

**Monthly report to Landsort Board by Observatory Wardens:
Chris Sharpe & Kay Collister
November 2018**

Summary

Light to moderate southerly winds on the 1st resulted in good numbers of birds caught, followed by a couple of days of south-west winds before the wind became south-east on the 5th, remaining in that direction until ringing ceased on the 10th. From the 5th until the 10th the wind was mainly light to moderate, resulting in continuous cloud cover and thick mist.

Ringling

All data entered onto Fågel3 and submitted to Ringing Central.

Ringing took place on all ten days from the 1st until the end of standard ringing on the 10th. All nets, poles and guy strings removed and stored in the cellar.

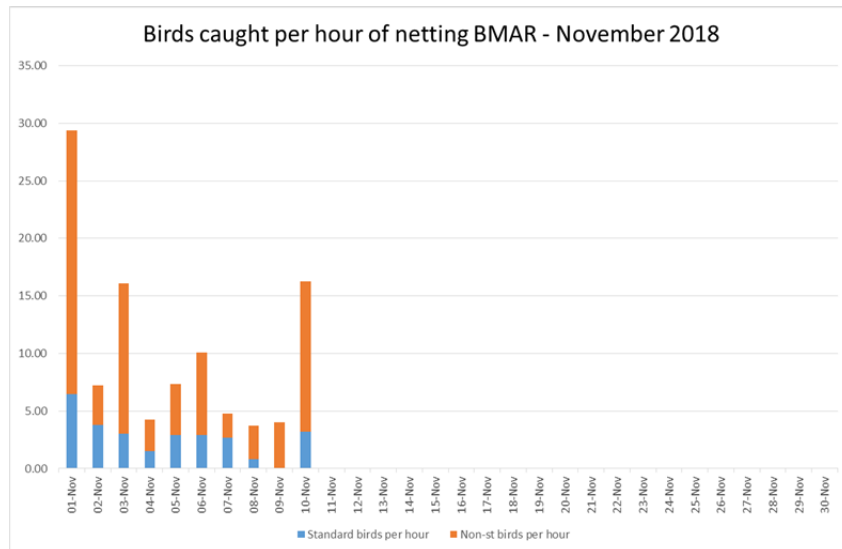
There was one day of over 200 birds (1st), with two days of 50+ (3rd and 10th), though capture rates were generally low with only 559 birds ringed. As ringing was seldom conducted in the early years of the Observatory, this total is the 2nd highest November total behind 2014 and 2017.

Highlights for the month were few, though five Waxwing (Sidensvans) on the 2nd was pleasing, as was a total of 12 Treecreeper (Trädskrypare) for the month: quite late to be getting decent numbers of this species.

Ringing took place on all 10 days until the end of the season.

Hours netting	49.50
Average per day	4.9

Total birds	559	Av birds/hr	11.3
Standard	110	20%	
Non-standard	449	80%	



The Autumn season so far.

Appendix A, shows a comparison of captures for the autumn of 2018 with those for 1988-2015 (prior to the introduction of standardised ringing) and those for 2016-17, the two autumns with standardised ringing. The table shows results for all of the 74 species trapped since the 1st July.

Sightings of note during October

For a complete review of birds reported during the month please visit: <https://artportalen.se/search/sightings/site/2074506>.

Other work on the Observatory

- Final 40 nest boxes cleaned and repaired;
- Weekly cash reconciliations undertaken and record kept of over-night stays;
- Common areas, toilet, kitchen etc cleaned before and after each weekend;
- Lab cleaned weekly;
- Bird bags washed;
- A range of tasks completed prior to the end of the season on the 11th;
- Obs will be closed down and locked on the 12th.

