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Cover photo: *Lesser Grey Shrike Lanius minor* is a passage migrant through Cyprus and is more frequently observed in autumn than spring. During August several double figure counts are often seen at migration hot spots such as Akrotiri, Cape Greco and Paphos Plain. This individual was photographed at Akrotiri Gravel Pits on 23rd August by Dave Walker.

COMPILATION OF MONTHLY CHECKLIST

The Monthly Checklist and Society News is compiled by Dave and Jan Walker.

We would love to hear from members and friends who would like to provide bird and bird watching related articles in future editions of the Monthly Checklist. Get in touch and let us know your ideas. Suggestions for topics could include ID pointers, great locations to visit, birding walks or drives or interesting personal birding experiences that you feel fellow readers would enjoy. Please contact Dave Walker 99915907 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. Every effort is made to ensure that the work of as many contributors as possible is used but inclusion cannot be guaranteed. Please send photographs in JPEG format where possible. Please send to janestycy@yahoo.co.uk. Telephone: 99558953

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>

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.

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

Jane Stylianou

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

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

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

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

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

Για οποιαδήποτε διευκρίνιση επικοινωνήστε με την Jane στο janesytcy@yahoo.co.uk ή στο 99558953.

SCHEDULE OF BIRDLIFE CYPRUS FIELD MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

Autumn/Winter schedule 2019

*For field trips, please don't forget your flask of coffee and sandwiches. Although their higher clearance is an advantage, 4x4s are not necessary for any of the field trips unless **stated otherwise** below. The schedule of field trips is drawn up well in advance of the actual dates. The schedule will only change due to an extraordinary event. However, it is sometimes necessary to assign a different leader. **Please note certain field trips require pre booking with the leader to ensure there are suitable conditions at the site for the time of year and sufficient participation (These will be marked Pre Book). Participants in field trips are always advised therefore to check with the BirdLife Cyprus website in case of any late changes or cancellations.** Whilst BirdLife Cyprus does not charge for attending field trips, any voluntary donation to its conservation work would be very welcome. Please present your gift to the leader on the day.*

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

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

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October 2019

Friday, Saturday & Sunday 4th 5th & 6th 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..

Sunday 6th October: EuroBirdwatch Weekend:

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

Meeting point: Athalassa Park Bird Hide (Latsia entrance)

Akrotiri Peninsula, Limassol. 09:00 - 12:00, Leader: Victor Tjernberg. Mobile: 96107299.

Meeting point: Viewing hide at Zakaki Marsh.

Google Maps link: <https://goo.gl/maps/nY2GENJHjfx>

Paphos Plain, Paphos. 09:00 - 12:00 Leader: Alan Crane, Mobile: 99276310

Meeting point: Lark Corner, Mandria, Paphos.

Google Maps Link: <https://goo.gl/maps/HgekCfCUzp82>

Saturday 19th October: Larnaca Sewage Works
PLEASE PRE BOOK WITH LEADER

Leader: Stavros Christodoulides. Mobile: 99425050
Early wintering gulls and waterfowl.
Meet at 9.00 am, Larnaca Sewage Pool hide.
Google Maps link: <https://goo.gl/maps/xW5dk5txAN62>

Saturday 26th October: Paphos Lighthouse

Leader: Ian and Kate Bloomer. Mobile: 99265661
Winter visiting passerines and shore birds.
Meet at 8.30 am, near beach cafe at CTO beach, west end of Paphos Lighthouse archaeological site.
Google Maps link: <https://goo.gl/maps/zHspq3rptv22>

November 2019

Wednesday 6th November: Akrotiri Peninsula

Leader: Victor Tjernberg. Mobile: 96107299.
Waterbirds and winter visitors.
Meet at 9.00 am, car park adjacent to the hide at Zakaki ponds off the road to Lady's Mile.
Google Maps link: <https://goo.gl/maps/nY2GENJHjfx>

Saturday 16th 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.
Google Maps link: <https://goo.gl/maps/2WJkhrpwmq32>

Saturday 23th 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.
Take the 'Tseri/Dali Industrial Estate' exit (junction 6) from the Nicosia-Limassol highway.
Meet 9.00 am in parking area in front of the EKO petrol station on the old Nicosia-Limassol road.
Google Maps link: <https://goo.gl/maps/YL1R2U1nSH22>

Saturday 30th November: Kidasi

Leader: Dave Walker, Mobile: 99915907
Griffon Vultures and winter visitors.
Meet at 9.00 am, Asprokremnos Dam car park.
Google Maps link: <https://goo.gl/maps/F23CnS5iZA42>

December 2019

Saturday 7th December: Larnaca Sewage Works
PLEASE PRE BOOK WITH LEADER

Leader: Martin Hellicar. Mobile: 99907893
Wintering gulls and waterfowl.
Meet at 9.00 am, Larnaca Sewage Pool hide.
Google Maps link: <https://goo.gl/maps/TZ1v4RHgSxQ2>

AKAMAS WEEKEND 6TH – 8TH SEPTEMBER 2019

By Jane Stylianou

The annual Akamas weekend was another success with many members and friends deciding to remain overnight on the Friday and Saturday in Drouseia and others joining the boat trip along the coast on Saturday morning.

A small group of those who stayed at Drouseia were up early on Saturday 7th for a pre-breakfast birdwatch around the valley behind the Arodes village. The first bird seen was a Common Hoopoe that flew across our cars and then a European Roller sat on the wires. Several European Turtle Dove were flying around together with hundreds of European Woodpigeon. We also saw flocks of European Goldfinch and Greenfinch and Common Linnet as well as a couple of Cyprus Wheatear, juvenile Red-backed Shrike and a single Lesser Grey Shrike.

Nearly 30 of us joined the boat as it left Latchi Harbour and headed along the coast. To be honest we all enjoyed the company, the swim and the souvla more than the birds, which were limited in number and included Pallid Swift, Little Egret, Garganey and European Shag, but we all agreed the social side of the trip had been a great success.

In the evening, the BirdLife Cyprus Field Assistant Markos Charalambides gave a talk at the Drouseia Heights Hotel on the BirdLife Cyprus trapping campaign. A sobering end to a good day but it was pleasing to hear of progress in their fight against illegal trapping in the former hot spot of Pyla.

On Sunday morning the pre-breakfast birding was more productive than that of Saturday with an obvious fall of migrants. Near to the hotel we found five Red-backed Shrike, a Eurasian Wryneck and two Spotted Flycatcher. A longer exploration of the Arodes area was in order and we were not disappointed. We found at least 70 Willow Warblers, approximately 50 Red-backed Shrike, two Masked Shrike and one Lesser Grey; two male Black-eared and two male Northern Wheatear with around 15 Cyprus Wheatear; three Whinchat, six European Turtle Dove, an Olivaceous Warbler, three Eurasian Blackcap, a Lesser and Common Whitethroat and two Cretzschmar's Bunting. As we left the area the European Roller was back on the wires. A good end to our weekend away in the Akamas area.

