

## Ringed and tagged birds seen in the Cley 10km square 2024

### New information this month\*.

The Weybourne Atmospheric Station has a Motus Tower fitted there now. Motus is a global radio wildlife tracking system that is widely used in the US and Europe but at the moment there are only a few towers in the UK. Maps showing the details of the birds, mammals and insects fitted with radio tags that have been detected at Weybourne can be viewed at <https://motus.org/data/receiverDeploymentDetections?id=8369>

### Mute Swan

The East Anglia Swan Study Group is currently fitting coded **orange** darvic leg rings to Mute Swans in our area. The rings have a black code of number 4 plus 3 letters. The scheme coordinator asks if anyone seeing birds with other codes could e-mail him directly on [mike.reed2017@outlook.com](mailto:mike.reed2017@outlook.com) and he will reply with details of the bird ASAP.

Left leg: **orange** ring with black code **4ERM**.

Right leg: Metal ring no. XY5202.

The father of the bird 4ERJ.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 2/1(DG).

Salthouse Marshes 21/3(MH)

**Found dead** Salthouse Marshes 11/4(KMC,GBa) in the drain on the E side of the Iron Road.

**Ringed** as an adult male at Salthouse on 7/1/22.

**Movements** remained at Salthouse to at least 17/3/22. First seen chasing the juvenile away 15/3/22. Seen again at Salthouse 11/5/22 and then 2/10/22-3/4/23, 5/5/23 and 30/9/23-22/11/23.

Left leg: **orange** ring with black code **4ERP**.

Right leg: Metal ring no.XY5205.

A female.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 31/1(DPW), 1/2(DPW), 7/2(DPW), 9/2(DPW), 12/2(DPW), 14/2(DPW), 19/2(DPW), 20/2(DPW), 22-23/2(DPW), 24/2(GSa), 26/2(DPW), 27/2(DPW), 1/3(DPW), 13/3(DPW), 14/3(DPW), 15/3(PSM), 16/3(ACa), 18/3(DPW), 21/3(DPW), probably 22/3(only metal ring visible)(DPW), probably 25/3(code not read)(DPW), 15/4(DPW), probably 22/4(code not read)(DPW), 3/5(DPW), 20/5(DPW), 28/5(DPW), 18/6(DPW), 20/6(DPW), 23/6(DPW), 25/6(DPW), 26/6(DPW), 27/6(DPW), 5/7(DPW), 4/10(DPW), 11/10(DPW), 18/10(CB), 22/10(DPW).

**Ringed** as a juvenile, one of a brood of six, at Selbrigg Pond south of High Kelling on 7/1/22

**Movements** Cley Marshes 27/1/23-28/2/23 (paired).

Left leg: **orange** ring with black code **4FPO**.

Right leg: Metal ring no.W53672.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 10/1(DPW), 22/4(DPW), 24/4(DG), 2/5(DPW), 8/5(DPW), 9/5(DPW), 13/5(DPW), 14/5(DPW), 23+24/5(DPW), 3/6(DPW), 5/6(DPW), 6/6(DPW), 7/6(DPW), 14/6(DPW), 17/6(DPW), 18/6(DPW), 19/6(DPW), 20/6(DPW), 21/6(DPW), 26/6(DPW), 3/7(DPW), 12/7(DPW), 15/7(DPW), 17+18/7(DPW),22/7(DPW)(usual location but code not read), 28/8(DPW).

**Ringed** as a first calendar year at Selbrigg Pond south of High Kelling on 21/8/22. One of a brood of eight.

**Movements** Remained at Selbrigg to 8/3/23. Seen at Cley Marshes 7/6/23-5/10/23.

Left leg: **orange** ring with black code **4FPS**.

Right leg: Metal ring no. W53676.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 31/1(DPW), 24/4(DG), 29/5(DPW).

**Ringed** as a first calendar year at Selbrigg Pond south of High Kelling on 21/8/22. One of a brood of eight. Sibling to 4FPO.

