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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>

***The Monthly Checklist and Society News is compiled by John Stapley and Dave Walker. Articles and other news for inclusion should be sent to them by the 20th of the month.***

***The Systematic List is produced by Jane Stylianou and all records of sightings and any accompanying photographs for inclusion in the Systematic List should be sent to Jane by the 18th of the month at [janestvcy@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:janestvcy@yahoo.co.uk)***

***Any suggestions concerning subjects for future inclusion would be gratefully received.***

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Cover photograph: *Matt Smith found the first Cyprus Amur Falcon Falco amurensis at Anarita Park, Paphos on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2016. An obliging vagrant it was watched by local and visiting birders catching insects and feeding on them – usually returning to conveniently placed electricity wires to do so. It kept company with migrating Red-footed Falcons Falco vespertinus. Amur Falcon were once considered a sub-species of the Red-footed Falcon, but are now treated as a separate species. They differ in plumage and behaviour. The Cyprus male showed the white of its underwings in flight allowing easy comparison with the male Red-footed Falcons which lack this. A migratory species between its wintering grounds in South Africa and breeding range in East Asia it is said to migrate in large groups and often at high altitude, often in the company of small falcons – especially Lesser Kestrel Falco naumanni which also migrate through Anarita Park. Although Cyprus was off course for its return migration it has also turned up in the Faroe Islands, Italy and the UK. This photograph was taken by Ian Bloomer on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2016.*

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

**Spring 2016 – Winter 2016**

*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.*

### **August 2016**

**Saturday 20th August: Oroklini Marsh and Akhna Dam**

**PLEASE PRE BOOK WITH LEADER**

Leader: Chris Stavrou. Mobile: 99530213

Water birds and Waders.

Meet 8.30 am at Oroklini Marsh. Please note earlier start time.

**Saturday 27th August: Akrotiri Salt Lake**

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

Demoiselle Cranes and early autumn migrants.

Meet at 8.30 am, Sylvana Restaurant. Please note earlier start time.

### **September 2016**

**Saturday 3rd September: Cape Greko**

**PLEASE PRE BOOK WITH LEADER**

Leader: Martin Hellicar. Mobile: 99907893

Autumn migrants: Raptors and passerines.

Meet at 9.00 am, Kermia Beach Hotel turnoff.

**Friday, Saturday & Sunday 9th, 10th & 11th September: Akamas Weekend, including Latchi Boat Trip**

Joint Leaders: Melis Charalambides and Loria Phylakti.

An enjoyable, sociable, birding weekend to see seabirds and autumn migrants.

**Further details to follow. However please book in advance separately for accommodation and dinners with Melis Charalambides, Mobile: 99653205, or for the boat trip with Loria Phylakti, Mobile 99413383**

**Saturday 17th September: Paphos Lighthouse**

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

Autumn passerines and shore birds.

Meet 8.30 am, near beach cafe at CTO beach, west end of Paphos Lighthouse archaeological site. Please note earlier start time.

**Saturday 24th September: Akrotiri Peninsula**

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

Birds of prey, water birds & autumn passerines.

Meet at 9.00 am, Phassouri Reed-beds.

## **October 2016**

### **Sunday 2nd October: EuroBirdwatch Day**

**Athalassa Park, Nicosia.** 09:30 - 12:00, Leader: Martin Hellicar, Mobile: 99907893

**Akrotiri Peninsula, Limassol.** 09:00 - 12:00, Leader: Stavros Christodoulides, Mobile: 99425050

**Paphos Plain, Paphos.** 09:00 - 12:00, Leader: TBA

### **Friday 7th to Sunday 9th October: Karpasia Peninsula**

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

Autumn migrants, raptors and passerines.

Details will follow.

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

### **Saturday 15th October: Mandria, Asprokremmos Dam & Anarita Park**

Leader: Alan Crane. Mobile: 99276310

Late autumn migrants and winter visitors.

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

### **Saturday 22nd October: Larnaca Sewage Works**

#### **PLEASE PRE BOOK WITH LEADER**

Leader: Stavros Christodoulides. Mobile: 99425050

Early wintering gulls and waterfowl.

Meet at 9.00 am, dirt track leading to Larnaca Sewage Pool hide.

### **Sunday 23 October: Family Birdwatching Day at Athalassa Park**

Leaders: Elena Markitani / Martin Hellicar

Meet at 10.30 am, more details to follow

### **Saturday 29th October: Paphos Lighthouse**

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

Winter visiting passerines and shore birds.

Meet at 8.30 am, near beach cafe at CTO beach, west end of Paphos Lighthouse archaeological site.

## **November 2016**

### **Wednesday 9th November: Akrotiri Peninsula**

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

Waterbirds and winter visitors.

Meet at 9.00 am, car park adjacent to the new hide at Zakaki ponds off the road to Lady's Mile.

### **Sunday 13 November: Family Birdwatching Day at Oroklini Marsh**

Leaders: Elena Markitani / Martin Hellicar

Meet at 10.30 am, Oroklini Marsh, More details to follow

### **Saturday 19th November: Agios Sozomenos and Athalassa Park**

Leader: Martin Hellicar. Mobile: 99907893

Winter residents and visitors such as the regular, but fairly scarce, Finsch's Wheatear.

Meet at 9.00 am, Agios Sozomenos

### **Saturday 26th November: Troodos**

Leader: Stavros Christodoulides. Mobile: 99425050

Winter visitors and mountain endemics.

Meet at 9.00 am, Forestry Department Environment Centre next to Dolphin Restaurant.

### **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.

#### **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.

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

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## **CHANGES TO COMPILATION OF MONTHLY CHECKLIST**

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, interesting personal birding experiences and others that you feel fellow readers of the Checklist would enjoy. Please contact John Stapley [johnstapley8@gmail.com](mailto:johnstapley8@gmail.com) 26652223 or 99554561 or Dave Walker 99 915907 [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 – photographs taken in March should be sent by 18<sup>th</sup> April. Every effort is made to ensure that the work of as many contributors is used but inclusion cannot be guaranteed. Please send photographs in JPEG format where possible. Please send to [janestycy@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:janestycy@yahoo.co.uk). Telephone: 99558953

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## **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 Gazetteer 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, don't forget to make your records count by submitting your bird records to the BirdLifeCyprus 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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## FIELD MEETING REPORT - CAPE GRECO 16th APRIL 2016

*Stavros Christodoulides*

Even though it was early morning it already felt quite warm when eight members and friends met at 7.30 outside Kermia Beach Bungalow Hotel. This was the earlier of our two meeting times and once everyone was present, we set off for our first destination, Cape Greco Park.

At the Park, our first stop was the area of bushes on the left of the road leading to the antennas, just after the steep left turn and downhill. This is usually one of the most productive areas, with many rarities seen over the years including, recently, Brown-necked Raven (a Cyprus first) and White-crowned Wheatear! We stopped our cars and scanned the bushes which appeared rather quieter than usual. Nevertheless, after a short walk and a little perseverance we were rewarded with good views of the resident **Spectacled Warbler**, plenty of **Crested Lark**, a buzzing male **Cyprus Wheatear**, **Masked Shrike**, **Common Whitethroat**, **Whinchat** and **Common Redstart**.

Satisfied with our start we moved further down the road towards the antennas to another area of bushes that has been equally productive in recent weeks. On our way down we saw a very obliging **Black-eared Wheatear** which perched on some roadside scrub. There, we had a good selection of warblers including more Spectacled Warbler and Common Whitethroat together, giving us the opportunity to compare these two similar species. An unstreaked *Acrocephalus* had us scratching our heads for a while, but eventually showed well; it was a strangely out of place **Reed Warbler**. As we were watching it, it was joined by a **Sedge Warbler** another species usually associated with water! Nearby we had a couple of **Lesser Whitethroats**, both with a very pale sandy-brown back suggesting one of the Central Asian races.

It was past 9 am so we set off for the area of scrub opposite Gefyri tou Koraka, the small natural bridge that is one of the Park's main tourist attractions. The bushes here are often very good but not on this occasion as they seemed unusually quiet. After a few minutes, I set off towards Kermia again to make the second meeting time, while the others moved to the nearby Picnic area for rest and refreshments. At Kermia I met two more members and we set off to rejoin the others.

Arriving at the Picnic Site we were greeted by a territorial **Cyprus Warbler** which from a prominent perch just sea-side of the picnic area. Its song was barely audible above the cacophony of dozens of **House Sparrows** but we followed it for closer looks and found a couple of Whinchat, an **Ortolan Bunting**, a Common Redstart, a female **Pied Flycatcher** and a brilliant male **Collared Flycatcher**. Back at the picnic area we added **Woodchat Shrike** to our trip list.

After our refreshments we headed off towards the Cape Greco Caves. On the way there we saw a couple of **Northern Wheatear** while just past Gefyri tou Koraka we came across a male Pied Flycatcher. We stopped the car to get some good looks and compare it with the Collared Flycatcher we had seen only a few moments earlier. The bird was very cooperative giving great views of the dark collar and greyish black upperparts (compared to darker black in Collared and full white collar!). At the Caves there was little activity with only a few Whinchat, a Woodchat Shrike and a couple of **Greater Short-toed Lark**.

Our next stop was Agia Napa Sewage Works. There we reached the area underneath the large rock, parked our cars and walked in the two orchards under and at the side of the large rock. A male **Black-headed Bunting** was seen briefly but it disappeared into a thick bush never to be seen again. It was otherwise very quiet so we decided to head off again on to our last stop, the Agia Napa Football Fields. On the way there, still at the Sewage Works, we came upon a small flock of birds including a few black-and-white flycatchers (both Pied and Collared), a stunningly colourful and wonderfully confiding **Wood Warbler** and a few Lesser Whitethroat. Amongst the Flycatchers was a male brown-and-white Pied Flycatcher, a colour morph that is more unusual but very distinctive.

At Ayia Napa Football fields Alan Crane had a suspicious Thrush-like bird that may have been a Thrush Nightingale but unfortunately none of the rest of us managed to get on to the bird in time before it disappeared into the nearby bushes. A **White Wagtail**, another Pied Flycatcher and a Common Redstart were not much consolation on missing out on what would have been the bird of the trip.

Despite the disappointment of missing out on the possible Thrush Nightingale, the trip was once again a great success as we enjoyed some fine weather, managed to see a good selection of

species (22 in total) and got great looks of some birds that are often quite elusive. All in all, another enjoyable morning birding!

### **FIELD MEETING REPORT - KANNAVIU DAM & PAPHOS FOREST 7th MAY 2016**

*Dave and Jan Walker*

A total of 34 members and visitors met at the meeting point near Stroumpi where there were a number of **European Bee Eaters** feeding above; a **Red-rumped Swallow** was also seen.

Our convoy of 20 cars then started the drive to Paphos Forest, just past the village of Kannaviou. Once we had all parked up, 3 **Masked Shrike** were observed along with 4 **Turtle Dove**; better views of the Masked Shrike were to be had on our return to the cars after our walk around the forest. During the walk, many European Bee Eaters were feeding, **European Goldfinch** and **Common Chaffinch** were seen before we were alerted to a Buzzard (species) that some members of the party identified as a **Steppe Buzzard**. Moving on, **Cetti's Warbler** were heard and **Sardinian Warbler** seen. **Great Tit** were also seen before a number of **Eastern Olivaceous Warbler** were heard and when located we had lovely close views of one singing. A **Eurasian Hobby** and **Golden Oriole** were also seen along with **Cyprus Wheatear**, **Sardinian Warbler** and **House Sparrow**.

Moving onto the wall of Kannaviou Dam there was a lack of water birds except for one **Grey Heron**. In the surrounding area there were **Corn Bunting**. Despite extensive looking for a Black-headed Bunting one could not be seen. There were again Masked Shrike, Cyprus Wheatear, Sardinian and Cetti's Warbler. Other species seen were **Crested Lark**, **Common Linnet**, **Eurasian Magpie**, **Hooded Crow** and **Chukar Partridge**, a few **Zitting Cisticola** were flying around the fields making their distinctive 'Zit, Zit' sound; there were also a number of **Barn Swallow** feeding over the water.



*Monashilaka Picnic Site by Dave Walker*

As it was nearing lunch time we headed to the Monashilaka Picnic Site. Whilst having lunch European Bee Eaters were again overhead and Masked Shrike were feeding with us in the area. The first of two **Eurasian Hoopoe** was spotted, again Cyprus Wheatear, Common Chaffinch, European Goldfinch and Great Tit were present, while **Coal Tit** were also heard. Views of a **Eurasian Jay** were seen during a brief walk after lunch.

For those with stamina that could continue, a visit to Pano Panagia could not be resisted, to view the hundreds of **Common House Martin** that use the village yearly to nest and bring up their young. The participants were not disappointed to see close views of the Martins feeding their young only a few feet above our heads. A bonus driving into the village from the picnic site that was seen by some was **Sand Martins** feeding with other Common House Martins. There were also a number of **Common Swift** feeding with Barn Swallow, an eagle-eyed member thought there were some **Pallid Swift** amongst the Common and further sightings confirmed this along with photos.

A total of 31 species were observed.

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## **FIELD MEETING REPORT - AKROTIRI PENINSULA 14th MAY 2016**

*By June Neal*

Starting the morning at Akrotiri Marsh (Phasouri Reed-beds) it was good to see up to a dozen **Squacco Heron** on the marsh. With more cattle feeding on the water meadows and areas where the reeds had been removed there seemed to be more of this species present in May than in recent years. Around nine **Glossy Ibis** put in appearances, some feeding and others in flight. Two female **Western Marsh Harrier** hunted over the newly grown reed-beds after the fire started by unknown persons at the end of March. In the reeds a couple of **Eurasian Reed Warbler** were spotted with more heard than seen, plus unseen singing **Sedge Warbler**. As usual, several calling **Cetti's Warbler** were heard, as were two or more **Black Francolin** (one having been seen earlier on the track). A singing male **Eurasian Golden Oriole** was heard a few times from the orchards beyond the road but was not seen.

Overhead **Zitting Cisticola** called and over 100 **Barn Swallow**, some **Common Swift** and **Common House Martin** fed and distant views of a probable **European Honey Buzzard** had us waiting for it to fly over us but it circled away to probably follow the coast on its migration route. At least five **Kestrel** soared high above in the very dusty atmosphere and reduced visibility and were probably **Common Kestrel**.

Moving on to Bishop's Pool our group of 18 were treated to good views of a male **Garganey**, many **Little Grebe** in summer breeding plumage, seven **Ferruginous Duck** including one that looked as though it was on a nest, four **Black-winged Stilt** and a solitary **Wood Sandpiper**. A **Squacco Heron** flew in and vanished into the reeds on the far shore, appearing again later to fly into the tree line. Amongst the reeds **Moorhen**, **Coot** and a pair of **Mallard** could be seen. Singing **Sardinian and Eastern Olivaceous Warbler** and calling **Cetti's Warbler** were heard around the hide. A **Spotted Flycatcher** fed around the tall eucalyptus tree and a few **Turtle Dove** and **Rock Dove** flew over the pool with some of the latter landing around the edges of the pool to drink and preen. Many **Barn Swallows** descended to drink in the pool but we could not identify any **Red-rumped Swallows** amongst them. As we had a coffee break 16+ **European Bee-eater** flew over calling, a **Garden Warbler** sang in the olive grove; at least two calling **Black Francolin** were heard in the fields and two **Eleonora's Falcon** hunted overhead. On leaving the area one **European Roller** flew over the track a couple of times.

