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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.

Any suggestions concerning subjects for future inclusion gratefully received, as are photographs of any recent sightings. Photographs of recent sightings for inclusion in the Systematic List should be sent to Jane Stylianou by 18th of the month. Please send to janestycz@yahoo.co.uk

Cover photograph: Formerly an opportunistic breeder and passage migrant, the Spur-winged Lapwing Vanellus spinosus is now a well established breeder at several locations, mainly on the east of the island. A few pairs breed at Paphos Sewage Plant in the east and family groups feed in the nearby fields during August and September. This juvenile was photographed by Dave Walker on 6th August 2016.
OBITUARIES

ALAN CRABTREE, BirdLife Cyprus Ringing Officer, died 10th September 2016, aged 78

I first met Alan in 1980 when he was stationed in Cyprus with the British Armed Forces. He was bird ringing at the time with other members of the RAF Ornithological Society and the ABWS (Army Bird Watching Society) and their main trapping areas were Bishop’s Pool and Akrotiri Reed Beds where they had a permanent net run. Thousands of birds were ringed on the two sites and sometimes I would join them together with other members of the Cyprus Ornithological Society (COS) on a Field Trip. It was at the Akrotiri Reed Beds site, that the first Dead-Sea Sparrows were trapped and ringed in Cyprus.

Alan left Cyprus in 1983 and came back after he retired in 2000. He contacted me in order to supply him with COS rings so that he could start ringing again.

At the time the Secretary of COS had all the rings. I tried several times to get him to hand the Ringing Scheme to me and after 3 months he handed me the rings with one restriction, not to hand them over to anybody else. Of course the same day I phoned Alan and told him the good news and I handed all the ringing scheme to him.

Alan was supporting me all the way through the amalgamation of the two societies and he was our Ringing Officer and Council member since 2003 when BirdLife Cyprus was formed until his retirement from the Council in 2015. He was also our Vice Chairman from 2009 to 2015. In July 2015, Alan was made an Honorary Member of BirdLife Cyprus for his major contribution to the society.

His ringing abilities were excellent and his love for birds unsurpassed. He was very good company and was always able to make everybody laugh.

He died on the 10th September 2016 after a short illness. He will be very much missed by all. My deepest condolences go to his wife Gwen.

Melis Charalambides
Council Chairman

Bird ringers are a unique breed, and being one of the only two British Trust for Ornithology A-class ringers residing permanently in Cyprus, I immediately had a lot to chat about with Alan. We met in Crete in 1999 shortly before he moved permanently to Cyprus, where again he had come looking for information for good places to go ringing.

Conversations at 5am or 6am, usually in Pafos but also on the east of the island, revolved around moult strategies, wing lengths, ageing and sexing of different small birds, while when putting the nets up he tried to teach me repeatedly the ‘rabbit’s hole knot’ for tying the guy ropes to the poles, but to no avail, I just could not memorise it. While sharing news of the first Paddyfield Warbler caught and ringed was like sharing news of the most exciting event ever. But above all I won’t forget, in May 2015, his excitement when we managed to catch a Cyprus Wheatear with a geolocator attached the previous year. Alan had been tracking the bird but did not manage to catch it, so when a group of three of us including himself, managed, his smile was so wide and triumphant.

His love for the birds was uncompromised. A tall kind man, with a dry and witty sense of humour, always able to make everyone laugh, revealing a very observant, but at the same time very private and discreet man.

Alan died after a short and sudden illness on 10th September 2016, and those of us who knew him well, wish we could have spent more time with him.
He will forever be remembered for his magnificent role as Ringing Officer of BirdLife Cyprus, having managed the ringing scheme in Cyprus and the bird records database for the last 16 years or so that he has been living here. Today the ringing database holds more than 80,000 records. Alan was declared an Honorary Member of BirdLife Cyprus in July 2015 for his enormous contribution to this work. He will be sorely missed for his contribution and for being such a good friend.

Our deepest condolences go to his wife, Gwen. May he rest in peace.

Clairie Papazoglou,  
Executive Director
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.

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

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

**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: Alan and Lynne Crane, Mobile: 99276310

**Friday 7th to Sunday 9th October: Karpasia Peninsula**
Leader: Melis Charalambides. Mobile: 99653205, Home Tel: 22632155
Autumn migrants, raptors and passerines. Please note that this weekend is now fully booked.

**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 (Coordinates: 34° 41’ 51.6” N, 32° 31’ 49.73” E).

**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. (Coordinates: 34° 51’ 36.61” N, 33° 37’ 38.22” E).

**Sunday 23 October: Family Birdwatching Day at Athalassa Park**
PLEASE PRE BOOK WITH LEADER
Leaders: Elena Markitani, 99305085 / Martin Hellicar, 99907893
Meet at 10.30 am at the park’s south parking area (Latsia entrance).
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. (Coordinates: 34° 45' 53.35" N, 32° 24' 26.20" E). Please note earlier start time.

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. (Coordinates: 34° 51' 36.61" N, 33° 07' 38.22" E).

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 26652223 or 99554561 or Dave Walker 99 915907 davidwalker@cytanet.com.cy
If you are sending photographs for inclusion in the Systematic List please send them by 18th of the month to Jane Stylianou – photographs taken in March should be sent by 18th 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. Telephone: 99558953

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 and remember to update your bookmark.

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

Any problems or for further details please contact Jane Stylianou janestycy@yahoo.co.uk mobile: 99558953

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

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

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

In addition, do not forget to make your records count by submitting your bird records to the 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
HIGHLIGHTS OF SPRING & SUMMER 2016
Jane Stylianou

A look back at the spring and summer of 2016 – a review of the sightings of less common birds and other notable events. This résumé refers to reports that may not yet have been verified, some of which are under consideration by the Rarities Committee. Observers’ names have not been included. It covers the period February – July 2016.

GREAT CRESTED GREBE Podiceps cristatus Σκουφοβούτης: Two were on Asprokremmos Dam 8 & 18-Feb.
BLACK STORK Ciconia nigra Μαύρος Πελαργός: One seen over Timi 6-Apr and another over Lady’s Mile 21-Apr.
RUDDY SHELDUCK Tadorna ferruginea Καστανόπταπια: Ten remained in the Larnaca Sewage Works area until 23-Feb, four until 2-Mar and one still present at end of Jul.
WHITE-HEADED DUCK Oxyura leucocephala Κεφαλόπταπια: The three females first recorded Oroklini Marsh 14-Dec remained until 26-Feb with one still present 27-Feb and 5-Mar.
SAKER FALCON Falco cherrug Στεπτζάνος: One was seen flying over Xylofagou 15-Mar.
BOOTED EAGLE Aquila pennata Γιλακέαϊρσμ: A single over Cape Greco 9-Apr.
LESSER KESTREL Falco naumanni Κιρκινέζ: As in 2015 at least two were in the Pittokpos/Androlikou area during Jun and Jul but no evidence of breeding.
AMUR FALCON Falco amurensis Ασιατικό Μαυροκιρκίνζο: The first record of this species was seen at Anarita Park on 28-Apr and remained in the area until 15-May.

Cyprus’ first Amur Falcon photographed at Anarita Park on 6th May by Dave Walker.

BAILLON’S CRAKE Porzana pusilla Ναυαπουλάδα: Found at Phasouri Reed-beds 20-Apr and Germasogeia Dam 29-Apr.
CORNCRAKE Crex crex Ορτυκομάνα: One was flushed at Akrotiri Gravel Pits 18-Apr.
COMMON CRANE Grus grus Γερανός: Seven flew over Mandria 29-Mar.
DEMOISELLE CRANE Anthropoides virgo Νυφογερανός: One was a Kouklia Dam (Famagusta) on 25-Mar.
EURASIAN OYSTERCATCHER Haematopus ostralegus Στρειδοφάγος: Three reports: four individuals Akrotiri Coast 31-Mar; four Lady’s Mile 13-Apr and two Meneou Beach 29-Apr.
EURASIAN DOTTEREL  *Charadrius morinellus* Βουνοτσούμιδι: Just one record this spring – one seen briefly Mandria (Paphos) 17-Mar.

RED KNOT  *Calidris canutus* Κόκκινοκοράλλιδι: One Spiros Pool 10-Apr.


GREAT SNIPER  *Gallinago media* Διπλοπτητάκτισσο: A probably at Oroklini Marsh 20-Mar with one Evretou Dam 14-Apr, Phassouri Reed-beds 18 & 22-Apr, Lady’s Mile 21-Apr and Akhna Dam 7-May. Two were at Akhna Dam 10-May.

WHIMBREL  *Numenius phaeopus* Φαίομπεκάτσα: The regular Paphos Headland bird was seen on several dates until 12-Apr. Elsewhere two Akrotiri Gravel Pits 8-Apr, one Mandria 17-22-Apr and 11-May and one Larnaca Airport Coast 14-May.

RUDDY TURNSTONE  *Arenaria interpres* Χαλικοκοράλλιδι: One migrant Paphos Headland 15-Apr.

RED-NECKED PHALAROPE  *Phalaropus lobatus* Ερυθρόλαιμος Φαλαρόπτοδας: Singles were at Larnaca Airport Pools 25 & 27-Mar and Akrotiri Gravel Pits 13-May.

ARCTIC SKUA  *Stercorarius parasiticus* Γερακοληπτόγλαρος: Two dark phase individuals were seen flying W from Cape Pyla 12-Feb with a pale phase heading N Paphos Headland 24-Apr.

GREAT BLACK-BACKED GULL  *Larus marinus* Γιγαντόγλαρος: An adult was in Larnaca Sewage Works area 3 & 4-Feb, then one in breeding plumage Lady’s Mile 15-Mar, another Oroklini Marsh 28th Mar with one Spiros Pool 10-Apr.

LITTLE GULL  *Hydrocoloeus minutus* Νανόγλαρος: One first seen Jan, still around Larnaca Salt Lake area until 9-Feb.

COMMON GULL  *Larus canus* Θειλόγλαρος: A first winter was at Fresh Water Lake (South) 26-Jan with others Lady’s Mile 28-Jan & 3-Mar and Larnaca Sewage Works 5-Feb.

CASPIAN TERN  *Hydroprogne caspia* Γιγαντογλάρον: Four reports of this species during the spring – five at Mandria 28-Mar, three Oroklini Marsh the same day, three Akrotiri Gravel Pits 21-Apr and, the largest group recorded in Cyprus – seven Mandira 13-Apr.

LITTLE TERN  *Sternula albifrons* Γλαρόνι: The largest group record in Cyprus – 41+ - were at Larnaca Sewage Works 14-May.

BLACK TERN  *Chlidonias niger* Μαυρογλάρον: The largest group recorded in Cyprus of this species – eight - was at Larnaca Sewage Works 9-May. A single was there 14-May – 14-Jun and another Akhna Dam 24-May.

LAUGHING DOVE  *Stigmatopelia senegalensis* Φοινικοτρύγονο: The colonisation of the island by this species continues apace with more than twenty recorded at Aradippou 20-May and new breeding locations found in villages to the east of Paphos.

NAMAQUA DOVE  *Oena capensis* Μικροπτερίστερο: A female was at Mandria from 21-Feb until at least 18-Mar and will be fourth Cyprus record if a proven wild bird.
PIED KINGFISHER *Ceryle rudis* Κάλυζκμ: One was seen either at Lady’s Mile or nearby Zakaki Marsh on May dates 1-Feb – 1-Mar.

BLUE-CHEEKED BEE-EATER *Merops persicus* Πράσινος Μελισσοφάγος: Small numbers were recorded during spring migration: one at Koukla (Paphos) 5-Apr, two at Mandria, and nearby Timi (maybe same birds) on 10-Apr, three Phasouri Reed Beds 12-Apr, one Paphos Sewage Plant 13-Apr, two Paphos Headland 17-Apr, two Phasouri Reed Beds 29-Apr and two Agia Varvara, Paphos 7-May.

