallow  
 14-Oct JWa  
 Mandria 1 1-Oct LAC

Mandria 2 25-Oct IKB  
 Pervolia 1 29-Oct JS  
 Phassouri Reed-beds 7 migrating S 1-Oct  
 JN  
 Phassouri Reed-beds 3 feeding then  
 migrating S 4 & 8-Oct JN  
 Zakaki Marsh 1 16-Oct FM  
 Zakaki Marsh 5 18-Oct FM

**COMMON HOUSE MARTIN** *Delichon**urbicum* Ασπροχελιδονο

Akrotiri Salt Lake 7 migrating S with other  
 hirundines 4-Oct JN  
 Bishop's Pool c10 13-Oct JSta  
 Mandria c200 1-Oct IKB  
 Mandria c25 6-Oct IKB  
 Paphos Sewage Plant 2 at least 15-Oct  
 JN  
 Phassouri Reed-beds 2 migrating S 1-Oct  
 JN  
 Phassouri Reed-beds 3 feeding then  
 migrating S 8-Oct JN  
 Phassouri Reed-beds 1 feeding then  
 migrating S 19-Oct JN  
 Roudhias Bridge, Xeros Potomas 2 22-Oct  
 DJW

**RICHARD'S PIPIT** *Anthus richardi*

Διπλογαλουδι

Paphos Sewage Plant 2 11-Oct  
 IKB/MSS/TRe  
 Paphos Sewage Plant 1 12-Oct FM

**BLYTH'S PIPIT\*** *Anthus godlewskii*

Γαλουδι της Μογγολιας

Mandria 1 31-Oct LAC (Poss 4<sup>th</sup> record)  
 Rare Bird Report requested  
 Paphos Sewage Plant 1 11-Oct EP per  
 LAC Poss 3rd Record. Further details  
 required. Last recorded 2011.

**TAWNY PIPIT** *Anthus campestris*

Ωχρογαλουδι

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 14-Oct AG  
 Cape Greco 1 5-Oct MSS  
 Karpasia 1 17-Sep NCP  
 Mandria 1 1, 17 & 19-Oct LAC/IKB  
 Mandria 4 10-Oct LAC/DJW  
 Mandria 2 15-Oct IKB/DJW/JN  
 Minthis Hills 1 26-Oct MSS  
 Paphos Sewage Plant 2 11-Oct MSS  
 Phassouri Reed-beds 1 over 12-Oct PH

**TREE PIPIT** *Anthus trivialis* Δενδρογαλουδι

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 11-Oct MSS  
 Cape Greco 7 4-Oct AKe

Paphos Sewage Works 1 6-Oct LAC

**MEADOW PIPIT** *Anthus pratensis*

Λιβαδογαλούδι

Agia Varvara 2 22 & 28-Oct LAC/DJW

Agios Sozomenos 7 23-Oct JS

Akhna Dam 1 26-Oct AKe

Akhna Dam 3 27-Oct JS

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 76 in two flocks  
migrating S 4-Oct JN

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 69 in 3 flocks 12-Oct  
JN

Akrotiri Salt Lake 3 4-Oct JN

Akrotiri Salt Lake 18 7-Oct JN

Akrotiri 7 in off sea 19-Oct JN

Akrotiri 6 25, 27 & 31-Oct JN

Larnaca Sewage Works 1 26-Oct JS

Mandria 18 15-Oct JN

Mavrokolymbos Dam 1 30-Oct DJW

Mount Olympus 2 5-Oct FM (odd location.  
Needs confirmation)

Paphos Sewage Plant 2 8 & 11-Oct  
FM/PCu/MSS

Pervolia 12 29-Oct JS

Phassouri Reed-beds 98 79, 13 and 6 in  
flight 8-Oct JN

Phassouri Reed-beds 16 12-Oct JN

Zakaki Marsh 107 at least in 3 groups 4-  
Oct JN

**RED-THROATED PIPIT** *Anthus cervinus*

Κοτσινογαλούδι



*Red-throated Pipit, Paphos Sewage Works,  
11<sup>th</sup> October. Photograph by Tony Reeves.*

Largest counts:

Agia Napa Football Fields 30 31-Oct AKe

Agios Sozomenos 18+ 20-Oct JS

Frenaros 10 5 & 15-Oct AKe

Mandria Beach 41 20-Oct LAC

Paphos Sewage Works 11 11-Oct LAC

Pervolia 14 29-Oct JS

**WATER PIPIT** *Anthus spinoletta*

Νερογαλούδι

Agia Napa Football Fields 2 24 & 31-Oct  
AKe

Akhna Dam 2 26-Oct AKe

Akhna Dam 9 27-Oct JS

Akrotiri Salt Lake 2 25-Oct ABW

Larnaca Sewage Works 2 30-Oct JS

Zakaki Marsh 1 30-Oct WAS

**YELLOW WAGTAIL** *Motacilla flava*

Τζιπρινοζευκαλάτης

Largest counts:

Agia Napa Football Fields 60 10-Oct AKe

Lower Ezouzas c50 1-Oct IKB

Mandria c100 1-Oct IKB

Paphos Sewage Plant c40 5-Oct IKB

*Blue-headed Wagtail* *Motacilla f.flava*

Γαλαζοκέφαλος Ζευκαλάτης

Phassouri Reed-beds 1 + 2-Oct SC with  
Eurobirdwatch group

*Black-headed wagtail* *M. f. feldegg*

Μαυροκέφαλος Ζευκαλάτης

Paphos Sewage Plant 1 male feeding 15-  
Oct JN

**CITRINE WAGTAIL** *Motacilla citreola*

Κιτροζευκαλάτης



*Citrine Wagtail, Akrotiri Gravel Pits, 10<sup>th</sup>  
October. Photograph by John East*