Lady's Mile was quiet with just a handful of **Little Stint**, **Kentish Plover** and a lone **Dunlin**. Zakaki Pool was hidden by the high growth of reeds although two **Little Egret**, two **Glossy Ibis** a **Little Bittern** and a **Squacco Heron** were seen. More hirundines came down to drink including a couple of **Sand** and **House Martin**. One adult **Coot** had 3 juveniles feeding on the pool. More **Black Francolin**, **Cetti's** and **Reed Warblers** were heard with just a couple of the latter seen in flight.

The run-off from Zakaki Pool into the Salt Lake was visited but the water on the seaward side had evaporated and reaching the edge of the salt lake was difficult, so we could only view the many waders from a distance. Given the dusty atmosphere, the heat haze and the distance we were only certain of the 25+ Kentish Plover and possible Dunlin. A low, over-flying Eleonora's Falcon was a bonus.

Akrotiri Gravel Pits was an area few of the party knew so we took the most direct route across, after stopping for lunch at Agios Georgios' Church garden where a Spotted Flycatcher also enjoyed its lunch. En route several Sardinian Warblers were heard or seen singing, three **Red-backed Shrike** were seen and a one-footed **Ruff** was photographed by one member of the group. Kensington Cliffs was the last stop of the day where two **European Shag** were sat on the Zapalo cliff's rocks plus seven or more Little Egret. At least a dozen Eleonora's Falcon delighted us with their amazing flight displays and a pair (of possible) **Lesser Kestrel** appeared on the cliff edge briefly. Eight **Yellow-legged Gull** flew past heading west and eight or more **Alpine Swift** flew low over our heads with Barn Swallows and House Martins. As we returned to the cars seven **Eurasian Griffon Vultures** flew in from the west coming low over the hillside, making a fine end to a very interesting day, despite the strange weather conditions. 53 species (including the 'probables') were seen and I thank everyone who took part in the final field meeting of the season.

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## CYPRUS BIRD REPORT 2014

# Cyprus Bird Report 2014



The Cyprus Bird Report 2014 is now available.

The report contains 38 colour photos, the 2014 Systematic List of 295 observed species or recognised forms which was compiled from nearly 74,000 records, the 2014 Ringing report, papers on the first Striated Heron in Cyprus, the first breeding records of Eurasian Hobby in the Paphos area, the BirdLife Cyprus 2014 monitoring programmes, the status of the Laughing Dove in Cyprus, Chiffchaffs at Lower Ezousas in November 2014 and migrants at inland sites in Western Paphos. The Report includes species charts and tables and a full Cyprus bird List. The front cover features the first Striated Heron in Cyprus found at Zakaki Marsh in October 2014.

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BIRD PHOTO QUIZ  
*Stavros Christodoulides*

**PHOTO # 39**



Last Month's Quiz answer

April's mystery bird is a passerine that shows greyish upperparts, a black tail, dark face and submoustachial stripe and white eye-brow. Although the throat area is shaded, it appears to show a white-throat with some orange below it in the upper breast area. The angle is a bit tricky but these characteristics are unique to one species, male **White-throated Robin**, one of our most sought after late spring passerine migrants.

White-throated Robin males can only be confused for male Restarts but the black tail, white throat and larger size should easily set them apart. Their shape and behaviour are also more Nightingale like, often seen on the ground with their tail cocked. Female birds are mostly greyish with pale underparts and orange flanks. The tail is again black and is a good identification pointer, setting them apart from often similar plumaged female Common Redstarts.

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### **APRIL'S RARITIES**

*Photographs by Dave Walker, Dave Nye, Karl Proctor, Ian Bloomer,  
Lynne Dziewulski and John East*

Four birds stole the show this April – a Bar-tailed Lark at Akrotiri Gravel Pits at the start of the month, then a ‘Turkestan’ Shrike at Mandria, a Hooded Wheatear found at Timi Beach by Pete Nickless and finally the first Amur Falcon in Cyprus at Anarita Park found by Matt Smith. All the birds were well photographed and some of the photographers sent their photos in to BirdLife Cyprus for use here.



*Bar-tailed Lark, Akrotiri Gravel Pits. Photograph by Karl Proctor, taken 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2016*



*“Turkestan” Shrike, Mandria. Photograph by Dave Walker, taken 9<sup>th</sup> April 2016*



*"Turkestan" Shrike, Mandria. Photograph by Karl Proctor, taken 9<sup>th</sup> April 2016*



*Hooded Wheatear, Timi Beach. Photograph by Dave Nye, taken 10<sup>th</sup> April 2016.*





*Hooded Wheatear, Timi Beach. Photographed by Dave Walker, 10<sup>th</sup> April 2016*



*Amur Falcon, Anarita Park. Photographed by Ian Bloomer, 29<sup>th</sup> April 2016*



*Amur Falcon, Anarita Park. Photographed by John East, 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2016*



Lynne Dziewulski

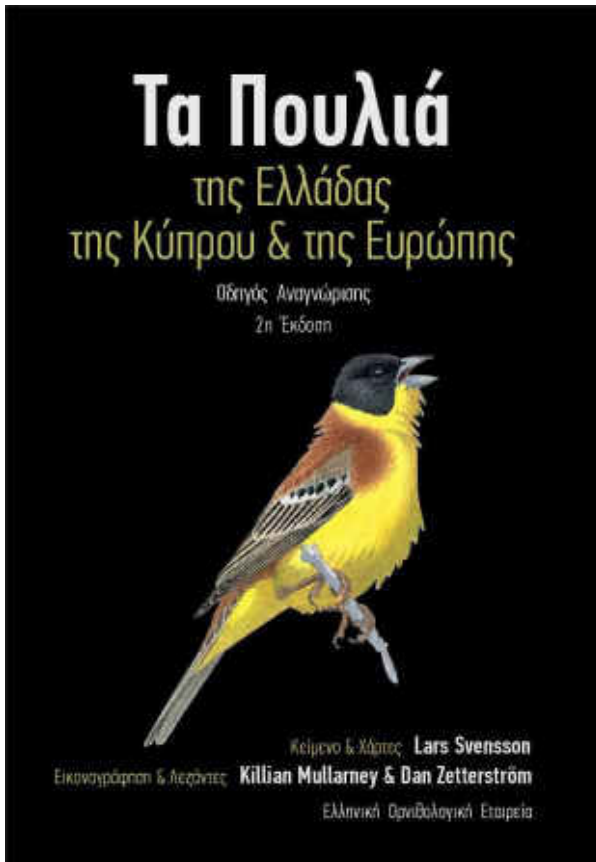
*Amur Falcon, Anarita Park. Photographed by Lynne Dziewulski on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2016*



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## SYSTEMATIC LIST FOR APRIL 2016

Jane Stylianou

7968 records received

231 species and forms recorded in April 2016, compared to 236 in April 2015.

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

The following species were also regularly reported during April: Little Grebe, Grey Heron, Mallard, Northern Shoveler, Western Marsh Harrier, Common Buzzard, Common Kestrel – 152 records, Chukar, Black Francolin, Common Moorhen, Eurasian Coot, Kentish Plover, Spur-winged Lapwing, Little Stint, Ruff, Common Redshank, Common Greenshank, Green Sandpiper, Wood Sandpiper, Common Sandpiper, Yellow-legged Gull, Rock Dove, Common Woodpigeon, Eurasian Collared Dove, Eurasian Scops Owl, Little Owl, Common Swift, Eurasian Hoopoe – 141 records, Crested Lark, Barn Swallow – 192 records, Common House Martin, White Wagtail, Whinchat – 104 records, Northern Wheatear – 136 records, Cyprus Wheatear – 162 records, Cetti's Warbler – 138 records, Zitting Cisticola – 120 records, Spectacled Warbler, Sardinian Warbler – 183 records, Cyprus Warbler, Lesser Whitethroat, Common Whitethroat, Eurasian Blackcap, Great Tit, Eurasian Magpie, Western Jackdaw, Hooded Crow, House Sparrow – 123 records, Spanish Sparrow, European Greenfinch – 143 records, European Goldfinch – 120 records, Common Linnet, Corn Bunting

### **GREAT CORMORANT** *Phalacrocorax*

*carbo* Κορμυρόνογος

Akrotiri Salt Lake 6 4-Apr AGr

Avagas Coast 100 flying north 5-Apr

DJW

Kannaviou Dam 2 16-Apr DJW

Karpaia peninsula south-coast 1 2-Apr

MH

Mandria 11 8-Apr IKB

Mandria 7 migrating over 15-Apr SAP

Phinikas 2 14-Apr DJW

Pomos 1 flying to E 6-Apr RH

### **EUROPEAN SHAG** *Phalacrocorax*

*aristotelis* Θαλασσοκόρακας

Max count per location:

Akrotiri 5 10-Apr AGr

Cape Drepanum 1 3-Apr IKB

Karpaisa Peninsula south-coast 2 2-Apr

MH

Kensington Cliffs 6 13-Apr GSpr

Kionas Island 2 26-Apr AGr

Kouklia, Paphos 1 29-Apr FGe

Mandria 5 10 & 13-Apr LAC

Petra tou Romiou 4 30-Apr AGr

Timi Beach 1 5, 10 & 15-Apr IKB/DJW/JS

### **LITTLE BITTERN** *Ixobrychus minutus*

Ναυρωδιός

Agia Varvara 1 3 & 5-Apr

MJH/JS/BHu/MS

Akhna Dam 1 16-Apr BB

Episkopi Weir north 1 14-Apr AMcA

Frenaros 3 9-Apr AKe

Kamareos Larnaca Salt Lake 2 M,F 23-Apr

FGe

Polis Reedbeds 1 19-Apr UKRT

Zakaki Marsh 1 male 2, 5 & 15-Apr

WAS/PDw/AGr

### **BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON**

*Nycticorax nycticorax* Νυχτοκόρακας



Black-crowned Night Heron, Tzelefos Bridge, 29<sup>th</sup> April. Photograph by Jane Stylianou.

Largest counts:

Agia Paraskevi Pond, Agia Napa 11 5-Apr

LV

Bishop's Pool 10 15-Apr AGr

Lady's Mile 15 7-Apr AGr

Paphos 11 Over Dionysos Hotel 21-Apr

SJH

Pissouri headland east 26 circling o/head

6-Apr AMcA

**SQUACCO HERON** *Ardeola ralloides*

Βορτακοφάς



*Squacco Heron, Zakaki, 13<sup>th</sup> April. Photograph by Raija Howard.*

Largest counts:

Agia Varvara 5 30-Apr JS

Mandria 5 17 &amp; 18-Apr SAP/IKB

Paphos Harbour c25 on rocks in harbour in early evening 22-Apr JS/SAP

Phassouri Reed Beds 7+ 25-Apr AGR

**CATTLE EGRET** *Bubulcus ibis* Γελαδάρης

Largest counts:

Fresh Water Lake (South) 300 3 &amp; 8-Apr

MH/CC/MC/ BC trip

Oroklini Marsh c360 18-Apr LAC

**LITTLE EGRET** *Egretta garzetta* Χιονάτη

Largest counts:

Akhna Dam 20 8-Apr AKe

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 27 5-Apr AGR

Evretou Dam 20+ 15-Apr DB et al

Mandria 50 migrating to E 21-Apr JN

Meneou Pool 34 10-Apr FGe

Oroklini Coast c25 22-Apr BB

Paphos Headland 28 5-Apr KH

**GREAT EGRET** *Ardea alba* Χανούμισσα

Agios Tychonas 2 migrating to E together along shore line from W 9-Apr JN

Akrotiri Salt Lake 2 15-Apr AGR

Cape Drepanum 2 migrating N 24-Apr SJH

Headland South of Paphos 4 8-Apr SW  
Larnaca Airport Coast 21 Heading E along coast 7-Apr JS

Mandria 1 migrating 9-Apr WAS/PDw

Paphos Headland 12 Heading N over

Paphos Headland 11-Apr SAP

Paphos Lighthouse 3 Over heading NW 15-Apr JS

Phassouri Reed Beds 15 came from Salt Lake direction and migrated N at 6.45 am 25-Apr AGR

**PURPLE HERON** *Ardea purpurea*

Πορφυρομαροφάς

Largest counts:

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 66 Flocks of 30+, 14, 12, 4, 3, 2, 1 5-Apr AGR

Asprokremnos Dam 70 Heading N over

area 5-Apr JS/BHu/MS

Mandria 70+ 5-Apr LAC

Timi Beach 55 5-Apr IKB

**BLACK STORK** *Ciconia nigra* Μαύρος

Πελαργός

Lady's Mile 1 Overflying 21-Apr WAS

Timi 1 Seen flying from Timi towards Agia

Varvara 6-Apr CDL

**GLOSSY IBIS** *Plegadis falcinellus*

Χαλκόκοτα



*Glossy Ibis, Phassouri Reed-beds, 12<sup>th</sup> April. Photograph by John East.*

Largest counts:

Akrotiri Salt Lake 102 in off sea in one

flock 15-Apr AGR

Cape Drepanum c100 heading W 9.30 am 6-Apr MJH

Mandria 100+ 10 &amp; 21-Apr DB et al/JN

Paphos Headland 100 Over heading NW

15-Apr JS

Phassouri Reed Beds 157 6.40 to 9.30 am.