BAR-TAILED LARK *Ammomanes cincturus* Μκρη Άμμογαλάζτρα: One was at Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 & 3-Apr. There are three previously accepted record of this species in Cyprus.

BIMACULATED LARK *Melanocorypha bimaculata* Στεπτοτράχιλος: A group of five were at the Karpasia Peninsula on 2-Apr, while singles were at Akrotiri Gravel Pits on 6-Apr and Petounta Point, Larnaca on 16-Apr.

LESSER SHORT-TOED LARK *Calandrella rufescens* ΆλβηκΙλαίδβζκτία: At least four were at Spiros Pool on 7-Feb with two at the nearby Larnaca Sewage Works on 9-Feb. Five were at Mandria on 11-Mar.

RICHARD’S PIPIT *Anthus richardi* Διπλογαλούδι: At least one was at Paphos Headland on several dates 8 Mar – 5 Apr and two were at Akrotiri Gravel Pits on 6-Apr.

YELLOW WAGTAIL SPP. *Motacilla flava*: Careful searching through flocks of migrating Yellow Wagtail produced two races rare to Cyprus - a Yellow-headed Wagtail *M.f. lutea* at Lady’s Mile on 22-Apr and a White-headed Wagtail *M.f. leucocephala* at Paphos Headland on 13-Apr.

CITRINE WAGTAIL *Motacilla citreola* Κίτρινο Ματόκιλα: Reported at Leivadia, Mandria, Akhna Dam, Oroklini Marsh and Phasouri Reed-beds on various dates between 18 Mar to 16 May although numbers much reduced from recent springs.

DUNNOCK *Prunella modularis* Κίζαβισιλκυγκμ: Singles were at Tsada 9-Feb and Paphos Headland on 20-Mar.

EHRENBERG’S REDSTART *Phoenicurus phoenicurus samamisicus* Ασιατικός Κοτσινονούρις: Males of the *samamisicus* race of the Common Redstart *Phoenicurus phoenicurus* were at Mesogi, Paphos 21-Mar and Cape Greco 25 – 30-Mar.

SIBERIAN STONECHAT *Saxicola maurus* Σβήκρικ Παπαθκιά: Males were at Cape Greco on 4 and 12-Mar and on the Karpasia Peninsula on 2-Apr with a female there on 26- Mar.

HOODED WHEATEAR *Oenanthe monacha* Σκουφοκαλιψζωρτά: A male was at Timi Beach, Paphos 10 – 13-Apr with another at the Baths of Aphrodite, Latchi on 13-Apr.

WHITE-CROWNED WHEATEAR *Oenanthe leucopyga* Λευκόπτυη Σκαλιψζωρτά: The eighth Cyprus record of this species was found at Cape Greco on 23 – 26 Feb and then the ninth was in another part of that area on 7-May.

MARSH WARBLER *Acrocephalus palustris* Βαλτομομυλνούδι: A possible was at Paphos Headland on 18-Mar.

OLIVE-TREE WARBLER *Hippolais olivetorum* Ελιότρυπητούρια: One reported Tsada 24-May would be the 15th record since 1994 if accepted.

ICTERINE WARBLER *Hippolais icterina* Κίτρινοτρυπητούρια: One Filani 9-May.

ASIAN DESERT WARBLER *Sylvia nana* Ερημοβάτης: One reported Anarita Park 26 & 30-Mar would be seventeenth Cyprus record if accepted.

YELLOW-BROWED WARBLER *Phylloscopus inornatus* Κίτρινοφρύδι Γιαννούδι: One Kato Paphos 19-Mar would be 15th Cyprus record if accepted.

BARRIED WARBLER *Sylvia nisoria* Γιαλλούρα: Singles were at Akrotiri Gravel Pits on 19 and 23-Apr with two individuals ringed and trapped at Neo Horio, Paphos on 20-Apr and three on 23-Apr.

RED-BREASTED FLYCatcher *Ficedula parva* Κοκκινομομυλνοχάφτης: One found Cape Greco 7-Apr.

SEMI-COLLARED FLYCATCHER *Ficedula semitorquata* Δρυμομουλνοχάφτης: Eight reports of up to two were received between 21-Mar – 13-Apr from Cape Greco, Souni, Akhna Dam, Kiti and Tala.

WALLCREEPER *Tichodroma muraria* Βραχοβάτης: The last report from the Avakas Gorge, Paphos was on the very late date of 10-Apr.
**ISABELLINE SHRIKE** *Lanius isabellinus* ΞαθγκεİφαζΪμ: A ‘Daurian’ Shrike *Lanius isabellinus* was at Akrotiri Gravel Pits on 26-Mar and a ‘Turkestan’ Shrike *Lanius phoenicuroides* was at Mandria on 8 and 9-Apr.

**SOUTHERN GREY SHRIKE** *Lanius meridionalis* Διπλοκεφαλός: One probably of the *elegans* race was at Akrotiri Salt Lake on 31-Mar.

**NORTHERN RAVEN** *Corvus corax* Κλόκκαρος: An impressive count of six was outside Rizokarpaso 10-Apr.

**BROWN-NECKED RAVEN** *Corvus ruficollis*: A surprise find at Cape Greco 24-Mar was the first record of this species for Cyprus. It was still present the next morning.

*Staying only just over a day, this Brown-necked Raven was photographed by Raija Howard at the time of its finding at Cape Greco.*

**ROSE-COLOURED STARLING** *Sturnus roseus* Ακριδοτούλι: One Paphos Headland 20-Feb and refound there 2-Mar was an unseasonal record for this species.

**ROCK SPARROW** *Petronia petronia* Πετρόστρουθος: One found at Cape Greco 30-Jan was seen again on several dates until 15-Feb.

**BRAMBLING** *Fringilla montifringilla* Χειμωνόστινος: A migrant was found at Cape Greco on 13-Mar.

**EURASIAN SISKIN** *Carduelis spinus* Θκιολαρούδι: Seen in small groups away from their usual wintering grounds during the early part of the year especially at Akrotiri where three were at Bishop’s Pool 11-Feb and three were at Phasouri Reed-beds 5-Mar.

**TRUMPETER FINCH** *Bucanetes githagineus* Ερημόστινος: Up to four were seen on several dates until 19 Mar. One was seen at Salamis on 27 Feb and two were at Dhekelia Garrison on 18 Mar.
Well what a morning! It was very, very hazy, exceedingly hot, with a distorting heat haze and no breeze as six of us met at Sylvana’s Restaurant, Akrotiri.

At around 0830 our questions were -
‘Were the 'bushes' in the far distance to the E, across the Salt Lake, really Demoiselle Cranes?’
After all, this was where the very little amount of water was on the Salt Lake – so is that likely to be the best place for them to roost?
At 0900 ‘Were the bushes/birds moving around? Or was the heat haze getting worse?’
By 0935 ‘Were we deluding ourselves?’

In the meantime we occupied ourselves by deciding which of the Shrikes on the wires were Lesser Grey and Red-backed and finding out which were juveniles and others the adults. The decision was at least two adult Lesser Grey Shrikes and 1 male Red-backed Shrike, two more were distant on the wires and one juvenile was around a pomegranate tree.
The 12 thermalling Honey Buzzards kept us interested as they formed a kettle and migrated over the RAF base to the S. Another question arose ‘Was the warbler in the grounds of the Environmental Centre an Icterine Warbler?’ We eventually decided it was - ruling out juvenile Willow Warbler and Eastern Bonelli’s Warbler.

No large birds were in flight by 0950 and we were desperate for a comfort break so off we went to Agios Georgios Church and the Gravel Pits.
At 1000 up went 100+ Demoiselles - clearly this species, despite the distance. We watched for 15 minutes as they circled, rode the thermals and moving S to migrate to Africa. At least we had seen them but not as close as we would have wished.

We went back to finding and counting the Shrikes (with a few mutters from me about me not being patient and not firmly believing my initial thoughts that those bushes were, in fact, Demoiselle Cranes).

Another six Lesser Grey Shrikes were seen, plus Crested Larks as we made our way to the pool where a Kentish Plover fed in the shallow water nearby and three more Lesser Grey Shrikes were perched on the bushes. One Spectacled Warbler made a brief appearance in the shrubs, before it vanished.

Again, there were more questions than answers at Bishop’s Pool. Three Turtle Doves were in fast flight and we had to confirm they were not some of the seven Collared Doves seen on our way to the hide.

We had great views of a hunting adult Black Kite over the pool with Mallard diving to get out of the way. Then all of the 30 Grey Herons were put up by a raptor. This raptor flew off to the SW and we listed all the features we’d seen and checked the field guide not finding any species that fitted the description.

Disappointed that we had not managed to ID the raptor nor take a photograph, we returned to watching the 62+ Little Grebe, two Black-winged Stilts and checking if there were any ducks beside Mallard (there weren’t) as well as the handful of Coot and a single Little Egret. Barn Swallows and a solitary Sand Martin plus a White-winged Tern fed over the pool.
Then the mystery bird returned (just as we were about to leave) plus 2 Honey Buzzards and photos were taken as they circled upwards and migrated to the S. After much deliberation, searching of web pages and consultation, the conclusion was that the bird had been a leucistic Western Marsh Harrier. Many thanks to Dinos for all his efforts.

A ring-tailed Harrier (very probably a Montagu’s) was seen at Lady's Mile flying slowly along the shoreline, heading S. On the pools a Little Egret, five Kentish Plover, six Little Stint, two Curlew Sandpiper, four Dunlin, a Ruff, a Common Ringed Plover and a Sanderling were feeding. It was a pleasant variety of species to finish off the field meeting. We enjoyed ourselves and next time I promise to stay until 1030 if I suspect ‘bushes’ may really be distant Demoiselle Cranes!
Meeting at the Droushia Heights hotel on the evening of 9th September BirdLife Cyprus members and friends prepared for an interesting social and birding weekend which included the annual boat trip from Latchi. Before the buffet meal, the BirdLife Cyprus Illegal Bird Killing Campaigns Manager, Tassos Shiallis, gave a presentation on recent developments in the fight against illegal trapping and hunting. This proved to be thought-provoking, worrying and optimistic all at the same time.

The next morning a group of five enthusiastic birders met at 6.30 am outside the hotel and headed off to the valley behind the nearby village of Arodes for some early morning bird watching. The first bird found was a Woodchat Shrike, followed by the first of at least twenty juvenile Red-backed Shrike, with only one attractive male bird seen. Several Willow Warbler were flitting around in the trackside vegetation and at least twelve Sardinian Warbler, four Whinchat and four Cyprus Wheatear were seen. A flock of 30 Chukar flew in front of us and then we spotted a Little Owl on the lower branches of a roadside tree. While Dinos took many photos of the Little Owl, a Cretzschmar’s Bunting flew off but it couldn’t be found again.

After breakfast back at the hotel, the group joined with other members and friends in Latchi harbour and boarded the renovated Koulla boat for the eagerly anticipated trip along the coast to Cape Arnaouti. The sea was calm and there was little wind this year. The number of birds seen on this annual outing is variable but this year was one of the better birdwise. Two ‘Baltic’ Gull glided past the boat almost as soon as it left the harbour. A few flocks of Grey Heron, Little Egret and Cattle Egret were seen roosting on the rocky shore and Eurasian Shag, Yellow-legged Gull and migrant Common Black-headed Gull were also found. At least ten, and probably more, Western Marsh Harrier were observed coming in off shore from the north. A probable Peregrine Falcon was on the cliff face but the rarity of the trip was an unexpected Eurasian Oystercatcher spotted by Melis as it flew along the shore.

The boat dropped anchor in the ‘Blue Lagoon’ and the more energetic took advantage of the lovely September weather and warm water and jumped in for a swim. While waiting for the souvla to be cooked those still on board added Little Ringed Plover, Barn Swallow, Yellow Wagtail, European Turtle Dove and a ring-tailed Harrier (probably Pallid) to the day’s list.

