

SYSTEMATIC LIST of SPECIES RECORDED SCOTLAND - June 9-23, 2018
Highlands & Inner Hebrides (Western Isles)

Highlands: Speyside, Abernethy Forest, Cairngorms, Lochindorb, Black Isle, Moray Coast, Troup Head, Ythan Estuary
Western Isles: Isles of Mull, Iona, Muck, Eigg, Lunga, Staffa and Skye. Morvern and Ardnamurchan Peninsula.

The 1st number is the highest number of that species seen in one day
The 2nd number is the number of days that that species was seen during the 15-day trip

BIRDS

GEESE, SWANS & DUCKS *Anatidae*

Greylag Goose *Anser anser*

Widespread on the short grass meadows in the Highlands and along the coast in the Western Isles. 30/13

Barnacle Goose *Branta leucopsis*

A group of 4 near Cromdale and Spey River in the Highlands. 4/1

Canada Goose *Branta canadensis*

Small flocks on the Black Isle, and on west coast on Mull and Morvern. 6/5

Mute Swan *Cygnus olor*

One on the Back Isle and a pair on Mull. 2/2

Whooper Swan *Cygnus cygnus*

One immature on Loch Gridadie on the Ardnamurchan Peninsula. 1/1

Common Shelduck *Tadorna tadorna*

A few seen on the Ythan Estuary and Black Isle in the Highlands and on Mull. 4/6

Mallard *Anas platyrhynchos*

Widespread, seen daily. 20/15

Northern Pintail *Anas acuta*

A drake at Munloch Bay on the Black Isle. 1/1

Common Teal *Anas crecca*

Small group seen at Milton Pool in the Highlands, and couple on the western isles. 6/3

Tufted Duck *Aythya fuligula*

Pairs on Milton Pool, Loch Shiel and Loch Laide. 6/3

King Eider *Somateria spectabilis*

A drake amongst the Common Eiders on the Ythan Estuary, that has been there for many years! 1/1

Common Eider *Somateria mollissima*

Hundreds on the Ythan Estuary and widespread on the western isles and coast. 900/5

Goosander (Common Merganser) *Mergus merganser merganser*

This is the nominate race, that is sometimes considered a separate species from *amercianus* the North American race known as Common Merganser. The differences are subtle, with a more hooked bill, a curved upper culmen which gives it a thin looking bill in particular in the middle, and lack of a short narrow black wing bar on the folded wing. Seen at Ythan Estuary, Loch Sunart and Ardnamurchan Peninsula. 24/4

Red-breasted Merganser *Mergus serrator*

Seen in small numbers on most days in the Western Isles, west coast and on Spey River. 6/9

PARTRIDGES & PHEASANTS *Phasianidae*

Red-legged Partridge *Alectoris rufa*

A few scattered in the Highlands and one surprisingly on Muck. 2/4

Common (Ring-necked) Pheasant *Phasianus colchicus*

Common in farmland, edges of moor and woods in the Highlands, and a few on Muck. 16/9

Black Grouse *Tetrao tetrix*

2 non-displaying males around the lek on the moor at Dorback in the Highlands. 1/1

Willow Grouse “Red Grouse” *Lagopus lagopus scotica*

This is the famous red grouse of whisky fame! Endemic to the British Isles, this subspecies *scotica* is often considered a separate species since it retains its rusty plumage all year round, while the nominate race has a white belly and wings and goes all white in winter. Great views in the Highlands on the heather moors at Dava Moor adjacent to Lochindorb, including chicks, also near Bridge of Avon. 6/3

(Rock) Ptarmigan *Lagopus mutus*

Two including a male seen exceptional well sitting by a boulder near the Cairngorm summit. 2/1

LOONS *Gaviidae*

Red-throated Diver (Loon) *Gavia stellata*

Seen on Loch Morlich, and on the Western Isles, flying off of Eigg, and at Loch Dhughail and Loch Ainort on Skye. 2/7

Black-throated Diver (Arctic Loon) *Gavia arctica*

An adult with two chicks on Lochindorb. 3/1

GREBES *Podicipedidae*

Little Grebe *Tachybaptus ruficollis*

Seen in the Highlands, one on Milton Pool and several families on Loch Laide. 8/2