Many small flocks using marsh but bigger flocks of 30, 49 and 57 migrating along coast 25-Apr AGR

**EURASIAN SPOONBILL** *Platalea**leucorodia* Κουταλάς

Lady's Mile 1 in off sea pm 25-Apr AGR

Oroklini Marsh 2 17-Apr LAC

Phassouri Reed Beds 27 Migrating N from the Salt Lake 13-Apr AGR

**GREATER FLAMINGO** *Phoenicopterus**roseus* Φλαμίνγκο

Largest counts:

Akrotiri Salt Lake 129 17-Apr AGR

Clapsides Pool 31 8-Apr CC/MC/ BC trip  
Lady's Mile 73 Three on Lady's Mile and a  
flock of around 70 flying along shore 15-  
Apr JS  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 21 Migrating along  
coast, later seen arriving at Salt Lake 17-  
Apr AGR  
Meneou Pool 54 16-Apr JS

**EGYPTIAN GOOSE** *Alopochen aegyptiaca*  
Αλωπόσινα  
Tamassos Dam 1 Photographed from very  
close and described as very tame. Probable  
escape – to be followed up. Fishermen at  
Dam said also present on 22<sup>nd</sup> 23-Apr  
GSty per FGe

**RUDDY SHELDUCK** *Tadorna ferruginea*  
Καστανόπατια  
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 4, 7, 13, 16, 20  
& 28-Apr JS/BHu/MS/KH/DB/SAP/STI

**EURASIAN WIGEON** *Anas penelope*  
Αρμαπάσσης  
Oroklini Marsh 1 Male 4, 8 & 13-Apr  
JS/BHu/MS/WAS/PDw

**EURASIAN TEAL** *Anas crecca* Σαρσέλλι  
Largest counts:  
Clapsides Pool 10 8-Apr CC/MC/ BC trip  
Fresh Water Lakes 11 3-Apr MH  
Germasogeia Dam 25 5-Apr WAS/PDw  
Kouklia Dam 40 8-Apr CC/MC/ BC trip  
Larnaca Sewage works 8 14-Apr  
WAS/PDw  
Oroklini Marsh 10 4-Apr JS/BHu/MS

**NORTHERN PINTAIL** *Anas acuta*  
Σουβλονούρα  
Lady's Mile 16 N along coast 14.12 (seen  
on salt lake in evening) 22-Apr AGR  
Larnaca Sewage Works 3 1m and 2f 7-  
Apr KH  
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 f 14-Apr  
WAS/PDw  
Larnaca Sewage Works 2 male 27-Apr  
BB  
Larnaca Sewage Works 4 28-Apr JS  
Mandria 17 Heading W. Prob same as  
seen later at Akrotiri 22-Apr JS/SAP  
Oroklini Marsh 2 1m and 1f 20, 27 & 28-  
Apr SAP/STI/JS

**GARGANEY** *Anas querquedula*  
Μασουρατζής  
Agia Varvara 1 m 22-Apr LAC

Agia Varvara 1 22-Apr JS  
Asprokremos Dam 5 9-Apr DJW  
Clapsides Pool 2 8-Apr CC/MC/ BC trip  
Germasogeia Dam 1 male 5-Apr  
WAS/PDw  
Larnaca Sewage Works 2 m 27-Apr BB  
Larnaca Sewage Works 3 2m and 1f 28-  
Apr JS  
Mandria 20 offshore 5-Apr JS/BHu/MS  
Oroklini Marsh 1 Male 4-Apr JS/BHu/MS  
Oroklini Marsh 6+ 13-Apr DB et al  
Oroklini Marsh 1 f 15-Apr LAC  
Oroklini Marsh 2 1m and 1f 19-Apr JS  
Phasouri Reed Beds 2 5-Apr AGR  
Zakaki Marsh 1 Female 10-Apr JS

**RED-CRESTED POCHARD** *Netta rufina*  
Κοτσιηνοτζιέφαλη  
Oroklini Marsh 2 pair 24 & 26-Apr STI/JS  
Zakaki Marsh 1 female seen swimming  
twice from left hand channel towards island  
5-Apr WAS/PDw

**FERRUGINOUS DUCK** *Aythya nyroca*  
Βαλτόπατια



*Ferruginous Duck, Zakaki Marsh, 11<sup>th</sup> April.  
Photograph by Dave Nye.*

Max count per location:  
Athalassa Dam 3 2 male, 1 female 26-Apr  
SC  
Bishop's Pool 18 9-Apr FMO  
Fresh Water Lakes 2 3-Apr MH  
Germasogeia Dam 2 5-Apr WAS/PDw  
Larnaca Sewage Works 5+ 13-Apr DB et  
al  
Oroklini Marsh 1 24 & 26-Apr STI/JS  
Phasouri Reed-beds 7 29-Apr AGR  
Zakaki Marsh 6 10, 11 & 13-Apr  
JS/DB/WAS/PDw

**EUROPEAN HONEY BUZZARD** *Pernis  
apivorus* Μελισσοσιάχινο  
Agios Minas area, Smygies 1 dark phase  
15-Apr DB et al  
Asprokremmos Dam 1 10-Apr DB et al

Bishop's Pool 2 11-Apr DB et al  
Evretou Dam 1 15-Apr DB et al  
Karpasia Peninsula 3 Koca Reis hotel to  
Cape Andreas tip 9-Apr CC/MC/ BC trip

**EURASIAN GRIFFON VULTURE** *Gyps fulvus* Γύπας



*Eurasian Griffon Vulture, Kensington Cliffs, 13<sup>th</sup> April. Photograph by Dave Walker.*

Kensington Cliffs 8 all in the air together about 3 pm on western side of bay 1-Apr MGr

Kensington Cliffs 2 9 & 21-Apr WAS/PDw/HSt/SAP

Kensington Cliffs 11 11-Apr MJH

Kensington Cliffs 3 13-Apr DJW

Kensington Cliffs 8 14-Apr JS

Kensington Cliffs 9 20-Apr SJH

Kensington Cliffs 4 28-Apr LAC

Limnatis 6 13-Apr MC

Salamiou 1 25-Apr AMcA

Troodos 3 seen from Troodos car park 14-Apr DB et al

**PALLID HARRIER** *Circus macrourus*

Ασπροσιάχινο

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 male 9-Apr FMo

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 female type 10-Apr

SC with L Sergides

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 subadult male 1-Apr

SC with L Sergides

Anarita Park 1 4, 13, 15, 18, 25, 27 & 30-Apr

HSt/SAP/JS/PCu/JE/JN

Anarita Park 3 19-Apr SAP

Anarita Park 2 22-Apr LAC

Cape Greco 3 9-Apr PT

Cape Greco 2 11-Apr PT

Karpasia Peninsula 14 Koca Reis hotel to

Cape Andreas tip 9-Apr CC/MC/ BC trip

Kiti Dam 1 F 10-Apr FGe

Kivisili 4 13-Apr MC

Lady's Mile 1 male 2-Apr TR

Paphos Sewage Plant 1 male 13-Apr

LAC

Pentadactylos 1 male 8-Apr AGr

Peyeia coast 1 male 2-Apr ABW

Phasouri Reed Beds 1+ ring tail 22-Apr AGr

Zakaki Marsh 1 male 7 & 9-Apr FMo

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



*Montagu's Harrier, Anarita Park, 27<sup>th</sup> April. Photograph by Ian Bloomer.*

Anarita Park 3 12 & 30-Apr SAP/RAt

Anarita Park 1 13, 17, 22 & 27-Apr

SAP/LAC/IKB

Anarita Park 2 14, 15, 18, 19, 28 & 29-Apr

LAC/JS/IKB/SAP/SC/LS/ABW

Avdimou 3+ females in off sea 15-Apr

DB et al

Karpasia Peninsula 4 Koca Reis hotel to

Cape Andreas tip 9-Apr CC/MC/ BC trip

Kivisili 10 13-Apr MC

Kivisili 1 Male 16-Apr JS

Kivisili 2 Females 28-Apr JS

Mandria 1 ring tail in off sea 4pm 8-Apr

MJH

Pano Arothes 1 Ringtail 6-Apr IKB

Phasouri Reed Beds 1 5 & 7-Apr AGr

Stavrokonnou 1 male in flight 15-Apr JN

*Ring-tailed Harrier spp*

Lady's Mile 1 ring tail 27-Apr TR

Zakaki Marsh 1 prob female Hen Harrier

11-Apr DB et al

**NORTHERN GOSHAWK** *Accipiter gentilis*

Διπλοσιάχινο

Anadiou 1 17-Apr DJW

Anarita Park 1 8-Apr PNI

Evretou Dam 1 6-Apr HSt

Tala 1 7-Apr DJW

Troodos 1 28-Apr AGr

**EURASIAN SPARROWHAWK** *Accipiter nisus* Ξεφτέρι

Ξεφτέρι

Aigios Minas 1 2-Apr DG

Akamas Peninsula 1 10 & 19-Apr SW/LV

Anarita Park 1 5-Apr JS/BHu/MS



Androlikou 1 5-Apr DG  
Kale Vounari Park, Limassol 1 8-Apr MGr  
Karpasia Peninsula 1 3-Apr MH/KH  
Karpasia Peninsula 4 Koca Reis hotel to  
Cape Andreas tip 9-Apr CC/MC/ BC trip  
Kouklia, Paphos 1 12-Apr LAC

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

*Στεππογερακίνα*

Achelia 1 12-Apr GSpr  
Aigios Minas 4 plus 14 distant 'buzzard'  
like raptors on a thermal 2-Apr DG  
Androlikou 10 thermalling together and  
migrating to N 23-Apr JN/DJW/JS  
Aspro Pools 1 10-Apr GSpr  
Mavrokolymbos Dam 1 15-Apr GSpr  
Phasouri Reed-beds 1 17-Apr WAS/PDw  
Smygies 16 Seen gaining height over Neo  
Chorio. Probably this species 2-Apr JS  
Smygies 1 19-Apr DJW

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

*Διπλογέρακο*

Singles reported at several locations.  
Records of 2+ birds below:  
Agia Varvara 2 18-Apr JS  
Agios Minas, Smygies area 2 15-Apr DB  
et al  
Anarita Park 2 15 & 30-Apr DB et al/JN  
Asprokremmos Dam 2 20-Apr LAC  
Evretou Dam shallow end 3 18-Apr AMCa  
Frenaros 3 (pair & chick) 16 & 18-Apr  
AKe  
Lysos, towards Pelathousa 3 obviously 2  
neighbouring territories 4-Apr RH  
Omodhos to Agios Nikolaos road vineyard  
area 3 in flight together towards Omodos  
24-Apr JN  
Peristerona, Paphos 2 1 & 4-Apr HSt/DG  
Polemi 2 4-Apr RH  
Smygies 3 2-Apr JS  
Tsada Golf Course Track/Minthis Hills 2  
18-Apr JS

**BOOTED EAGLE** *Aquila pennata*

*Γερακαετός*

Cape Greco 1 9-Apr LV

**BONELLI'S EAGLE** *Aquila fasciatus*

*Σπιζαιετός – Περτικοσιάχινο*



*Bonelli's Eagle, Arodes, 4<sup>th</sup> April. Photograph by Ian Bloomer.*

Akrounta Creek, Gemasogeia Dam 2 12-  
Apr WAS/PDw  
Anarita Mast 2 4-Apr IKB  
Anarita Park 2 4 & 18-Apr IKB/LV  
Anarita Park 1 7 & 12-Apr WAS/PDw/PNi  
Androlikou 2 1 adult, 1 Immature, probably  
same as seen Droushia 24-Apr DJW  
Arodhes 2 1 & 24-Apr DJW  
Arodhes 1 11-Apr JS  
Arodhes 4 19-Apr DJW  
Drouseia 2 1 adult, 1 immature 24-Apr  
DJW  
Evretou Dam 1 adult 14-Apr GSpr  
Finikaria 1 juv 8-Apr ADT  
Gemasogeia Dam 1 1 adult in flight 2-  
Apr JN  
Karpasia Peninsula 1 Koca Reis hotel to  
Cape Andreas tip 9-Apr CC/MC/ BC trip  
Karpaais peninsula south-coast 3 1 ad & 2  
young 2-Apr MH/KH  
Kouklia, Paphos 1 30-Apr LAC  
Lady's Mile 2 13-Apr GSpr  
Nata 1 Bird seen flying top of Nata valley  
14-Apr SAP  
Panagias Stazousa 1 Adult 4-Apr  
JS/BHu/MS  
Tremithousa 1 15-Apr LDz

**OSPREY** *Pandion haliaetus* *Ψαραετός*

Asprokremnos Dam 1 Flew up from side  
of dam near wall and headed N 22-Apr JS  
Evretou Dam shallow end 1 28-Apr AMCa  
Pentadactylos 1 8-Apr AGR

**LESSER KESTREL** *Falco naumanni*

*Κιρκινέζι*

Max count per location:

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 14-Apr JS  
Anarita Park 25 22-Apr JS  
Androlikou 1 21-Apr LDz

Aspro Pools 2 10-Apr GSpr  
 Avagas Gorge 1 Male with lizard 10-Apr  
 GSpr  
 Cape Greco 3 2m and 1f 9-Apr KH  
 Karpasia Peninsula 4 Koca Reis hotel to  
 Cape Andreas tip 9-Apr CC/MC/ BC trip  
 Kivisili 25 16-Apr JS  
 Mandria 1 male 7-Apr WAS/PDw  
 Phassouri Reed Beds 1 29-Apr JS  
 Pissouri 4 9-Apr DB et al

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



*Red-footed Falcons, Anarita Park, 28<sup>th</sup> April.*  
 Photograph by Ian Bloomer.

Anarita Park 2 1 male, 1 female 26-Apr  
 IKB  
 Anarita Park 5 27-Apr JE  
 Anarita Park 10 6F, 4M 28-Apr IKB  
 Anarita Park 9+ 6m and 3f 29-Apr LAC  
 Anarita Park 12 at least - 7 males and 5  
 females 30-Apr JN  
 Spiros Pool 3 Three flying near army  
 holiday area. Battling low against strong  
 wind and heading inland. 06.15am 12-Apr  
 JS

**AMUR FALCON** *Falco amurensis* Ασιατικό  
 Μαυροκιρκίνεζο



*Amur Falcon, Anarita Park, 29<sup>th</sup> April.*  
 Photograph by Ian Bloomer.