As usual the boat trip was a great success and thanks to Loria Phylacti for organising it. Back at the hotel the social side of the weekend continued with the evening meal and drinks and lively chatter on the hotel patio. Thanks also go to Melis Charalambides for organising the group’s time and stay at the Droushia Heights.
Over twenty members, guests and overseas visitors assembled at the Beach cafe on a very hot and dry morning before setting off with sun hats and plenty of water along the shore. While still in the car park, three Yellow-legged Gulls headed slowly out across the bay. We very soon encountered a pair of Crested Larks close to the path and uttering their familiar 3-note liquid contact call. A small group of Hooded Crows were scavenging among the nearby rocks and grasses whilst a Common Kestrel hovered inside the fenced area searching for a meal. A few moments later, a Whimbrel flew in and settled on the rocks at the water’s edge. This species (probably the same bird) has become a regular winter visitor to Paphos for a number of years. It is a smaller cousin of the Curlew and probes for worms and takes various insects and molluscs. Less than 20 metres away sat a Common Kingfisher, brilliant in the morning sunshine but, regrettably, flew down the shore before everybody could get a good view. A lone Ruddy Turnstone appeared and immediately set off looking for a tasty morsel among the rocks. While all of the group were able to watch it through binoculars, it refused to remain still and views through telescopes proved impossible.
From a distance, we had seen a gull resting on one of the large concrete blocks at the extreme south-westerly corner of the headland. It appeared to have a particularly dark back and hopes were raised that it might be a Baltic Gull. As we approached closer, we had to settle on it being a Yellow-legged Gull. However, we did spot first one, then two, then four Greater Sand Plovers sitting motionless – two, partially hidden - on the rocky shore. This is another species that regularly visits our coasts in winter and, once again, four seem to be attracted to this area of Paphos. A Common Sandpiper was also spotted but it quickly became concealed amongst the rocks and failed to make another appearance.

Turning towards the harbour and fort, we caught glimpses of a pair of Zitting Cisticolas and a Sardinian Warbler but they disappeared into a thick bush before most of the party was able to catch up with the leaders to see them. A Common Kestrel was perched on a distant bush inside the fences area.

By the time we entered the Archaeological Site, our numbers had swollen to 26 with some late arrivals joining the group. Things looked promising when within the first 200 metres or so, we had ticked six new species – all passage migrants. The first was a stunning Masked Shrike, a species that does breed in Cyprus occasionally. It was strategically perched near the top of a tall bush, ready to swoop on an unsuspecting insect or other prey. The others comprised a Whinchat, two Northern Wheatears, a Red-backed Shrike, an Isabelline Wheatear and at least two Spotted Flycatchers.

For the rest of the walk, new species were in short supply. We did however add, Collared Dove, House Sparrow, Great Tit and Lesser Grey Shrike to the morning’s tally. After that, it was a matter of seeing a few more of the same – in particular, Red-backed Shrike, Spotted Flycatcher and a pair of Whinchats which posed on a tall grass stem showing off their orange-buff breast and throat, together with the obvious pale supercilium (stripe above the eye).

I would be in serious trouble with some members of the group if I did not mention that a rare (in Cyprus) Plain Tiger Butterfly (aka African Monarch) was spotted during the walk.

Having exited the Site, the morning finished in what has become a traditional ending to this field trip – a well deserved liquid refreshment at a nearby harbour cafe, with well over half of the group partaking before retracing our steps back along the coastal route to our cars.

The total of 21 species seen was a reasonable score for this field trip at this time of year.
Last Month’s Quiz answer
Pointed wings, moustachial stripe and long tail point to our August mystery raptor being a species of Falcon. In Cyprus, Falcons are well represented with four species breeding (Common Kestrel, Hobby, Eleonora’s Falcon and Peregrine), four more occurring as passage migrants or winter visitors (Lesser Kestrel, Red-footed Falcon, Merlin and Saker) and three occurring as very rare vagrants with 3 records or less (Amur Falcon, Sooty Falcon and Lanner Falcon).

Falcons can be very difficult to separate, especially when they offer just glimpses or are seen soaring at a distance on migration. Even with good views, some species are very similar and only with careful observation is correct identification possible. Size and structure are key to identification. The relatively large head and short wings suggest our mystery bird is one of the small species of falcon, while the well defined moustachial stripe, head pattern, white cheeks curving around the ear-coverts, suggest it is one of three possible species, Hobby, juvenile Sooty Falcon or juvenile Red-footed Falcon. Both Sooty and Red-footed Falcons show a dark trailing edge to the their wings, something missing from our bird. The photographed bird is therefore a **Hobby Falco subbuteo**. Eleonora's Falcon can look similar but is considerably larger, longer tailed and longer winged and has rounded white cheeks. The yellowish vent (red in adults) as well as buff underparts suggest our bird is an immature.
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Τιμή / Price: €25
We are happy to announce the arrival of the new BirdLife Cyprus 2017 calendar which showcases pictures of the birds and habitats of Akamas. This is one of the larger, distinctive and key sites for bird conservation in Cyprus. It is the top breeding site on Cyprus for the European Roller *Coracias garrulus*. It is also a Mediterranean Biome Site with scrub hosting high breeding densities of six endemics. The coastline is important for waterbird passage.

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

John Stapley

A study is being undertaken led by Dr S J Reynolds of Birmingham University and he has requested assistance from BirdLife Partners including BirdLife Cyprus. Members of BirdLife Cyprus are therefore invited to take part in this new study. The history behind the study goes back a number of years when two seabird species on Ascension Island in the South Atlantic exhibited a rare abnormality known as sublingual oral fistulas. It was also reported later in Griffon Vultures. More recent information from a few ringers has suggested that this ‘rare’ condition might not be as rare as was first thought. We are therefore seeking help from people who routinely interact with free-living birds at close quarters. Whilst ringers/banders are the most likely people to find incidents of the condition, those who are regular watchers and/or photographers of wild birds may encounter it, and we would like to hear from you.

It is suspected that there are many more birds living with this condition than have already been detected and the aims of this study are to determine its:

- prevalence within and across species to assess whether some are more predisposed to it than others
- spatial distribution to assess whether birds favouring some habitats are more predisposed to it than others
- pathology to assess whether its onset and progression differ across species
- cause(s)

Needless to say, photographs of any birds showing this condition would be especially welcome and useful. You will, of course, retain copyright on them and they will not be used to illustrate written output from the study without the authors’ first obtaining consent from you. Each image will also be accompanied by a photo credit.

Below, is an extract from an information paper plus a sample Reporting Form indicating the information being sought. Kindly submit your completed form with any photographs to Christina Ieronymidou Christina.ieronymidou@birdlifecyprus.org.cy at BirdLife Cyprus and we will forward them to Dr Reynolds.

Investigation of prevalence, distribution, pathology and causes of a ‘rare’ condition in birds

For those of us who spend much of our time working with and observing free-living birds, we are used to seeing some birds with obvious abnormalities such as missing toes, feet and even legs, and swellings around the bill caused by diseases such as Avian Pox. However, a condition which was thought to be far rarer was first described in the ‘Vulnerable Stitchbird (Notiomystis cincta) in New Zealand by Castro and Taylor (2001). They described a condition called an “oral fistula” in which the skin and muscle of the lower mandible were missing in some birds; the tongue would protrude through the opening, and it was often permanently outside the mouth cavity. Since this first report, the condition has been described in Eurasian Griffon Vultures (Gyps fulvus) (Camina and Guerrero 2013) and in two seabird species on Ascension Island in the South Atlantic – the Sooty Tern (Onychoprion fuscatus) (Reynolds et al. 2009; Fig.1) and the Masked Booby (Sula dactylatra) Hughes et al. 2013).
Figure 1 (a) Lateral and (b) ventral views of a sub-lingual oral fistula in an adult Sooty Tern on Ascension Island in the South Atlantic. The tongue permanently protrudes through a hole in the floor of the mouth. (Photos: R. Dickey. Source: Reynolds et al. 2009).

References
**FORM FOR REPORTING ORAL FISTULAS IN BIRDS**  
(NOTE: Please complete a separate form for each bird observed with condition)

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2078 bird records received  
152 species and forms recorded in August 2016, compared to 159 in August 2015  
[Please note, the list has been edited for the purposes of this newsletter and contains records that have not been corrected or corroborated.]

**LITTLE GREBE** *Tachybaptus ruficollis*

Nεροβούτης  
Max count per location:  
Agia Napa Sewage Works 24 12-Aug JS  
Bishop's Pool 62 27-Aug JN  
Fresh Water Lake (South) 3 13-Aug MC/CC  
Larnaca Sewage Works 29 13-Aug JS  
Mavrokolymbos Dam 3 14-Aug DJW  
Zakaki Marsh 1 Heard 31-Aug JS

**YELKOUAN SHEARWATER** *Puffinus yelkouan*

Μύχος της Μεσογείου  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 Photographed flying over pool just inland from coast 27-Aug SS

**GREAT CORMORANT** *Phalacrocorax carbo*  
Κορμοφάνος  
Fresh Water Lake (South) 2 13-Aug MC/CC  
Kamares (Tala) 1 14-Aug DJW  
Kato Pyrgos 89 two migrating flocks of 29 and c60, low over sea, flying east along coast 17-Aug FGee

**EUROPEAN SHAG** *Phalacrocorax aristotelis*  
Θαλασσοκόρακας  
Cape Kormakitis 4 12-Aug DK  
Kensington Cliffs 2 22-Aug DJW  
Paphos Headland 1 1-Aug JS

**BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON** *Nycticorax nycticorax*  
Νυχτοκόρακας  
Agios Theodoros 16 Heading S towards sea 7.10pm 31-Aug JS  
Akhna Dam 22 23-Aug NK/GF  
Asprokremos Dam 5 8-Aug DJW  
Bishop's Pool 3 in trees near pump house close to boundary fence 17-Aug JN  
Bishop's Pool 1 22-Aug DJW  
Zakaki Marsh PRESENT Both adults and juveniles. Very active behind reeds so not counted 4-Aug LDz  
Zakaki Marsh 28 at least in flight over reed-bed on 2 occasions - includes 6 adults (some carrying twigs back to the pool)- the rest were immatures including at least 2 x 2CY birds with some carrying twigs back to the pool 15-Aug JN

**CATTLE EGRET** *Bubulcus ibis*  
Γελαδάρης  
Agia Napa Football Fields 18 9-Aug AKe  
Agia Napa Football Fields 28 12-Aug AKe  
Agia Napa Football Fields 16 16-Aug AKe  
Agia Napa Football Fields 4 22-Aug AKe  
Agia Napa Football Fields 20 29-Aug AKe  
Akhna Dam 3 13-Aug BB  
Frenaros 6 19-Aug AKe  
Fresh Water Lake (South) 120 seven nests still had young in them 13-Aug MC/CC
Paphos Sewage Plant  6  1-Aug  JS
Phasouri Reed beds  1  4-Aug  LDz
Phassouri Reed Beds  2  20 & 31-Aug  JE/JS

LITTLE EGRET *Egretta garzetta* Χιονάτη
Akhna Dam  1  17-Aug  BB
Akhna Dam  2  24-Aug  BB
Cape Kormakitis  29  12-Aug  DK
Fresh Water Lake (South)  10  one nest with three juvs seen  13-Aug  MC/CC
Lady's Mile  1  20, 22, 27, 29 & 31-Aug  JN/DJW/TrE/FGe/SC/APL
Piania Dam  1  28-Aug  DJW
Zakaki Marsh  3  4-Aug  LDz
Zakaki Marsh  1  15, 20 & 22-Aug  JN/DJW