Horned (Slavonian) Grebe *Podiceps auritus*

Pairs in the Highlands at Loch Kinellan on the Black Isle, and on Loch Laide. 4/2

FULMARS & SHEARWATERS *Procellariidae*

Northern Fulmar *Fulmarus glacialis*

Seen well gliding effortlessly along the cliff face at Troup Head, and the Treshnish Isles (Staffa and Lunga). 20/2

Manx Shearwater *Puffinus puffinus*

A few on the way to Treshnish Isles and Eigg, and off of Ardnamurchan Lighthouse. 30/3

STORM-PETRELS *Hydrobatidae*

European Storm-petrel *Hydrobates pelagicus*

A single bird in the rain on the way to the Treshnish Isles. 1/1

GANNETS *Sulidae*

(Northern) Gannet *Morus bassanus*

Boat ride to the Troup Head colony where 5000 pairs nest, and a few seen off the Western Isles. 5000/4

CORMORANTS & SHAGS *Phalacrocoracidae*

Great Cormorant *Phalacrocorax carbo*

Seen at Troup Head, and on the Western Isles. 10/9

European Shag *Phalacrocorax aristotellus*

Common at Troup Head and the Western Isles. 60/8

BITTERN, HERONS & EGRETS *Ardeidae*

Grey Heron *Ardea cinerea*

A few in the Highlands and far more common in the Western Isles. 6/13

OSPREY *Pandionidae*

Osprey *Pandion haliaetus*

The big success story for the RSPB and a Scottish icon! In 1916 the last remaining osprey in the UK was shot. After almost 40 years a pair returned to Loch Garten in 1954 and nests successfully! There are now over 250 pairs in the UK! Unfortunately this years clutch of three eggs was abandoned, though we did the female (EJ) perched near the nest. 1/1

KITES, HAWKS & EAGLES *Accipitridae*

Golden Eagle *Aquila chrysaetos*

A few individuals in the Highlands, on Mull, the Ardnamurchan Peninsula and Skye. 4/5

Hen (Northern) Harrier *Circus cyaneus cyaneus*

This is the nominate race, that is now recognized as a separate species from the North American Northern Harrier *hudsonius*. It differs by being overall lighter in both sexes, while the males have more extensive black on the tips of the five outer primaries and less tail-barring, while the female does not have the rufous colouration that Northern does. Four seen on Mull, and a female from the harbour at Eigg. 4/2

Eurasian Sparrowhawk *Accipiter nisus*

One seen briefly on the Ardnamurchan Peninsula, and one seen well on Muck. 1/2

Red Kite *Milvus milvus*

After becoming extinct in England in 1871 and the last one seen in Scotland in 1879, by the mid-1930's only 20 remained in the UK, those being in Wales. As one of the longest running conservation projects, begun in 1903, 93 Red Kites were re-introduced to the Black Isle in 1989 (as well as the Chilterns in England). In 1992 the first

wild born chick in Scotland fledged. There are now over 2000 breeding pairs. Five were seen at the Tollie Red Kite feeding center on the Black Isle. 5/1

White-tailed Eagle *Haliaeetus albicilla*

Also known as Sea Eagle it is the largest bird of prey in the UK. Having gone extinct in the UK by 1918, due to illegal hunting, they were successfully re-introduced from Norwegian stock to the Western Isles in the mid-1970's. After more than 70 years the first successfully fledglings (on Mull) occurred in 1985. Following another west coast re-introduction in the mid-1990's the population has expanded and there are now over 65 territories. Sightings on Mull, the Ardnamurchan Peninsula and off of Eigg. 2/4

Common Buzzard *Buteo buteo*

Widespread with a few seen almost daily. 5/14

RAILS, CRAKES & COOTS *Rallidae*

Corncrake *Crex crex*

One heard on Lunga and Muck, with four heard on Iona - all on the Western Isles. h/3