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 Juvenile 4-Oct TRe

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 10-Oct JE

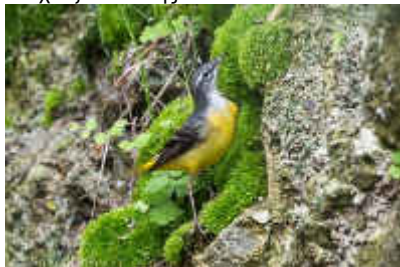
Mia Milia Water Treatment Plant 1 Adult

Male 18-Sep NCP



**GREY WAGTAIL** *Motacilla cinerea*

Σταχτοζευκαλάτης



*Grey Wagtail, Avakas Gorge, 25<sup>th</sup> October. Photograph by Dave Walker.*

Agia Varvara 1 22 & 28-Oct LAC/DJW  
Agius Minas, Akamas 1 9-Oct JWa  
Akamas 1 29-Oct PH  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 3-Oct JE  
Amiandos Botanical Gardens 1 25-Oct JS  
Aspro Dam canal 1 9-Oct MSS  
Athalassa Dam 3 21-Oct JS  
Athalassa Dam 2 22-Oct FGe  
Avagas Gorge 1 19, 25 & 30-Oct DJW  
Baths of Aphrodite 1 2-Oct JS  
Bishop's Pool c2 13-Oct JWa  
CyKing Village Paphos 1 16-Oct SMM  
Paphos sewage works 1 5, 11 & 15-Oct  
TDu/MSS/LAC  
Paphos Sewage Plant 2 16-Oct LAC  
Platania Picnic site 2 25-Oct JS  
Pyla 1 18 & 21-Oct BB  
Sarama, Paphos 1 14-Oct DJW  
Zakaki Marsh area 1 12-Oct TRe

**WHITE WAGTAIL** *Motacilla alba*

Ασπροζευκαλάτης



*White Wagtail, Lamaca Salt Lake, 26<sup>th</sup> October. Photograph by Jane Stylianou*

101 records received for this species during October. Largest counts:  
Akrotiri 118 104 feeding on irrigated field  
31-Oct JN

Evretou Dam c100 14-Oct DJW  
Frenaros 100 15-Oct AKe  
Mandria c150 6-Oct IKB  
Paphos Sewage Plant 245 at least feeding  
15-Oct JN

**WINTER WREN** *Troglodytes troglodytes*

Τρυποκάρυδο



*Winter Wren, Avakas Gorge, 25<sup>th</sup> October. Photograph by Dave Walker.*

Almirolivado 1 heard only 28-Oct SC with  
F Georgiades  
Amiandos Botanical Gardens 1 25-Oct JS  
Avagas Gorge 2 19 & 27-Oct DJW  
Avagas Gorge 3 25 & 30-Oct DJW  
Platania Picnic site 2 25-Oct JS  
Troodos 1 2-Oct DT

**EUROPEAN ROBIN** *Erithacus rubecula*

Κοτσινολαίμης



*European Robin, Avakas Gorge, 25<sup>th</sup> October. Photograph by Dave Walker.*

Earliest reports and largest counts:  
Athalassa Dam c20 22-Oct FGe  
Avagas Gorge 19 8 seen, 11 heard 27-  
Oct DJW  
Goudhi 1+ Many heard singing in the  
village 9 & 10-Oct RAT  
Giant Juniper, Troodos 1 17-Oct MSS  
Roudhias Bridge, Xeros Potomas 13 5  
seen another 8 heard 22-Oct DJW

Souni 17 7 heard singing, 7 heard calling  
and 3 seen 28-Oct JN  
Tala 1 9-Oct ABW

**BLUETHROAT** *Luscinia svecica*  
Γαλαζολαιμής



*Bluethroat, Zakaki Marsh, 20<sup>th</sup> October.*  
*Photograph by Ian Bloomer.*

Agia Varvara 1 28-Oct DJW  
Akhna Dam 1 White spotted 27-Oct JS  
Akrotiri Salt Lake 2 11-Oct MSS  
Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 27-Oct TRé  
Mandria 1 10-Oct DJW  
Zakaki Marsh 1 13 & 30-Oct FM/WAS  
Zakaki Marsh 3 16-Oct FM  
Zakaki Marsh 2 18, 20 & 27-Oct  
FM/IKB/WAS

**WESTERN BLACK REDSTART**

*Phoenicurus ochrurus* Καρβουνιάρης  
Agia Varvara 1 28-Oct LAC  
Artemis Trail c6 28-Oct SC with F  
Georgiades  
Kamarea (Tala) 1 female 28 & 31-Oct  
DJW  
Mandria Village 1 23-Oct LAC  
Paphos Lighthouse 1 female 29-Oct  
DJW  
Souni 1 male 20 & 21-Oct JN

**COMMON REDSTART** *Phoenicurus*

*phoenicurus* Κοτσινοούρης  
Agia Napa Football Fields 1 2 & 8-Oct DT  
Agios Minas, Akamas 2 one fem/imm and  
one 1st winter m 12-Oct JWa  
Akhna Dam 2 8-Oct SC with A Kirschel &  
F Georgiades  
Akhna Dam 1 12-Oct AG  
Akhna Dam 3 14-Oct AG  
Armou Hills 1 5-Oct IKB  
Asprokremnos Dam 1 9-Oct JWa  
Avagas Gorge 1 female 25-Oct DJW  
Karpasia Peninsula 5 8-Oct CC/MC  
Neo Chorio 4 4-Oct AKir