GREY HERON *Ardea cinerea* Σταχτοψαρφας
Max count per location:
Akhna Dam  3  1-Aug  FGe
Akrotiri Gravel Pits  3  31-Aug  TrE/JN
Akrotiri Salt Lake  c20  31-Aug  JS
Anthoupolis, Nicosia  1  flying over sewage treatment plant  21-Aug  FGe
Asprokremos Dam  3  31-Aug  DJW
Bishop's Pool  c50  8-Aug  ABW
Evretou Dam  2  14-Aug  DJW
Larnaca Sewage Works  6  13-Aug  JS
Pachyammos Coast  4  In flock with ten Purple Heron  20-Aug  CS
Phassouri Reed-beds  1  15-Aug  JN
Zakaki Marsh  5  15-Aug  JN

PURPLE HERON *Ardea purpurea* Πορφυρωμαρφας
Akhna Dam  1  1-Aug  FGe
Pachyammos Coast  10  In flock with four Grey Heron  20-Aug  CS

WHITE STORK *Ciconia ciconia* Λευκός Πελαργός
Pegelia  3  16-Aug  ChSh

GLOSSY IBIS *Plegadis falcinellus* Χαλκόκοτα
Akrotiri Gravel Pits  1  5-Aug  TrE
Aradippou Farms  14  23-Aug  NK/GF
Larnaca Sewage Works  2  31-Aug  JS
Paphos Sewage Plant  1  28-Aug  DJW
Paphos Sewage Plant  2  31-Aug  DJW
Polis Chrysochou Bay  30  Flew W 14.50 1-Aug  JS
Polis Chrysochou Bay  16  moving around in bay from E to W and back again low over water as if lost for at least an hour from 14.50  8-Aug  JS

GREATER FLAMINGO *Phoenicopterus roseus* Φλαμίνγκο
Akrotiri  18  0840-0846 in flight S of base circling bay then to NW and then SE then NW very high  31-Aug  JS/JN
Larnaca Sewage Works  7  2, 7 & 9-Aug  JS
Larnaca Sewage Works  4  11 & 15-Aug  JS
Larnaca Sewage Works  5  adults  13-Aug  JS
Larnaca Sewage Works  27  flew in off sea, over Spiros Pool and joined four already on Sewage Pools  16-Aug  JS
Larnaca Sewage Works  c20  31-Aug  JS

RUDDY SHELDUCK *Tadorna ferruginea* Καστανόνταπια
Larnaca Sewage Works  1  13-Aug  JN/JS

EURASIAN TEAL *Anas crecca* Σαροσέλλι
Bishop's Pool  12  all females  17-Aug  JN
Bishop's Pool  2  20 & 22-Aug  JN/DJW
Bishop's Pool  1  female  27-Aug  JN
Larnaca Sewage Works  3  female and 2 male  13-Aug  JN
Larnaca Sewage Works  1+  16-Aug  JS
Larnaca Sewage Works  c20  31-Aug  JS

MALLARD *Anas platyrhynchos* Πρασινοτζζεφαλή
Agia Napa Sewage Works  1  12-Aug  JS
Bishop's Pool  67  4 males (3 in eclipse) and rest female/juveniles  17-Aug  JN
Bishop's Pool  80  includes 4 males in eclipse  20-Aug  JN
Bishop's Pool  c50  22-Aug  DJW
Bishop's Pool  60  at least including a few males in eclipse plumage  27-Aug  JN
Larnaca Sewage Works  239  13-Aug  JS
**GARGANEY** *Anas querquedula*

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 being attacked by two Eleonora's Falcon 10-Aug TRe

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 19-Aug TRe

Bishop's Pool 5 3 adults and 2 juveniles 17-Aug JN

Bishop's Pool 1 female 20-Aug JN

Larnaca Sewage Works 8 7-Aug JS

Larnaca Sewage Works 4 11-Aug JS

Larnaca Sewage Works 6 13-Aug JS

Larnaca Sewage Works 2 15-Aug JS

**NORTHERN SHOVELER** *Anas clypeata*

Σαξάνα

Larnaca Sewage Works 2 females 13-Aug JN

Larnaca Sewage Works 4 16-Aug JS

Larnaca Sewage Works c20 31-Aug JS

**RED-CRESTED POCHARD** *Netta rufina*

Κοτσινοτζίεφαλη

Larnaca Sewage Works 1 2-Aug JS

**FERRUGINOUS DUCK** *Aythya nyroca*

Βαλτόταπτια

Bishop's Pool 7 includes 1 juvenile, 2 males and 2 females, rest in flight 17-Aug JN

Fresh Water Lake (South) 1 13-Aug MC/CC

Larnaca Sewage Works 4 2-Aug JS

Larnaca Sewage Pools 3 7-Aug JS

Larnaca Sewage Works 7 13-Aug JS

**EUROPEAN HONEY BUZZARD** *Pernis apivorus*

Μελισσοσιάχινο

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 3 One on ground 23-Aug TRe

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 3 Gaining height 9.30 am 31-Aug JS

Akrotiri 15 at least reported over RAF base Akrotiri 21-Aug JN

Akrotiri 31 at least reported over RAF base 22-Aug JN

Akrotiri 1 0847-0857 1 adult over W end of base to Bishop's Pool chased by Hooded Crow very high and lost in haze, probably migrated to S or SW 31-Aug JN

Amathus Archaeological site 7 coming from sea 17-Aug NK/GF

Bishop's Pool 2 spiralling up with the probable Marsh Harrier migrating S together 27-Aug JN

Dipotamos dam 1 heading SSE 11.00am 21-Aug NK/GF

**BLACK KITE** *Milvus migrans*

Γυπογεράκα

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 on salt marsh 24-Aug JN

Bishop's Pool 3 22-Aug DJW

Souni 1 0750 - 0752 flew up with Honey Buzzard to SE and lost sight of behind trees 30-Aug JN

**EURASIAN GRIFFON VULTURE** *Gyps fulvus*

Γτπαμ

Kensington Cliffs 6 an additional vulture was seen in the morning at the motorway tunnel, these were seen in the afternoon 22-Aug DJW

Sanctuary of Apollo Hylates 6 flew over towards Zapalo bay 29-Aug FG
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**WESTERN MARSH HARRIER** *Circus aeruginosus*

Βαλτόσιάχινο

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 24, 28 & 31-Aug JN/MGr/JS

Lady's Mile 1 22-Aug DJW

Larnaca Sewage Works 1 female mobbed by 3 Hooded Crows (probably the same female that appeared above the hide later in the morning) 13-Aug JN

Larnaca Sewage Works 1 13-Aug JS

Mandria 2 31-Aug DJW

Phassouri Reed Beds 1 31-Aug JN

Zakaki Marsh 2 1 female resting on Akrotiri Lake salt marsh near run-off and other female took off from a bush on the dunes towards the shore 15-Aug JN

Zakaki Marsh 1 25-Aug NK/GF

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

Καηπκίαχινο

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 25-Aug NK/GF

Lady's Mile 1 a very probable juvenile flying along shore from E to W, migrating 27-Aug JN

Larnaca Sewage Works 1 Juvenile 31-Aug JS

Panagia Stazousa 2 Males heading SW 31-Aug JS

**NORTHERN GOSHAWK** *Accipiter gentilis*

Διπλοσιάχινο

Kamares (Tala) 1 14 & 15-Aug DJW

Mavrokolympos Dam 1 Juvenile flew in front of car flying after a group of flying
Chukar. Landed on slope but didn't catch anything. Flew again in front of car and appeared to land on opposite slope but not seen again 10-Aug JS

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

Διπλογέρακο
Arodhes 1 14-Aug DJW
Asprokremnos Dam 4 Flew over 2 + 2 3-Aug JS
Frenaros 2 15-Aug AKe
Kathikas 1 5 & 8-Aug JS
Panagia Stazousa 1 Below two migrating Montagu's. Probably local bird. 31-Aug JS
Prodromi, Polis 1 8-Aug JS
Tsada Golf Course Track/Minthis Hills 1 1-Aug JS

**BONELLI’S EAGLE** *Aquila fasciatus*
Σπιζατός - Περτικοσιάχινο
Arodhes 2 Adults 5-Aug JS
Arodhes 1 Immature 14-Aug DJW
Kamares (Tala) 2 1 adult, 1 immature 27-Aug DJW

**COMMON KESTREL** *Falco tinnunculus*
Κίτης
Largest counts:
Agia Varvara 3 31-Aug DJW
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 3 29-Aug FGe

**EURASIAN HOBBY** *Falco subbuteo*
Δεντροφάλκον
Akhna Dam 1 1-Aug FGe
Arodhes 1 5 & 8-Aug JS
Arodhes 2 Near nest site??? Calling to each other or to young? 10-Aug JS
Kamares (Tala) 1 heard 20.30 1-Aug DJW
Kamares (Tala) 2 13-Aug DJW
Kamares (Tala) 3 19, 24 & 30-Aug DJW
Kamares (Tala) PRESENT heard 22-Aug DJW

**ELEONORA’S FALCON** *Falco eleonorae*
Μαυρομμάτης
Eleonora’s Falcon, Kensington Cliffs, 22nd August. Photograph by Dave Walker.

Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 Flew over, mobbed by Spur-winged Lapwing 12-Aug JS
Agia Varvara 1 31-Aug DJW
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 1-Aug TRe
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 attacking a Garganey 10-Aug TRe
Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 24 & 28-Aug JN/MGr
Akrotiri 21 31-Aug JN
Asprokremnos Dam 1 High with Long-legged Buzzards 3-Aug JS
Asprokremos Dam 3 31-Aug DJW
Episkopi Town 1 hunting as flying SW over the village 31-Aug JN
Kamares (Tala) 1 27-Aug DJW
Kensington Cliffs 4 22-Aug DJW
Lady’s Mile 1 High over the area 31-Aug JS
Mandria 1 31-Aug DJW
Mavrokolympos Dam 1 10-Aug JS
Paphos Sewage Plant 1 28-Aug DJW
Souni 1 flying S to N 11-Aug JN
Zakaki Marsh 1 hunting dark morph 15-Aug JN
Zakaki Marsh 3 on salt marsh near a shallow, narrow strip of water 20-Aug JN

**PEREGRINE FALCON** *Falco peregrinus*
Ζάνος
Arodhes 1 8-Aug JS
Panagia Stazousa 1 31-Aug JS

**CHUKAR** *Alectoris chukar*
Περτήζι
Largest counts:
Anthoupolis 33 27-Aug FGe
Dipotamos dam 57 in five groups 16-Aug FGe
Frenaros 50 adults & young 30-Aug AKe
BLACK FRANCOLIN *Francolinus francolinus* Φλαΰεκζέθα

Largest counts:
- Agia Napa Football Fields  3  22-Aug  AKe
- Larnaca Desalination Plant Fields  5  20-Aug  FGe
- Larnaca Sewage Works  3  27-Aug  FGe

COMMON QUAIL *Coturnix coturnix* ΟλΙτεδ

- Frenaros  1  28-Aug  AKe

WATER RAIL *Rallus aquaticus* Μαυροπουλόδα

- Zakaki Marsh  2  4 & 15-Aug  LDz/JN
- Zakaki Marsh  1  heard  20 & 22-Aug  JN/DJW

COMMON MOORHEN *Gallinula chloropus* Αρκοπτετείναρο

- Akhna Dam  2  1-Aug  FGe
- Bishop's Pool  7  3 juveniles and 4 adults  17-Aug  JN
- Fresh Water Lake (South)  10  four juvs  13-Aug  MC/CC
- Lymbia Dam, Nicosia  11  of which 4 juv  27-Aug  FGe
- Pediaios river, Yiorkio area, Nicosia  5  three juvenile  10-Aug  FGe
- Zakaki Marsh  3  1 adult seen feeding and 2 at least heard calling  15-Aug  JN

EURASIAN COOT *Fulica atra* Καλαπαττάς

- Akhna Dam  4  1-Aug  FGe
- Bishop's Pool  1  4, 17 & 20-Aug  LDz/JN
- Bishop's Pool  2  22 & 27-Aug  DJW/JN
- Fresh Water Lake (South)  15  13-Aug  MC/CC
- Larnaca Sewage Works  3  2-Aug  JS
- Larnaca Sewage Works  4  7-Aug  JS
- Larnaca Sewage Works  8  9-Aug  JS
- Larnaca Sewage Works  7  11 & 13-Aug  JS
- Larnaca Sewage Works  5  15-Aug  JS
- Larnaca Sewage Works  6  16-Aug  JS