Common (Eurasian) Moorhen *Gallinula chloropus*

Three at Milton Pool and one on Loch Laide in the Highlands . 3/2

Eurasian Coot *Fulica atra*

A pair on Loch Kinellen. 2/1

OYSTERCATCHERS *Haematopodidae*

Eurasian Oystercatcher *Haematopus ostralegus*

Common and widespread with their loud piping call a common sound of meadows, rocky coastlines and beaches. 30/15

PLOVERS & LAPWINGS *Charadriidae*

Eurasian Golden Plover *Pluvialis squatarola*

Several with chicks at Lochindorb in the Highlands, and two on Mull on the Western Isles. 5/2

Northern Lapwing *Vanellus vanellus*

Common and widespread in meadows and farmland in particular in the Highlands. 10/11

Common Ringed Plover *Charadrius hiaticula*

A few pairs seen on sandy beaches mostly on the Western Isles. 4/6

SANDPIPERS *Scolopacidae*

Common Sandpiper *Acititis hypoleucos*

The most common sandpiper. Frequently seen along the shoreline of lochs. 8/15

Common Greenshank *Tringa nebularia*

In the Western Isles, two at Strontian Bay and a single at Loch Meadal (Skye). 2/2

Common Redshank *Tringa totanus*

One at Ythan Estuary and a couple on Mull and Skye. 2/4

Eurasian Curlew *Numenius arquata*

Widespread in small numbers on heather moors and meadows, displaying and with chicks. 6/11

Bar-tailed Godwit *Limosa lapponica*

A flock at Ythan Estuary. 10/1

Ruddy Turnstone *Arenaria interpres*

A few working the bladderwrack along Scallastle Bay on Mull. 4/1

Dunlin *Calidris alpina*

Individuals at Ythan Estuary, Scallastle Bay and Strontian Bay. 6/3

Common Snipe *Gallinago gallinago*

A few scattered, with highest number being on Muck. 5/5

JAEGERS & SKUAS *Stercorariidae*

Great Skua *Stercorarius skua*

On the Western Isles, several pairs seen around Eigg, and Staffin Island on Skye. 4/2

Parasitic Jaeger (Arctic Skua) *Stercorarius parasiticus*

Dark morphs seen off of Lunga and from the Mull ferry between Fishnish and Lochaline. 2/2

ALCIDS (AUKS) *Alcidae*

Common Murre (Guillemot) *Uria aalge*

The most common auk breeding at Troup Head; seen on Lunga, off of Eigg and Ardnamurchan Peninsula. 400/4

Razorbill *Alca torda*

Seen in small numbers than the Murres in the same locations. 200/4

Black Guillemot *Cepphus grylle*

A few pairs off scattered along Western Isles coastline. 10/4

Atlantic Puffin *Fratercula arctica*

A few dozen in the water at Troup Head, and wonderful close views of hundreds nesting on Lunga. 600/4

GULLS & TERNS *Laridae*

Black-legged Kittiwake *Rissa tridactyla*

Many pairs nesting on Troup Head, and seen around Lunga and Eigg. 1000/4

Black-headed Gull *Chroicocephalus ridibundus*

Common and widespread especially around urban areas in the Highlands. 30/8

Common Gull *Larus canus canus*

This is the nominate race *canus*, that is found in Western Europe. Widespread. The most common gull on the trip, seen daily. The American subspecies (*L. c. brachyrhynchus*) found along the Pacific coast, Alaska and Western Canada is known as Mew Gull. 100/15

Herring Gull *Larus argentatus argenteus*

This is the British race *argenteus* which is common and widespread especially along the coasts. 100/12

Lesser Black-backed Gull *Larus fuscus graellsii*

A few scattered in the Highlands and on the Western Isles, including side by side view of the nominate race *fuscus* on the Black Isle. 4/8

Great Black-backed Gull *Larus marinus*

Seen along the coasts in small numbers. 20/10

Little Tern *Sterna albifrons*

Seen at the Ythan Estuary. 10/1

Common Tern *Sterna hirundo*

Individuals in the Highlands at Lochindorb and Ethan Estuary. 1/2

Arctic Tern *Sterna paradisaea*

The most common tern with many at Ythan Estuary, and regularly seen around the Western Isles. 1000/8