Petra tou Romiou 2 15-Oct JWa  
Smyies, Paphos 2 Females 1-Oct JS  
Smyies, Paphos 4 5-Oct TM  
Souni 1 female 10-Oct JN  
Souni 2 11-Oct JN

**WHINCHAT** *Saxicola rubetra* Βοσκαρούδι

Largest counts:  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 5 13-Oct IKB  
Anarita Park 6 6-Oct HSt  
Cape Greco 8+ 10-Oct AG  
Frenaros 25 7-Oct AKe  
Karpasia Peninsula 5 8-Oct CC/MC  
Lower Ezouzas 5 1-Oct IKB  
Mandria 8 3-Oct MSS  
Paphos Sewage Plant 14 3-Oct IKB

**COMMON STONECHAT** *Saxicola rubicola*  
Παπαθιά



*Common Stonechat, Avakas Coast, 19<sup>th</sup>*  
*October. Photograph by Dave Walker.*

140 records received for this species in  
October. Earliest reports and largest  
counts:

Agios Sozomenos c30 23-Oct JS  
Akhna Dam 1 5-Oct MSS  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 4-Oct TRé  
Cape Greco 40 31-Oct AKe  
Evretou Dam 1 7-Oct HSt  
Frenaros 140 28-Oct AKe  
Zakaki Marsh 1 1-Oct FM

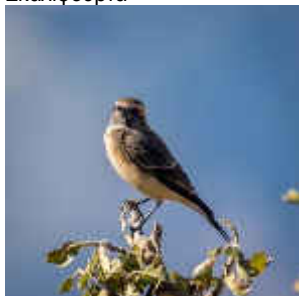
**ISABELLINE WHEATEAR** *Oenanthe*  
*isabellina* Αμμοσκαλιφούρτα  
Cape Greco 1 4 & 5-Oct AKe/MSS  
Mandria 1 1 & 11-Oct LAC  
Paphos Sewage Plant 1 25-Oct MSS

**NORTHERN WHEATEAR** *Oenanthe*  
*oenanthe* Σταχτοσκαλιφούρτα  
Largest counts:

Agia Napa Football Fields 8 8-Oct DT  
Cape Greco 4+ 10-Oct AG  
Mandria 7 10 & 15-Oct LAC/JN

**CYPRUS WHEATEAR** *Oenanthe cypriaca*

Σκαλιφούρτα



Cyprus Wheatear, Evretou Dam, 11<sup>th</sup> October.  
Photograph by Ray Atkinson.

Largest counts:

Filani 5 9-Oct FGe

Kampia-old quarry 10 15-Oct FGe

Karpasia Peninsula 8 8-Oct CC/MC

Souni 5 all in flight - includes a juvenile 6-Oct JN

**EASTERN BLACK-EARED WHEATEAR***Oenanthe melanoleuca* Ισπανική

Σκαλιφούρτα

Baths of Aphroditē 1 In off sea and rested in field 1-Oct JS

Paphos Sewage Plant 1 on fence 15-Oct JN

**DESERT WHEATEAR** *Oenanthe deserti*

Ερημοσκαλιφούρτα

Paphos Headland 1 imm male 10 &amp; 13-Oct JWa/LAC

**FINSCH'S WHEATEAR** *Oenanthe finschii*

Βουνοσκαλιφούρτα



Finch's Wheatear, Anarita Park, 28<sup>th</sup> October.  
Photograph by Dave Walker.

Agios Sozomenos 1 Female 23-Oct JS

Agios Sozomenos 2 1 fem &amp; 1 male 29-Oct FGe

Anarita Park 1 19, 21, 25 &amp; 31-Oct IKB/MSS

Anarita Park 2 male 28-Oct DJW

Asprokremnos Dam 1 Phinikas 22-Oct MSS

Kidasi, Diarizos Valley 1 male 22-Oct DJW

**BLUE ROCK THRUSH** *Monticola solitarius*

Γαλαζοκότσουφος

Akrotiri 1 sat at top of cliffs 19-Oct JN

Anarita Park 1 male 7, 22, 25 &amp; 28-Oct LAC/DJW/IKB

Agios Sozomenos 1 29-Oct FGe

Cape Drepanum 1 27-Oct DJW

Cape Greco 2 5-Oct MSS

Evretou Dam 1 female 11-Oct HSt

Petra tou Romiou c2 around car park and on overhead wires 30-Oct PH

**EURASIAN BLACKBIRD** *Turdus merula* ♂

Μαυρόπουλλος (♀ Μαυρότζικλα)