PIED AVOCET *Recurvirostra avosetta* Αβοκέτα

- Larnaca Sewage Works  2  1 ad and 1 juv  7-Aug  JS
- Larnaca Sewage Works  1  Juvenile  9, 11, 13, 15 & 16-Aug  JS/JN
- Larnaca Sewage Works  6  Photographed  30-Aug  VTV/GKo

EURASIAN STONE-CURLEW *Burhinus oedicnemus* Σλκυζζκυλέα

- Achelia  2  31-Aug  DJW
- Asprokremnos Dam  1  In carob grove  3-Aug  JS
- Dhekelia Barracks  6  17-Aug  BB
- Dhekelia Barracks  4  27-Aug  BB
- Frenaros  25  15-Aug  AKe
- Larnaca Airport Pools South  26  30-Aug  JS
- Larnaca Airport Pools South  17  31-Aug  JS
- Larnaca Sewage Works  1  13-Aug  JS
- Meneou Pool  1  9-Aug  JS
- Meneou Pool  19  13-Aug  JS

Demiselle Crane, Akrotiri Salt Lake, 30” August. Photograph by Tony Reeves

Akrotiri Salt Lake  100+  very distant dark ‘blobs’ on far E shore of salt lake but too hazy to be certain until they took flight - seen from Agios Georgios Church on the Gravel Pits. Possibly as many as 150  27-Aug  JN

Akrotiri Salt Lake  67  circling over before disappearing to the south  29-Aug  FGe

Akrotiri Salt Lake c27  30-Aug  TRe

Kamares (Tala) PRESENT heard flying west  27-Aug  DJW

Kamares (Tala) PRESENT heard flying south east at 22.35 and 23.30  27-Aug  DJW

Stroumbi c60  Flew over 19.50  23-Aug  DW

Stroumbi Heard large flocks flew over calling 21.35 and 21.45  27-Aug  DW

Tala Heard flocks heard passing over at 21:15 and 21:45  26-Aug  ABW

BLACK-WINGED STILT *Himantopus himantopus* Καλαμοκαλληνάς

- Akhna Dam  4  1-Aug  FGe
- Bishop's Pool  1  4, 17 & 20-Aug  LDz/JN
- Bishop's Pool  2  22 & 27-Aug  DJW/JN
- Fresh Water Lake (South)  15  13-Aug  MC/CC
- Larnaca Sewage Works  3  2-Aug  JS
- Larnaca Sewage Works  4  7-Aug  JS
- Larnaca Sewage Works  8  9-Aug  JS
- Larnaca Sewage Works  7  11 & 13-Aug  JS
- Larnaca Sewage Works  5  15-Aug  JS
- Larnaca Sewage Works  6  16-Aug  JS

DEMOISELLE CRANE *Grus virgo* Νυφκαλαθσμ

- Akrotiri Salt Lake  100+  very distant dark ‘blobs’ on far E shore of salt lake but too hazy to be certain until they took flight - seen from Agios Georgios Church on the
Ormedia 20+ next to track on way to Lidl 29-Aug STi
Paphos Sewage Plant 2 1-Aug JS
Paphos Sewage Plant 1 3-Aug JS

COLLARED PRATINCOLE Glareola pratincola Νεροχελίδονο
Akhna Dam 4 9-Aug BB
Akhna Dam 1 20-Aug BB
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 11-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 16-Aug JS

LITTLE RINGED PLOVER Charadrius
Akhna Dam 13 1-Aug FGe
Akhna Dam 7 13-Aug BB
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 3 3-Aug TRe
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 4 & 22-Aug TRe/ABW
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 8-Aug TRe
Larnaca Sewage Works 5 2 & 9-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 7-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 5 9-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 2 11-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 4 15-Aug JS

COMMON RINGED PLOVER Charadrius hiatricula Αμμοτσλομίδι
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 3 22 & 31-Aug TRe/JS
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 23 & 27-Aug TRe
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 5 30-Aug TRe
Lady’s Mile 1 feeding 27-Aug JN
Lady’s Mile 2 30-Aug TRe/SC/APL
Lady’s Mile 3 31-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 11 & 13-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 2 31-Aug JS

KENTISH PLOVER Charadrius alexandrinus Νανοπτολομίδι

Kentish Plovers, Lady’s Mile, 22nd August. Photograph by Dave Walker.

Max count per location:
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 12 31-Aug JS
Eastern Akrotiri Salt Lake 3 28-Aug MGr

Lady’s Mile 91 25 definite adults and 57 probable plus 9 definite juveniles 15-Aug JN
Larnaca Sewage Works 30+ 31-Aug JS
Spiros Beach 24 20-Aug FGe
Spiros Pool 57 13-Aug JS

GREATER SAND PLOVER Charadrius leschenaultii Βροχοπτολομίδι

Greater Sand Plover, Paphos Headland, 12th August. Photograph by Dave Walker.

Agia Trias 4 20-Aug SSK
Paphos Headland 3 1 & 12-Aug JS/DJW
Paphos Headland 4 3 & 28-Aug JS/DJW

GREY PLOVER Pluvialis squatarola Στακτοπτολομίδι
Agia Trias 1 20-Aug SSK
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 30-Aug VTV

SPUR-WINGED LAPWING Vanellus spinosus Πελλοκατερίνα

Spur-winged Lapwing chick, Larnaca Sewage Works, 9th August. Photograph by Jane Stylianou

Max count per location and interesting reports:
Agia Napa Sewage Works 2 One mobbed Eleonora’s Falcon that flew over 12-Aug JS
Akhna Dam 66 max count during month 13-Aug BB
Fresh Water Lake (South)  15  13-Aug  
MC/CC 
Larnaca Salt Lake 7  Kamares area  13-Aug  JS 
Larnaca Sewage Works 39 includes 6 in field (1 very young chick) 13-Aug  JN 
Neofytou Bros pig farm, Palaioimetocho 10 10-Aug  FGe 
Paphos Headland 1 28-Aug  DJW 
Paphos Sewage Plant 12 1-Aug  JS 
Spiros Pool 1 13-Aug  JS 
Zakaki Marsh 1 on marsh at E side of pool 20-Aug  JN 

SANDERLING  *Calidris alba*  
Λευκονεράλλιδι 

\[Image of Sanderling\]

Sanderling, Spiros Beach, 13\(^{th}\) August.  
Photograph by Jane Stylianou. 

Lady's Mile 1 27 & 30-Aug  JN/TRe 
Lady's Mile 2 31-Aug  TRe 
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 2 & 15-Aug  JS 
Spiros Beach 1 2, 13 & 20-Aug  JS/FGe 

LITTLE STINT  *Calidris minuta*  
Νανονεράλλιδι 
Max count per location: 
Akhna Dam 2 1-Aug  FGe 
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 3 3 & 5-Aug  TRe 
Lady's Mile 15 15-Aug  JN 
Larnaca Sewage Works 48 7-Aug  JS 
Meneou Pool 5 13-Aug  JS 
Zakaki Marsh 4 15-Aug  JN 

TEMMINCK’S STINT  *Calidris temminckii*  
Σταχτονεράλλιδι 
Akrotiri 2 26-Aug  JE 
Larnaca Sewage Works 2 7, 9 & 13-Aug  JS 
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 11 & 15-Aug  JS 

CURLEW SANDPIPER  *Calidris ferruginea*  
Δρεπανονεράλλιδι 
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 27-Aug  TRe 

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 4 30 & 31-Aug  TRe/JS 
Lady’s Mile 1 15-Aug  JN 
Lady’s Mile 2 25 & 27-Aug  NK/GF/JN 
Lady’s Mile 3 26-Aug  JE 
Lady’s Mile 4 30-Aug  TRe 
Lady’s Mile 5 31-Aug  TRe/JS 
Larnaca Sewage Works 3 2 & 11-Aug  JS 
Larnaca Sewage Works 6 7-Aug  JS 
Larnaca Sewage Works 3 9-Aug  JS 
Larnaca Sewage Works 5 13-Aug  JS 
Zakaki Marsh 1 22-Aug  DJW 

DUNLIN  *Calidris alpina*  
Λαυστονεράλλιδι 

\[Image of Dunlin\]

Dunlin, Akrotiri Gravel Pits, 3\(^{rd}\) August.  
Photograph by Tony Reeves. 

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 22, 27 & 31-Aug  TRe/JS 
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 11 & 12-Aug  TRe/ABW 
Lady’s Mile 1 22-Aug  TRe 
Lady’s Mile 2 27-Aug  JN 
Lady’s Mile 3 30-Aug  TRe/SC/APL 
Lady’s Mile 5 31-Aug  JS 
Larnaca Sewage Works 3 7-Aug  JS 
Larnaca Sewage Works 2 9 & 31-Aug  JS 
Larnaca Sewage Works 5 11, 13, 16 & 30-Aug  JS/VT

BROAD-BILLED SANDPIPER  *Limicola falcinellus*  
Ραβδονεράλλιδι 

\[Image of Broad-billed Sandpiper\]

Broad-billed Sandpiper, Lady’s Mile 26\(^{th}\) August.  
Photograph by John East
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 31-Aug TRe/JS
Lady's Mile 2 close together 20-Aug JN
Lady's Mile 1 26, 29 & 30-Aug
JE/FGe/TRe/SC/APL
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 15-Aug JS

**RUFF** *Philomachus pugnax* Μαχητής

*Ruff, Akrotiri Gravel Pits, 3rd August. Photograph by Tony Reeves.*

Akha Dam 1 3 & 6-Aug BB
Akrotiri gravel Pits 1 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 27-Aug TRe
Lady's Mile 1 22, 27 & 30-Aug DJW/JN/SC/APL
Larnaca Sewage Works 4 2-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 6 7-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 9-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 2 11-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 8 13-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 7 16-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 5 31-Aug JS

**COMMON SNIPE** *Gallinago gallinago* Πικατσόνι

*Common Snipe, Akrotiri Gravel Pits, 8th August. Photograph by Tony Reeves.*

Akhna Dam 2 24-Aug BB
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 8-Aug TRe
Lady's Mile 2 25-Aug NK/GF

**BLACK-TAILED GODWIT** *Limosa limosa* Λιμόζα
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 6, 7 & 31-Aug JS

**BAR-TAILED GODWIT** *Limosa lapponica* Θαλασσολιμόζα

Bar-tailed Godwit, Akrotiri Gravel Pits, 8th August. Photograph by Tony Reeves.