**Movements** Cley Marshes 10/10/23, Kelling Water Meadow 3/11/23, Kelling Quags 13/11/23 and Kelling Water Meadow 17/11/23.

**New information this month\*.**

Left leg: **orange** ring with black code **4FTB**.

Right leg: Metal ring no. W53681.

Mate of 4FTC.

**Seen** Salthouse 2+3/1(DPW), 4/1(CDL), 10/1(DPW), 12/1(DPW), 19/1(DPW), 23/1(DPW), 26/1(DPW), 30+31/1(DPW), 2/2(DPW), 6/2(DPW), 13/2(DPW), 15/2(SHa), 16/2(DPW), 20/2(DPW), 23/2(DPW), 27/2(DPW), 1/3(DPW), 5/3(DPW), 6/3(DPW), 8/3(DPW), 12/3(DPW), 13/3(DPW), 15/3(DPW), 19/3(DPW), 22/3(DPW), 27/3(DPW), 29/3(DPW), 2/4(DPW), 4/4(DPW), 9/4(DPW), 12/4(DPW), 16/4(DPW), 19/4(DPW), 23/4(DPW), 12/5(KMC,ACa) at nest with 5 cygnets, 14/5(DPW), 17/5(DPW), 21/5(DPW), 28/5(DPW), 4/6(DPW), 7/6(DPW), 18/6(DPW), 28/6(DPW)(brood reduced to 4 cygnets), 2/7(DPW), 9/7(DPW), 12/7(DPW), 16/7(DPW), 19/7(DPW), 23/7(DPW), 13/8(DPW), 20/8(DPW), 27/8(DPW) alone, 30/8(DPW) with family again, 4/9(DPW), 4/10(DPW), 8/10(DPW), 11/10(CDL), 15/10(DPW), 17/10(CDL), 18/10(CB), 22/10(DPW), 5/11(DPW).

**Ringed** as an adult male at Salthouse on 15/10/23 (CDL).

**Movements** Remained at Salthouse to the end of 2023 but visited Cley Marshes 9/11/23.

**New information this month\*.**

Left leg: **orange** ring with black code **4FTC**.

Right leg: Metal ring no. W53682.

Mate of 4FTB.

**Seen** Salthouse 2+3/1(DPW), 4/1(CDL), 10/1(DPW), 12/1(DPW), 19/1(DPW), 23/1(DPW), 26/1(DPW), 30+31/1(DPW), 2/2(DPW), 6/2(DPW), 13/2(DPW), 15/2(SHa), 16/2(DPW), 20/2(DPW), 23/2(DPW), 24/2(CDL), 27/2(DPW), 1/3(DPW), 5/3(DPW), 6/3(DPW), 8/3(DPW), 12/3(DPW), 13/3(DPW), 15/3(DPW), 19/3(DPW), 22/3(DPW), 29/3(DPW), 12/5(KMC,ACa) at nest with 5 cygnets, 14/5(DPW), 17/5(DPW), 21/5(DPW), 28/5(DPW), 4/6(DPW), 7/6(DPW), 18/6(DPW), 28/6(DPW)(brood reduced to 4 cygnets), 2/7(DPW), 9/7(DPW), 12/7(DPW), 16/7(DPW), 19/7(DPW), 23/7(DPW), 13/8(DPW), 20/8(DPW), 30/8(DPW), 4/9(DPW), 4/10(DPW), 8/10(DPW), 11/10(CDL), 15/10(DPW), 17/10(CDL), 18/10(CB), 22/10(DPW), 5/11(DPW).

**Ringed** as an adult female at Salthouse on 15/10/23 (CDL).

**Movements** Remained at Salthouse to the end of 2023 but visited Cley Marshes 9/11/23.

**New information this month\*.**

Left leg: **orange** ring with black code **4GEQ**.

Right leg: Metal ring no. W53688.

Parents 4FTB+4FTC.