Artemis Trail c4 28-Oct SC with F Georgiades

Livadi tou Pashia 2 5-Oct FM

Livadi tou Pashia 3 2m and 1f 25-Oct JS

Mavrokolymbos Dam 2 30-Oct DJW

Souni 1 male in flight 21-Oct JN

Troodos 3 3-Oct DT

**FIELDFARE** *Turdus pilaris* Τρυονότζικλα

Mandria Beach 1 27-Oct LAC

**SONG THRUSH** *Turdus philomelos*

Τζήγκλα

Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 27-Oct JS

Agia Varvara 1 28-Oct DJW

Agios Nikolaos (Paphos) 1 17-Oct MSS

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 17-Oct TRe

Asprokremnos Dam 1 22-Oct MSS

Athalassa Dam 2 22-Oct FGe

Avagas Gorge 1 25-Oct DJW

Avagas Gorge 3 27-Oct DJW

Frenaros 1 8-Oct AKe

Frenaros 2 26-Oct AKe

Frenaros 10 28-Oct AKe

Livadi tou Pashia, Troodos 1 25-Oct JS

Omodhos to Agios Nikolaos road vineyard area 2 in flight 29-Oct JN

Souni 1 in flight 17-Oct JN

Souni 4 in flight together 21-Oct JN

Souni 2 in flight 28-Oct JN

Spiros Pool 1 26-Oct JS

**MISTLE THRUSH** *Turdus viscivorus*

Τριζάρα

Akrotiri 1 27-Oct PH

Atalante Trail, Troodos 4 30-Oct MSS

Giant Juniper, Troodos 1 30-Oct MSS

**CETTI'S WARBLER** *Cettia cetti*

Ψευταηδώνι

Max count per location:

Akhna Dam 10 19-Oct AKe

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 27-Oct TR

Athalassa Dam 6 22-Oct FGe

Avagas Gorge 2 19, 25 &amp; 27-Oct DJW

Bishop's Pool 1 13-Oct JSt

Kamares (Tala) 1 4-Oct DJW

Kelephos Bridge 1 22-Oct DJW

Larnaca Sewage Works 2 + 8-Oct SC

with A Kirschel &amp; F Georgiades

Omodhos to Agios Nikolaos road vineyard

area 1 heard 29-Oct JN

Phasouri Reed-beds 1 + heard only 2-Oct

SC with Eurobirdwatch group

Sarama, Paphos 1 14-Oct DJW

Zakaki Marsh 3 18-Oct FM

**ZITTING CISTICOLA** *Cisticola juncidis*

Δουλαππάρης

Zitting *Cisticola*, Mandria, 10<sup>th</sup> October.

Photograph by Dave Walker.

Largest counts:

Frenaros 20 5, 21 &amp; 28-Oct AKe

Larnaca Sewage Works 3 22-Oct JN

Paphos Sewage Plant 3 6-Oct LAC

Pervolia 3 29-Oct JS

Phassouri Reed-beds 4 8-Oct JN

**MOUSTACHED WARBLER** *Acrocephalus**melanopogon* Μουστακομουγιανούδι

Zakaki Marsh 2 Maybe 3 27-Oct WAS

**SEDGE WARBLER** *Acrocephalus**schoenobaenus* Σχοινομουγιανούδι

Akhna Dam 2 19-Oct AKe

Oroklini Beach 1 at a small reed fringed

pool 9-Oct DT

Zakaki Marsh 1 heard 4-Oct JN

**EURASIAN REED WARBLER***Acrocephalus scirpaceus*

Καλαμομουγιανούδι

Akhna Dam 1 5 &amp; 12-Oct MSS/AG

Goudhi 1 Heard in the reeds 9-Oct RAT

Paphos Sewage Plant 1 15-Oct LAC

Phassouri Reed-beds 1 in flight 8-Oct JN

Zakaki Marsh 1 2, 14 &amp; 18-Oct SC with

Eurobirdwatch group/FM

Zakaki Marsh 3 13 &amp; 16-Oct FM

**GREAT REED WARBLER** *Acrocephalus**arundinaceus* Τζικλομουγιανούδι

Zakaki Marsh 1 2, 13 &amp; 16-Oct SC with

Eurobirdwatch group/FM/LDz

**EASTERN OLIVACEOUS WARBLER***Iduna pallida* Τρυβητούρα

Cape Greco 1 10-Oct AG

**SPECTACLED WARBLER** *Sylvia**conspicillata* Κοτσινοφτέρι

Max count per location:

Agios Sozomenos 8 Two heard only 20-Oct JS

Akhna Dam 1 19-Oct AKe

Akrotiri Salt Lake 2 25-Oct ABW

Cape Greco 10 24-Oct AKe

Frenaros 50 28-Oct AKe

Lady's Mile Marshes 1 2-Oct SC with

Eurobirdwatch group

Larnaca Sewage Works 1 11, 26 &amp; 30-Oct

JWa/JS

Meneou Pool 1 22-Oct JN

Nicosia Airport UN Buffer Zone 4 2-Oct

FGe

Spiros Pool surroundings 1 8-Oct SC with

A Kirschel &amp; F Georgiades

**SARDINIAN WARBLER** *Sylvia**melanocephala* Τρυποβάτης

Largest counts:

Akrotiri 10 25-Oct JN

Cape Greco 30 31-Oct AKe

Frenaros 10 28-Oct AKe

Souni 25 11 &amp; 21-Oct JN

**CYPRUS WARBLER** *Sylvia melanothorax*

Τρυπομάζης

Arsos 2 males in flight 29-Oct JN

Cape Greco 4 in song 17 &amp; 31-Oct AKe

Cape Greco 2 in song 24-Oct AKe

Kampia-old quarry 2 15-Oct FGE  
 Kampia-old quarry 4 23-Oct FGE  
 Karpasia Peninsula 6 8-Oct CC/MC  
 Souni 2 heard 3, 5 & 21-Oct JN  
 Souni 6 6, 17 & 28-Oct JN  
 Souni 9 1 in flight, 1 male making an alarm call then in flight, others heard calling 10-Oct JN  
 Souni 4 11-Oct JN  
 Souni 12 3 feeding (1 a male) and 3 males and 1 female in flight rest calling 18-Oct JN  
 Souni 5 all males including 1 heard singing 20-Oct JN