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 8-Aug TRe

**WHIMBREL** *Numenius phaeopus* Φαιομπεκάτσα

*Whimbrel, Paphos Headland, 12th August. Photograph by Dave Walker.*

Paphos Headland 1 12 & 28-Aug DJW

**EURASIAN CURLEW** *Numenius arquata* Νερομπεκάτσα
Larnaca Desalination Plant Fields 2 20-Aug FGe
Paphos Sewage Plant 1 31-Aug DJW

**SPOTTED REDSHANK** *Tringa erythropus* Μαυρονεράλλιδι
Larnaca Sewage Pools 2 7-Aug JS

**COMMON REDSHANK** *Tringa totanus* Κοκκινονεράλλιδι
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 1-Aug TRe
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 7 & 13-Aug JS/JN
Larnaca Sewage Works  2  9-Aug JS

MARSH SANDPIPER *Tringa stagnatilis*
Βαλτονεραλλίδα
Akhna Dam  4  20-Aug BB
Akrotiri Gravel Pits  1  23-Aug TRe
Larnaca Sewage Works  3  2-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works  1  7-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works  6  9, 15 & 16-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works  4  11-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works  7  13-Aug JS

COMMON GREENSHANK *Tringa nebularia*
Πρασινονεραλλίδι
Akhna Dam  3  1-Aug FGe
Akhna Dam  2  13-Aug BB
Akrotiri Gravel Pits  1  22, 23 & 26-Aug TRe/ABW
Bishop's Pool  1  26-Aug JE
Frenaros  1  14-Aug AKe
Lady's Mile  1  26, 29, 30 & 31-Aug
JE/FGe/TRe/SC/APL/JS
Larnaca Sewage Works  1  9 & 15-Aug JS

GREEN SANDPIPER *Tringa ochropus*
Δασονεραλλίδι
Largest counts:
Akhna Dam  14  1-Aug FGe
Akrotiri Gravel Pits  6  5-Aug TRe
Larnaca Sewage Works  5  9-Aug JS
Mavrokolympos Dam  4  10-Aug JS

WOOD SANDPIPER *Tringa glareola*
Λάσπονεραλλίδι
Akhna Dam  1  24-Aug BB
Akrotiri Gravel Pits  1  5 & 12-Aug TRe
Akrotiri Gravel Pits  2  11-Aug TRe
Larnaca Sewage Works  2  7 & 9-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works  1  11 & 13-Aug JS/JN

COMMON SANDPIPER *Actitis hypoleucos*
Ακτίτης

Common Sandpiper, Paphos Headland, 28th August. Photograph by Dave Walker.

Largest counts:
Akrotiri Gravel Pits  8  4-Aug TRe
Larnaca Airport Coast  4  15-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works  6  15-Aug JS

RUDDY TURNSTONE *Arenaria interpres*
Χαλίκονεραλλίδι
Ruddy Turnstone, Akrotiri Gravel Pits, 23rd August. Photograph by Tony Reeves.

Akrotiri Gravel Pits  1  23, 29 & 30-Aug TRe/FGe
Larnaca Sewage Works  1  24 & 31-Aug NK/GF/JS
Spiros Beach  1  Adult. Still breeding plumage 11-Aug JS
Spiros Beach  3  one juv.  20-Aug FGe
Spiros Beach  1  27-Aug FGe
Spiros Beach  6  Five together and one elsewhere alone 30-Aug JS
Spiros Beach  5  31-Aug JS

SLENDER-BILLED GULL *Larus genei*
Λεπτόρομφος Γλάρος
Larnaca Sewage Works  3  13 & 31-Aug JN/JS

BALTIC GULL *Larus fuscus fuscus*
Μελανόγλαρος Βαλτικής
Polis Chrysochou Bay  1  Floating off shore 3-Aug JS

YELLOW-LEGGED GULL *Larus michahellis*
Ασημόγλαρος
Max count per location:
Akrotiri Gravel Pits  1  3 & 8-Aug TRe
Fresh Water Lake (South)  20  All this year's birds 13-Aug MC/CC
Larnaca Airport Coast  90+  15-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works  c60  11-Aug JS
Spiros Beach  c60  27-Aug FGe
Spiros Pool  92  All juveniles  7-Aug JS
GULL-BILLED TERN *Gelochelidon nilotica*  
Γηλογλάρονο

Gull-billed Tern, Akrotiri Gravel Pits, 11th August. Photograph by Tony Reeves.

Akhna Dam 1 1-Aug  FGe
Akhrotiri Gravel Pits 1 11-Aug  TRe
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 probable flying W over bund of W pool, away from the hide 13-Aug  JN
Mandria, Paphos 1 31-Aug  DJW

WHISKERED TERN *Chlidonias hybrida*  
Λημνογλάρονο

Akhna Dam 1 13-Aug  BB
Akhna Dam 2 24-Aug  BB
Bishop's Pool 3 One a probable 22-Aug  ABW
Fresh Water Lake (South) 1 13-Aug  MC/CC
Lady's Mile 1 30-Aug  SC
Larnaca Sewage Works 2 31-Aug  JS

WHITE-WINGED TERN *Chlidonias leucopterus*  
Αργυρογλάρονο

Akhna Dam 1 27-Aug  BB
Akrotiri North 1 flying low into wind and dipping into saltbush - presumably feeding on ?spiders. Did 2 runs into the wind while I was present 22 & 27-Aug  MGr
Bishop's Pool 1 20 & 27-Aug  JN
Eastern Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 28-Aug  MGr
Larnaca Sewage Works 2 2, 11, 13 & 15-Aug  JS/JN
Larnaca Sewage Works 3 7-Aug  JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 6 9-Aug  JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 16 & 31-Aug  JS

ROCK DOVE *Columba livia*  
Αρκοπέξουνο

Adonis baths area  PRESENT 17-Aug  ChSh
Bishop's Pool 60 49 took to the air as aircraft lifted off and 11 on sides of pool 17-Aug  JN

Bishop's Pool 49 20-Aug  JN
Bishop's Pool 106 4 in flight around pool then 65 up around 0951 and another 37 between 1011 and 1018 flying high 31-Aug  JN
Tochni 3+ 1-Aug  LL

COMMON WOODPIGEON *Columba palumbus*  
Φάσσα

Largest counts:
Asprokremnos Dam 30+ 3-Aug  JS
Kamares (Tala) c150 14-Aug  DJW
Paphos Sewage Plant c50 1-Aug  JS

EURASIAN COLLARED DOVE *Streptopelia decaocto*  
Φιλικουτόνι

Largest counts:
Asprokremnos Dam 10 3-Aug  JS
Frenaros 40 14-Aug  AKe
Kato Pyrgos 12 17-Aug  FGe
Paphos Sewage Plant 20+ 3-Aug  JS

EURASIAN TURTLE DOVE *Streptopelia turtur*  
Τρυγάνι

Agios Georgios Kafkallou 3 including one juv 14-Aug  FGe
Arodhes c10 5-Aug  JS
Arodhes 4+ 8-Aug  JS
Arodhes 2 10-Aug  JS
Arodhes 1 14-Aug  DJW
Bishop's Pool 7 at least seen together but very mobile so probably more 17-Aug  JN
Bishop's Pool 8 in flight and 3 at water's edge (possibly more) 20-Aug  JN
Bishop's Pool 3 27-Aug  JN
Filani 2 1 juv. 7-Aug  FGe
Frenaros 1 28-Aug  AKe
Kamares (Tala) 1 14-Aug  DJW
Kolossi 2 in flight together 20-Aug  JN
Pano Lefkara 3 16-Aug  FGe
Phassouri Reed-beds 2 in flight 15-Aug  JN
Stroumbi 1 10-Aug  JS

LAUGHING DOVE *Stigmatopelia senegalensis*  
Φοινικοτρύγονο

Frenaros 1 in song 8-Aug  AKe
Frenaros 2 pair 14 & 17-Aug  AKe
Larnaca port area 2 1-Aug  FGe

GREAT SPOTTED CUCKOO *Clamator glandarius*  
Καλοχρονιά

Akhna Dam 1 juvenile 9-Aug  BB

COMMON CUCKOO *Cuculus canorus*  
Κκτεκμ

Bishop's Pool 49 20-Aug  JN
Bishop's Pool 106 4 in flight around pool then 65 up around 0951 and another 37 between 1011 and 1018 flying high 31-Aug  JN
Tochni 3+ 1-Aug  LL

EURASIAN TURTLE DOVE *Streptopelia turtur*  
Τρυγάνι

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Frenaros 1 28-Aug  AKe
Kamares (Tala) 1 14-Aug  DJW
Kolossi 2 in flight together 20-Aug  JN
Pano Lefkara 3 16-Aug  FGe
Phassouri Reed-beds 2 in flight 15-Aug  JN
Stroumbi 1 10-Aug  JS

LAUGHING DOVE *Stigmatopelia senegalensis*  
Φοινικοτρύγονο

Frenaros 1 in song 8-Aug  AKe
Frenaros 2 pair 14 & 17-Aug  AKe
Larnaca port area 2 1-Aug  FGe

GREAT SPOTTED CUCKOO *Clamator glandarius*  
Καλοχρονιά

Akhna Dam 1 juvenile 9-Aug  BB

COMMON CUCKOO *Cuculus canorus*  
Κκτεκμ

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Tochni 3+ 1-Aug  LL

EURASIAN TURTLE DOVE *Streptopelia turtur*  
Τρυγάνι

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Kamares (Tala) 1 14-Aug  DJW
Kolossi 2 in flight together 20-Aug  JN
Pano Lefkara 3 16-Aug  FGe
Phassouri Reed-beds 2 in flight 15-Aug  JN
Stroumbi 1 10-Aug  JS

LAUGHING DOVE *Stigmatopelia senegalensis*  
Φοινικοτρύγονο

Frenaros 1 in song 8-Aug  AKe
Frenaros 2 pair 14 & 17-Aug  AKe
Larnaca port area 2 1-Aug  FGe

GREAT SPOTTED CUCKOO *Clamator glandarius*  
Καλοχρονιά

Akhna Dam 1 juvenile 9-Aug  BB

COMMON CUCKOO *Cuculus canorus*  
Κκτεκμ
Agia Napa Football Fields  1  22-Aug AKe
Frenaros  1  4 & 17-Aug AKe
Souni  1  male disturbed by Chukars taking flight, flew across the track onto pine tree near me on the wooded area beyond the ridge. It stayed for a few minutes before flying off into the wood, heading S  19-Aug JN

BARN OWL  *Tyto alba* Αφρωποτούλλι
Kato Paphos  1  Seen twice at 19.50 and 21.10 near Neapolis University  20-Aug DJW
Pegeia  1  10.10pm  12-Aug IF

EURASIAN SCOPS OWL  *Otus scops* Θουπτί
Agios Theodoros  1  Heard and seen in village  31-Aug JS

LITTLE OWL  *Athene noctua* Κουκουφιάδος
Agios Theodoros  2  On wires on road from sea to Agios Theodoros at 7pm  31-Aug JS
Analiontas, Nicosia  1  16-Aug FGe
Souni  2  1, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10 & 23-Aug JN
Souni  3  2 & 12-Aug JN
Souni  1  3, 11, 14 & 20-Aug JN
Tochni  3+  1-Aug LL

LONG-EARED OWL  *Asio otus* Αρκόθουπτος
Frenaros  1  17-Aug AKe

EUROPEAN NIGHTJAR  *Caprimulgus europaeus* Νυκτοπτέρυγο
Asprokremnos Dam  1  Flushed by accident in the car park area. Flew to another pine where seen for several minutes before it flew off and was not seen again.  3-Aug JS
Asprokremnos Dam  4  3 flushed near carpark another 1 flushed in south woods  6-Aug DJW
Asprokremnos Dam  1  31-Aug DJW
Mandria, Paphos  5  29-Aug DJW

COMMON SWIFT  *Apus apus* Πτεροχελίδον
Agia Napa Football Fields  3  22-Aug AKe
Akrotiri Gravel Pits  1+  17 & 19-Aug TRe
Akrotiri Gravel Pits  18  feeding, probably in advance of migrating  15-Aug JN
Akrotiri North  15  feeding with Pallid Swift and swallows  13-Aug MGr
Akrotiri North  6  27-Aug MGr
Asomatos Plantations  2  20-Aug JN

Larnaca Sewage Works  c20  2-Aug JS
Livadi tou Pashia  1  6-Aug JN
Phassouri Reed-beds  13  feeding prior to moving S to migrate  15-Aug JN
Phasouri Reed Beds  2  24-Aug JN
Phassouri Reed Beds  8  31-Aug JS
Trachoni  25  at least feeding low over fields  3-Aug JN
Zakaki Marsh  5  feeding as migrating S  15-Aug JN
Zakaki Marsh  10  20-Aug JN

PALLID SWIFT  *Apus pallidus* Στακτόπτεροχελίδον
Agia Napa Football Fields  2  22-Aug AKe
Agia Napa Football Fields  1  29-Aug AKe
Akrotiri Gravel Pits  2  2 & 8-Aug TRe
Akrotiri Gravel Pits  1  4, 5 & 17-Aug TRe
Akrotiri Gravel Pits  3  12-Aug TRe
Akrotiri North  20  feeding with Common Swift and swallows  13-Aug MGr
Phassouri Reed Beds  3  31-Aug JS
Troodos Square  c5  10-Aug SC
Zakaki Marsh  2  feeding low as migrating S  15-Aug JS

ALPINE SWIFT  *Tachymarptis melba* Αλπινόπτεροχελίδον
Agia Napa Football Fields  2  22-Aug AKe
Akrotiri Gravel Pits  1  5-Aug TRe
Akrotiri Gravel Pits  1  19-Aug TRe
Asomatos Plantations  1  20-Aug JN
Phassouri Reed Beds  1  31-Aug JS
Stroumbi  1  1-Aug JS
Tsada to Stroumbi road  1  3-Aug JS
Zakaki Marsh  2  20-Aug JN
Zakaki Marsh  c10  22-Aug DJW

LITTLE SWIFT  *Apus affinis* Μικροπτεροχελίδον
Little Swift, Akrotiri Gravel Pits, 16th August. Photograph by Tony Reeves.