Anarita Park 1 Male 28, 29 & 30-Apr  
 MSS/FGe/JS/SC/LS/ABW/JE/LAC/IKB/RAT  
 (First record for Cyprus. Rare Bird Form  
 submitted)

**MERLIN** *Falco columbarius* Νανοπόδαλο  
 Cape Greco 1 f 13-Apr BB  
 Phasouri Reed Beds 1 20-Apr AGr

**EURASIAN HOBBY** *Falco subbuteo*  
 Δεντροπόδαλο

Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 Sitting in a  
 conifer 13-Apr JS  
 Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 22-Apr TRE  
 Androlίκου 1 23-Apr JN/DJW/JS  
 Bishop's Pool 1 11-Apr DB et al  
 Cape Greco 1 9-Apr KH  
 Drouseia 1 24-Apr DJW  
 Kamares (Tala) 1 6-Apr DJW  
 Karpasia peninsula, north coast 1 2-Apr  
 MH/KH  
 Smygies, Paphos 1 11-Apr JS  
 Timi village area 1 hunting 30-Apr JN

**ELEONORA'S FALCON** *Falco eleonora*  
 Μαυρομμάτης

Earliest reports and largest counts:  
 Asprokremmos Dam 1 10-Apr DB et al  
 Kensington Cliffs 1 11-Apr GSpr  
 Kensington Cliffs 5 21 & 28-Apr SAP/LAC  
 Petra tou Romiou 1 A dark morph bird  
 sitting in a tree! 12-Apr JS  
 Petra tou Romiou 4 30-Apr JS  
 Zapalo Bay 2 roosting on ledges in cliff -  
 checking nesting sites?? 1-Apr MGR

**PEREGRINE FALCON** *Falco peregrinus*  
 Ζάνος

Akrotiri 2 inside RAF base. One with dead  
 quail 10-Apr AGr  
 Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 4-Apr AGr  
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 2 pair 11-Apr KH  
 Anarita Park 1 7-Apr WAS/PDw  
 Aphrodite Hills 1 on rocks on coast rock  
 near golf course 21-Apr SAP  
 Asprokremnos Dam 1 5-Apr JS/BHu/MS  
 Avdimou 1 15-Apr DB et al  
 Cape Greco 1 13 & 23-Apr JS/BB/SC  
 Episkopi Paphos 1 3, 6 & 9-Apr RH/HST  
 Karpasia Peninsula 2 9-Apr CC/MC/ BC  
 trip  
 Karpasia peninsula south-coast 1 2-Apr  
 MH/KH  
 Karpasia peninsula, north coast 1 3-Apr  
 MH/KH  
 Kensington Cliffs 2 11-Apr MJH

Kensington Cliffs 1 13, 14, 15 & 28-Apr  
 GSpr/JS/WAS/PDw/LAC  
 Kouklia, Paphos 1 12-Apr LAC  
 Lady's Mile 1 7 & 11-Apr KH/DB et al  
 Peristerona, Paphos 1 1-Apr HST  
 Petra tou Romiou 1 18 & 22-Apr JS  
 Phasouri Reed Beds 1 Flew over 20-Apr  
 SJH  
 Smygies, Paphos 1 19-Apr DJW

**COMMON QUAIL** *Coturnix coturnix* Ορτύκι

Achelia Reed Beds 2 20-Apr SJH  
 Akrotiri 2 inside RAF base 10-Apr AGR  
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 2 flushed 15-Apr AGR  
 Amathus Archaeological Site 1 17-Apr  
 WAS/PDw  
 Anarita Mast 1 seen 14-Apr DJW  
 Cape Greco 1 Seen flying in off sea and  
 headed straight into undergrowth 13-Apr  
 JS  
 Karpasia peninsula, north coast 2 2-Apr  
 MH  
 Kissonerga Beach, Paphos 1 12-Apr  
 GSpr  
 Kivisili 4 heard only 2-Apr FGe  
 Mandria 1 8 & 15-Apr IKB/JS  
 Melandra 1 singing 4-Apr RH  
 Polemi 1 singing 4-Apr RH  
 Tsadha Golf Club Track 1 Heard 6-Apr  
 JS/MPe

**WATER RAIL** *Rallus aquaticus*

Μαυροπουλάδα  
 Clapsides Pool 1 8-Apr CC/MC/ BC trip  
 Gerasoigeia Dam 1 5-Apr WAS/PDw  
 Partenitis Dam 1 16-Apr SC  
 Zakaki Marsh 2 2, 7, 12 & 13-Apr  
 RH/FMo/WAS/PDw  
 Zakaki Marsh 1 3, 4, 8, 11, 16, 17, 19, 23  
 & 29-Apr WAS/KH/DB/SAP/LV/LDz/JS  
 Zakaki Marsh 3 15-Apr AGR

**SPOTTED CRAKE** *Porzana porzana*

Στικτοπουλάδα

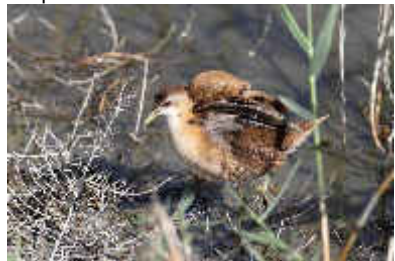


Spotted Crake, Zakaki Marsh, 17<sup>th</sup> April.  
 Photograph by Dave Nye.

Agia Varvara 1 female 3-Apr LAC/MJH  
 Evretou Dam 1 17-Apr UKRT  
 Gerasoigeia Dam 1 5, 10 & 29-Apr  
 WAS/PDw/JS/SCar  
 Paralimni Lake 1 2-Apr AKE  
 Phasouri Reed Beds 1 13-Apr AGR  
 Zakaki Marsh 1 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 16,  
 17, 19, 20 & 21-Apr  
 WAS/KH/JS/PDw/FMo/SAP/LDz  
 Zakaki Marsh 2 15-Apr KH/AGR

**LITTLE CRAKE** *Porzana parva*

Μικροπουλάδα



Little Crake, Zakaki Marsh, 17<sup>th</sup> April.  
 Photograph by Dave Nye.

Agia Varvara 1 f 10-Apr MJH  
 Zakaki Marsh 1 3, 9, 17, 19, 20, 21 & 26-  
 Apr WAS  
 Zakaki Marsh 2 4, 11, 12, 13, 16 & 23-Apr  
 WAS/DB/SC/APL/PDw/LDz  
 Zakaki Marsh 3 2m and 1f 6 & 8-Apr KH  
 Zakaki Marsh 3 2f and 1m 15-Apr KH

**BAILLON'S CRAKE** *Porzana pusilla*

Νανοπουλάδα



Baillon's Crake, Gerasoigeia Dam, 29<sup>th</sup> April.  
 Photograph by Steve Carey.

Gerasoigeia Dam 1 photographed 29-  
 Apr SCar  
 Phasouri Reed Beds 1 probable 20-Apr  
 AGR

**CORNCRAKE** *Crex crex* Ορτυκομάνα

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 Flushed 18-Apr AGR

### EURASIAN OYSTERCATCHER

*Haematopus ostralegus* Στρειδοφάγος  
Lady's Mile 4 c18.30pm 13-Apr BHu/MS  
Meneou Beach 2 photographed 29-Apr  
VTV

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



*Black-winged Stilt, Oroklini Marsh. Photograph by Agamemnon Loutsios*

Largest counts:

Akrotiri Salt Lake 183 15-Apr AGr  
Larnaca Sewage Works 76 7-Apr KH  
Oroklini Marsh c30 4, 13, 24, 26, 27 & 28-Apr JS/BHu/MS/STI

### EURASIAN STONE-CURLEW *Burhinus oediacnemus* Τρουλλουριά



*Eurasian Stone Curlew, Paphos Sewage Plant, 14<sup>th</sup> April. Photograph by Dave Walker.*

Largest counts:

Anarita Park 3 5-Apr JS/BHu/MS  
Frenaros 3 pairs 16 & 18-Apr AKe  
Larnaca Desalination Plant 3 20-Apr SAP  
Mandria 4 8-Apr IKB  
Paphos Sewage Plant 4 14-Apr DJW  
Spiros Pool 5 in scrub 14-Apr WAS/PDw

### COLLARED PRATINCOLE *Glareola pratincola* Νεροχελίδονο



*Collared Pratincole, Lady's Mile, 17<sup>th</sup> April. Photograph by Dave Nye.*

Akrotiri Salt Lake 13 in off sea 15-Apr AGr  
Lady's Mile 6 17-Apr WAS/PDw/DN  
Lady's Mile 1 21-Apr TRe  
Larnaca Airport Pools South PRESENT 9-Apr CDL  
Larnaca Sewage Works 2 20-Apr SAP  
Mandria 5 9-Apr LAC  
Mandria 1 10-Apr KH  
Mandria 3 migrating together to the E 21-Apr JN  
Mandria 1 24-Apr JE/LAC  
Spiros Pool 1 14 & 24-Apr WAS/PDw/BB  
Spiros Pool 3 18-Apr LAC

### BLACK-WINGED PRATINCOLE *Glareola nordmanni* Μαυρόφτερο Νεροχελίδονο

Spiros Pool 1 19-Apr LAC  
(Rare Bird Report requested)

### LITTLE RINGED PLOVER *Charadrius dubius* Λιμνοπλουμίδι

Max count per location and interesting reports:

Akhna Dam 5 20-Apr AKe  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 3 12-Apr AGr  
Evretou Dam 3 2-Apr JS  
Evretou Dam 2 Displaying 16 & 18-Apr DJW/AMcA/JS  
Lady's Mile 2 1, 11 & 27-Apr JE/DB/TRe  
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 13-Apr DB et al  
Leivadia 4 JUMBO drainage channel 13-Apr JS  
Meneou Pool 2 28-Apr JS  
Oroklini Marsh 1 13 & 15-Apr JS/DB/AGr  
Paralimni Lake 2 2-Apr AKe

### COMMON RINGED PLOVER *Charadrius hiaticula* Αμμοπλουμίδι

Lady's Mile 1 5, 6 & 7-Apr  
TRe/JS/MPe/KH

Lady's Mile Marshes 2 29-Apr SC with L  
Sergides  
Larnaca Salt Lake 6 24-Apr BB  
Spiros Pool 3 7-Apr JS  
Spiros Pool 1 16-Apr JS  
Spiros Pool 2 18-Apr LAC

**GREATER SAND PLOVER** *Charadrius leschenaultii* Βραχοπλουμιδι



*Greater Sand Plover, Lady's Mile, 23<sup>rd</sup> April.*  
*Photograph by Michael Gore.*

Lady's Mile 1 1-Apr FMO/SC  
Lady's Mile 2 23-Apr MG  
Mandria 2 seen and photographed on  
coast 23-Apr SAP  
Paphos Headland 1 photographed 12-  
Apr DB et al

**NORTHERN LAPWING** *Vanellus vanellus*  
Γιαννής  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 1, 3, 5, 7, 13, 18, 25  
& 26-Apr SC/LS/JE/MG/DJW/TRe

**RED KNOT** *Calidris canutus*  
Κοκκινονεραλλιδι  
Spiros Pool 1 in near breeding plumage  
10-Apr MGr

**SANDERLING** *Calidris alba*  
Λευκονεραλλιδι  
Lady's Mile 1 1 & 15-Apr FMO/SC/JS/KH  
Spiros Pool 1 27-Apr BB

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



*Temminck's Stint, Lady's Mile, 27<sup>th</sup> April.*  
*Photograph by Tony Reeves.*

Akhna Dam 4 28-Apr AKe  
Evretou Dam 1 Possibly two 18-Apr JS  
Evretou Dam 2 29-Apr RAT  
Lady's Mile 2 27-Apr TRe  
Larnaca Sewage works 1 13-Apr DB et al  
Leivadia 4 JUMBO drainage channel 4 &  
13-Apr JS/BHu/MS  
Leivadia 2 Drainage channel near JUMBO  
8 & 28-Apr WAS/PDw/JS  
Spiros Pool 1 14-Apr WAS/PDw

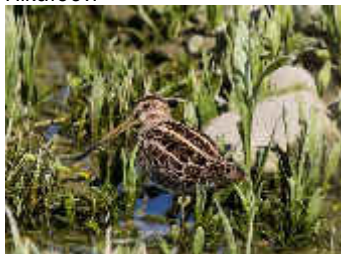
**CURLEW SANDPIPER** *Calidris ferruginea*  
Δρεπανονεραλλιδι  
Lady's Mile 2 11 & 17-Apr DB et  
al/WAS/PDw  
Ladies Mile 3 13 & 15-Apr  
ADT/JS/TRe/AGr  
Larnaca Salt Lake 3 24-Apr BB  
Spiros Pool 6 15-Apr LAC  
Spiros Pool 1 18-Apr LAC  
Spiros Pool 4 24-Apr BB

**DUNLIN** *Calidris alpina* Λασπονεραλλιδι  
Largest counts:  
Lady's Mile 10 3 & 10-Apr WAS/JS  
Spiros Pool 6 19-Apr LAC

**BROAD-BILLED SANDPIPER** *Limicola falcinellus* Ραβδονεραλλιδι  
Spiros Pool 2 19-Apr JS/LAC/WAS

**COMMON SNIPE** *Gallinago gallinago*

Πικατσόνι



Common Snipe, Agia Varvara, 29<sup>th</sup> April.  
Photograph by Jane Stylianou.

Largest counts and ringing record:

Agia Varvara 2 28 & 30-Apr IKB/JS  
Oroklini Marsh c5 24-Apr STI  
Phasouri Reed beds 2 20-Apr AGr  
Polis Reedbeds 1 14-Apr UKRT

**GREAT SNIPE** *Gallinago media*

Διπλοπικιάτσονο

Evretou Dam 1 14-Apr GSpr  
Lady's Mile 1 Photographed 21-Apr TRe  
Phasouri Reed beds 1 18 & 22-Apr AGr

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

Λιμόζα

Agia Varvara 1 25, 27 & 28-Apr LAC/IKB  
Akhna Dam 2 16-Apr BB  
Akhna Dam 1 28-Apr AKE  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 70+ Flying over  
(photographed) 22-Apr TRe  
Oroklini Marsh 1 4, 8, 18, 17, 18, 19, 20,  
24 & 28-Apr  
JS/BHu/MS/WAS/PDw/LAC/SAP/STI  
Oroklini Marsh 2 13 & 27-Apr DB et  
al/JS/STi  
Paphos Sewage Plant 1 23-Apr SJH  
Unusual location. Observer confirmed

**WHIMBREL** *Numenius phaeopus*

Φαιομπεκιάτσα

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 8-Apr AGr  
Mandria 1 17, 19 & 22-Apr SAP/SI  
Paphos Headland 1 12-Apr DB et al

**EURASIAN CURLEW** *Numenius arquata*

Νερομπεκιάτσα

Lady's Mile 1 15-Apr KH/AGr

**SPOTTED REDSHANK** *Tringa erythropus*

Μαυρονεραλλίδι



Spotted Redshank, Lady's Mile, 5<sup>th</sup> April.  
Photograph by Tony Reeves.