**BARRED WARBLER** *Sylvia nisoria*

Γιαλλούρα

Cape Greco 1 heard 31-Oct AKE

**LESSER WHITETHROAT** *Sylvia curruca*

Συκαλλίδι

Cape Greco 2 5-Oct MSS

Karpasia Peninsula 3 8-Oct CC/MC

Neo Chorio 2 4-Oct AKir

Smyies 2 5-Oct TM

**COMMON WHITETHROAT** *Sylvia*

*communis* Ασπρόλαιμο Συκαλλίδι

Cape Greco 1 5-Oct MSS

**EURASIAN BLACKCAP** *Sylvia atricapilla*

Αμπελοπούλι

Largest count:

Filani 8 9-Oct FGE

Frenaros 300 5-Oct AKE

Karpasia Peninsula 35 8-Oct CC/MC

Kampia-old quarry 7 23-Oct FGE

Pediaios river, Yiorkio area, Nicosia 6 26-Oct FGE

**WOOD WARBLER** *Phylloscopus sibilatrix*

Δασογιαννούδι

Mount Olympus 3 7-Oct TDU

Paphos Sewage Plant 1 beach end of

Lower Ezousas valley 7-Oct JStA

Prodromos 1 2-Oct AKir

Troodos 1 2-Oct DT

**COMMON CHIFFCHAFF** *Phylloscopus*

*collybita* Μουγιαννούδι

Akhna Dam 2 26-Oct AKE

Anarita Park 1 11-Oct IKB

Avagas Gorge 1 19-Oct DJW

Avagas Gorge 4 25 & 30-Oct DJW

Cape Greco 2 31-Oct AKE

Karpasia Peninsula 10 8-Oct CC/MC

Livadi tou Pashia 2 25-Oct JS

Mandria 2 7-Oct LAC

Mandria 1 28-Oct LAC

Minthis Hills 1 21-Oct MSS

Mount Olympus 2 5-Oct FM

Nicosia, Engomi 1 29-Oct SC

Paphos Lighthouse 1 29-Oct DJW

Paphos Sewage Works 9 15-Oct LAC

Paphos Sewage Works 1 16-Oct LAC

Pediaios river, Yiorkio area, Nicosia 2 26-

Oct FGE

Souni 3 2 heard calling and 1 in flight 28-

Oct JN

**WILLOW WARBLER** *Phylloscopus*

*trochilus* Θαμνογιαννούδι



Willow Warbler, Paphos Sewage Works, 25<sup>th</sup> October. Photograph by Ian Bloomer.

Largest counts:

Agia Napa Football Fields 10 8-Oct DT

Agia Varvara c20 15-Oct DJW

Akhna Dam 10+ 14-Oct AG

Athalassa Dam 12 22-Oct FGE

Frenaros 50 6-Oct AKE

**GOLDCREST** *Regulus regulus*

Χρυσοβασιλίσκος

Atalante Trail, Troodos 1 30-Oct MSS

Livadi tou Pashia, Troodos c5 30-Oct

MSS

**SPOTTED FLYCATCHER** *Muscicapa*

*striata* Μουγινοφάς

Singles soon throughout month. Reports of 2+ per location and latest reports listed below:

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 feeding in garden

area Agios Georgios Church 8-Oct JN

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 18-Oct IKB

Asprokremnos Dam 1 15 & 17-Oct

JWa/IKB

Baths of Aphrodite 2 1-Oct JS

Episkopi 2 5-Oct IKB

Frenaros 10 1-Oct AKE



Karpasia Peninsula 40 seen over BC  
weekend trip 8-Oct CC/MC  
Lower Ezouzas 3 1-Oct IKB  
Paphos Headland 2 4-Oct IKB  
Paphos Sewage Plant 2 11-Oct IKB  
Smyies, Paphos 4 1-Oct JS

**RED-BREASTED FLYCATCHER\*** *Ficedula parva* Κοκκινομουγιοχάφτης  
Prodromos 1 trapped and ringed 1-Oct  
AKir (Rare Bird Report submitted)  
Protaras 1 1st winter 200yds west of Agioi  
Saranta church along main path 8,30am,  
watched for 15 mins 10-Oct AG (Rare Bird  
Report requested)

**COAL TIT** *Parus ater* Πέμπτεσος  
Amiandos Botanical Gardens 6+ 25-Oct  
JS  
Argaka PRESENT 2-Oct RAT  
Artemis Trail c10+ 28-Oct SC with F  
Georgiades  
Filani 15 9-Oct FGe  
Kampia-old quarry 20 15-Oct FGe  
Kannaviou Dam 5 14-Oct DJW  
Livadi tou Pashia, Troodos 5 5-Oct FM  
Mount Olympus 10+ 5-Oct FM  
Platania Picnic site 3+ 25-Oct JS  
Roudhias Bridge, Xeros Potomas 3 22-Oct  
DJW  
Troodos Forest 9 24-Oct IKB

**GREAT TIT** *Parus major* Τσαγκαρούδι  
Largest counts:  
Athalassa Dam 10+ 21-Oct JS  
Karpasia Peninsula 8 8-Oct CC/MC  
Souni 27 10-Oct JN

**SHORT-TOED TREECREEPER** *Certhia brachydactyla* Δενδροβάτης  
Artemis Trail c8 heard only 28-Oct SC  
with F Georgiades  
Livadi tou Pashia 1 25-Oct JS  
Platania Picnic site 1 Heard 25-Oct JS  
Troodos 1 25-Oct JS

**EURASIAN PENDULINE TIT** *Remiz pendulinus* Υφάντρα  
Phasouri Reed-beds 1+ Heard  
occasionally until end month 10-Oct PH  
Phassouri Reedbed 11 28-Oct CP/PPa  
Zakaki Marsh 4 In front of hide 30-Oct  
WAS

**EURASIAN GOLDEN ORIOLE** *Oriolus oriolus* Κλωρκός  
Phasouri bee-hives area 1 female 2-Oct  
SC with Eurobirdwatch group

**RED-BACKED SHRIKE** *Lanius collurio*  
Κεφαλάς



Red-backed Shrike, 5<sup>th</sup> October. Photograph by Dave Nye.