Sandwich Tern *Sterna sandvicensis*

Only seen at the Ythan Estuary. 10/1

PIGEONS & DOVES *Columbidae*

Rock Dove (Feral Pigeon) *Columba livia*

Seen daily. 20/15

Common Wood Pigeon *Columba palumbus*

Widespread and common in the Highlands and a few seen in the Western Isles. 25/13

Eurasian Collared Dove *Streptopelia decaocto*

Widespread in small numbers, seen almost daily. 8/14

OLD WORLD CUCKOOS *Cuculidae*

Common Cuckoo *Cuculus canorus*

Single birds heard on Muck and Dorback, and seen at Inverlaidnan Estate in the Highlands. 1/3

BARN OWLS *Tytonidae*

Barn Owl *Tyto alba*

One quartering over the meadow adjacent to the Mountview in Nethy Bridge just before sunset. 1/1

OWLS *Strigidae*

Short-eared Owl *Asio flammeus*

One in flight at Strath Coil on Mull. 1/1

SWIFTS *Apodidae*

Common Swift *Apus apus*

A couple of pairs nesting in boxes at the Mountview Hotel, in Nethy Bridge in the Highlands. 4/8

WOODPECKERS *Picidae*

Great Spotted Woodpecker *Dendrocopos major*

Individuals seen a few times in the Highlands, the Ardnanmurchan Peninsula and Skye. 1/6

FALCONS *Falconidae*

Eurasian (Common) Kestrel *Falco tinnunculus*

Singles seen in the Highlands, Mull, Ardnanmurchan Peninsula and Skye. 2/4

Peregrine Falcon *Falco peregrinus*

One on the Ardnanmurchan Peninsula. 1/1

CROWS & JAYS *Corvidae*

Eurasian (Common) Magpie *Pica pica*

Only seen in Aberdeenshire on way to the Ythan Estuary. 2/1

- Eurasian (Western) Jackdaw** *Corvus monedula*
Common in the Highlands, common on Mull and scattered elsewhere in the west. 30/14
- Rook** *Corvus frugilegus*
Abundant in short grass pastures and farmland, with most seen in the Highlands and a few on Skye. 60/10
- Carrion Crow** *Corvus corone*
A few in the Highlands. 10/7
- Hooded Crow** *Corvus cornix*
Split from Carrion Crow and elevated to full species in 2002. A few in the Highlands, likely hybrids. Common in the Western Isles, where it replaces the Carrion Crow. 12/11
- Common Raven** *Corvus corax*
A few in the Highlands, and seen daily in the Western Isles in small numbers. 12/12
- LARKS *Alaudidae*
- (Common) Skylark** *Alauda arvensis*
Widespread in small numbers across grasslands and moors, seen daily on the Western Isles. 6/12
- SWALLOWS *Hirundinidae*
- Sand Martin (Bank Swallow)** *Riparia riparia*
Widespread and common. 30/13
- Barn Swallow** *Hirundo rustica*
Widespread and common. 15/15
- (Common) House Martin** *Delichon urbica*
Widespread and common. Nesting under the eaves at the Mountview Hotel. 16/15
- TITS *Paridae*
- Coal Tit** *Parus ater*
Scattered in small numbers in the Highlands and Western Isles. 6/7
- Crested Tit** *Parus cristatus*
Good views of an adult at Inverlaidnan Estate in the Highlands. 1/1
- (Eurasian) Blue Tit** *Parus caeruleus*
Widespread in small numbers. 4/12
- Great Tit** *Parus major*
A few scattered in the Highlands with a couple of the Western Isles. 4/6
- BUSHTITS *Aegithalidae*
- Long-tailed Tit** *Aegithalos caudatus*
Three moving through a thicket of rhododendrons in the village of Acharacle, on the West Coast. 3/1
- TREECREEPERS *Certhiidae*
- (Eurasian) Treecreeper** *Certhia familiaris*
Nesting in a Scots Pine at the Mountview and seen at Inverlaidnan Estate in the Highlands, as well as at Acharacle on the West Coast. 3/4
- WRENS *Troglodytidae*
- (Eurasian) Wren** *Troglodytes troglodytes*
Seen or heard on most days. 2/12
- DIPPERS *Cinclidae*
- (White-throated) Dipper** *Cinclus cinclus*
Three on the Spey at the Old River Spey Bridge. 3/1
- GOLDCRESTS & KINGLETS *Regulidae*
- Goldcrest** *Regulus regulus*
A couple in Carrbridge in the Highlands, and on the Ardnanmurchan and Skye on the Western Isles. 3/3
- LEAF WARBLERS & ALLIES *Phylloscopidae*
- Willow Warbler** *Phylloscopus trochilus*
Common, heard or seen every day. 5/15
- (Common) Chiffchaff** *Phylloscopus collybita*
Only one heard in the Highlands and on Mull. h/2
- Wood Warbler** *Phylloscopus sibilatrix*
It took a while to get everyone onto an uncooperative calling bird at Craigellachie, in the Highlands. 1/1
- REED WARBLERS & Allies *Acrocephalidae*
- Sedge Warbler** *Acrocephalus schoenobaenus*
Seen near Kilchoan on the Ardnanmurchan Peninsula. 3/1