Akrotiri Gravel Pits  1  Photographed 16-Aug TRe (poss 18th Cyprus record)
COMMON KINGFISHER *Alcedo atthis*

Alpha Dam 2 1-Aug FGe
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 5, 10, 16, 17 & 31-Aug TRe/JS
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 11 & 12-Aug TRe
Akti Beach, Paphos 1 23, 24 & 28-Aug DRS
Larnaca Airport Coast 2 2-Aug JS
Paphos Headland 1 12 & 28-Aug DJW
Paphos Sewage Plant 1 31-Aug DJW
Pediaos river, Yiorkio area, Nicosia 1 chased by Hooded Crows 10-Aug FGe
Zakaki Marsh 1 4-Aug LDz

EUROPEAN BEE-EATER *Merops apiaster*

Acheleia Dam 5 1-Aug JS
Agia Napa Football Fields 1 flock 22-Aug AKe
Akrotiri North 30 single flock along treeline 24-Aug MGr
Akrotiri 67 over Bishop's Pool then over base in 3 groups migrating S 31-Aug JN
Filani 2 heard high in sky 7-Aug FGe
Larnaca Airport Pools South c20 31-Aug JS
Meneou Beach 2 Flew over 17.00pm 11-Aug JS
Meneou Beach PRESENT Heard 7.05 am 12-Aug JS
Paphos Sewage Plant 3 28-Aug DJW
Prodromos Dam 4 at least 4 heard flying over 14-Aug FGe
Pyla Heard 26-Aug BB
Tochni 7+ 1-Aug LL

EUROPEAN ROLLER *Coracias garrulus*

Kράγκκα

Largest counts:
Akhnna Dam 2 20-Aug BB
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 8-Aug TRe
Frenaros 2 4-Aug AKe
Larnaca Airport Pools South 2 9-Aug JS
Phassouri Reed-beds 2 9, 20 & 31-Aug ABW/JN/JS

EUROPEAN HOOPOE *Upupa epops*

Πουπούξιος

Largest counts:
Akrotiri Salt Lake 3 24-Aug JN
Asprokremos Dam Carpark 3 6 & 8-Aug DJW
Paphos Sewage Plant 3 31-Aug DJW
Phassouri Reed-beds 7 feeding together in field 25-Aug ABW

Souni 6 two birds seen in three areas 26-Aug JN

CRESTED LARK *Galerida cristata*

Σκορπολάκος

Largest counts:
Anthoupolis, Nicosia 32 27-Aug FGe
Frenaros 100 31-Aug AKe
Vougies 20 16-Aug FGe

SAND MARTIN *Riparia riparia*

Οχθογέλιδον

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 31-Aug JS
Akrotiri North 1 27-Aug MGr
Asprokremnos Dam 10+ 3-Aug JS
Bishop's Pool 1 27-Aug JN

EURASIAN CRAG MARTIN *Ptyonoprogne rupestris*

Βραχοχέλιδον

Largest counts:
Akhna Dam c70 1-Aug FGe
Phassouri Reed-beds 61 feeding and migrating S 20-Aug JN
Troodos 43 includes 4 juveniles on wires 6-Aug JN

BARN SWALLOW *Hirundo rustica*

Χελιδόνι

Largest counts:
Akhnna Dam c70 1-Aug FGe
Phassouri Reed-beds 61 feeding and migrating S 20-Aug JN
Troodos 43 includes 4 juveniles on wires 6-Aug JN

RED-RUMPED SWALLOW *Hirundo daurica*

Μιλτοχελίδονο

Largest counts:
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 16 includes 5 feeding together - probably all about to migrate 15-Aug JN
Almirolivado (Troodos) 7 4 adults and 3 juveniles in flight together 6-Aug JN
Troodos 11 6 in flight together, 1 juvenile on wires and 4 others in flight 6-Aug JN

COMMON HOUSE MARTIN *Delichon urbicum*

Ασπροχέλιδον

Largest counts:
Almirolivado (Troodos) 46 at least 6-Aug JN
Livadi tou Pashia 29 6-Aug JN
Troodos 33 6-Aug JN
**TAWNY PIPIT** *Anthus campestris*  
*Χξλκΰαζκτįδ*

Tawny Pipit, Akrotiri Gravel Pits, 31st August. Photograph by Tony Reeves.

Akrotiri Gravel Pits  1  31-Aug  JS/TRe

**YELLOW WAGTAIL** *Motacilla flava*  
*Τζητρινοζευκαλάτης*

Largest counts:
- Agia Napa Football Fields  20  29-Aug  AKe
- Larnaca Airport Coast  20+  31-Aug  JS
- Paphos Sewage Plant  c100  28-Aug  DJW
- Phassouri Reed-beds  136  at least  20-Aug
- JN

**BLACK-HEADED WAGTAIL** *Motacilla f.feldegg*  
Μαυροκέφαλος Ζευκαλάτης

Phassouri Reed-beds  c30  9-Aug  ABW
Phassouri Reed-beds  1 adult male feeding then in flight  15-Aug
- JN
- Zakaki Marsh  2 1m and 1f  31-Aug  JS

**WINTER WREN** *Troglodytes troglodytes*  
Τρυποκάμρυδο

Almirolivado (Troodos)  1 heard calling from vegetation at side of stream  6-Aug
- JN
Platania Picnic Site  1  10-Aug  SC

**WHITE-THROATED ROBIN** *Irania gutturalis*  
Λευκοκάλαιο Απεδώνι

Adonis baths area  1  17-Aug  ChSh
(Further details requested of this possible 20th record)

**WHINCHAT** *Saxicola rubetra*  
*Βοσκαρούδι*

Agia Napa Football Fields  1  29-Aug  AKe
- Mandria  1  31-Aug  DJW
- Panagia Stazousa  1  31-Aug  JS

**ISABELLINE WHEATEAR** *Oenanthe isabellina*  
*Αμμοσκαλιφούρτα*

Agia Napa Football Fields  1  22-Aug  AKe
Akrotiri Gravel Pits  1  19-Aug  TRe
Anthoupolis, Nicosia  3  18-Aug  FGe

Agios Georgios Kafkallou  6  including two juv  14-Aug  FGe
Arodhes  c10  8-Aug  JS
Dipotamos Dam  13 three juvenile  16-Aug  FGe
Filani  3  three juv  7-Aug  FGe
Lythrodontas  8 one juv.  16-Aug  FGe
Pano Lefkara  8  16-Aug  FGe
Souni  6  10-Aug  JN
Tochni  c10  1-Aug  LL
Troodos  12  6-Aug  JN
Vougies  8  16-Aug  FGe

**EURASIAN BLACKBIRD** *Turdus merula*  
*Μαυρόπουλος (♂ Μαυρότζικλα)*

Agia Napa Football Fields  1  16-Aug  AKe
Almirolivado (Troodos) 4  2 males in flight plus one bird in flight and another heard calling 6-Aug JN
Kamares (Tala) 1  14-Aug DJW
Troodos  2 juvenile seen feeding then in flight and 1 other calling bird nearby  6-Aug JN

**CETTI'S WARBLER Cettia cetti**
Ψυτανίδονι
Akhna Dam 5  1-Aug FGe
Agia Napa Football Fields 1  16-Aug AKe
Akrotiri North 1  13-Aug MGr
Akrotiri North 2  27-Aug MGr
Akrotiri Salt Lake 1  31-Aug JS
Filani 1  7-Aug FGe
Larnaca Desalination Plant Fields 1  27-Aug FGGe
Lymbia Dam 2  27-Aug FGe
Mavrokolybmos Dam 1  21-Aug DJW
Tochni 4+  1-Aug LL

**ZITTING CISTICOLA Cisticola juncidis**
Δουλαππάρησ
Largest counts:
Achna Dam 12  1-Aug FGe
Frenaros 80  in song 14-Aug AKe
Phassouri Reed-beds 6  1-Aug JS

**SEDGE WARBLER Acrocephalus schoenobaenus Σχοινομουγιανούδι**
Sedge Warbler, Akrotiri Gravel Pits, 16th August. Photograph by Tony Reeves.

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1  16-Aug TRe
Akrotiri Salt Lake 1  feeding and perched 25-Aug JN

**EURASIAN REED WARBLER**
*Acrocephalus scirpaceus*
Καλαμουγιανούδι
Akrotiri North 8  13-Aug MGr
Akrotiri North 2  27-Aug MGr
Eastern Akrotiri Salt Lake 2  28-Aug MGr
Zakaki Marsh 4  15 & 20-Aug JN

**GREAT REED WARBLER**
*Acrocephalus arundinaceus* Τζικλαμουγιανούδι
Akrotiri North 1  passing through reeds and edge of scrub while watching Willow Warblers 27-Aug MGr

**EASTERN OLIVACEOUS WARBLER**
*Iduna pallida* Τρυβητούρα
Largest counts:
Agia Napa Football Fields 10  16-Aug AKe
Agia Napa Sewage Works 15+  5 seen and others heard only 12-Aug JS
Frenaros 20  14-Aug AKe

**ICTERINE WARBLER**
*Hippolais icterina* Κτιρινοτρυβητούρα
Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 feeding 27-Aug JN

**SPECTACLED WARBLER**
*Sylvia conspicillata* Κοτσινοφτέρι
Max count per location:
Agia Napa Sewage Works 3  12-Aug JS
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2  23-Aug TRe
Anthoupolis, Nicosia 5  18 & 24-Aug FGe
Lady's Mile 1  20-Aug JN
Larnaca Desalination Plant Fields 5  27-Aug FGe
Larnaca Sewage Works 2  2-Aug JS
Spiros Beach 2  16-Aug JS
Tsada Golf Course Track/Minthis Hills 1  1, 8 & 10-Aug JS
Zakaki Marsh 3  15-Aug JN

**SARDINIAN WARBLER**
*Sylvia melanocephala* Τρυποβάτης
Largest counts:
Akrotiri Salt Lake 6  24-Aug JN
Arodhes 6+  5 & 8-Aug JS
Asprokremnos Dam 7  4m and 3f 3-Aug JS
Souni 16  29-Aug JN

**CYPRUS WARBLER**
*Sylvia melanothorax* Τρυπομάζης
Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 Female 12-Aug JS
Agios Georgios Kafkallou 3  14-Aug FGe
Lythrodontas 5  one immature 16-Aug FGe
Mavrokolybmos Dam 3  One male seen well. Other two heard only 10-Aug JS
Panagia Stazousa 2 Males 31-Aug JS
Prodromos Dam 1 immature 14-Aug FGe
Souni 6  2-Aug JN
Souni 1  4 & 9-Aug JN
Souni 4  11, 17 & 30-Aug JN
EASTERN ORPHEAN WARBLER *Sylvia crassirostris* Θαμνογιαλλούρα
Agia Napa Sewage Works 7 Five seen and two others probably this species 12-Aug JS

BARRED WARBLER *Sylvia nisoria* Γιαλλούρα
Agia Napa Sewage Works 2 One seen well. Another probable 12-Aug JS
Frenaros 11 & 14-Aug AKe

LESSENDER WHITETHROAT *Sylvia curruca* Συκαλλίδι
Agia Napa Sewage Works 2 12-Aug JS
Frenaros 5 19-Aug AKe
Frenaros 1 24-Aug AKe
Frenaros 2 30-Aug AKe
Panagia Stazousa 1 31-Aug JS
Troodos, Almirolivado 1 bathing 10-Aug SC

COMMON WHITETHROAT *Sylvia communis* Αστρόλαμο Συκαλλίδι
Agia Napa Football Fields 2 9-Aug AKe
Agia Napa Football Fields 1 16-Aug AKe
Akoursos 1 14-Aug DJW
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 31-Aug JS
Frenaros 1 11-Aug AKe

GARDEN WARBLER *Sylvia borin* Κητοσουκαλλίδι
Agia Napa Football Fields 1 29-Aug AKe

EURASIAN BLACKCAP *Sylvia atricapilla* Αμπελοπούλι
Frenaros 2 30-Aug AKe

EASTERN BONELLI’S WARBLER *Phylloscopus orientalis* Βουγογιαννούδι
Souni 1 feeding in pine then a carob tree at side of the track 16-Aug JN (Further details requested)

WILLOW WARBLER *Phylloscopus trochilus* Θαμνογιαννούδι

Willow Warbler, Mavrokolympos Dam, 21st August. Photograph by Dave Walker.