**Seen** Salthouse 4/9(DPW), 4/10(DPW), 8/10(DPW), 11/10(CDL), 15/10(DPW), 17/10(CDL), 18/10(CB), 22/10(DPW), 5/11(DPW).

Cley Marshes 6/11(with 3 unringed adult birds)(DPW), 8/11(with an unringed adult bird)(DPW).

**Ringed** as a juvenile at Salthouse on 31/8/24 (CDL).

**New information this month\*.**

Left leg: **orange** ring with black code **4GER**.

Right leg: Metal ring no. W53689.

Parents 4FTB+4FTC.

**Seen** Salthouse 15/10(DPW), 17/10(CDL), 18/10(CB), 22/10(DPW), 5/11(DPW).

**Ringed** as a juvenile at Salthouse on 11/10/24 (CDL).

**New information this month\*.**

Left leg: **orange** ring with black code **4GES**.

Right leg: Metal ring no. W53690.

Parents 4FTB+4FTC.

**Seen** Salthouse 15/10(DPW), 17/10(CDL), 18/10(CB), 22/10(DPW), 5/11(DPW).

**Ringed** as a juvenile at Salthouse on 11/10/24 (CDL).

**New information this month\*.**

Left leg: **orange** ring with black code **4GET**.

Right leg: Metal ring no. W53691.

Parents 4FTB+4FTC.

**Seen** Salthouse 22/10(DPW), 5/11(DPW).

**Ringed** as a juvenile at Salthouse on 17/10/24 (CDL).

## Whooper Swan

There is a website where observers can input sightings of Whoopers fitted with **white** leg-rings and information on the bird's ringing details and subsequent movements will be given. Further details can be found at <http://waterbirdcolourmarking.org>

Left leg; **white ring** with black code **22T**.

Right leg: metal ring.

Sibling of following two birds.

**Seen** E of Glandford (Cley CP) 27+28/11/23(code read) but not since.

**Ringed** as a female cygnet 6/8/23 at Kálfborgarárvatn, Fljótshéiði, Iceland (65.49N 17.32W).

**Movements** no further sightings.

Left leg; **white ring** with black code **22V**.

Right leg: metal ring.

Sister of following bird.

**Seen** E of Langham (Field Dalling CP) 10/1(JMc) (code read), still present 12/1(JMc)

14/1(KMC)(too distant to read code), 16/1(MG) (code read), 28+30/1(DPW)(legs not seen), 1/2(DC)(code not read), 2/2(DPW)(legs not seen), 5/2(DPW)(code read), 6/2(DPW)(code read).

Blakeney Harbour 28/2(PLa)(group of C-R adult and two C-R youngsters seen, adult + one youngster photographed but codes could not be read).

N of Saxlingham (Field Dalling CP) 18/3(PLa)(group of C-R adult and two C-R youngsters seen, photographed but codes could not be read), 20/3(TWW,DPW)(code read), 21/3(PSM)( birds still present but rings not seen), 22/3(TWW)(code not read).

**Ringed** as a female cygnet 6/8/23 at Kálfborgarárvatn, Fljótshéiði, Iceland (65.49N 17.32W).

**Movements** E of Glandford (Cley CP) 27-28/11/23.

Left leg; metal ring.

Right leg: **white ring** with black code **22Z**.

Brother of bird above.

**Seen** E of Langham (Field Dalling CP) 10/1(JMc) (code read), still present 12/1(JMc), 13/1(MG) (code read), 14/1(KMC)(too distant to read code), 16/1(MG), 28+30/1(DPW)(legs not seen), 1/2(DC)(photo showing code), 2/2(DPW) (code read), 5/2(DPW)(legs not seen), 6/2(DPW)(code read).

Blakeney Harbour 28/2(PLa)(group of C-R adult and two C-R youngsters seen, adult + one youngster photographed but codes could not be read)

N of Saxlingham (Field Dalling CP) 18/3(PLa)(group of C-R adult and two C-R youngsters seen, photographed but codes could not be read), 20/3(TWW,DPW)(legs not seen), 21/3(PSM)(birds still present but rings not seen), 22/3(TWW)(code read).

