

# **Wardens' report to Landsort Fågelstation board**

**September 2020**

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## **Weather summary**

An unsettled first half to the month with prevailing westerlies was followed by more settled conditions later in the month, with prevailing easterly winds. Precipitation was recorded on several dates, mostly during the first half of the month and mostly as showers rather than persistent rain. Unsettled weather prevented ringing on 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>

## **Ringing**

All data was entered on Fågel3 and submitted to Ringing Central.

A total of 3854 birds of 43 different species were ringed as well as 290 subsequent encounters of 25 different species. This September saw the highest number of birds ringed since standardised monitoring began, with the average being 2228. The most numerous species was the Goldcrest / Kungsfågel with 1577 ringed, followed by the Robin / Rödhake with 460 ringed. The highest day capture was on 26<sup>th</sup> when 641 birds were ringed and the lowest was on 16<sup>th</sup> when 21 birds were ringed.

Less frequently caught species included:

- Yellow-browed Warbler / Tajgasångare: the 1<sup>st</sup> of 13 during the month was on 2<sup>nd</sup>, the highest day total was seven on 26<sup>th</sup>. The previous year record for Landsort was nine and the previous day record two.

## **Sightings of note during September:**

2<sup>nd</sup> - Yellow-browed Warbler / Tajgasångare: one ringed at Bredmar, the earliest record for Landsort and the first of many this month

17<sup>th</sup> – Red-throated Pipit / Rödstrupig piplärka: one migrated south at Fyren

18<sup>th</sup> – Tawny Pipit / Fältpiplärka: one at Norrudden

19<sup>th</sup> – Two-barred Crossbill / Bändelkorsnäbb: one migrated north at Norrudden

19<sup>th</sup> – Rustic Bunting / Videsparv: one migrated north at Norrudden and another present

23<sup>rd</sup> – Great Snipe / Dubbelbeckasin: one at Saltmar

26<sup>th</sup> - Red-throated Pipit / Rödstrupig piplärka: one migrating

### Other work at the observatory

- Common areas cleaned
- Lab cleaned
- Bird bags washed
- Several nets replaced

### Ringling demonstrations

A total of 53 people attended three booked guidings (37 adults and 16 under 18s).

### Overnight accommodation

Occupancy during August was 63 bed nights from paying members.