BIRD PHOTO QUIZ

By Stavros Christodoulides

PHOTO # 75



Hooked bill, long wings, strong legs and powerful talons all suggest that last month's mystery bird is a species of bird of prey, a group of non-passerines that feed primarily on vertebrates and larger insects.

Our bird is brown and white/buff which immediately excludes a number of species. The colouration alone, however, can be misleading. The brownish upperparts and buff underparts suggest that this may be one of the brown and white Eagle species; Short-toed, Bonelli's or Booted Eagle but while plumage colouration superficially resembles those three, the bird's overall jizz is quite distinctive and should rule out all three species.

A careful look at our mystery bird's overall jizz reveals a bird with a small head and small bill. In fact this small head/bill appearance is very characteristic of one bird of prey species; **Honey Buzzard**. The dark eye suggests this is a juvenile. Adult birds are usually quite distinctive plumage-wise, but juveniles can be very variable and the overall shape and jizz is the best way to identify them.

SYSTEMATIC LIST FOR AUGUST 2019

Jane Stylianou

2210 bird records received

158 species and forms recorded August 2019, compared to 161 in August 2018.

[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 recorded in August 2019: Chukar, Black Francolin, Mallard, Little Grebe, Common Woodpigeon, Eurasian Collared Dove, Common Moorhen, Common Coot, Cattle Egret, Little Egret, Grey Heron, European Shag, Kentish Plover, Spur-winged Lapwing, Common Sandpiper, Yellow-legged Gull, Little Owl, Common Kingfisher, Common Kestrel, Eurasian Magpie, Eurasian Jackdaw, Hooded Crow Great Tit, Crested Lark, Zitting Cisticola, Northern House Martin, Barn Swallow Cetti's Warbler, Sardinian Warbler Spectacled Warbler, House Sparrow, Spanish Sparrow, Common Chaffinch, European Greenfinch, Common Linnet, European Goldfinch, European Serin, Corn Bunting.

COMMON SHELDUCK *Tadorna tadorna*

Αλάουτρος

Kouklia Dam (Famagusta) 1 29-Aug

JS/MH/MC

GARGANEY *Spatula querquedula*

Μασσουραζιής

First reports and largest counts:

Evretou Dam 49 On water 13-Aug JS

Phasouri Reed-beds c40 23-Aug DJW

Polis Bay 68 3 flocks into bay 2-Aug CR

Polis Bay 445 4 flocks 15-Aug CR

Polis Bay 630 7 flocks 21-Aug CR

COMMON TEAL *Anas crecca* Σαρσέλλι

Akrotiri Salt Lake 3 12-Aug CR

Larnaca Sewage Works 9 24-Aug JS

Oroklini Marsh 4 28-Aug JS

Phasouri Reed-beds 3 31-Aug CR

Polis Bay 1 with Garganey 21-Aug CR

GREAT CRESTED GREBE *Podiceps*

cristatus Σκουφοβούπητς

Akrotiri Salt Lake 2 one grown juv 12-Aug CR

Larnaca Sewage Works 1 24, 25, 27, 28, 29 & 31-Aug JS

GREATER FLAMINGO *Phoenicopterus roseus* Φλαμίνγκο



Greater Flamingo, Akrotiri Salt Lake, 15th August. Photograph by John East.

Max count per location:

Akrotiri Salt Lake 2600 4 colonies, 50-200 at each, displaying nest building, and sitting on mounds. 17 juvs nearby, this year's young from elsewhere 12-Aug CR

Asprokremmos Dam 1 juv - bill shape unmistakable 18-Aug RoB

Kouklia Dam (Famagusta) 400+ Incl several small juvs 29-Aug JS/MH/MC

Larnaca Airport Pools South 1 ad flying E over area 2-Aug JS

Larnaca Salt Lake c150 28-Aug JS

Larnaca Sewage Works c50 Flying around area before heading inland prob to Salt Lake 28-Aug JS

ROCK DOVE *Columba livia* Αρκοπέζουνο

Avagas Gorge c20 2 birds occupying 2 nests 19-Aug DJW

EUROPEAN TURTLE DOVE *Streptopelia**turtur* Τρυγόνι

Largest counts:

Agia Napa Sewage Works 3 30-Aug JS

Agia Varvara 5 18-Aug TDu

Armou Hills 3 1 juv 26-Aug CR

Asprokremmos Dam 3 30-Aug DJW

LAUGHING DOVE *Spilopelia senegalensis*

Φοινικотρύγωνα

Largest counts:

Aradippou 9 10-Aug FGe

Kamarea Larnaca Salt Lake 8 10-Aug

FGe

Mandria 4 9-Aug CR

EUROPEAN NIGHTJAR *Caprimulgus**europaeus* Νυκτοπούλλι

Asprokremmos Dam 1 7 & 24-Aug

DJW/CR

Asprokremmos Dam 4 roosting in wood
20-Aug CRMandria 9 in and hunting over ploughed
fields 16-Aug CRNeo Horio/Agios Minas 1 Heard briefly
19:45 7-Aug JSPhini 2 singing in early night 16-Aug
FGeTrimiklini 1 not seen but heard at night
15-Aug PVH**ALPINE SWIFT** *Tachymarpis melba*

Ασπροπετροχειλίδονο

Marathounta Hills 4 28-Aug CR

Minthis Hills 3 25-Aug CR

Polis Bay 65 in high over sea, to feed over
campsite trees 15-Aug CRPolis Bay 72 over campsite and out to sea
18-Aug CR