Largest counts:

Agia Napa Football Fields 6 10-Oct AKe  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 6 includes 1 juvenile  
8-Oct JN  
Frenaros 40 6-Oct AKe  
Karpasia 19 23-Sep NCP

**LESSER GREY SHRIKE** *Lanius minor*  
Σταχτοκεφαλάς

Agia Napa Football Fields 1 2-Oct DT  
Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 5-Oct MSS  
Agia Varvara 1 9-Oct TDu  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 8-Oct JN  
Anarita Park 1 9-Oct HSt  
Evretou Dam 1 14-Oct DJW  
Mandria 1 1, 10 & 15-Oct  
IKB/LAC/DJW/JN  
Paphos Sewage Plant 1 11 & 13-Oct  
MSS/TRe  
Phassouri Reed-beds 1 1, 11 & 13-Oct  
JN/MSS/PH/FM/IKB  
Smygies 1 1-Oct JS  
Souni 1 in flight 3-Oct JN

**STEPPE GREY SHRIKE\*** *Lanius meridionalis pallidirostris* Διπλοκεφαλάς του Νότου  
Akrotiri Salt Lake behind Lady's Mile 1  
First recorded as Lesser Grey Shrike. Re  
identified by WAS and TRe on 7th  
November 26-Oct TRe (Rare Bird Report  
form requested)

**MASKED SHRIKE** *Lanius nubicus*

Δακκαννούρα

Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 5-Oct MSS

Anthoupolis, Nicosia 4 juv. 4-Oct FGe

Karpasia Peninsula 4 all juvs 8-Oct

CC/MC

Nicosia Airport UN Buffer Zone 1 juv. 2-

Oct FGe

**EURASIAN JAY** *Garrulus glandarius* Κίτσα

Livadi tou Pashia, Troodos 3 5-Oct FM

Livadi tou Pashia, Troodos 1 25-Oct JS

Roudhias Bridge, Xeros Potomas 6 22-Oct

DJW

Troodos Forest 2 24-Oct IKB

**EURASIAN MAGPIE** *Pica pica*

Κατσικορώνα

Largest counts:

Arsos 10 includes 1 chasing a Kestrel 29-

Oct JN

Omodhos to Agios Nikolaos road vineyard

area 11 includes 7 together 29-Oct JN

Pittokopos to Androlikou track 30 1-Oct

JS

**WESTERN JACKDAW** *Corvus monedula*

Κολοιός

Largest counts:

Agios Sozomenos c200 29-Oct FGe

Avagas Gorge c60 25-Oct DJW

Kensington Cliffs 30+ 8-Oct FM/PCu

**HOODED CROW** *Corvus cornix* Κοράζινος

Hooded Crow. Photograph by Ian Bloomer.

Largest counts:

Athalassa Dam c50 21-Oct JS

Karpasia Peninsula c100 roosting close to

Rizokarpasos 8-Oct CC/MC

Phassouri reed-beds c120 single flock 19-

Oct ABW

**NORTHERN RAVEN** *Corvus corax*

Κλόκκαρος

St Hilarion, Pentadactylos 2 11.00am

650m away from castle 6-Oct EK

**HOUSE SPARROW** *Passer domesticus*

Στρούθος

Largest counts:

Agia Napa Football Fields 100 17 &amp; 24-

Oct AKe

Cape Greco 200 31-Oct AKe

Frenaros 1000 15-Oct AKe

Phasouri Reed-beds 100 1-Oct FM

**SPANISH SPARROW** *Passer**hispaniolensis* ΑρκόστρουθοςSpanish Sparrow, 12<sup>th</sup> October. Photograph by Dave Nye.

Largest counts:

Agia Varvara c300 11-Oct IKB

Anthoupolis, Nicosia c140 mixed flock with

c50 goldfinches 4-Oct FGe

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1160 at least with 398

in one flock 12-Oct JN

Mandria c350 6-Oct IKB

Zakaki Marsh 150 18-Oct FM

**EURASIAN TREE SPARROW\*** *Passer**montanus* Δενδρόστρουθος

Livera 1 maybe more 21-Oct per ZG

**COMMON CHAFFINCH** *Fringilla coelebs*

Σπίτινος

Largest counts and earliest reports away from breeding areas:

Agia Napa Sewage Works c40 27-Oct JS

Agios Sozomenos 2 23-Oct JS

Amiandos Botanical Gardens 10+ 25-Oct

JS

Cape Greco 1 24-Oct AKe

Omodhos to Agios Nikolaos road vineyard

area 18 mainly females 29-Oct JN

Platania Picnic site 15 25-Oct JS

Souni 6 21-Oct JN

Troodos c20 25-Oct JS

**BRAMBLING** *Fringilla montifringilla*

Χειμωνόσπινος

Paphos Sewage Plant 1 25-Oct MSS

**EUROPEAN SERIN** *Serinus serinus*

Μπασταρτοκανάρινο

Agia Varvara 2 28-Oct DJW

Akhna Dam 6 26-Oct AKE

Asprokremnos Dam 7 26-Oct BR

Cape Greco 2 24-Oct AKE

Filani 12 9-Oct FGe

Filani c120 two flocks 23-Oct FGe

Frenaros 5 28-Oct AKE

Kampia-old quarry 25 15-Oct FGe

Kampia-old quarry 15 23-Oct FGe

Minthis Hills 1 26-Oct MSS

Omodos to Agios Nikolaos road 8 25-Oct JS

Omodhos to Agios Nikolaos road vineyard area 13 29-Oct JN

Souni 1 female in flight 18-Oct JN

**EUROPEAN GREENFINCH** *Carduelis*

*chloris* Λουλουδάς η Φλώρος

Largest counts:

Cape Greco 30 10-Oct AKE

Mandria c40 10-Oct DJW

Souni 51 18-Oct JN

**EUROPEAN GOLDFINCH** *Carduelis*

*carduelis* Σγαρίλι



*European Goldfinch, Paphos Sewage Works, 6<sup>th</sup> October. Photograph by Dave Walker.*

Largest counts:

Agia Napa Football Fields 80 24-Oct AKE

Anthoupolis, Nicosia c50 mixed flock with c140 Spanish Sparrows 4-Oct FGe

Frenaros 100 5 & 6-Oct AKE

Nicosia Airport UN Buffer Zone 55 2-Oct FGe

Phassouri Reed-beds 51 1-Oct JN

Souni 76 28-Oct JN

**COMMON LINNET** *Carduelis cannabina*

Τσακροσγάριτο

Agios Nikolaos 11 29-Oct JN

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 4 1-Oct JN

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 5 4-Oct JN

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 3 6 & 24-Oct FM/IKB

Akrotiri 14 27-Oct JN

Akrotiri 28 31-Oct JN

Cape Greco 1 31-Oct AKE

Evretou Dam PRESENT 7-Oct RAT

Mandria 1 31-Oct LAC

Omodhos to Agios Nikolaos road vineyard area 10 29-Oct JN

Paphos Headland 5 28-Oct DJW

Paphos Headland 11 29-Oct LAC

Pittokopos to Androlikou track 2 1-Oct JS

Souni 3 together in flight 6-Oct JN

Zakaki Marsh 6 13-Oct FM

**RED CROSSBILL** *Loxia curvirostra*

Σταυρομούττη

Artemis Trail c25 28-Oct SC

Atalante Trail, Troodos 2 30-Oct MSS

Giant Juniper, Troodos 8+ 30-Oct MSS

Troodos Forest 1 24-Oct IKB

Troodos 1+ Heard 25-Oct JS

**YELLOWHAMMER** *Emberiza citrinella*

Χρυσοππιੱλλα

Atalante Trail, Troodos 1 possibly others in area 30-Oct MSS

**COMMON REED BUNTING** *Emberiza*

*schoeniclus* Καλαμοπιπίλλα

Zakaki Marsh 1 female 27-Oct WAS

**CORN BUNTING** *Emberiza calandra*

Τσακρόστρουθος

Largest counts:

Agios Nikolaos (Paphos) 93 18 feeding, 60 in flight and 15 plus in bushes 29-Oct JN

Akhna Dam 10 26-Oct AKE

Minthis Hills 60+ 21-Oct MSS

Pittokopos to Androlikou track 20+ 1-Oct JS



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## MONTHLY WATERBIRD COUNT

October 2016

Yiannis Christodoulides

*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.*

For September, 7 recorders covered 10 wetlands across the island where 1001 birds, of 36 different species were recorded.

The most abundant species was the Mallard, with just below 200 recorded individuals closely followed by Grey Herons, Northern Shovelers and Greater Flamingos with just above 150 individuals each. The wetland holding the most birds was the Larnaka Sewage Works with 364 individuals followed by the Akrotiri sites (Meras, Salt Lake & Lady's Mile) with 333 recorded individuals. The most species abundant site was Bishops Pool with second being Larnaka Sewage Works. Mavrokolympos Dam only has a single Little Grebe. The water level in all of the sites was relatively resulting in the low bird counts so when the rain starts coming in so will the birds.

### **Site coverage for the October 2016 Waterbird Count**

<b>SITE</b>	<b>RECORDER</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>WATER LEVEL</b>
<b>PHASSOURI REED BED</b>	Christina Ieronymidou & Martin Hellicar	27-10-16	Low
<b>AKROTIRI MERAS, SALT LAKE &amp; LADY'S MILE</b>	Christina Ieronymidou & Martin Hellicar	27-10-16	Low
<b>BISHOP'S POOL</b>	John & Ann Stapley	13-10-16	40%
<b>ZAKAKI POND</b>	Christina Ieronymidou & Martin Hellicar	27-10-16	Low
<b>LARNAKA SALT LAKE</b>	Jane Stylianou	26-10-16	Low
<b>LARNAKA SEWAGE WORKS</b>	Jane Stylianou	26-10-16	Low
<b>OROKLINI MARSH</b>	Christina Ieronymidou & Martin Hellicar	20-10-16	Dry
<b>EVRETOU DAM</b>	Dave & Jan Walker	14-10-16	34%
<b>MAVROKOLYMBOS DAM</b>	Dave & Jan Walker	14-10-16	13%
<b>KANNAVIU DAM</b>	Dave & Jan Walker	14-10-16	27%