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 12 & 15-Apr  
TRe/AGr  
Aradippou Slurry Pits 1 near-breeding  
plumage 16-Apr SC  
Clapsides Pool 1 8-Apr CC/MC/ BC trip  
Lady's Mile 1 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 10, 15 & 20-Apr  
TRe/ADT/JS/MPe/KH/SAP  
Meneou Pool 1 7-Apr KH  
Spiros Pool 5 10-Apr MGR  
Spiros Pool 2 12-Apr JS  
Spiros Pool 1 19-Apr JS

**MARSH SANDPIPER** *Tringa stagnatilis*

Βαλτονεραλλίδι

Max count per location:

Agia Paraskevi Pond, Agia Napa 2 5-Apr  
LV  
Akhna Dam 2 14-Apr AKE  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 16-Apr AGr  
Kamarea Larnaca Salt Lake 1 23-Apr  
FGe  
Lady's Mile 4 21-Apr TRe  
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 13 & 16-Apr  
DB et al/JS  
Oroklini Marsh 2 24-Apr STI  
Spiros Pool 10 19-Apr LAC  
Zakaki Marsh 1 17-Apr WAS

**RUDDY TURNSTONE** *Arenaria interpres*

Χαλικονεραλλίδι

Paphos Headland 1 15-Apr GSpr

**RED-NECKED PHALAROPE** *Phalaropus*

Ερυθρόλαιμος Φαλαρόποδας

Larnaca Airport Pools South 1 9-Apr CDL

**ARCTIC SKUA** *Stercorarius parasiticus*

Γερακοληστόγλαρος

Paphos Headland 1 adult pale phase  
heading N at 9.20 am. Photographed 24-  
Apr SJH

**GREAT BLACK-HEADED GULL** *Larus**ichthyaetus* Αετόγλαρος

Spiros Pool 1 with 9 other gulls, probably michahellis and/or armenicus, but visibility not good enough for firm identification. 10-Apr FG

**COMMON BLACK-HEADED GULL** *Larus**ridibundus* Χωραφόγλαρος

Akrotiri Salt Lake 4 15-Apr AGr  
 Cape Drepanum 18 Migrating N 24-Apr SJH  
 Larnaca Sewage Works 2 4 & 17-Apr JS/BHu/MS/LAC  
 Larnaca Sewage Works 1 27 & 28-Apr BB/STi/JS  
 Zakaki Marsh 1 juvenile 2-Apr JN

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

Λεπτόραμφος Γλάρος

Akrotiri Salt Lake 35 probably this species 4-Apr AGr  
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 4 10-Apr AGr  
 Kermia Beach 12 8-Apr WAS/PDw  
 Lady's Mile 13 on sea 20-Apr AGr  
 Larnaca Airport Pools North 10 4-Apr JS/BHu/MS  
 Larnaca Salt Lake 15 16-Apr JS  
 Larnaca Sewage Works 2 28-Apr JS  
 Latchi Beach 2 on beach 15-Apr DB et al

**AUDOUIN'S GULL** *Larus audouinii*

Νησόγλαρος

Cape Greco 1 5 & 9-Apr LV/KH  
 Cape Greco 2 6-Apr LV  
 Karpasia peninsula, north coast 5 2-Apr MH  
 Karpasia peninsula south-coast 4 2-Apr MH

**BALTIC GULL** *Larus fuscus fuscus*

Μελανόγλαρος Βαλτικής

Akrotiri Salt Lake 2 heading w at 18.50 21-Apr AGr  
 Asprokremnos Dam 2 On water with yellow-legged gulls 5-Apr JS/BHu/MS  
 Asprokremnos Dam 1 9-Apr DJW  
 Kensington Cliffs 1 11-Apr GSpr  
 Lady's Mile Marshes 1 ad 29-Apr SC with L Sergides  
 Lower Akamas 2 22-Apr IKB  
 Mandria 2 9-Apr WAS/PDw  
 Mandria 3 Flying east along coast 21-Apr SAP  
 Petra tou Romiou 5 Adults flying W 15-Apr JS

Spiros Pool 4 15-Apr LAC

**CASPIAN GULL** *Larus cachinnans* Γλάρος

Κασπίας

Lady's Mile 1 15-Apr TR

Timi Beach 4 20-Apr LAC

**ARMENIAN GULL** *Larus armenicus*

Γλάρος Αρμενίας

Larnaca Sewage Works 1 Immature 28-Apr JS

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

Γελογλάρονο

Akrotiri Salt Lake 4 9-Apr AGr  
 Larnaca Airport Pools South PRESENT 9-Apr CDL

**CASPIAN TERN** *Hydroprogne caspia*

Γιγαντογλάρονο



*Caspian Tern, Akrotiri Gravel Pits coast, 21<sup>st</sup> April. Photographed by Tony Reeves.*

Akrotiri Fish Farm coast 3 Photographed 21-Apr TR  
 Mandria Beach 7 13-Apr LAC Large number - needs confirmation. Likely largest number seen together off Cyprus.

**SANDWICH TERN** *Sterna sandvicensis*

Χειμωνογλάρονο

Mandria 8 9-Apr DJW

**LITTLE TERN** *Sternula albifrons* Γλαρόνι

*Little Tern, Akrotiri Gravel Pits, 26<sup>th</sup> April. Photograph by John East.*

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 Fishing along the shoreline 26-Apr TRe/JE  
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 3 24-Apr AGr  
 Larnaca Airport Coast 2 Fishing offshore 28-Apr JS  
 Larnaca Salt Lake 1 4-Apr JS/BHu/MS  
 Larnaca Sewage Works 3 20-Apr SAP  
 Larnaca Sewage Works 6 28-Apr JS  
 Meneou Pool 2 18-Apr FGe  
 Oroklini Marsh 7 18-Apr LAC  
 Oroklini Marsh 3 21-Apr MGr  
 Oroklini Marsh 1 24-Apr STi  
 Oroklini Marsh c8 27-Apr STi  
 Spiros Pool 2 10 & 27-Apr FGe/BB  
 Spiros Pool 1 14 & 15-Apr WAS/PDw/LAC  
 Spiros Pool 9 16-Apr JS/SAP  
 Spiros Pool 10 17-Apr LAC  
 Spiros Pool 8 18-Apr LAC  
 Spiros Pool 14 19-Apr LAC  
 Spiros Pool 5 20-Apr SAP  
 Spiro's Pool 16 28-Apr JS  
 Spiros Pool 6 28-Apr STi

**WHITE-WINGED TERN** *Chlidonias leucopterus* Αργυρογλάρονο  
 Akhna Dam 5 28-Apr AKe  
 Oroklini Marsh 2 27-Apr STi  
 Oroklini Marsh 1 28-Apr JS

**EUROPEAN TURTLE DOVE** *Streptopelia turtur* Τρυφόνι



European Turtle Dove, Lower Ezousas, 5<sup>th</sup> April. Photograph by Ian Bloomer.

Earliest reports and largest counts:  
 Agia Napa Sewage Works 15+ 13-Apr DB et al  
 Akamas 24 CBMS surveys 26-Apr AGr  
 Anadiou 1 singing 5-Apr RH  
 Androlikou 11 23-Apr JN  
 Lower Ezousas 1 5-Apr IKB  
 Mandria 1 on wires 7-Apr WAS/PDw

Mandria 14 Group on wires 19-Apr SAP  
 Phasouri Reed beds 32 small passage of singles and small flocks 6.40 to 9.40 am 27-Apr AGr  
 Souni 1 heard calling 7-Apr JN

**LAUGHING DOVE** *Stigmatopelia senegalensis* Φοινικοτρύγωνα



Laughing Dove, Kouklia, 9<sup>th</sup> April. Photograph by Dave Nye

Aradippou 2 1-Apr FGe  
 Aradippou Farms 1 16-Apr SC  
 Cape Greco 2 8-Apr LV  
 Kouklia village, Paphos 1 11-Apr WAS/PDw  
 Kouklia village, Paphos 2 15-Apr WAS/PDw  
 Kouklia village, Paphos 4 26-Apr LAC  
 Leivadia PRESENT 10-Apr BrB  
 Mandria Village 2 7-Apr LAC  
 Mandria Village 1 27 & 29-Apr LAC  
 Timi Village 1 17-Apr SAP

**GREAT SPOTTED CUCKOO** *Clamator glandarius* Καλοχρονιά



Great Spotted Cuckoo, Anarita Park, 27<sup>th</sup> April. Photograph by John East.

Up to five recorded at many locations. 107 reports received for the month. Largest records listed below:  
 Anadiou 6 16 & 17-Apr IKB/DJW  
 Anarita Park 6 22, 24 & 27-Apr JS/IKB/LDz  
 Arodhes 6 2 & 11-Apr JS



**COMMON CUCKOO** *Cuculus canorus*

Κούκος

Largest counts, interesting records and ringing record listed below:

Agia Napa Sewage Works 3+ 13-Apr DB et al

Akhna Dam 3 8-Apr AKe

Akrotiri Salt Lake 2 one migrating the other calling in front of flat 17-Apr AGr

Akrotiri Salt Lake 3 18-Apr AGr

Anadiou 7 including 2 Rufus fem and one heard calling 16-Apr DJW

Kiti Dam c3 inc one rufous 7-Apr LAC

Latchi 1 26-Apr UKRT

Livadi tou Pashia 1 Calling for the hour we were there 14-Apr JS

Souni 1 heard calling repeatedly 28-Apr JN

Troodos 1 heard calling 28-Apr AGr

**BARN OWL** *Tyto alba* Αθρωποπούλλι

Phasouri Reed beds 1 evening 28-Apr AGr

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

Αρκόθουπος



*Long-eared Owl, Mandria, 24<sup>th</sup> April.*  
*Photograph by John East.*

Amargeti - Kourdaka 10km survey area 2

Heard. Night survey 26-Apr AGr

Mandria 1 24-Apr JE/LAC

Pano Kivides – Pachna 10 x 10 km square 3 19-Apr JN

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

Βαλιόθουπος

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 After dark around masts. Probably this species 24-Apr AGr

Paramali 1 13-Apr GSpr

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

Anogyra - Archimandrita 10 km survey area 15 28-Apr JN

Souni 1 probable heard churring 29-Apr JN

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 flushed from road 21-Apr AGr

**PALLID SWIFT** *Apus pallidus*

Στακτοπετροχειλίδωνο

Acheleia 1 12-Apr GSpr

Karpasia peninsula south-coast 1 2-Apr MH/KH

Oroklini Marsh, Larnaca 2 18-Apr LAC

Polemida 2 21-Apr MGr

Troodos Square 2+ 10-Apr WAS/PDw

Troodos c10 13 &amp; 14-Apr MC/DB/SAP/JS

**ALPINE SWIFT** *Tachymarptis melba*

Ασπροπετροχειλίδωνο

Largest counts:

Asprokremnos Dam 20 12-Apr JS

Kensington Cliffs 20+ 19-Apr LDz

Petra tou Romiou 12 22-Apr JS

Pissouri Beach Road 12 9-Apr DB et al

**COMMON KINGFISHER** *Alcedo atthis*

Αλκυόνη

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 8-Apr AGr

Cape Greco 1 5-Apr LV

Chlorakas, coast 1 7-Apr RH

Finikaria 1 8-Apr ADT

Kermia Beach 2 8-Apr WAS/PDw

Kouklia Dam, Famagusta 1 8-Apr CC/MC/BC trip

Larnaca Airport Coast 1 3-Apr JS

Latchi 1 In harbour 1-Apr DG

Mandria 1 6, 7 9-Apr HSt/LAC

Paphos Headland 1 5, 12 &amp; 15-Apr

LAC/DB/JS/GSpr

Polis Reedbeds 2 8-Apr BCRS

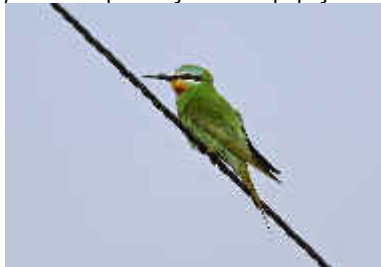
Timi Beach 1 4, 5, 10 &amp; 15-Apr

IKB/LAC/PNi/DJW/JS

Zakaki Marsh 1 5, 7, 12, 13, 15 &amp; 23-Apr

WAS/PDw/FMo/KH/SAP/ADT/AGr/LDz/SC/APL

**BLUE-CHEEKED BEE-EATER** *Merops persicus* Πράσινος Μελισσοφάγος



*Blue-cheeked Bee-eater, Mandria, 10<sup>th</sup> April.*  
*Photograph by Raija Howard.*

Kouklia, Paphos 1 5-Apr CDL  
Mandria 2 10-Apr ABW  
Paphos Headland 2 17-Apr SAP  
Paphos Sewage Plant 1 13-Apr LAC  
Phasouri Reed-beds 3 late in day 12-Apr  
AGr  
Phassouri Reed Beds 1 29-Apr AGr  
Timi Beach 2 Heading W at 11.30 10-Apr  
PNI

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



*European Bee-eater, Arodes, 24<sup>th</sup> April.*  
*Photograph by Dave Walker.*

**Largest counts:**

Akrotiri Salt Lake 100+ Around village and  
Salt Lake 24-Apr AGr  
Androlikou c100 Flew over in five groups  
5.30 - 8.30 am 28-Apr LDz  
Souni 66+ 57 seen and 9 unseen flocks  
heard 28-Apr JN

**EUROPEAN ROLLER** *Coracias garrulus*

Κράγκα

Earliest reports and largest counts:

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 19-Apr TRe  
Anarita Park 3 29-Apr LAC  
Androlikou 6 28-Apr LDz  
Androlikou 1 19-Apr DJW  
Aspro Pools 2 10-Apr GSpr

Drousseia 3 24-Apr ABW  
Finikas, Asprokremmos Dam 3 26-Apr  
AGr  
Meneou Pool 3 23-Apr FGe  
Nata Valley Rock Face 4 25-Apr PCu  
Souni 4 2 males in flight and 2 together  
(probable pair) all around favoured nest  
sites 28-Apr JN  
Terra 4 27-Apr RAT  
Zanadja 5 1 heard calling from a carob  
tree (probable nest site), a pair in flight, 1  
male in aerial display and 1 other male  
perched 30-Apr JN

**EURASIAN WRYNECK** *Jynx torquilla*  
Θερκοπούλλι



*Eurasian Wryneck, Lady's Mile, 21<sup>st</sup> April.*  
*Photograph by Tony Reeves.*

**Reports of 2+ and ringing record below:**

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 7-Apr KH  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 16-Apr AGr  
Lady's Mile c5 15-Apr TRe  
Phasouri Reed-beds 2 11-Apr KH  
Polis Reedbeds 1 16-Apr UKRT

**BAR-TAILED LARK** *Ammomanes*

*cincturus* Μικρή Αμμογαλιάντρα  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 2 & 3-Apr  
SS/WAS/TRe Rare Bird Report submitted  
(Three previously accepted records, 4<sup>th</sup>  
probable record)

**CALANDRA LARK** *Melanocorypha*

*calandra* Μαυροτράσιηλος  
Pervolia 8 In display flight and flying  
around area 4, 16 & 28-Apr JS/BHu/MS  
Pervolia 5+ 14-Apr WAS/PDW

**BIMACULATED LARK** *Melanocorypha*

*bimaculata* Στεπιοτράσιηλος  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 6-Apr WAS/PDW  
Karpasia peninsula south-coast 5  
Together in one group. Photographed 2-  
Apr MH/KH

Petounta Point 1 Flew into stubble field while was watching the Tawny Pipit. Heard and seen. 16-Apr JS

### **GREATER SHORT-TOED LARK**

*Calandrella brachydactyla* Τρασιηλούδα



Greater Short-toed Lark, Lady's Mile, 18<sup>th</sup> April. Photograph by Tony Reeves.