Polis Bay 25 21-Aug CR

PALLID SWIFT *Apus pallidus*

Στακτοπετροχειλίδονο

Agia Napa Sewage Works 2 22-Aug SC

Akrotiri Peninsula c12 10-Aug SC

Akrotiri Salt Lake 6 12-Aug CR

Akrotiri Salt Lake c5 16-Aug SC with L
Sergides

Larnaca Airport Coast 3 29-Aug JS

Larnaca Desalination Plant fields 6 31-Aug
JS

Larnaca Sewage Works 2 24-Aug JS

Marathounta Hills 1 passage of swifts,
possibly more 28-Aug CR

Minthis Hills 2 11-Aug CR

Troodos 1+ 5-Aug JC

COMMON SWIFT *Apus apus*

Πετροχειλίδονο

Akrotiri Salt Lake 10 12-Aug CR

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 16-Aug SC with L
Sergides

Akrotiri Salt Lake 25 31-Aug CR

Larnaca Salt Lake 2 9-Aug JS

Larnaca Sewage Works 2 31-Aug JS

Marathounta Hills 4 25 & 28-Aug CR

Minthis Hills 70 11-Aug CR

Minthis Hills 1 20-Aug TDu

Minthis Hills 5 25-Aug CR

Pissouri c30 Flock over motorway 18:30
26-Aug JS

Polis Bay 2 18-Aug CR

Zakaki Marsh 10 12-Aug CR

GREAT SPOTTED CUCKOO *Clamator**glandarius* Καλοχρονιά

Akhna Dam 1 22-Aug SC

WESTERN WATER RAIL *Rallus aquaticus*

Μαυροπουλάδα

Zakaki Marsh 1 10 & 16-Aug SC/IS

Zakaki Marsh 2 12 & 31-Aug CR

LITTLE CRAKE *Zapornia parva*

Μικροπουλάδα

Asprokremmos Dam 1 male, at east end
of dam wall 20-Aug CR**DEMOISELLE CRANE** *Grus virgo*

Νυφογερανός



Demoiselle Crane, Akrotiri Salt Lake, 28th August. Photograph by Tony Reeves.

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 9 28-Aug TR

Akrotiri Salt Lake 24 22-Aug CI/NK

Akrotiri Salt Lake 10 23-Aug DJW

Akrotiri Salt Lake 12 including at least 2
juveniles 24-Aug JN

Akrotiri Salt Lake 54 27-Aug NK
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 59 Left at 9:44. 45 there
 6:40 joined by another 14 at 8:45 27-Aug
 AndK
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 28-Aug TRe
 Armou Mast 37 flying south over
 Marathounta hills 27-Aug CR
 Kalo Horio Orinis c40 Passed over
 heading S around 17:00 26-Aug MC
 Kamares (Tala) 60+ Flying south east 23-
 Aug DJW
 Pachyammios/Pomos 34 going along
 coast towards Polis between 13:00 & 14:00
 24-Aug NK
 Pegeia h heard only 26-Aug AS
 Polis 8 coming in from sea at Latchi and
 heading inland SE 14:30 24-Aug NK

SCOPOLI'S SHEARWATER *Calonectris diomedea* Πελαγόμυχος
 Polis Chrysochou Bay 2 on horizon west
 8-Aug CR
 Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 west 18-Aug CR

YELKOUAN SHEARWATER *Puffinus yelkouan* Μύχος της Μεσογείου
 Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 west 26 & 29-
 Aug CR

WHITE STORK *Ciconia ciconia* Λευκός
 Πελαργός
 Larnaca Sewage Works 1 25-Aug JS

EURASIAN SPOONBILL *Platalea leucorodia* Κουταλάς
 Kouklia Dam (Famagusta) 6 29-Aug
 JS/MH/MC

GLOSSY IBIS *Plegadis falcinellus*
 Χαλκόκοτα
 Largest counts:
 Akrotiri Marsh (Phasouri Reed-beds) 44
 23-Aug DJW
 Polis Chrysochou Bay 395 13 groups, max
 80 birds 2-Aug CR
 Polis Chrysochou Bay 228 4 groups 18-
 Aug CR

EURASIAN BITTERN *Botaurus stellaris*
 Βουρβιδιός
 Akhna Dam 1 19-Aug NK
 Akrotiri Marsh (Phasouri Reed-beds) 1 also
 present on 18th Aug 19-Aug SS

COMMON LITTLE BITTERN *Ixobrychus minutus* Νανορβιδιός
 Akrotiri Marsh 1 21-Aug ABW

BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON
Nycticorax nycticorax Νυχτοκόρακας



Black-crowned Night Heron, Achna Dam, 3rd
 August. Photograph by Agamemnon Loutsios.

Max count per location:
 Akrotiri Marsh 18 19-Aug ABW
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 2 12 & 26-Aug CR/TRe
 Asprokremmos Dam 2 1 & 4-Aug
 PE/DJW
 Oroklini Marsh 7 Four ads and three juvs
 28-Aug JS
 Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 Flew inland 12:00
 with Grey and Purple Heron 26-Aug
 CR/JS
 Vassiliko quarry, Limassol 7 Four adults
 and three juveniles seen; more juveniles
 heard begging constantly in dense reeds.
 Strong indication of probable breeding 31-
 Aug FGe
 Zakaki Marsh c15 including young
 juveniles 10-Aug SC

SQUACCO HERON *Ardeola ralloides*
 Βορτακοφάς
 Akhna Dam 1 22-Aug SC
 Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 19-Aug TRe
 Athalassa Dam 1 19-Aug SC
 Mavrokolymbos Dam 1 2-Aug RoB

PURPLE HERON *Ardea purpurea*
 Πορφυροπαροφάς



Purple Heron, Akrotiri Marsh, 19th August.
Photograph by Tony Reeves.

Largest counts:

Armou Mast 70 flying in v-formation, very high south 26-Aug CR
Marathounta 120 huge flock at dusk heading south 24-Aug CR
Polis Chrysochou Bay 50 Seen on arrival over camp site 9:15 and seen again circling around area 10:24 13-Aug JS

GREAT WHITE PELICAN *Pelecanus onocrotalus* Ροδοπελεκάνος
Kouklia Dam (Famagusta) 2 29-Aug JS/MH/MC

GREAT CORMORANT *Phalacrocorax carbo* Κορμοράνος
Evretou Dam 2 2-Aug CR
Evretou Dam 4 imms. on distant island 8-Aug CR
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 24-Aug JS

EURASIAN THICK-KNEE *Burhinus oedicnemus* Τρουλλουριά
Mandria 27 9-Aug CR
Mandria 1 heard 16-Aug CR
Mandria 24 24-Aug CR
Oroklini Marsh 2 3-Aug JC
Pera Orinis, Nicosia 1 5-Aug MH

EURASIAN OYSTERCATCHER *Haematopus ostralegus* Στρειδοφάγος
Polis Chrysochou Bay c8 Noisy group flying quickly west along coast and calling as I parked car. By time I had bins and camera on them they had flown by. ID clear as was call but unable to get exact count in short time 26-Aug JS

PIED AVOCET *Recurvirostra avosetta* Αβοκέτα
Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 west end 12-Aug CR

Polis Chrysochou Bay 4 Flying E to W low over sea 14:40. ID from scope views 13-Aug JS

BLACK-WINGED STILT *Himantopus himantopus* Καλαμοκαννάς

Largest counts:

Akrotiri Salt Lake 80 31-Aug CR
Kouklia Dam (Famagusta) 100+ Ads and juvs 29-Aug JS

GREY PLOVER *Pluvialis squatarola* Στακτοπλουμίδι

Polis Chrysochou Bay 2 Flew in from N and then appeared to go W along coast - lost to view, 15:20 13-Aug JS

COMMON RINGED PLOVER *Charadrius hiaticula* Αμμοπλουμίδι

Kouklia Dam (Famagusta) 7 29-Aug JS
Meneou Pool 1 25, 27, 29 & 31-Aug JS
Meneou Pool 2 30-Aug JS

LITTLE RINGED PLOVER *Charadrius dubius* Λιμνοπλουμίδι



Little Ringed Plover, Akrotiri Gravel Pits, 3rd August. Photograph by Tony Reeves.