WARBLERS *Sylviidae*

(Eurasian) Blackcap *Sylvia atricapilla*

Heard often, with a few seen on Ardnamurchan. 3/6

Garden Warbler *Sylvia borin*

Good views of one at Rahoy Hills NR on Ardnamurchan. 1/3

Greater (Common) Whitethroat *Sylvia communis*

Seen well near Ardnamurchan Lighthouse. 2/2

CHATS & OLD WORLD FLYCATCHERS *Muscicapidae*

Spotted Flycatcher *Muscicapa striata*

Individuals in the Highlands and pairs on Ardnamurchan Peninsula. 2/4

European Robin *Erithacus rubecula*

A few scattered. 2/9

(European) Pied Flycatcher *Ficedula hypoleuca*

A pair seen around its nest box at Craigellachie in the Highlands. 2/1

Common Redstart *Phoenicurus phoenicurus*

Surprisingly only one heard, at Lochindorb. h/1

Whinchat *Saxicola rubetra*

Good looks at males on Mull and Ardnamurchan Peninsula. 1/3

European (Common) Stonechat *Saxicola rubicola*

Seen at Dava Moor in the Highlands, and on Mull, Ardnamurchan Peninsula and Skye in the Western Isles. 2/5

Northern Wheatear *Oenanthe oenanthe*

Common on Mull and Skye in the Western Isles, and on the Cairngorms in the Highlands. 20/7

THRUSHES *Turdidae*

Ring Ouzel *Turdus torquatus*

Seen at the Cairngorms and on Skye. 6/2

Common Blackbird *Turdus merula*

Abundant, seen daily. 12/15

Song Thrush *Turdus philomelos*

Widespread and common in small numbers. Seen daily. 10/15

Mistle Thrush *Turdus viscivorus*

A few scattered in the Highlands where they were more common than on the Western Isles. 3/8

STARLINGS *Sturnidae*

Common Starling *Sturnus vulgaris*

Widespread and common in the Western Isles and around towns in the Highlands. 30/15

ACCENTORS *Prunellidae*

Dunnock *Prunella modularis*

A couple in the Highlands, on Mull and Skye. 2/10

WAGTAILS & PIPITS *Motacillidae*

Grey Wagtail *Motacilla cinerea*

Pairs in the Highlands, and one on the Ardnamurchan Peninsula. 2/4

Pied Wagtail *Motacilla alba yarrellii*

Common, seen daily. The race found in Britain is *yarrellii*, in which the male has a **black** back and flanks, while the female is dark grey, hence the name Pied. 10/15

Meadow Pipit *Anthus pratensis*

The most common songbird on the moors and grasslands. Seen daily. 20/15

Tree Pipit *Anthus trivialis*

A couple seen at Inverlaidnan Estate in the Highlands, and a family at Rohoy Hill NR on the West Coast. 6/4