Largest counts:

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 50 migrating over 4-Apr AGR  
Akrotiri Salt Lake 20+ 15-Apr AGR  
Lady's Mile 20 5 & 7-Apr TRe/KH  
Larnaca Salt Lake 40 4-Apr JS/BHu/MS  
Mandria 40 5-Apr JS/BHu/MS  
Petounta Point c30 7-Apr SC  
Phasouri Reed-beds c30 4-Apr KH

### **WOODLARK** *Lullula arborea*

Πευκοτρασιήλα

Karpasia peninsula, north coast 1 3-Apr MH

Troodos 1 Singing and display flight near start of Artemis Trail 14-Apr JS

Troodos 2 14-Apr DB et al

### **EURASIAN SKYLARK** *Alauda arvensis*

Τρασιήλα

Mandria 1 7-Apr WAS/PDw/LAC

Pegeia coast 2 2-Apr ABW

### **SAND MARTIN** *Riparia riparia*

Οχθοχελίδονο

Largest counts:

Avanti Hotel, Paphos 10 over field near Hotel 10-Apr SAP

Bishop's Pool 14+ 11-Apr DB et al

Larnaca Sewage Works 20+ 13-Apr DB et al

Mandria 16 12-Apr JS

Paphos Headland 10+ 12-Apr DB et al

Zakaki Marsh c50 12-Apr WAS/PDw

### **EURASIAN CRAG MARTIN** *Ptyonoprogne*

*rupestris* Βραχοχελίδονο

Cape Drepanum 4+ 12-Apr DB et al

Kannaviou Dam 2 16-Apr DJW

Souni 3 12-Apr JN

### **RED-RUMPED SWALLOW** *Cecropis*

*daurica* Μιλτοχελίδονο

Largest counts:

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 8 6-Apr JS/MPe

Arminou Dam bridge 7 25-Apr AMcA

Aspro Pools 20+ 10-Apr GSpr

Asprokremnos Dam 25 12-Apr JS

Cape Drepanum 25+ 12-Apr DB et al

Evretou Dam 8 2-Apr JS

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

Διπλογαλούδι

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 6-Apr WAS/PDw

Paphos Lighthouse 1 5-Apr KH

### **TAWNY PIPIT** *Anthus campestris*

Ωχρογαλούδι



Tawny Pipit, Kathikas, 21<sup>st</sup> April. Photograph by Dave Walker.

Largest counts:

Agia Napa Sewage Works 4+ 13-Apr DB et al

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 8 13-Apr WAS/PDw

Akrotiri Salt Lake 7 15-Apr AGR

Cape Greco c6 23-Apr SC

Lady's Mile 5 7-Apr KH

Mavrokolymbos Dam 5 5-Apr DJW

### **TREE PIPIT** *Anthus trivialis* Δενδρογαλούδι

Largest counts:

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 8+ 4-Apr AGR

Karpasia Peninsula 50 Koca Reis hotel to

Cape Apostolos Andreas 9-Apr

CC/MC/BC trip

Orounda 33 1-Apr CP/PPa

Phasouri Reed beds 10+ 7-Apr AGR

Polis Reedbeds 8 8-Apr BCRS

Terra - Akoursos 10km survey area 17 14-Apr AGR

**MEADOW PIPIT** *Anthus pratensis*

Λιβαδογαλούδι

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 1-Apr SC with L  
Sergides

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 Road from Sylvania's

to Bishop's Pool 3-Apr AGr

Amathus hill 1 7-Apr ADT

Evretou Dam 2 2-Apr JS

Frenaros 5 6-Apr AKe

Frenaros 1 9 &amp; 13-Apr AKe

Kale Vounari Park, Limassol 2 12-Apr MGr

Mandria 1 in flight, calling 21-Apr JN

Tsadha Golf Club Track 3 6-Apr JS/MPe

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

Κοτσινογαλούδι

Max count per location:

Akrotiri Salt Lake 3+ 17-Apr AGr

Evretou Dam shallow end 6 18-Apr AMcA

Lady's Mile 2 22 &amp; 25-Apr TRe

Larnaca Desalination Plant 6 10-Apr FGe

Larnaca Sewage Works 2 13-Apr DB et al

Mandria 17 22-Apr LAC

Paphos Headland 25 8-Apr SW

Pervolia 3 16 &amp; 28-Apr JS

Phasouri Reed-beds 6+ 21-Apr AGr

Pissouri - Alektoira 10km survey area 1 11-  
Apr AGrTsadha Golf Club Track 2 Flew over  
calling 6-Apr JS/MPe

Zakaki Marsh 2 4-Apr LAC

**WATER PIPIT** *Anthus spinoletta*

Νερογαλούδι

Evretou Dam 1 11-Apr JS

Germasogeia Dam 2 In breeding plumage  
7-Apr JS

Paphos Headland 1 Prob this species.

Dropped quickly into vegetation and never  
reappeared 19-Apr SJH**YELLOW WAGTAIL** *Motacilla flava*

Τζιτρινοζευκαλάτης

Largest counts and ringing records:

Acheleia 200+ 12-Apr GSpr

Avdimou 750+ mixed flock in fields 11-  
Apr DBKarpasia Peninsula 200 Koca Reis hotel  
to Cape Apostolos Andreas 9-Apr

CC/MC/BC trip

Mandria 250+ mostly feldegg and Blue-  
headed 11-Apr WAS/PDwPaphos Headland 150+ mixed flock 12-  
Apr DB et al

Polis 26 12-Apr BCRS

Polis 24 14-Apr UKRT

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

Largest counts:

Karpasia peninsula south-coast 20 2-Apr  
MH

Paphos Headland 25 17-Apr SJH

Paphos Sewage Plant 30 in fields 20-Apr  
SJH*Grey-headed Wagtail* *M. f. thunbergi**Γκριζοκέφαλος Ζευκαλάτης*

Paphos Lighthouse 1 15 &amp; 21-Apr

JS/LAC

Paphos Sewage Plant 8 with hundreds of

blue and black-headed 13-Apr LAC

Phasouri Reed beds 1 19-Apr TRe

Polis 52 12-Apr BCRS

*Sykes's Wagtail* *Motacilla f.beema**Στεποζευκαλάτης*

Paphos Headland 1 with hundreds of blue

and black-headed 13-Apr LAC

Polis 6 14-Apr UKRT

*Yellow-headed Wagtail* *M. f. lutea**Κιτρινοκέφαλος Ζευκαλάτης**Yellow-headed Wagtail, Lady's Mile, 22<sup>nd</sup> April.*  
*Photograph by Tony Reeves.*Lady's Mile 1 photographed 22-Apr TRe  
(Probably this race. Rare Bird Report  
submitted)*Black-headed Wagtail* *M. f. feldegg**Μαυροκέφαλος Ζευκαλάτης*

Largest counts and ringing records:

Evretou Dam 15 2-Apr JS

Mandria 40 5-Apr IKB

Peyeia coast c20 2-Apr ABW

Polis 8 12-Apr BCRS

Polis 7 14-Apr UKRT

*White-headed Wagtail* *M. f. leucocephala*Paphos Headland 1 with hundreds of blue  
and black-headed 13-Apr LAC (Rare Bird  
report requested)

**CITRINE WAGTAIL** *Motacilla citreola*

Κίτροζεουκαλάτης

Akhna Dam 2 2-Apr BB  
 Mandria 1 in cut alfalfa field with yellow  
 wags 15-Apr WAS/PDW  
 Oroklini Marsh 1 male 19-Apr LAC  
 Phasouri Reed beds 1 male 20-Apr AGr  
 Phasouri Reed-beds 1 Female 25-Apr  
 AGr

**GREY WAGTAIL** *Motacilla cinerea*

Σταχτοζεουκαλάτης

Agia Varvara 1 30-Apr RAT  
 Mavrokolymbos Dam 1 8-Apr DJW

**WINTER WREN** *Troglodytes troglodytes*

Τρυποκάρυδο

Agios Nikolaos, near Mandria, Platres 2  
 Both heard singing 29-Apr JS  
 Avakas Gorge 1 15-Apr GSpr  
 Caledonian Falls 2 Troodos end of  
 Caledonian Trail 14-Apr JS  
 Cedar Valley 3 14-Apr GSpr  
 Livadi tou Pashia 2 14-Apr JS  
 Tzelefos Bridge 1 29-Apr JS

**EUROPEAN ROBIN** *Erithacus rubecula*

Κοτσινολαίμης

Cape Greco 1 In pines area. Late 13-Apr  
 JS

**THRUSH NIGHTINGALE** *Luscinia luscinia*

Τζικλαηδόνη

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 24-Apr AGr  
 Avanti Hotel, Paphos 1 seen in hotel  
 grounds. Very good views 14-Apr SAP  
 Larnaca Sewage Works 1 19-Apr  
 JS/LAC/WAS  
 Neo Horio 2 19-Apr UKRT  
 Paphos Headland 1 prob this species.  
 Singing 19-Apr SJH

**COMMON NIGHTINGALE** *Luscinia**megarhynchos* Αηδόνη

Ones and twos recorded throughout the  
 month at inland and coastal locations.

Records of 3+ listed below:

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 4 3 & 4-Apr AGr  
 Cape Greco 3 13-Apr JS  
 Episkopi Weir north 3 14-Apr AMcA  
 Karpasia peninsula, north coast 3 2-Apr  
 MH  
 Kouklia, Paphos 1 1, 3 & 5-Apr BCRS  
 Kouklia, Paphos 2 8-Apr BCRS  
 Larnaca Sewage Works 3 18-Apr FGe  
 Neo Horio 3 16-Apr BCRS

**BLUETHROAT** *Luscinia svecica*

Γαλαζολαίμης

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 Road from Sylvana's  
 to Bishop's Pool 3-Apr AGr  
 Geroskipou Beach 1 red-spot 8-Apr LAC

**WESTERN BLACK REDSTART***Phoenicurus ochruros* Καρβουνιάρης

Paphos Lighthouse 1 fem 2-Apr DJW  
 Souni 1 7-Apr JE

**COMMON REDSTART** *Phoenicurus**phoenicurus* Κοτσινονούρης

*Common Redstart, Arodes, 5<sup>th</sup> April.*  
*Photograph by Dave Walker.*

Ones and twos recorded all month. Largest  
 counts and ringing record below:

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 5+ 16-Apr AGr  
 Cape Greco 3 2m and 1f 9 & 14-Apr KH  
 Neo Horio 1 16-Apr BCRS

**COMMON STONECHAT** *Saxicola rubicola*

Παπαθικιά

Anarita Park 1 late pm 11-Apr SAP  
 Evretou Dam 2 4-Apr HST  
 Evretou Dam 1 6-Apr HST  
 Lady's Mile 1 5-Apr JE  
 Paphos Lighthouse 1 2-Apr DJW  
 Phassouri Reed-beds 1 fem 13-Apr DJW  
 Spiros Pool 1 4-Apr JS/BHu/MS

**SIBERIAN STONECHAT** *Saxicola maurus*

Σιβηρική Παπαθικιά



*Siberian Stonechat, Karpasia, 2<sup>nd</sup> April.*  
*Photograph by Rajja Howard.*

Karpasia Peninsula 1 male 2-Apr MH/KH  
(Rare Bird Report requested)

**ISABELLINE WHEATEAR** *Oenanthe isabellina* Αμμοσκαλιφούρτα

Largest counts:

Akrotiri Salt Lake c4 1-Apr SC with L  
Sergides

Mandria 3 15-Apr LDz

Paphos Headland 5+ 2-Apr BH

**EASTERN BLACK-EARED WHEATEAR**

*Oenanthe melanoleuca* Ισπανική  
Σκαλιφούρτα



*Eastern Black-eared Wheatear, Cape Greco, 1<sup>st</sup> April. Photograph by Agamemnon Loutsios.*

Largest counts:

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 10 6-Apr WAS/PDw  
Arodhes 5 3 dark, 2 pale throated 1-Apr  
DJW

Karpasia Peninsula 5 3-Apr MH

Mandria 5 2-Apr IKB

Paphos Lighthouse 6 Two dark throated  
males, four females 15-Apr JS

Petounta Point 5 2-Apr FGe

**DESERT WHEATEAR** *Oenanthe deserti*

Ερημοσκαλιφούρτα

Agia Napa Sewage Works 2 8-Apr  
WAS/PDw

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 6, 8 & 19-Apr  
WAS/PDw/AGr

Cape Pyla 1 2-Apr BB

**HOODED WHEATEAR** *Oenanthe monacha* Σκουφοσκαλιφούρτα



*Hooded Wheatear, Timi Beach, 10<sup>th</sup> April. Photograph by Dave Walker.*

Baths of Aphrodite 1 male seen and  
photographed on Aphrodite Trail 13-  
Apr DK (Rare Bird Report received)  
Timi Beach 1 First spring male 10, 11, 12  
& 13-Apr  
PNI/IKB/KH/LAC/JE/MJH/DJW/WAS/PDw/  
JS/SAP/SC/APL (Rare Bird Report  
received)

**RUFIOUS-TAILED ROCK THRUSH**

*Monticola saxatilis* Πετροκότσουφος

Anarita Park 1 female 1 & 2-Apr LAC

Anarita Park 1 male 11-Apr LAC

Androlίκου 1 Male in quarry 4-Apr DG

Androlίκου 1 male. Near goat farm 5-Apr  
HSt

Cape Greco 1 male 14-Apr KH

Larnaca Sewage Works 1 male 18-Apr  
LAC

**BLUE ROCK THRUSH** *Monticola solitarius*

Γαλαζοκότσουφος

Agia Napa Sewage Works 3 2F 1M 1-Apr  
FGe

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 1, 7 & 8-Apr  
SC/LS/JE/KH/AGr

Arodhes 1 male 1 & 2-Apr DJW/JS

Kannaviou Dam 1 male 16-Apr DJW

Karpasia Peninsula 1 9-Apr CC/MC/BC  
trip

Smygies 1 2-Apr JS

**EURASIAN BLACKBIRD** *Turdus merula* ♂

Μαυρόπουλλος (♀ Μαυρότζικλα)

Caledonian Falls 2+ Two seen. Others  
heard. Troodos end of Caledonian Trail. 14-  
Apr JS

Livadi tou Pashia 1 Heard singing 14-Apr  
JS

Troodos 2 pair 11-Apr GSpr

Troodos 4 13-Apr MC

Troodos 5+ 14-Apr DB et al

**SONG THRUSH** *Turdus philomelos*

Τζήγκλα

Ayioi Trimithias 1 1-Apr CP/PPa

Geroskipou Beach 1 8-Apr LAC

Kermia Beach 1 13-Apr JS

Orounda 1 1-Apr CP/PPa

**SAVI'S WARBLER** *Locustella luscinioides*

Καλαμοτριλιστής

Polis Reedbeds 1 15-Apr UKRT

Polis Reedbeds 1 16-Apr UKRT

**SEDGE WARBLER** *Acrocephalus*

*schoenobaenus* Σχοινομουσιανούδι



Sedge Warbler, Agios Sozomenos, 24<sup>th</sup> April.

Photograph by Agamemnon Loutsios.