Max count per location:

Akhna Dam c4 22-Aug SC
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 4 29-Aug TRe
Akrotiri Marsh (Phasouri Reed-beds) 3 31-Aug CR
Meneou Pool 6 2-Aug JS
Oroklini Marsh 2 28-Aug JS
Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 Flew in off sea with a Ruddy Turnstone 14:05 and fed on beach. last seen 15:48 flying around bay 26-Aug JS

GREATER SANDPLOVER *Charadrius leschenaultii* Βραχοπλουμίδι

Macronissos Beach, Agia Napa 1 30-Aug JS
 Paphos Headland 1 6-Aug JC
 Paphos Headland 2 17-Aug CR
 Paphos Headland 3 28 & 30-Aug CR/AndK

WHIMBREL *Numenius phaeopus*
 Φαιομπεκάτσα



Whimbrel, Polis Chrysochou Bay, 13th August. Photograph by Jane Stylianou

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 20 & 21-Aug TRe
 Larnaca Airport Coast 1 28 & 9-Aug JS
 Larnaca Airport Coast 2 31-Aug JS
 Paphos Headland 1 17 & 28-Aug CR
 Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 Flew in high over area and landed on beach 10:05. Last seen 10:32 moving along coast, feeding, to the E 13-Aug JS

EURASIAN CURLEW *Numenius arquata*
 Νερομπεκάτσα



Eurasian Curlew, Akrotiri Salt Lake, 29th August. Photograph by John East.

Akrotiri Salt Lake 2 26, 28 & 29-Aug TRe/JE
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 31-Aug CR/FGe
 Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 over sea 29-Aug CR

BLACK-TAILED GODWIT *Limosa limosa*
 Λιμόζα
 Akrotiri Marsh (Phasouri Reed-beds) 1 31-Aug CR
 Larnaca Sewage Works 2 Flew over heading E 31-Aug JS
 Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 flying with Black-winged Stilts, 11.30h 2-Aug CR
 Polis Chrysochou Bay 42 flying with Garganey 29-Aug CR

RUDDY TURNSTONE *Arenaria interpres*
 Χαλίκονεραλλίδι
 Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 5, 26 & 29-Aug CR

RUFF *Calidris pugnax* Μαχητής
 Double figure counts:
 Kouklia Dam (Famagusta) 40+ 29-Aug JS
 Larnaca Sewage Works 24 Feeding in field 31-Aug JS
 Polis Chrysochou Bay c28 E to W out over sea 14:20 26-Aug JS
 Polis Chrysochou Bay 25 29-Aug CR

SANDERLING *Calidris alba*
 Λευκονεραλλίδι
 Meneou Pool 1 Juvenile 28-Aug JS

DUNLIN *Calidris alpina* Λασπονεραλλίδι
 Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 3 & 15-Aug TRe/JE
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 2 juvs, west side 12-Aug CR
 Larnaca Salt Lake 1 28-Aug JS
 Meneou Pool 1 4-Aug JS

LITTLE STINT *Calidris minuta*
 Νανονεραλλίδι
 Largest counts:
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 20 west end 12-Aug CR
 Kouklia Dam (Famagusta) c30 29-Aug JS
 Larnaca Salt Lake 48 28-Aug JS/MH/MC

COMMON SNIPE *Gallinago gallinago*
 Πικαστόνι
 Potamia Riverbed 3 31-Aug FGe

GREEN SANDPIPER *Tringa ochropus*
 Δασονεραλλίδι
 Largest counts:
 Akrotiri Gravel Pits 8 28-Aug TRe
 Akrotiri Marsh 11 19-Aug ABW

Evretou Dam 5 sitting on shoreline 2-Aug
CR

SPOTTED REDSHANK *Tringa erythropus*
Μαυρονεραλλίδι
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 6-Jul JS

COMMON GREENSHANK *Tringa
nebularia* Πρασινονεραλλίδι



*Common Greenshank, Asprokremmos Dam,
2nd August. Photograph by Dave Walker.*

Largest counts:

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 10 29-Aug TRe
Akrotiri Salt Lake 8 26-Aug TRe
Meneou Pool 4 Flew over heading
towards sea, calling 12-Aug JS

COMMON REDSHANK *Tringa totanus*
Κοκκινονεραλλίδι
Largest counts:
Oroklini Marsh 6 3 & 28-Aug JS
Polis Chrysochou Bay 14 Flying around
bay 26-Aug JS

WOOD SANDPIPER *Tringa glareola*
Λάσπονεραλλίδι
Largest counts:
Akrotiri Marsh (Phasouri Reed-beds) 5 12-
Aug CR
Oroklini Marsh 3 28-Aug JS

MARSH SANDPIPER *Tringa stagnatilis*
Βαλτονεραλλίδι
Meneou Pool 1 3-Aug JS

COLLARED PRATINCOLE *Glaucola
pratincta* Νεροχελίδονο
Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 Flew east along
shore 12:25 26-Aug JS

SLENDER-BILLED GULL *Larus genei*
Λεπτόραμφος Γλάρος

Akrotiri Salt Lake 310 12-Aug CR
Akrotiri Salt Lake 300 est 31-Aug CR
Larnaca Salt Lake 3 12-Aug JS
Larnaca Salt Lake 1 24-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 Juv 24-Aug JS
Polis Chrysochou Bay 2 flying W out at
sea 13:40 26-Aug JS

BLACK-HEADED GULL *Larus ridibundus*
Χωραφόγλαρος
Akrotiri Salt Lake 30 west end 12-Aug
CR

MEDITERRANEAN GULL *Larus
melanocephalus* Μαυροκέφαλος Γλάρος



*Mediterranean Gull, Larnaca Airport Coast, 25th
August. Photograph by Jane Stylianou.*

Larnaca Airport Coast 1 ad moulting into
non breeding plumage 25 & 28-Aug JS
Spiros Beach 1 27-Aug JS

Baltic Gull *Larus fuscus fuscus*
Μελανόγλαρος Βαλτικής
Polis Chrysochou Bay 3 ads 15-Aug CR
Polis Chrysochou Bay 4 3 juvs 29-Aug
CR