Rock Pipit *Anthus petrosus*

Seen daily in the Western Isles along rocky coastlines. 6/8

LONGSPURS & SNOW BUNTINGS *Calcariidae*

Snow Bunting *Plectrophenax nivalis*

A pair on the Cairngorm Plateau in the Highlands. 2/1

BUNTINGS & ALLIES *Emberizidae*

Yellowhammer *Emberiza citrinella*

Seen around gorse at Ythan Estuary, the feeders at Tollie Red Kite Center on the Black Isle, and on the Ardnamurchan Peninsula. 6/3

Reed Bunting *Emberiza schoeniclus*

Seen along the shoreline of Lochindorb in the Highlands, and a couple on Ardnamurchan. 2/5

FINCHES *Fringillidae*

Common Chaffinch *Fringilla coelebs*

Abundant. The most common finch, seen most days. 20/12

Eurasian Bullfinch *Pyrrhula pyrrhula*

Brief looks at a female at Craigellachie in the Highlands. 1/1

European Greenfinch *Carduelis chloris*

A few scattered throughout the trip. This seems to be a finch in decline. 6/10

Scottish Crossbill *Loxia scotia*

Good looks in the Abernethy Forest calling and feeding at the top of a Scots Pine. 4/2

Red (Common) Crossbill *Loxia curvirostra*

One calling as it flew over the Glenforsa on Mull. h/1

Lesser (Common) Redpoll *Carduelis flammea cabaret*

The British have split this smaller and darker European resident *cabaret*, and called it Lesser, from the widespread North American Common Redpoll *flammea* which they call Mealy! There is a possibility that recent studies will prove that all redpolls are in fact one species! Seen at the feeders at Creag Meagaidh in the Highlands, and seen most days in the Western Isles. 20/7

Eurasian Siskin *Carduelis spinus*

The most common and widespread of the *Carduelis* finches, often seen at feeders. 18/12

European Goldfinch *Carduelis carduelis*

Scattered in small numbers, with the most being seen in the Western Isles. 6/8

Twite *Carduelis flavirostris*

A couple on Ardnamurchan and Skye in the Western Isles. 2/3

Eurasian (Common) Linnet *Carduelis cannabina*

Scattered in small numbers. 4/6

OLD WORLD SPARROWS *Passeridae*

House Sparrow *Passer domesticus*

Common around habitations. Seen daily. 20/15

MAMMALS

LAGOMORPHS *Lagomorpha*

European Brown Hare *Lepus europaeus*

Common around moorland and farm fields in the Highlands. 10/5

Mountain Hare *Lepus timidus*

2 in the moorlands around Lochindorb. Now in their summer coat! 2/1

Rabbit *Oryctolagus cuniculus*

Widespread in short grass around habitation. 6/11

CARNIVORES *Carnivora*

Eurasian Otter *Lutra lutra*

One at Scallastle Bay on Mull. 1/1

SEALS *Pinnipedia*

Grey (Atlantic) Seal *Halichoerus grypus*

Huge haul out at Ythan Estuary, also seen on the rocky shorelines of the western Isles. 500/5

Harbour (Common) Seal *Phoca vitulina*

A few at Ythan Estuary, but common along on the western Isles with many off the north end of Muck. 100/6

WHALES & DOLPHINS *Cetacea*

Common Bottle-nosed Dolphin *Tursiops truncatus*

A number at Chanonry Point on the Black Isle, and two on boat ride to Muck & Eigg. 9/2

Harbour Porpoise *Phocoena phocoena*

1 on the boat ride to Troup Head. 1/1

EVEN-TOED UNGULATES *Artiodactyla*

Red Deer *Cervus elephus*

Common and widespread in the Western Isles. 40/8

Sika Deer *Cervus nippon*

Two at the Ardnamurchan Peninsula. 2/1

Roe Deer *Capreolus capreolus*

Common in grasslands surrounding woodlands in the Highlands. 8/7

Reindeer *Rangifer tarandus*

A herd was first re-introduced to the Highlands in 1952. Seen at the base of the Cairngorms. 40/1

RODENTS *Rodentia*

Red Squirrel *Sciurus vulgaris*

Seen at Loch Garten's Osprey Center in the Abernethy Forest, and at Dorback in the Highlands. 4/3