Largest counts and ringing records:

Evretou Dam 8 21-Apr UKRT

Kouklia, Paphos 1 8-Apr BCRS

Neo Horio 2 23-Apr BCRS

Polis 1 14-Apr UKRT

Polis Reedbeds 7 8 & 15-Apr BCRS

Polis reedbeds 3 13-Apr BCRS

Polis Reedbeds 65 16-Apr UKRT

Polis Reedbeds 2 17-Apr UKRT

Polis Reedbeds 5 18 & 20-Apr

BCRS/UKRT

Polis Reedbeds 4 19-Apr UKRT

Polis Reedbeds 1 21-Apr UKRT

Polis Reedbeds 15 23-Apr UKRT

Polis Reedbeds 6 24 & 28-Apr

UKRT/BCRS

Zakaki Marsh c10 + 13-Apr SC with A P

Leventis/SAP

**EURASIAN REED WARBLER**

*Acrocephalus scirpaceus*

Καλαμομουσιανούδι

Largest counts and ringing records:

Evretou Dam 16 17-Apr UKRT

Evretou Dam 5 21-Apr UKRT

Germasogeia Dam 5 7-Apr JS

Kouklia 4 1-Apr BCRS

Kouklia 2 3-Apr BCRS

Kouklia 5 5-Apr BCRS

Kouklia 1 8-Apr BCRS

Neo Horio 1 20 & 23-Apr BCRS

Oroklini Marsh 4 One seen, 3 heard 4-

Apr JS/BHu/MS

Phassouri Reed Beds 6 10-Apr JS

Polis Reedbeds 22 8-Apr BCRS

Polis reedbeds 13 13, 14 & 18-Apr

UKRT/BCRS

Polis reedbeds 80 16-Apr UKRT

Polis-reedbeds 38 19-Apr UKRT

Polis-reedbeds 11 20-Apr UKRT

Polis-reedbeds 10 23-Apr UKRT

Polis-reedbeds 26 24-Apr UKRT

Polis-reedbeds 37 28-Apr BCRS

Zakaki Marsh c10 13 & 15-Apr SAP/AGr

**GREAT REED WARBLER** *Acrocephalus*

*arundinaceus* Τζικλομουσιανούδι

Max count per location and ringing records:

Agia Varvara 1 3 & 5-Apr

MJH/JS/BHu/MS

Akhna Dam 1 in song 11-Apr AKe

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 9-Apr FMo

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 heard 24-Apr AGr

Evretou Dam 1 17-Apr UKRT

Evretou Dam 4 21-Apr UKRT

Kouklia 2 1 & 8-Apr BCRS

Kouklia 1 3-Apr BCRS

Kouklia Fish Farm 1 Seen singing 12-Apr

JS

Lower Ezousas Valley 3 singing 15-Apr

WAS/PDw

Mandria 1 15 & 30-Apr JE/AGr

Nata Valley Rock Face 1 25-Apr PCu

Neo Horio 1 23-Apr BCRS

Oroklini Marsh 2 to right of hide 24-Apr

STi

Phasouri Reed-beds 5 15-Apr KH

Pissouri Beach road 1 10-Apr DB et al

Polis reedbed 1 4-Apr DG

Polis Reedbeds 2 8, 15 & 18-Apr

BCRS/UKRT

Polis reedbeds 1 13, 20 & 21-Apr

BCRS/UKRT

Polis reedbeds 10 16-Apr UKRT

Polis-reedbeds 3 23-Apr UKRT

Polis-reedbeds 6 24-Apr UKRT

Polis-reedbeds 12 28-Apr BCRS

Zakaki Marsh 1 1, 6 & 17-Apr

WAS/JS/MPe/PDw

## EASTERN OLIVACEOUS WARBLER

*Iduna pallida* Τρυπητούρα



*Eastern Olivaceous Warbler, Agios Sozomenos, 24<sup>th</sup> April. Photograph by Agamemnon Loutsios*

Earliest records, largest counts and ringing records:

Arminou Dam valley 6 25-Apr AMcA

Arodhes 1 2-Apr JS

Evretou Dam 4 21-Apr UKRT

Frenaros 1 in song 4-Apr AKe

Frenaros 20 in song 16-Apr AKe

Kamarea Larnaca Salt Lake 6 23-Apr

FGe

Kouklia 1 5-Apr BCRS

Kouklia 1 8-Apr BCRS

Latchi 2 26-Apr UKRT

Neo Horio 1 15, 18 & 20-Apr

UKRT/BCRS

Neo Horio 2 16-Apr BCRS

Neo Horio 5 23-Apr BCRS

Neo Horio 4 25-Apr UKRT

Omodos to Agios Nikolaos road 5 29-Apr

JS

Panagia Stazousa 1 4-Apr JS/BHu/MS

Polis reedbeds 2 8, 15, 23 & 24-Apr

BCRS/UKRT

Polis reedbeds 6 28-Apr BCRS

Smygies 6 19-Apr DJW

Souni 6 5 singing (unseen) and 1 seen feeding 4-Apr JN

Vrysoulles 10 in song 24-Apr AKe

## SUBALPINE WARBLER *Sylvia cantillans*

Γκριζοφτέρι

Agia Napa Sewage Works 6+ 13-Apr DB et al

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 male 5-Apr ABW

Avgas Gorge plateau south 1 1-Apr AMcA

Cape Greco 1 1-Apr FGe

Kouklia 1 1 & 5-Apr BCRS

Mavrokolymbos Dam 1 fem 5-Apr DJW

## ΜΕΝΕΤΡΙΕΣ'S WARBLER *Sylvia*

*mystacea* Ασιατικός Τρυποβάτης

Agios Theodoros 1 Photographed.

Possible female 8-Apr HvR Rare Bird

Report submitted. 3<sup>rd</sup> Cyprus record if accepted.

## RÜPPELL'S WARBLER *Sylvia rueppelli*

Ελιοβάτης

Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 male 13-Apr DB et al

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 3, 5 & 6-Apr

AGr/JE/ABW/JS/MPe

Amathus Archaeological Site 3 12-Apr

LW

Anarita Park 4 1-Apr LAC

Avgas Gorge plateau south 3 1xf 2xm 1-Apr AMcA

Cape Greco 3 1-Apr FGe

Cape Greco 1 6 & 9-Apr BB/KH

Kouklia 1 1-Apr BCRS

Mavrokolymbos Dam 1 fem 5-Apr DJW

Minthis Hills 1 1-Apr SI

Thalassines Spilies, Cape Greco 3 1-Apr FGe

## EASTERN ORPHEAN WARBLER *Sylvia*

*crassirostris* Θαμνογαλλούρα

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 3 & 4-Apr AGr

Akrotiri Gravel Pits c4 6-Apr WAS/PDw

Cape Greco 1 1 & 13-Apr FGe/JS

Kouklia 1 6-Apr BCRS

Larnaca Sewage Works 3 in tamarisks on approach to hide 14-Apr WAS/PDw

## BARRED WARBLER *Sylvia nisoria*

Γιαλλούρα



*Barred Warbler, Neo Horio ringing demonstration 23<sup>rd</sup> April. Photograph by Ray Atkinson.*

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 19 & 23-Apr AGr/SAP

Neo Horio 2 20-Apr BCRS

Neo Horio 3 23-Apr BCRS



Neo Horio 2 Three seen by others 23-Apr  
LAC

### **GARDEN WARBLER** *Sylvia borin*

Κηπροσκαλλίδι

Anarita Park 1 seen clearly 15-Apr SAP

Latchi 1 26-Apr UKRT

Neo Horio 1 23-Apr BCRS/LAC

Phasouri Reed-beds 1 25-Apr AGr

### **EASTERN BONELLI'S WARBLER**

*Phylloscopus orientalis* Βουνογιαννούδι



Eastern Bonelli's Warbler, Mavrokolympos Dam, 5<sup>th</sup> April. Photograph by Dave Walker.

Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 13-Apr DB et al

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 3-Apr AGr

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 3+ 9-Apr AGr

Alaminos 1 In reeds near Fishing Shelter 16-Apr JS

Anarita Park 1 4-Apr IKB

Androlikou 1 1 & 5-Apr DJW/DG

Asprokremmos Dam Carpark 1 3, 9 & 10-Apr AMcA/DJW/DB

Asprokremmos Dam Carpark 2 5-Apr KPr/JS/BHu/MS

Avagas Gorge 1 10 & 15-Apr GSPr

Bishop's Pool 3 13-Apr KH

Cape Greco 1 8-Apr WAS/PDw

Cape Greco 2 9 & 14-Apr KH

Ineia, below village 1 calling 5-Apr RH

Karpasia peninsula, north coast 1 2-Apr MH

Karpasia peninsula south-coast 1 2-Apr MH

Larnaca Salt Lake 1 4-Apr JS/BHu/MS

Mavrokolympos Dam 2 5-Apr DJW

Melandra 1 calling 4-Apr RH

Neo Horio 1 2-Apr BCRS

Polis reedbeds 1 8-Apr BCRS

Smygies, Paphos 1 2-Apr JS

Tala 1 7-Apr DJW

Tomb of the Kings 1 12-Apr PNI

Troodos 2+ 14-Apr DB et al

### **WOOD WARBLER** *Phylloscopus sibilatrix*

Δασογιαννούδι

Largest counts, ringing records and interesting report:

Akrotiri Salt Lake 7 Around bee hives 15-Apr AGr

Bishop's Pool 5 13-Apr WAS/PDw

Kaminana/Malia 2 One singing and appeared to be 'courting'. Perfect habitat for them 30-Apr AGr

Larnaca Sewage Works 4 in tamarisks on approach to hide 14-Apr WAS/PDw

Neo Horio 1 16 & 20-Apr BCRS/UKRT

Neo Horio 2 25-Apr UKRT

Polis reedbeds 2 8-Apr BCRS

Polis reedbeds 1 17 & 18-Apr

UKRT/BCRS

Stavrokonnou 4 15-Apr JN

### **COMMON CHIFFCHAFF** *Phylloscopus*

*collybita* Μουγιαννούδι

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 4-Apr LAC

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 Track from Bishop's Pool entrance alongside ASL 16-Apr WAS/PDw

Asprokremmos Dam Car park 1 3 & 5-Apr AMcA/JS/BHu/MS

Cape Greco 1 8 & 16-Apr LV/LAC

Karpasia peninsula, north coast 5 2-Apr MH

Karpasia peninsula, north coast 1 3-Apr MH

Karpasia peninsula south-coast 1 2-Apr MH

Kouklia 1 1-Apr BCRS

Kouklia 2 3-Apr BCRS

Kouklia 3 5-Apr BCRS

Larnaca Sewage Works 1 in tamarisks on approach to hide 14-Apr WAS/PDw

Mandria 1 5-Apr LAC

Neo Horio 1 22-Apr UKRG

Neo Horio 2 25-Apr UKRT

Oroklini Marsh 2 17-Apr LAC

Paphos airport headlands and Mandria fields 1 8-Apr SW

Polis camp site 2 28-Apr MGr

Rizokarpaso 1 1-Apr MH

Smygies 1 2-Apr JS

Souni 2 heard singing near houses E ridge 29-Apr JN

### **WILLOW WARBLER** *Phylloscopus*

*trochilus* Θαμνογιαννούδι

Aigios Minas 1 3-Apr DG

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 6-Apr WAS/PDw

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 16-Apr  
 WAS/PDw/AGr  
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 singing 17-Apr AGr  
 Amathus Hill 2 9-Apr WAS/PDw  
 Asprokremnos Dam Carpark 1 5 & 9-Apr  
 JS/BHu/MS/DJW  
 Cape Greco 3 7-Apr LV  
 Cape Greco 1 8, 13 & 14-Apr  
 WAS/PDw/BB/KH  
 Karpasia peninsula south-coast 1 2-Apr  
 MH  
 Kiti Dam 1 2-Apr FGe  
 Kouklia 1 5-Apr BCRS  
 Mavrokolymbos Dam 3 5-Apr DJW  
 Neo Horio 1 16-Apr BCRS  
 Oroklini Marsh 1 4-Apr JS/BHu/MS  
 Paphos Lighthouse 1 2-Apr DJW  
 Polis Reedbeds 1 8 & 28-Apr BCRS  
 Smygies 1 2-Apr JS  
 Spiros Pool 2 3-Apr JS

**SPOTTED FLYCATCHER** *Muscicapa striata* Μουσιοφάς  
 Earliest reports, ringing record and largest counts:

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 6-Apr JS/MPe  
 Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 9-Apr AGr  
 Akrotiri Gravel Pits 4 23-Apr SAP  
 Asprokremnos Dam 4 23-Apr SJH/SAP  
 Neo Horio 2 25-Apr UKRT

**SEMI-COLLARED FLYCATCHER** *Ficedula semitorquata* Δρυσομουσιοφάτης  
 Asprokremnos Dam 1 Male.  
 Photographed. In car park area, even flying down onto road 12-Apr JS/PNi  
 Cape Greco 1 13-Apr BB  
 Kiti Lighthouse 1 male 18-Apr LAC  
 Phasouri Reed-beds 1 male 12-Apr AGr  
 Souni 1 probable - definitely a female 13-Apr JN  
 Tala 1 7-Apr DJW

**COLLARED FLYCATCHER** *Ficedula albicollis* Κρικομουσιοφάτης



*Collared Flycatcher, Cape Greco, 17<sup>th</sup> April. Photograph by Agamemnon Loutsios.*

Largest counts and ringing records:

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 3 12 & 22-Apr TRe  
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 3 males. Road outside  
 Bishop's Pool entrance 15-Apr KH  
 Asprokremnos Dam 3 inc 1f 7-Apr  
 WAS/PDw  
 Dhekelia Garrison 3 males 19-Apr LAC  
 Evretou Dam 1 17-Apr UKRT  
 Neo Horio 1 15-Apr UKRT  
 Pissouri Beach road 9+ 3+m and 6+ f 16-Apr DB et al  
 Polis reedbeds 1 13-Apr BCRS

**EURASIAN PIED FLYCATCHER** *Ficedula hypoleuca* Μαυρομουσιοφάτης



*Eurasian Pied Flycatcher, 11<sup>th</sup> April. Photograph by Dave Nye.*

Largest counts and ringing records:

Agia Napa Sewage Works 3 13-Apr DB et al  
 Akrotiri Gravel Pits 3 2m and 1f (one brown male) 15-Apr KH  
 Akrotiri Gravel Pits 3 16-Apr WAS/PDw  
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 3 Track from Bishop's Pool entrance alongside ASL 16-Apr WAS/PDw  
 Cape Greco 3 1m and 2f 14-Apr KH  
 Neo Horio 3 16-Apr BCRS  
 Polis reedbeds 1 15-Apr UKRT

**COAL TIT** *Parus ater* Πέμπτετος  
 Agios Nikolaos, near Mandria, Platres 2  
 14-Apr JS  
 Agios Nikolaos, near Mandria, Platres 1  
 29-Apr JS  
 Caledonian Falls 8 Troodos end of  
 Caledonian Trail 14-Apr JS  
 Kyparissia trail kellaki 1 28-Apr ADT  
 Livadi tou Pashia 12 14-Apr JS  
 Prastio Kellakiou 2 Heard 7-Apr JS  
 Troodos 4 11-Apr GSpr  
 Troodos 6 13-Apr MC  
 Troodos 10 14-Apr JS  
 Tzelefos Bridge 1 Heard 29-Apr JS

**WALLCREEPER** *Tichodroma muraria*  
 Τοιχοδρόμος  
 Avagas Gorge 1 10-Apr GSpr (Late  
 observation of this species. Confirmation  
 requested)