ARMENIAN GULL *Larus armenicus*
Γλάρος Αρμενίας
Spiros Beach 1 Adult (photographed) 29-
Aug JS

CASPIAN GULL *Larus cachinnans* Γλάρος
Κασπίας
Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 Zakaki run off area 24-
Jun TRe
Spiros Beach 1 Immature bird 3-Jun JS

LITTLE TERN *Sternula albifrons* Γλαρόνι
Max count per location:
Akrotiri Salt Lake 5 12-Aug CR

Larnaca Sewage Works 9 incl juvs fishing
2-Aug JS
Meneou Beach 3 Juvs 11-Aug JS
Oroklini Marsh 4 two ads and two juvs 3-
Aug JS
Polis Chrysochou Bay 3 flying with White-
wings 26-Aug CR
Spiros Beach 2 10 & 11-Aug JS

COMMON GULL-BILLED TERN

Gelochelidon nilotica Γελογλάρονο
Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 12 & 22-Aug CR/TRE
Akrotiri Salt Lake 4 21-Aug TRE
Kouklia Dam (Famagusta) 3+ 29-Aug JS
Latchi 6 flew W after circling up over
harbour with 3 Whiskered Terns who flew
inland 18:30 7-Aug JS
Polis Chrysochou Bay 21 groups west,
14+7 2-Aug CR
Polis Chrysochou Bay 8 Flew W 07:46 7-
Aug JS
Polis Chrysochou Bay 12 west, 2 groups
15-Aug CR
Polis Chrysochou Bay 2 juvs 26-Aug CR
Polis Chrysochou Bay 4 ads 29-Aug CR
Zakaki Marsh 1 juvenile 16-Aug SC with
L Sergides

WHISKERED TERN *Chlidonias hybrid*

Λιμνογλάρονο
Akrotiri Marsh (Phasouri Reed-beds) 2 30-
Aug TRE
Kouklia Dam (Famagusta) 1 29-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 31-Aug JS
Latchi 3 Flew inland after circling up over
harbour with six Gull-billed Tern 18:30 7-
Aug JS
Mavrokolymbos Dam 1 18 & 19-Aug
DJW/TDu
Oroklini Marsh 1 Ad 28-Aug JS
Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 One seen
heading inland 16:35 could have been this
species 6-Aug JS
Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 2 & 18-Aug CR

WHITE-WINGED TERN *Chlidonias*

leucopterus Αργυρογλάρονο
Akrotiri Marsh (Phasouri Reed-beds) 1 31-
Aug CR
Akrotiri Salt Lake 5 1 juv 12-Aug CR
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 Juv 25-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 1 31-Aug JS
Polis Chrysochou Bay 9 moult 15-Aug
CR

Polis Chrysochou Bay 3 21-Aug CR
Polis Chrysochou Bay 36 3 groups 26-
Aug CR
Polis Chrysochou Bay 6 29-Aug CR

BLACK TERN *Chlidonias niger*

Μαυρογλάρονο
Evretou Dam 1 moulting adult, dark rump,
even dark grey underwings 2-Aug CR
Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 moulting adult,
seen later Evretou Dam 2-Aug CR
SANDWICH TERN *Thalasseus*
sandvicensis Χειμωνογλάρονο
Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 flying west close
to shore, a surprise 2-Aug CR

EURASIAN SCOPS OWL *Otus scops*

Θουπί
Kamares (Tala) 1 Calling 31-Aug DJW
Neo Horio/Agios Minas 1 Heard 19:45 7-
Aug JS
Phini 2 singing in early night 16-Aug
FGe

NORTHERN LONG-EARED OWL *Asio*

otus Αρκόθουπος
Pera Orinis, Nicosia 1 Catching bat in mid-
air! 28-Jul MH

EUROPEAN HONEY BUZZARD *Pernis*

apivorus Μελισσοσιάχινο
Akrotiri Marsh (Phasouri Reed-beds) 1 31-
Aug CR
Akrotiri Salt Lake 2 28-Aug AndK

GRIFFON VULTURE *Gyps fulvus* Γύπας

Artemis Trail, Troodos 1 gliding N 11-Aug
PSt

BONELLI'S EAGLE *Aquila fasciatus*

Σπιζαιτός – Περτικοσιάχινο
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 23-Aug DJW
Asprokremmos Dam 1 juv flew past wood
24-Aug CR
Evretou Dam 1 16-Aug KB
Marathounta Hills 1 ad 6-Aug CR
Marathounta 1 ad, flew over house 13-
Aug CR
Theletra Gorge 2 ads 2-Aug DBr

WESTERN MARSH HARRIER *Circus*

aeruginosus Βαλτοσιάχινο
Single birds reported from 19th Aug
onwards. Counts of 2+ listed:

Akrotiri Marsh (Phasouri Reed-beds) 4 23-Aug DJW
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 3 27-Aug JE
 Kouklia Dam (Famagusta) 6+ 29-Aug JS/MH/MC
 Larnaca Desalination Plant fields 2 31-Aug JS
 Larnaca Sewage Works 1 28-Aug JS
 Minthis Hills 2 90% sure 25-Aug CR
 Pervolia fields 1 28-Aug JS

MONTAGU'S HARRIER *Circus pygargus*

Καμποσιάχτιο
 Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 29-Aug TRe
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 26 & 27-Aug TRe/SB/JE
 Cape Greco 1 Juvenile ring tail 30-Aug JS
 Lady's Mile 1 26-Aug ABW
 Larnaca Airport Pools South 1 Juv 31-Aug JS
 Larnaca Sewage Works 1 Juv 28-Aug JS
 Marathounta 2 juvs, spiralling up from nearby valley, 1hr before sunset 24-Aug CR

NORTHERN GOSHAWK *Accipiter gentilis*

Διπλοσιόχτιο
 Kamares (Tala) 1 Juvenile 26-Aug DJW
 Phini 1 probably female judging on size 16-Aug FGe

BLACK KITE *Milvus migrans* Γυπαγοεράκα



Black Kite, Akrotiri Salt Lake, 21st August.
Photograph by Tony Reeves.

Akrotiri Marsh (Phasouri Reed-beds) 1 31-Aug CR
 Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 21-Aug TRe
 Kamares (Tala) 18 Flying south east 31-Aug DJW

LONG-LEGGED BUZZARD *Buteo rufinus*

Διπλογέρακο

Largest counts:

Armou Hills 5 including 4 circling and sparring 15-Aug CR
 Evretou Dam 3 sitting on shoreline 2-Aug CR
 Marathounta Hills 5 incl a pair and some juvs 6-Aug CR

COMMON HOOPOE *Upupa epops*

Πουπούζιος



Common Hoopoe, Agia Napa, 11th August.
Photograph by Agamemnon Loutsios.