Bank Vole *Clethrionomys glareolus*

One briefly at Skye. 1/1

AMPHIBIANS & REPTILES

SALAMANDERS & NEWTS *Caudata*

Common Newt *Triturus vulgaris*

Toby spotted and caught one to show us at Inverlaidan Estate in the Highlands. 1/1

FROGS & TOADS *Anura*

Common Toad *Bufo bufo*

Seen at Tollie Kite Center on the Black Isle, and Phil's Croft on Skye. 1/2

DRAGONFLIES *Anisoptera*

Golden-ringed Dragonfly *Cordulegaster boltonii*

A few in flight on the Ardnamurchan Peninsula. 7/1

DAMSELFLIES *Zygoptera*

Beautiful Demoiselle *Calopteryx virgo*

A couple seen on the Ardnamurchan Peninsula. 2/1

BUTTERFLIES

WHITES & YELLOWS *Pieridae*

Large White *Pieris napi*

A couple seen near Carrbridge in the Highlands. 2/1

Green-veined White *Pieris napi*

Seen in the Highlands, Mull and Ardnamurchan Peninsula. 2/3

BLUES, COPPERS & HAIRSTREAKS *Lycaenidae*

Common Blue *Polyommatus icarus*

Kate photographed one at Staffin Bay on Skye. 1/1

BRUSHFOOTS *Nymphalidae*

Small Pearl-bordered Fritillary *Boloria selene*

A recent hatch produced numerous near Carrbridge, also seen on Mull and Skye. 12/3

SATYRS *Satyridae*

Meadow Brown *Maniola jurtina*

One at Acharacle in a garden patch while looking at orchids. 1/1

Small Heath *Coenonympha pamphilus*

A few on the Ardnamurchan Peninsula and one near Carrbridge. 3/2

MOTHS

SWIFT MOTHS *Hepialidae*

Map-winged Swift *Korscheltellus fuscinebulosa*

At Phil's croft on Skye

EGGAR MOTHS *Lasiocampidae*

Northern Eggar *Lasiocampa quercus*

A couple seen in flight at Lochindorb, the Ardnamurchan Peninsula and on Skye. 2/3

Drinker *Euthrix potatoria*

At Phil's croft on Skye

EMERALDS *Geometrinae*

Silver Ground Carpet *Xanthorhoe montanata*

At Phil's croft on Skye

Chimney Sweeper *Odezia atrata*

A hatch of over a dozen at the Mountview. 16/3

Clouded Border *Lomaspilis marginata*

At Toby's house in the Highlands

Tawny-barred Angle *Macaria liturata*

At Toby's house in the Highlands

Bordered White Moth *Bupalas pinieria*

At Toby's house in the Highlands

Black Mountain Moth *Glacies corcina*

Several on the Cairngorm slope below the upper lodge

HAWKMOTHS *Sphingidae*

Poplar Hawkmoth *Laothoe populi*

At Toby's house in the Highlands

PROMINENT & KITTEN MOTHS *Notodontidae*

Sallow Kitten *Furcula furcula*

At Tollie Kite Center on the Black Isle

Pale Prominent *Pterostoma palpina*

At Toby's house in the Highlands

TUSSOCKS, ERMINES, TIGERS, SNOOTS & Allies *Erebidae*

Straw Dot *Rival sericealis*

At Phil's croft on Skye

White Ermine *Spilosoma lubricipeda*

At Phil's croft on Skye

Buff Ermine *Spilosoma luteum*

At Phil's croft on Skye

NOCTUIDS *Noctuidae*

Flame Shoulder *Ochroleura plecta*

At Phil's croft on Skye

True Lover's Knot *Lycophotia porphyrea*

At Phil's croft on Skye

Ingralied Clay *Diarsia mendica*

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Small Square-spot *Diarsia rubi*

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Broom Moth *Ceramica pisi*

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Smoky Wainscot *Mythimna impura*

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Brown Rustic *Rusina ferruginea*

At Toby's house in the Highlands

Clouded-bordered Brindle *Apamea crenata*

At Phil's croft on Skye

Middle-barred Minor *Oligia fasciuncula*

At Phil's croft on Skye

Beautiful Golden Y *Autographa pulchrina*

At Toby's house in the Highlands, and Phil's croft on Skye