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11th November 2018

Appendix A

Species name		Autumn to November		
		Total Autumn 2018	Average 1988-2015	Average 2016-2017
Sparrowhawk	Sparvhök	14	7.0	9.0
Kestrel	Tornfalk	1	0.2	1.0
Jack Snipe	Dvärgbeckasin	1	0.6	0.0
Common Snipe	Enkelbeckasin	1	0.4	0.0
Woodcock	Morkulla	2	0.1	0.0
Wood Pigeon	Ringduva	1	0.1	0.3
Cuckoo	Gök	3	0.3	3.5
Swift	Tornseglare	1	0.0	0.0
Wryneck	Göktyta	2	1.3	12.0
Green Woodpecker	Gröngöling	1	0.3	1.7
Great Spotted Woodpecker	Större hackspett	2	5.2	6.5
Swallow	Ladusvala	9	3.1	8.5
Tree Pipit	Trädpiplärka	16	6.0	8.5
Meadow Pipit	Ängspiplärka	2	7.1	3.0
Yellow Wagtail	Gulärla	1	0.6	0.5
White Wagtail	Sädesärla	35	8.9	23.0
Grey Wagtail	Forsärla	1	0.0	0.0
Waxwing	Sidensvans	10	10.2	26.5
Wren	Gärdsmyg	101	90.0	199.5
Dunnock	Järnsparv	30	31.2	59.5
Robin	Rödhake	468	656.1	1325.5
Thrush Nightingale	Näktergal	18	4.7	9.0
Bluethroat	Blåhake	6	4.7	2.0
Redstart	Rödstart	32	32.6	47.5
Whinchat	Buskskvätta	9	2.2	3.5
Wheatear	Stenskvätta	6	2.5	9.0
Blackbird	Koltrast	117	63.3	118.5
Fieldfare	Björktrast	2	2.3	3.0
Song Thrush	Taltrast	96	66.5	80.0
Redwing	Rödvingetrast	12	14.1	4.5
Grasshopper Warbler	Gräshoppångare	2	1.0	1.5
Sedge Warbler	Sävsångare	5	6.6	7.0
Marsh Warbler	Kärrsångare	2	1.1	1.0
Reed Warbler	Rörsångare	3	9.4	10.0
Icterine Warbler	Härmsångare	56	4.9	43.0
Barred Warbler	Höksångare	4	1.5	1.0
Lesser Whitethroat	Ärtsångare	488	89.3	315.0
Whitethroat	Törnsångare	50	28.0	62.5
Garden Warbler	Trädgårdssångare	85	43.8	62.0

Blackcap	Svarthätta	171	109.7	256.5
Greenish Warbler	Lundsångare	1	0.3	0.0
Yellow-browed Warbler	Tajgasångare	2	1.1	5.0
Wood Warbler	Grönsångare	22	7.8	15.5
Chiffchaff	Gransångare	102	51.0	98.5
Willow Warbler	Lövsångare	706	328.9	524.5
Goldcrest	Kungsfågel	917	1735.3	1605.0
Spotted Flycatcher	Grå flugsnappare	27	25.2	57.5
Red-breasted Flycatcher	Mindre flugsnappare	5	3.5	6.5
Pied Flycatcher	Svartvit flugsnappare	27	17.3	40.5
Long-tailed Tit	Stjärtmes	227	55.0	169.0
Marsh Tit	Entita	3	6.2	2.0
Crested Tit	Tofsmes	1	0.0	0.0
Coal Tit	Svartmes	3	37.6	12.0
Blue Tit	Blåmes	161	224.7	264.0
Great Tit	Talgoxe	144	134.6	213.0
Treecreeper	Trädkrypare	125	75.3	111.0
Red-backed Shrike	Törnskata	49	23.1	49.5
Great Grey Shrike	Varfågel	1	1.4	2.0
Starling	Stare	32	0.9	1.5
House Sparrow	Gråsparv	1	0.6	0.0
Tree Sparrow	Pilfink	114	169.0	101.0
Chaffinch	Bofink	179	53.3	114.0
Brambling	Bergfink	23	15.4	22.0
Greenfinch	Grönfink	145	128.9	185.0
Goldfinch	Steglits	12	1.1	10.0
Siskin	Grönsiska	63	102.7	608.5
Linnet	Hämpling	18	1.4	23.5
Redpoll	Gråsiska	574	393.8	1426.0
Crossbill	Mindre korsnäbb	3	0.0	0.0
Scarlet Rosefinch	Rosenfink	9	5.3	9.0
Bullfinch	Domherre	25	45.7	133.0
Yellowhammer	Gulsparv	26	28.0	49.0
Ortolan Bunting	Ortolansparv	1	0.0	0.0
Reed Bunting	Sävsparrv	36	59.1	19.0
Overall total		5650	4910	8624