Largest counts:

Agia Napa Football Fields 5 30-Aug JS
 Akrotiri Gravel Pits 5 20-Aug TRe
 Armou Hills 3 13-Aug CR

BLUE-CHEEKED BEE-EATER *Merops*

persicus Πράσινο Μελισσοφάγος
 Akrotiri Marsh (Phasouri Reed-beds) 2 28, 29 & 30-Aug AndK/TRe
 Akrotiri Marsh (Phasouri Reed-beds) 1 heard over farms, 2 reported in recent days 31-Aug CR
 Kantou, Limassol 2 around olive groves S of village 31-Aug JN

EUROPEAN BEE-EATER *Merops apiaster*

Μελισσοφάγος

Largest counts:

Agia Varvara 50 ads, juvs 30-Aug CR
 Minthis Hills 32 25-Aug CR
 Phini c240 Single loud flock eventually moving south in late afternoon 16-Aug FGe

EUROPEAN ROLLER *Coracias garrulus*

Κράγκα

Largest counts:

Anarita Park 7 1-Aug DBr

Pittokopos to Androlikou road 12+ Incl at least 8 juvs 7-Aug JS

RED-FOOTED FALCON *Falco vespertinus*

Μαυροπόδαλο

Two very early records for this species.

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 ad male 26-Aug

AndK

Erimi 1 juv. Very early 15-Aug JE

ELEONORA'S FALCON *Falco eleonora*

Μαυρομύτης

Largest counts:

Akrotiri Marsh 3 21-Aug ABW

Akrotiri Salt Lake 4 21 & 23-Aug

TRe/DJW

Armou Hills 1 over 10-Aug CR

Asprokremmos Dam 5 2-Aug DJW

Avakas Gorge 2 19-Aug DJW

Bishop's Pool 1 22-Aug ABW

Kamares (Tala) 4 14-Aug DJW

Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 26-Aug JS/CR

EURASIAN HOBBY *Falco subbuteo*

Δεντροπόδαλο

Max count per location:

Akrotiri Marsh (Phasouri Reed-beds) 1 on distant tree 31-Aug CR

Armou Hills 1 3-Aug CR

Kamares (Tala) 5 2 adults and 3 chicks in nest 4 & 14-Aug DJW

Kamares (Tala) 5 2 adults and 3 juveniles

flying overhead 30-Aug DJW

Minthis Hills 4 chasing over flank of hill 22-Aug CR

Vyzakia dam 1 16-Aug FGe

PEREGRINE FALCON *Falco peregrinus*

Ζάνος

Asprokremmos Dam 1 juv 1-Aug PE

Cape Greco 1 2-Aug JC

Episkopi, Paphos 1 1-Aug DBr

RED-BACKED SHRIKE *Lanius collurio*

Κεφαλάς



(c) Jane Stylianou

Red-backed Shrike, Spiros Pool, 28th August. Photograph by Jane Stylianou

First reports and largest counts:

Agia Napa Football Fields 4 Juvs 30-Aug JS

Agia Napa Sewage Works 4 1f and 3 juvs 30-Aug JS

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 6 19-Aug TRe

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 13-Aug TRe

Larnaca Salt Lake 4 3m and 1 juv 28-Aug JS

Pittokopos to Androlikou road 1 Male 6-Aug JS

RED-TAILED (TURKESTAN) SHRIKE

Lanius phoenicuriodes Κεφαλάς του

Τουρκεστάν

Larnaca Salt Lake, Kamares 1 prob juv see photo 8-Aug AzF Via eBird

LESSER GREY SHRIKE *Lanius minor*

Σταχτοκεφαλάς



Lesser Grey Shrike, Akrotiri Salt Lake, 27th August. Photograph by John East.

First reports and largest counts:

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 4 20 & 23-Aug TRe/JE/DJW

Akrotiri Salt Lake 4 27-Aug JE

Armou Hills 1 moulting ad. 7-Aug CR

Asprokremmos Dam 8 below mast 24-Aug CR

Kornos 4 31-Aug FGe
 Lady's Mile 5 26-Aug ABW
 Larnaca Salt Lake 1 10-Aug JS
 Marathounta Hills 4 25-Aug CR
 Pittokopos to Androlikou road 1 6-Aug JS
 Potamia 4 31-Aug FGe

WOODCHAT SHRIKE *Lanius senator*
 Κοκκινοκεφαλός

Agia Varvara 1 Ad by water tanks between
 Agia Varvara and Anarita park 18-Aug
 TDu
 Giolou-Stroumbi 1 Theletra junct. 5-Aug
 CR
 Larnaca Salt Lake 1 Juv 28-Aug JS
 Marathounta 1 16-Aug CR
 Pittokopos to Androlikou road 1 6, 7, 8 &
 13-Aug JS

MASKED SHRIKE *Lanius nubicus*
 Δακκαννούρα



Masked Shrike, Troodos, 6th August.
Photograph by Dave Walker.

Largest counts:
 Armou Hills 8 ads, juvs 7-Aug CR
 Lythrodontas 12 two adults, ten juveniles
 24-Aug FGe
 Marathounta 10 ads, juvs 16-Aug CR

EURASIAN JAY *Garrulus glandarius* Κίσσα



Eurasian Jay, Troodos, 6th August.
Photograph by Dave Walker.

Largest counts:

Almirolivado (Troodos) 4 6 & 16-Aug
 DJW/FGe
 Livadi tou Pashia 7 6-Aug DJW
 Paphos Forest (Panagia) 4 24-Aug ABW
 Phini 4 16 & 17-Aug FGe
 Troodos 5 2-Aug TRe
 Xilofefyro Trail 12 17-Aug FGe

COAL TIT *Periparus ater* *Cypriotes*

Πέμπτεσος

Largest counts:

Almirolivado c50 16-Aug FGe
 Kapoura c30 16-Aug FGe
 Phini c30 16-Aug FGe
 Xilofefyro Trail c50 17-Aug FGe

GREATER SHORT-TOED LARK

Calandrella brachydactyla Τρασηηλούδα
 Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 hermonensis 29-
 Aug CR

WOODLARK *Lullula arborea*

Πευκοτρασιήλα

Agios Theodoros Soleas 2 juveniles 14-
 Aug FGe

OLIVACEOUS WARBLER *Iduna pallida*

Τρυβητούρα

Largest counts:

Agia Napa Sewage Works c6 22-Aug SC
 Agia Varvara 6 23-Aug CR
 Armou Hills 6 10-Aug CR
 Asprokremmos Dam 5 24-Aug CR