**SHORT-TOED TREECREEPER** *Certhia  
 brachydactyla* Δενδροβάτης  
 Agios Nikolaos, near Mandria, Platres 1  
 Seen 14-Apr JS  
 Troodos 7 11-Apr GSpr  
 Troodos 1 14-Apr JS/SAP

**EURASIAN GOLDEN ORIOLE** *Oriolus  
 oriolus* Κλωρκός  
 Earliest reports, largest counts and ringing  
 record:  
 Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 13-Apr DB et  
 al  
 Androllikou 6 28 & 29-Apr LDz  
 Asprokremmos Dam 1 12-Apr LAC  
 Cape Greco 2 1m and 1f 13-Apr BB  
 Drouseia 6 24-Apr DJW  
 Lady's Mile 1 7-Apr JE  
 Latchi 2 23-Apr UKRT  
 Phasouri Reed-beds 2 12-Apr AGr  
 Souni 10 singing male seen then 4 more  
 heard singing, 3 males in flight and 1  
 perched plus a pair elsewhere perched in  
 trees 14-Apr JN

**ISABELLINE SHRIKE** *Lanius isabellinus*  
 Ξανθοκεφαλάς



*Turkestan Shrike, Mandria, 8<sup>th</sup> April.  
 Photograph by Ian Bloomer.*

Mandria 1 Turkestan Shrike (*Lanius  
 phoenicuroides*) 8 & 9-Apr  
 LAC/PNi/MJH/DJW/WAS/PDw/HSt/KPr

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



*Red-backed Shrike, Smygies, 19<sup>th</sup> April.  
 Photograph by Dave Walker.*

Earliest reports, largest counts and ringing  
 records:  
 Akamas Peninsula 4 19-Apr LV  
 Akrotiri area 4 20-Apr SJH  
 Akrotiri Gravel Pits 8 19-Apr TRe  
 Anarita Park 1 Female 18-Apr JS  
 Cape Greco Caves 2 male 23-Apr SC  
 Lady's Mile 2 20-Apr WAS  
 Larnaca Desalination Plant 1 M 18-Apr  
 FGc  
 Larnaca Sewage Works 2 One male and  
 one immature 19-Apr JS/WAS  
 Mennogeia 1 Male 19-Apr JS  
 Neo Horio 2 20-Apr BCRS  
 Neo Horio 1 23-Apr BCRS

**LESSER GREY SHRIKE** *Lanius minor*

Σταχτοκεφαλάς



Lesser Grey Shrike, Neo Horio ringing demonstration, 23<sup>rd</sup> April. Photograph by Ray Atkinson.

Akamas Peninsula 1 19-Apr LV  
 Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 19 & 23-Apr  
 TRe/LDz  
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 19-Apr ABW  
 Anarita Park 2 23-Apr SAP  
 Arodhes 2 19-Apr DJW  
 Lady's Mile 2 19-Apr TRe  
 Lady's Mile 1 20-Apr WAS/SAP  
 Mandria 1 19-Apr JE/SAP  
 Moni Beach 1 20-Apr WAS  
 Neo Horio 1 23-Apr BCRS/LAC  
 Phasouri Reed-beds 1 22-Apr AGr  
 Timi village area 1 with prey 30-Apr JN

**SOUTHERN GREY SHRIKE** *Lanius**meridionalis* Διπλοκεφαλάς

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 possible 22-Apr  
 TRe

**WOODCHAT SHRIKE** *Lanius senator*

Κοκκινοκεφαλάς



Woodchat Shrike, Akrotiri, 5<sup>th</sup> April.  
 Photograph by John East.

A good number of records of up to five individuals at various locations throughout the month. 115 records received for this species. Largest counts:

Cape Greco 8 7m and 1f 9-Apr KH  
 Karpasia Peninsula 8 Koca reis hotel to  
 Cape Apostolos Andreas tip 9-Apr  
 CC/MC/BC trip  
 Lady's Mile c10 15-Apr KH

**MASKED SHRIKE** *Lanius nubicus*

Δακκανούρα

Largest counts and ringing records:

Akamas Peninsula 7 19-Apr LV  
 Anadiou 6 17-Apr DJW  
 Karpasia Peninsula 5 9-Apr CC/MC/BC  
 trip  
 Neo Horio 3 16-Apr BCRS  
 Neo Horio 4 22-Apr UKRT  
 Neo Horio 4 25-Apr UKRT  
 Souni 10 2 singing males heard and 2  
 seen, 1 female carrying food plus another  
 female and 4 seen in flight 14-Apr JN

**EURASIAN JAY** *Garrulus glandarius* Κίσσα

Kellaki 1 1-Apr ADT

Troodos 6 three pairs 11-Apr GSpr

Troodos 5 13-Apr MC

Troodos 2 14-Apr SAP

**NORTHERN RAVEN** *Corvus corax*

Κλόκκαρος

Karpasia peninsula 2 2 &amp; 9-Apr

MH/KH/CC/MC/BC trip

Rizokarpaso 6 flying together just outside  
 the village 10-Apr CC/MC/BC trip

**COMMON STARLING** *Sturnus vulgaris*

Λαζούρι

Lady's Mile 1 15-Apr KH

Phasouri Reed Beds 1 4-Apr KH

**COMMON CHAFFINCH** *Fringilla coelebs*

Σπίνογ

Max count per location:

Aigios Minas 1 3-Apr DG

Akrotiri Salt Lake, Eucalyptus Forest North  
 of Lake 1 heard only 1-Apr SC with L  
 Sergides

Caledonian Falls 8 Troodos end of

Caledonian Trail 14-Apr JS

Diarizos Valley 2 heard singing near rocks  
 and stream 24-Apr JN

Evretou Dam 1 fem 16-Apr DJW

Livadi tou Pashia 20 14-Apr JS

Phassouri Reed Beds 3 29-Apr JS

Prastio Kellakiou 1 7-Apr JS

Smygies 1 2-Apr JS

Tzelefos Bridge 3 29-Apr JS

**EUROPEAN SERIN** *Serinus serinus*

Μπασταρτοκανάρινο

Largest counts and ringing records:

Aigios Minas 10 3-Apr DG

Evretou Dam 1 21-Apr UKRT

Neo Horio 1 16 &amp; 25-Apr BCRS

Neo Horio 2 18-Apr UKRT

Neo Horio 3 19-Apr UKRT

Omodos to Agios Nikolaos road 6 29-Apr

JS

Smygies 20 11-Apr JS

Souni 7 7 &amp; 14-Apr JN

**EURASIAN SISKIN** *Carduelis spinus*

Θκιολαρούδι

Aigios Minas 1 3-Apr DG

**RED CROSSBILL** *Loxia curvirostra*

Σταυρομούπτης

Troodos 2 13-Apr MC

**ORTOLAN BUNTING** *Emberiza hortulana*

Τσακροπιτίλλα

*Ortolan Bunting, Evretou Dam, 6<sup>th</sup> April.**Photograph by Ian Bloomer.*

Largest counts and ringing records:

Agia Napa Sewage works 5+ 13-Apr DB

et al

Akrotri Gravel Pits 10+ 4-Apr AGR

Anarita Park 20 12-Apr PNi

Avgas Gorge plateau south 8 1-Apr

AMcA

Evretou Dam 1 21-Apr UKRT

Karpasia Peninsula 8 Koca reis hotel to

Cape Apostolos Andreas tip 9-Apr

CC/MC/BC trip

Mavrokolymbos Dam 8 6-Apr DJW

Polis reedbeds 2 8-Apr BCRS

Polis-reedbeds 1 23-Apr UKRT

**CRETZSCHMAR'S BUNTING** *Emberiza**caesia* Σιταροπούλλι*Cretzschmar's Bunting, 14<sup>th</sup> April. Photograph by Dave Nye.*

Largest counts and ringing records:

Agios Nikolaos, near Mandria, Platres 4

29-Apr JS

Akamas Peninsula 6 19-Apr LV

Neo Horio 1 18, 20 &amp; 22-Apr UKRT

Omodhos to Agios Nikolaos road vineyard

area 4 24 &amp; 29-Apr JN/JS

Pachna Vineyard Valley 4 1 male, 2

females and 1 heard calling 6-Apr JN

Paphos Headland 4 2-Apr BH

Prastio Kellakiou 6 7-Apr JS

Sotira 5 1 male heard singing, 1 in flight

and 3 heard calling from carob trees

(probable nest sites) 30-Apr JN

Souni 21 3 on carob tree nests plus 1

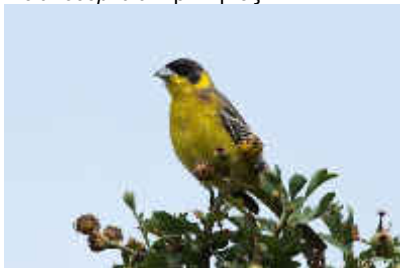
female seen, 4 singing males heard and 3

others in flight plus 2 feeding birds and

others heard calling 28-Apr JN

Tsadha Golf Club Track 4 Singing males

6-Apr JS/MPe

**BLACK-HEADED BUNTING** *Emberiza**melanocephala* Τιρίλιγγκος*Black-headed Bunting, Droushia, 24<sup>th</sup> April. Photograph by Dave Walker.*

Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 male 16-Apr

SC with BirdLife Cyprus Group

Agia Napa Sewage Works 2 Both singing.

One heard only 26-Apr JS

Androlίκου 1 21-Apr IKB

Androlikou 2 27-Apr RAT  
Arodhes 3 Singing males 23-Apr JS  
Arodhes 2 24-Apr DJW  
Cape Greco 1 male, singing 23 & 26-Apr  
SC/JS  
Drouseia 6 male 24-Apr DJW  
Karpasia Peninsula 1 9-Apr CC/MC/BC  
trip  
Kathikas 1 24-Apr ABW  
Kyparissia trail Kellaki 2 25 & 28-Apr  
ADT  
Neo Horio 1 22-Apr UKRT  
Omodhos to Agios Nikolaos road vineyard  
area 4 singing males - only 1 seen, other 3  
heard 24-Apr JN  
Omodos to Agios Nikolaos road 7 All  
singing males, all seen 29-Apr JS  
Pittokopos to Androlikou track 6 Five  
singing males and one female. Two males  
were competing for attention of the female.  
24-Apr JS  
Road to Androlikou – Fasli 4 2m and 2f  
25-Apr LDz  
Skarphos bridge 1 18-Apr AMcA  
Sotira 1 male seen singing from top of  
pine tree 30-Apr JN  
Terra - Akoursos 10km survey area 1 14-  
Apr AGR

Escape: Northern Bobwhite Quail, Filani,  
FGe

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# **MONTHLY WATERBIRD COUNT**

**April 2016**

*Martin Hellicar and 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 April, 9 recorders covered 11 wetlands (and one coastal site) across the island where 1,678 birds, of 48 different species were recorded between the 15<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of April.

The most abundant species was the Little Stint, with 235 recorded individuals, closely followed by the Black-winged Stilt with 231 individuals and the Cattle Egret with 227 individuals. The wetland holding the most birds was Akrotiri, as in the Salt Lake, Meras (Gravel pits area) and Lady's Mile, which was also the most species rich site. Only 4 of the wetland areas had more than 100 individuals recorded. As expected for this season, the number of Flamingos has been going down over the last two months, with only 82 Flamingos recorded during the April surveys.

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

<b>SITE</b>	<b>RECORDER</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>WATER LEVEL</b>
<b>Paphos Lighthouse</b>	<b>Ian &amp; Kate Bloomer</b>	<b>17-04-16</b>	<b>coastal</b>
<b>Phassouri Reed Bed</b>	<b>Shannon O'Grady &amp; Anders Gray</b>	<b>15-04-16</b>	
<b>Akrotiri Meras, Salt Lake &amp; Lady's Mile</b>	<b>Shannon O'Grady &amp; Anders Gray</b>	<b>15-04-16</b>	
<b>Zakaki Pond</b>	<b>Shannon O'Grady &amp; Anders Gray</b>	<b>15-04-16</b>	
<b>Bishop's Pool</b>	<b>John &amp; Ann Stapley</b>	<b>15-04-16</b>	<b>70%</b>
<b>Larnaka Salt Lake</b>	<b>Jane Stylianou</b>	<b>16-04-16</b>	
<b>Oroklini Marsh</b>	<b>Shannon O'Grady &amp; Anders Gray</b>	<b>15-04-16</b>	
<b>Evretou Dam</b>	<b>Dave &amp; Jan Walker, Ian &amp; Kate Bloomer</b>	<b>16-04-16</b>	
<b>Mavrokolymbos Dam</b>	<b>Dave &amp; Jan Walker, Ian &amp; Kate Bloomer</b>	<b>16-04-16</b>	
<b>Kannaviou Dam</b>	<b>Dave &amp; Jan Walker, Ian &amp; Kate Bloomer</b>	<b>16-04-16</b>	



WETLAND BIRD COUNT APRIL 2016	Paphos Lighthouse	Phassouri Reed Bed	Akrotiri Meras, Salt Lake & Lady's Mile	Bishop's Pool	Zakaki Pond	Lamaka Salt Lake	Lamaka Sewage Works	Oroklini Marsh	Evretou Dam	Mavrokolymbos Dam	Kannaviou Dam	Total
Little Grebe				19	1		40	14		1		75
Cormorant											2	2
Night Heron				10								10
Cattle Egret								227				227
Squacco Heron		4										4
Little Egret						32		9	2		1	44
Great White Egret			2									2
Grey Heron			7								5	12
Purple Heron	4	3		3	16			1				27
Glossy Ibis		10	102									112
Greater Flamingo			3			74		5				82
Ruddy Shelduck							1					1
Teal							15	3				18
Mallard		5		6	5		110	22				148
Pintail							4					4
Garganey							2					2
Shoveler				1			24	11				36
Ferruginous Duck				10	4		1	2				17
Marsh Harrier									1			1
Water Rail					3							3
Little Crane					1							1
Spotted Crane					2							2
Moorhen		1		6	5			3				15
Coot		1		24	7			36				68
Black-winged Stilt			185	2	2		40	2				231
Spur-winged Lapwing			1				4	17				22
Collared Pratincole			13									13
Kentish Plover			41			12						53
Little Ringed Plover								1	2			3
Ringed Plover						1						1

WETLAND BIRD COUNT APRIL 2016	Paphos Lighthouse	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 Stint			115			120						235
Curlew Sandpiper			3									3
Dunlin			2			3						5
Ruff						80	2	1	2			85
Curlew			1									1
Redshank							1					1
Greenshank			10						1			11
Marsh Sandpiper			1				1					2
Green Sandpiper		1		1								2
Wood Sandpiper			8	2			1		2			13
Common Sandpiper	3								1	1	2	7
Black-headed Gull			4									4
Audouin's Gull						15						15
Yellow-legged Gull	2						2					4
Little Tern						9						9
Kingfisher					1							1
Yellow Wagtail		2	6		2							10
Reed Warbler		21			10			3				34
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>357</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1678</b>
<b>Species Count</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>48</b>



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 € 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

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*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.  Επιπαγή 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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