WETLAND BIRD COUNT OCTOBER 2016	Phassouri Reed Bed	Akrotiri Meras, Salt Lake & Lady's Mile	Bishop's Pool	Zakaki Pond	Larnaka Salt Lake	Larnaka Sewage Works	Oroklini Marsh	Evretou Dam	Mavrokolymbos Dam	Kannaviou Dam	Total
Little Grebe			43						1		44
White Pelican			1								1
Cormorant						2		1		4	7
Grey Heron		150	3	1				1		3	158
Purple Heron			1								1
Greater Flamingo		150				2					152
White-fronted Goose						5					5
Wigeon			1								1
Teal			40			25					65
Mallard			30			129	14	16			189
Garganey			2								2
Shoveler			3			153					156
Ferruginous Duck			1								1
Marsh Harrier		1		1			1				3
Moorhen			11	3	2		5				21
Coot			16					1			17
Black-winged Stilt								1			1
Lapwing							3				3
Spur-winged Lapwing					2		4				6
Kentish Plover		6			1	10					17
Little Ringed Plover							1				1
Ringed Plover						3					3
Little Stint		16			1	23					40
Dunlin		10			1	2					13
Snipe				2	3						5
Curlew					3						3
Redshank						1	1				2
Green Sandpiper					1						1
Black-headed Gull				40							40
Yellow-legged Gull					11	9					20
Caspian Gull					1						1

WETLAND BIRD COUNT OCTOBER 2016	Phassouri Reed Bed	Akrotiri Meras, Salt Lake & Lady's Mile	Bishop's Pool	Zakaki Pond	Larnaka Salt Lake	Larnaka Sewage Works	Oroklini Marsh	Evretou Dam	Mavrokolymbos Dam	Kannaviou Dam	Total
Kingfisher				3	1						4
Yellow Wagtail			3								3
Bluethroat				2							2
Penduline tit	12										12
Reed Bunting				1							1
<b>Total</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>33</b> <b>3</b>	<b>15</b> <b>5</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>36</b> <b>4</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>100</b> <b>1</b>
<b>Species Count</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>36</b>



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**Η υποστήριξη σου για την Κυπριακή φύση**

**1. Στοιχεία επικοινωνίας**

Όνοματεπώνυμο/α:			
Ηλεκτρονικό Ταχ:			
Διεύθυνση:	Οδός:	T.T:	
	Χωριό/Πόλη:	Χώρα:	
Τηλέφωνο:			
Έτος Γέννησης:			
Προτιμώμενη γλώσσα επικοινωνίας:	Ελληνικά <input type="checkbox"/>	Αγγλικά <input type="checkbox"/>	

**2. Πληροφορίες συνδρομής**

■ Επιθυμώ:

- Να ανανεώσω τη συνδρομή μου  Να εγγραφώ μέλος

■ Επισυνάπτω:

- € 35 ατομική συνδρομή (με την Ετήσια Ορνιθολογική Αναφορά)  
 € 30 ατομική συνδρομή (χωρίς την Ετήσια Ορνιθολογική Αναφορά)  
 € 40 συνδρομή ζεύγους (με την Ετήσια Ορνιθολογική Αναφορά)  
 € 35 συνδρομή ζεύγους (χωρίς την Ετήσια Ορνιθολογική Αναφορά)  
 € 10 παιδική συνδρομή (χωρίς την Ετήσια Ορνιθολογική Αναφορά)

*Για μέλη εξωτερικού:*

- € 40 ατομική συνδρομή (με την Ετήσια Ορνιθολογική Αναφορά)  
 € 35 ατομική συνδρομή (χωρίς την Ετήσια Ορνιθολογική Αναφορά)  
 € 45 συνδρομή ζεύγους (με την Ετήσια Ορνιθολογική Αναφορά)  
 € 40 συνδρομή ζεύγους (χωρίς την Ετήσια Ορνιθολογική Αναφορά)  
 € 12 παιδική συνδρομή (χωρίς την Ετήσια Ορνιθολογική Αναφορά)

**3. Τρόποι πληρωμής**

- i.  Απευθείας πληρωμή στο λογαριασμό του Πτηνολογικού Συνδέσμου Κύπρου

**BIRDLIFE CYPRUS**

*Τράπεζα Κύπρου:* Αρ. Λογαριασμού: 0148-01-008101, SWIFT: BCYPCY2N  
IBAN No: CY 980020 0148 0000000 10081 0100

*Τράπεζα Πειραιώς:* Αρ. Λογαριασμού: 0001161054, SWIFT: PIRBCY2N  
IBAN No: CY 730080 0103 0000000 00116 1054

*Alpha Bank:* Αρ. Λογαριασμού: 206-220-011014-0, Swift: ABKLCY2N  
IBAN No: CY75 0090 0206 0002 0622 0011 0140

- ii.  Πληρωμή με PayPal μέσω διαδικτύου [www.birdlifecyprus.org](http://www.birdlifecyprus.org)  
(Ημερομηνία της πληρωμής \_\_/\_\_/\_\_)

- iii.  Επιταγή σε ευρώ πληρωτέα στον Πτηνολογικό Σύνδεσμο Κύπρου

Πληρωτέο ποσό: € \_\_\_\_\_ Συνδρομή  
€ \_\_\_\_\_ Εισφορά  
€ \_\_\_\_\_ **Σύνολο**

Παρακαλώ αποστείλετε ταχυδρομικώς ή ηλεκτρονικά στον Πτηνολογικό Σύνδεσμο Κύπρου, Τ.Θ. 12026, 2340 Λευκωσία, Κύπρος ή [birdlifecyprus@birdlifecyprus.org.cy](mailto:birdlifecyprus@birdlifecyprus.org.cy)  
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