MOUSTACHED WARBLER *Acrocephalus*

melanopogon Μουστακομουγιανούδι

Akrotiri Salt Lake 3 26-Aug TRe
 Confirmation needed. Very early report

SEDGE WARBLER *Acrocephalus schoenobaenus* Σχοινομουγιαννούδι
 Agia Varvara 3 18-Aug TDU
 Asprokremmos Dam 1 24-Aug CR
 Zakaki Marsh c4 16-Aug SC with L
 Sergides

EURASIAN REED WARBLER

Acrocephalus scirpaceus
 Καλαμομουγιαννούδι
 Largest counts:
 Agia Varvara 5 23-Aug CR
 Akrotiri Marsh c12 10 & 16-Aug SC/LS
 Zakaki Marsh 7 1 juv 12-Aug CR

GREAT REED WARBLER *Acrocephalus arundinaceus* Τζικλομουγιαννούδι
 Akrotiri Marsh 1 16-Aug SC with L
 Sergides
 Polis Reed-beds 2 16-Aug KB
 Zakaki 1 15 & 20-Aug JE

RED-RUMPED SWALLOW *Cecropis daurica* Μιλτοχελίδονο
 Largest counts:
 Akrotiri Gravel Pits 4 13-Aug TRE
 Akrotiri Marsh (Phasouri Reed-beds) 4 31-Aug CR
 Germosogeia Dam area c20 sunbathing in road 15-Aug RoB
 Secret Valley GC 8 20-Aug CR
(COLLARED) SAND MARTIN *Riparia riparia* Οχθοχελίδονο
 Larnaca Desalination Plant fields 12 31-Aug JS
 Minthis hills c50 20-Aug TDU

WILLOW WARBLER *Phylloscopus trochilus* Θαμνογιαννούδι



Willow Warbler, 31st August. Photograph by Agamemnon Loutsios.

First reports and largest counts:

Agia Napa Sewage Works 4 30-Aug JS
 Agia Varvara 6 23-Aug CR
 Polis Chrysochou Bay 1 yellow phyllosc, in
 Polis campsite 8-Aug CR
 Troodos 1 2-Aug TRE
 Troodos 2 9-Aug TRE

EURASIAN BLACKCAP *Sylvia atricapilla*
 Αμπελοπούλλι
 Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 Female 30-Aug JS

GARDEN WARBLER *Sylvia borin*
 Κηπουσκαλλίδι



Garden Warbler, Agios Theodoros, 24th August. Photograph by Agamemnon Loutsios.

Agios Theodoros, Larnaca 1 24-Aug AgL

BARRED WARBLER *Sylvia nisoria*
 Γιαλλούρα



Barred Warbler, Agios Theodoros, 24th August. Photograph by Agamemnon Loutsios.

Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 juvenile 22-Aug SC
 Agios Theodoros, Larnaca 1 juv 24 & 31-Aug AgL

EASTERN ORPHEAN WARBLER *Sylvia crassirostris* Θαμνογιαλλούρα
 Agia Napa Sewage Works c3 22-Aug SC

Armou Hills 1 fly away view 29-Aug CR

LESSER WHITETHROAT *Sylvia curruca*
Συκαλλίδι

Agia Napa Sewage Works c5 22-Aug SC
Agia Varvara 1 23-Aug CR
Armou Hills 1 19-Aug CR
Armou Hills 5 29-Aug CR
Larnaca Salt Lake 1 24-Aug JS
Larnaca Sewage Works 3 25-Aug JS

CYPRUS WARBLER *Sylvia melanothorax*
Τρυπομάζης

Agia Napa Sewage Works 2 juvenile 22-Aug SC
Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 Heard 30-Aug JS
Agios Theodoros Soleas 5 14-Aug FGe
Amathus 4 3-Aug JC
Asprokremmos Dam 4 18-Aug KB
Asprokremmos Dam 1 fem, 1stw 24-Aug CR
Lythrodontas 1 24-Aug FGe
Phini 14 16-Aug FGe
Vyzakia dam 1 16-Aug FGe
Xilofefyro Trail 4 17-Aug FGe

GREATER (COMMON) WHITETHROAT
Sylvia communis Ασπρόλαιμο Συκαλλίδι
Agia Napa Sewage Works 2 30-Aug JS
SHORT-TOED TREECREEPER *Certhia brachydactyla* Δενδροβάτης



Short-toed Treecreeper, Troodos, 1st August.
Photograph by Tony Reeves.

Atalante trail south part 1 16-Aug FGe
Livadi tou Pashia, Troodos 2 6-Aug DJW
Troodos 2 1-Aug TRE
Troodos 1 2-Aug TRE
Troodos 3 5-Aug JC
Xilofefyro Trail 1 17-Aug FGe

NORTHERN WREN *Troglodytes troglodytes* Τρυποκάρυδο



Northern Wren juv, Troodos, 6th August.
Photograph by Dave Walker.

Largest counts:

Almirolivado 3 16-Aug FGe
Phini 3 16 & 17-Aug FGe
Xilofefyro Trail 10 including probable family of four 17-Aug FGe

EURASIAN BLACKBIRD *Turdus merula* ♂

Μαυρόπουλλος (♀ Μαυρότζικλα)
Almirolivado 2 6-Aug DJW
Almirolivado 1 16-Aug FGe
Livadi tou Pashia 3 6-Aug DJW
Phini 5 16-Aug FGe
Troodos 1 2-Aug TRE
Troodos Old Road 2 6-Aug DJW

SPOTTED FLYCATCHER *Muscicapa striata* Μουγιοφάς

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 23-Aug DJW
Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 28-Aug TRE
Almirolivado (Troodos) 3 6-Aug DJW
Asprokremmos Dam 1 in wood 24-Aug CR
Livadi tou Pashia 6 6-Aug DJW
Troodos 3 1-Aug TRE
Troodos 6 2-Aug TRE
Troodos 5+ 9-Aug TRE

BLUE ROCK THRUSH *Monticola solitarius*
Γαλαζοκότσουφος

Trimiklini 2 1 M and 1 F visiting our garden early mornings 19-Aug PVH

WHINCHAT *Saxicola rubetra* Βοσκαρούδι
Akrotiri Marsh (Phasouri Reed-beds) 1 31-Aug CR

NORTHERN WHEATEAR *Oenanthe oenanthe* Σταχτοσκαλιφούρτα

Larnaca Sewage Works 2 24-Aug JS

ISABELLINE WHEATEAR *Oenanthe isabellina* Αμμοσκαλιφούρτα

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 2 27-Aug JE

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 31-Aug FGe

Akrotiri Salt Lake 1 14, 19 & 20-Aug TRe

Akrotiri Salt Lake 2 28-Aug TRe

Cape Greco 2 30-Aug JS

Lady's Mile 1 26-Aug ABW

Larnaca Desalination Plant fields 1 31-Aug JS

Larnaca Salt Lake 1 1-Aug JS

Larnaca Salt Lake 2 11-Aug JS

Larnaca Sewage Works 2 27-Aug JS

Spiros Pool 1 24-Aug JS

CYPRUS WHEATEAR *Oenanthe cypriaca*

Σκαλιφούρτα

Largest counts:

Agios Theodoros Soleas 18 14-Aug FGe

Kaminaria 5 17-Aug FGe

Lythrodontas 7 24-Aug FGe

Mavrokolymbos 5 18 & 19-Aug DJW/TDu

Meleti Forest, Paphos 5 27-Aug DJW

WESTERN YELLOW WAGTAIL *Motacilla flava* Τζιτρινοζευκαλάτης



Western Yellow Wagtail, Akrotiri, 31st August.