Agia Napa Football Fields 2 29-Aug AKe
Agia Varvara 1 31-Aug DJW
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 22, 26 & 31-Aug TRe/ABW
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 23-Aug TRe
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 3 27-Aug TRe
Akrotiri North 2 calling and then came very close along edge of reeds and scrub 27-Aug MGr
Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 31-Aug JS
Akrotiri Village 3 22-Aug ABW
Engomi 1 25-Aug FGe
Frenaros 1 28-Aug AKe
Larnaca Desalination Plant Fields 1 27-Aug FGe
Mavrokolymbos Dam 2 21-Aug DJW
Platania Picnic Site 1 30-Aug SC with A P Leventis
Sanctuary of Apollo Hylates 1 29-Aug FGe
Souni 2 in carob tree and 1 calling nearby 30-Aug JN
Troodos, Almirolivadho c5 30-Aug SC with A P Leventis

SPOTTED FLYCATCHER *Muscicapa striata* Μουγιοφάς
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 30-Aug TRe
Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 in flight along the track to Lady’s Mile 20-Aug JN
Almirolivado (Troodos) 5 includes an adult with a juvenile together, others singletons 6-Aug JN
Frenaros 1 24 & 28-Aug AKe
Livadi tou Pashia 6 4 perched and 1 adult with a juvenile 6-Aug JN
Panagia Stazousa 3 31-Aug JS
Souni 1 in pines 26-Aug JN
Troodos, Almirolivadho 2 10-Aug SC
Troodos 4 includes a probable family group of 3 together including at least one juvenile 6-Aug JN

EURASIAN PIED FLYCATCHER *Ficedula hypoleuca* Μαυρομουγιοχίφης
Almirolivadho 1 female 30-Aug SC with A P Leventis (Rare Bird Report form submitted)

COAL TIT *Parus ater* Πέμπτεςτος
Max count per location: Almirolivado (Troodos) 49 at least 6-Aug JN
Filani 16 7-Aug FGe Kamares (Tala) 4 14-Aug DJW Kapoura c25 14-Aug FGe Kykkos Monastery 30 13-Aug FGe Livadi tou Pashia 18 6 in flight, 6 feeding and another 6 at least heard calling 6-Aug JN
Platania Picnic Site c4 1 seen, more heard only 30-Aug SC with A P Leventis Platres 9 in flight and 8 heard 6-Aug JN Prodromos Dam c50 14-Aug FGe Troodos 24 3 in flight and 3 feeding, rest heard calling 6-Aug JN

GREAT TIT *Parus major* Τσαγκαρούδη
Largest counts: Asprokremos Dam 7 6 & 8-Aug DJW Neo Chorio 8 5-Aug JS Souni 15 26-Aug JS

SHORT-TOED TREECREEPER *Certhia brachydactyla* Δενδρόβιας
Platania Picnic Site 1+ 10-Aug SC Platania Picnic Site c5 1 seen, more heard only 30-Aug SC with A P Leventis Prodromos 1 heard only 30-Aug SC with A P Leventis Troodos, Almirolivadho 1 10 & 30-Aug SC Troodos 4 1 seen feeding and 3 heard calling 6-Aug JN

RED-BACKED SHRIKE *Lanius collurio* Κεφαλάς
Earliest records and largest counts: Akrotiri Gravel Pits 11 4m, 5f and 2 juv 31-Aug JS Akrotiri South 1 very probable - in flight away from me 15-Aug JN Frenaros 20 31-Aug AKe Mavrokolymbos Dam 1 10-Aug DJW Phassouri Reed Beds 6 1m and 5 juv 31-Aug JS

Souni 2 males 16-Aug JN Vougies 1 male 16-Aug FGe

LESSER GREY SHRIKE *Lanius minor* Σταχτοκεφαλάς

WOODCHAT SHRIKE *Lanius senator* Κοκκινοκεφαλάς
Agia Napa Football Fields 1 29-Aug AKe Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 12-Aug JS Anthoupolis, Nicosia 1 24-Aug FGe Arodhes 2 8 & 10-Aug JS Arodhes 1 14-Aug DJW Mavrokolymbos Dam 1 10-Aug DJW Meneou Pool 1 16-Aug JS Souni 1 male 18-Aug JN Tochni 1 1-Aug LL

MASKED SHRIKE *Lanius nubicus* Δακκανούρας
Earliest records and largest counts: Anthoupolis, Nicosia 14 only two adult 21-Aug FGe Arodhes 16 12 ad and 4 juv 8-Aug JS Dipotamos dam 9 16-Aug FGe Frenaros 10 31-Aug AKe Souni 8 2 in flight together includes 1 juvenile; 1 perched in distance and 2 in flight (one a possible female); 3 juveniles including 1 feeding 11-Aug JN
Eurasian Jay *Garrulus glandarius*  
Almirolivado (Troodos) 6-Aug JN  
Kapoura 1 14-Aug FGe  
Kykko Monastery 18 13-Aug FGe  
Livadi tou Pashia 1 heard calling 6-Aug JN  
Platania Picnic Site c5 10-Aug SC  
Platania Picnic Site c3 30-Aug SC with A P Leventis  
Platres 2 in flight 6-Aug JN  
Prodromos Dam 2 14-Aug FGe  
Troodos, Almirolivadho 2 10-Aug SC  
Troodos, Almirolivadho 1 30-Aug SC with A P Leventis  
Troodos 7 3 in flight and at least 3 heard calling 6-Aug JN  

Eurasian Magpie *Pica pica*  
Kapoura 22 14-Aug FGe  
Kykko Monastery 18 13-Aug FGe  
Livadi tou Pashia 9 6-Aug JN  
Platania Picnic Site c15 + 10 & 30-Aug SC/APL  
Prodromos Dam 12 14-Aug FGe  

European Serin *Serinus serinus*  
Metapartokanario  
Arodhes 1 Flew over calling 10-Aug JS  
Filani 3 one juv 7-Aug FGe  
Kamares (Tala) 2 14-Aug DJW  

European Greenfinch *Carduelis chloris* Λουλούδιες η Φλώρος  
Largest counts:  
Anthoupolis, Nicosia 9 27-Aug FGe  
Bishop’s Pool 8 includes 4 juveniles 20-Aug JN  
Frenaros 50 adults & young 14-Aug AKe  
Souni 8 26-Aug JN  

European Goldfinch *Carduelis carduelis* Σχιρτιλί  
Largest counts:  
Agia Napa Football Fields 25 12-Aug JS  
Anthoupolis, Nicosia 60 24-Aug FGe  
Frenaros 100 11, 14 & 31-Aug AKe  
Pano Lefkara c25 16-Aug FGe  

Common Linnet *Carduelis cannabina*  
Tσακρουγκρτιλο  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 31-Aug JS  
Arodhes 2+ 8-Aug JS  
Kamares (Tala) 4 14-Aug DJW  

Red Crossbill *Loxia curvirostra*  
Σταυρομούτη  
Troodos, Almirolivadho c8 including older juv 10-Aug SC  
Troodos, Almirolivadho c12 + 30-Aug SC with A P Leventis  

Cretzschmar’s Bunting *Emberiza caesia* Σταρποτούλλι  
Agios Georgios Kafkallou 3 14-Aug FGe  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 31-Aug JS  
Androlikou 1 5-Aug JS  
Arodhes 1 5-Aug JS  
Filani 7 at least 1 juv. 7-Aug FGe  
Kamares (Tala) 2 14-Aug DJW  
Souni 1 2-Aug JN  
Souni 2 11 & 29-Aug JN  
Souni 4 heard calling 18-Aug JN  
Tochni 3 1-Aug LL  

House Sparrow *Passer domesticus*  
Στρούθος  
Achna Dam 220 1-Aug FGe  
Agia Napa Football Field 300 9, 16 & 22-Aug AKe  
Leoforos Nisi c100 11-Aug SF  
Phassouri Reed-beds 86 20-Aug JN  

Common Chaffinch *Fringilla coelebs*  
Σπίνος  
Almirolivado (Troodos) 10 6-Aug JN  

Western Jackdaw *Corvus monedula*  
Κολοιός  
Largest counts:  
Arodhes 30+ 10-Aug JS  
Kantou 56 22-Aug JN  
Paphos Sewage Plant 50 1-Aug JS  

Hooded Crow *Corvus cornix* Κοράζινος  
Largest counts:  
Agia Varvara c40 6-Aug DJW  
Anthoupolis, Nicosia 44 24-Aug FGe  
Paphos Sewage Plant 100 1-Aug JS  

Spanish Sparrow *Passer hispaniolensis* Αρκύστρουθος  
Largest counts:  
Anthoupolis, Nicosia 12 24-Aug FGe  
Paphos Sewage Plant 2 1-Aug JS  

Common Linnet *Carduelis cannabina*  
Tσακρουγκρτιλο  
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 31-Aug JS  
Arodhes 2+ 8-Aug JS  
Kamares (Tala) 4 14-Aug DJW  

Common Chaffinch *Fringilla coelebs*  
Σπίνος  
Almirolivado (Troodos) 10 6-Aug JN
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 August, 7 recorders covered 11 wetlands (with one coastal site) across the island where 995 birds, of 44 different species were recorded between the 13th and the 17th of August.

The most abundant species by far was the Mallard, with just above 300 recorded individuals with second most abundant being the Kentish Plover with 159 recorded individuals almost half the number of Mallards. The wetland holding the most birds was Larnaka Sewage Works with half the recorded individuals for August, coming up at 488 individuals. Not surprisingly it also had the highest number of species with 29 species recorded. The Akrotiri sites (Meras, Salt Lake & Lady’s Mile) come second in both recorded individuals and species with 176 and 10 respectively. Four sites had less than 6 individuals with Kannaviou Dam only having a single individual, a Cormorant.

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ii. ☐ Payment online via PayPal [www.birdlifecyprus.org](http://www.birdlifecyprus.org)  (Date of payment _ _/_ _/_ _)

iii. ☐ Cheque in euros made payable to BirdLife Cyprus

Amount: € _________ Subscription
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2. Πληροφορίες συνδρομής

■ Επιθυμών:  
☐ Να ανανέωσω τη συνδρομή μου ☐ Να εγγραφώ μέλος

■ Επισφυγήνων:
☐ € 35 ατομική συνδρομή (με την Ετήσια Ορνιθολογική Αναφορά)  
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3. Τρόποι πληρωμής

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