Photograph by Tony Reeves.

Largest counts:

Agia Napa Football Fields 50 30-Aug JS

Larnaca Desalination Plant fields c200 31-Aug JS

Paphos Sewage Plant 215 in one alfalfa field, not visible except in flight 23-Aug CR

Black-headed Wagtail *Motacilla flava*

feldegg Μαυροκέφαλος Ζευκαλάτης

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 28-Aug TRe

Akrotiri Marsh 9 19-Aug ABW

Akrotiri Marsh 10 22-Aug ABW

Larnaca Salt Lake 1 Kamares area 9-Aug JS

Larnaca Salt Lake 2 24-Aug JS

GREY WAGTAIL *Motacilla cinerea*

Σταχτοζευκαλάτης

Phini 1 male 16-Aug FGe

Troodos Old Road 2 1 adult with 1 juvenile 6-Aug DJW

RED CROSSBILL *Loxia curvirostra*

Σταυρομούττης



Red Crossbill, Troodos, 6th August.

Photograph by John East.

Almirolivado 6 16-Aug FGe

Troodos 6 2-Aug TRe

BLACK-HEADED BUNTING *Emberiza*

melanocephala Τιρίλιγκος

Agia Napa Sewage Works 1 Seen briefly in flight 30-Aug JS

Akrotiri Gravel Pits 1 20-Aug TRe

ORTOLAN BUNTING *Emberiza hortulana*

Τσακροπιτίλλα

Agia Napa Sewage Works 2 1m and 1f 30-Aug JS

Armou Hills 1 99% sure 26-Aug CR

CRETZSCHMAR'S BUNTING *Emberiza*

caesia Σιταροπούλλι

Agia Napa Sewage Works 5 22-Aug SC

Agia Napa Sewage Works 6 30-Aug JS

Agios Theodoros Soleas c40 14-Aug FGe

Armou Hills 1 juv type 19-Aug CR

Asprokremmos Dam 1 7-Aug JC

Kaminaria 2 17-Aug FGe

Pera Orinis, Nicosia 3 6-Aug MH

Pittokopos to Androlίκου road 2 Juvs 13-Aug JS

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MONTHLY WATERBIRD COUNT

August 2019

Markos Charalambides

The BirdLife Cyprus waterbirds monitoring programme has been running since 2005 and covers around 70 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, 6 recorders covered 11 wetlands across the island where 3751 birds, of 40 different species were recorded.

The most abundant species was the Greater Flamingo with 1950 individuals. The second most abundant species was the Kentish Plover with 346 individuals followed by the Mallard with 271 individuals.

The wetland holding the most birds was the Akrotiri Salt Lake with 2347 individuals. Although Oroklini Marsh only held 125 individuals it was the most species abundant wetland with 18 different species being recorded there.

Site coverage for the August 2019 Waterbird Count

Site	Recorder	Date	Water level
Akrotiri Marsh	Christina Ieronymidou, Nikos Kassinis	22-08-19	
Akrotiri Meras	Christina Ieronymidou, Nikos Kassinis	22-08-19	
Akrotiri Salt lake	Christina Ieronymidou, Nikos Kassinis	22-08-19	
Akrotiri Lady's Mile	Christina Ieronymidou, Nikos Kassinis	22-08-19	
Bishop's Pool	Christina Ieronymidou, Nikos Kassinis	22-08-19	
Zakaki Pond	Christina Ieronymidou, Nikos Kassinis	22-08-19	
Larnaka Salt Lake	Jane Stylianou	24-08-19	
Larnaka Sewage Works	Jane Stylianou	24-08-19	
Oroklini Marsh	Martin Hellicar	22-08-19	
Mia Milia Sewage Works	Antaia Christou, Markos Charalambides	25-08-19	
Strakka Pools	Markos Charalambides	28-08-19	

WETLAND BIRD COUNT AUGUST 2019	Akrotiri Marsh	Akrotiri Meras	Akrotiri Salt lake	Akrotiri Lady's Mile	Bishop's Pool	Zakaki Pond	Larnaka Salt Lake	Larnaka Sewage Works	Oroklini Marsh	Mia Mliia Sewage Works	Strakka Pools	TOTAL
Little Grebe					15			3	6	4	13	41
Great Crested Grebe								1				1
Cormorant								1				1
Night Heron						10						10
Cattle Egret	25								2	66		93
Little Egret			10			5			1	10		26
Grey Heron	1		37				3	3				44
Purple Heron										13		13
Glossy Ibis	3									4		7
Greater Flamingo			1783				145	22				1950
Teal								9	1			10
Mallard			4					159	8	100		271
Garganey								2	4			6
Shoveler									1			1
Marsh Harrier	1											1
Eleonora's Falcon			2									2
Water Rail						2						2
Moorhen					7	1			12	25	9	54
Coot			9					9	30	17	1	66
Demoiselle Crane			24									24
Black-winged Stilt			76				23	4	4	9		116
Spur-winged Lapwing	3						3	61	43	15		125
Grey Plover			1									1
Kentish Plover		36		310								346
Little Ringed Plover							5		1			6
Little Stint							29		1			30
Ruff							14	2				16
Redshank									4			4

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Green Sandpiper										2		2
Wood Sandpiper										1		1
Common Sandpiper							1		2	1		4
Black-headed Gull									3			3
Slender-billed Gull							1	1				2
Yellow-legged Gull			86	17			17	16				136
White-winged Black Tern									1			1
Little Tern								3				3
Kingfisher	1						1		1			3
Yellow Wagtail							2					2
Reed Warbler						5						5
Unidentified			315							7		322
TOTAL	34	36	2347	327	22	23	244	296	125	274	23	3751
SPECIES COUNT	6	1	11	2	2	5	12	15	18	14	3	40

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