**Ringed** as a male cygnet 6/8/23 at Kálfborgarárvatn, Fljótshéiði, Iceland (65.49N 17.32W).

**Movements** E of Glandford (Cley CP) 27-28/11/23.

Left leg: **yellow** ring with black code **ZTD**.

Right leg: metal ring.

Parent of the three youngsters listed above.

**Seen** E of Langham 10/1(JMc) (code read), still present 12/1(JMc), 13/1(MG) (code read), 14/1(KMC)(too distant to read code), 16/1(MG) (code read), 28/1(DPW)(too distant to read code), 30/1(DPW)(legs not seen), 1/2(DC)(photo showing code), 2/2(DPW) (code read), 5/2(DPW)(legs not seen), 6/2(DPW)(legs not seen).

Blakeney Harbour 28/2(PLa)(group of C-R adult and two C-R youngsters seen, adult + one youngster photographed but codes could not be read).

N of Saxlingham (Field Dalling CP) 18/3(PLa)(group of C-R adult and two C-R youngsters seen, photographed but codes could not be read), 20/3(TWW,DPW)(code read), 21/3(PSM)(birds still present but rings not seen), 22/3(TWW)(code read).

**Ringed** as a female cygnet 10/8/18 Brunnvatn, Fljótshéiði, Iceland (65 29N 17 24W).

**Movements** March Farmers (Cambs) 23/2/19, Martin Mere WWT (Lancs) 16/11/19, Kálfborgarárvatn, (Fljótshéiði, Iceland) 15/8/20. Will have been the adult seen with the three colour-ringed youngsters E of Glandford (Cley CP) 27-28/11/23 but the code on its colour-ring not read.

## **Pink-footed Goose**

There is now a website facility where observers can input sightings of some Pinkfeet fitted with grey collars and information on the bird's ringing details and subsequent movements will be given. Further details can be found at <http://waterbirdcolourmarking.org>

It is worth noting that in the grey collar codes the letters E, G, M, O, Q, R and W are not used and the only numbers used are 3,4,6,7 and 9.

**New information this month\*.**

**Grey neck collar with code UNK**

Metal ring no ISR 132129.

**Ringed** as an adult male at Halson, Nordur-Mulasyla, Central Iceland 17/7/13.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 14/11(DPW)

**Movements** Weybourne 8/11/13, Faxagil (Hrafkelsdalur, Iceland) 11/6/14, Cley Marshes 5/1/15, Faxagil 8/6/15, S of Cley 3/12/15, Docking(Norfolk) 10/12/15+31/01/16, Weybourne 24/11/16, Cley 29/11/16, Salthouse 30/11/16, Blakeney Freshes 18/12/16, Sheringham (Norfolk) 20/12/16, High Kelling(Norfolk) 28/12/16, Summerfield (Norfolk) 5/1/17, Weybourne 19+21/1/17, Wellhead, Genoch Mains (Dumfries & Galloway) 15/2/17, Cley Marshes 10-15/12/19, Shernbourne (Norfolk) 29/12/19, Docking (Norfolk) 8/1/20, Greenlaw Moss (Borders) 15/3/20. Choseley (Norfolk) 20/11/21, Cley Marshes 29/12/23.

**Grey neck collar with code XAC**

Metal ring no1704003.

**Seen** S of Cley 18/1(TWW).

**Mate of Tag no1499** the bird with **Orange** ring on left leg and black code **CAB**.

**Ringed** as an adult at High Kelling 16/1/18.

**Movements** Cley Marshes 12-25/10/18(with 2 juveniles), in fields at Weybourne 21/10/18, inland of Cley 31/10/18-3/11/18, Binham 9/12/18, Weybourne 14+16/12/18, Holkham (Norfolk) 22/12/18, Docking (Norfolk) 27/12/18, Saxlingham (Norfolk) 11/1/19, Docking 20/11/19, Snettisham (Norfolk) 26/11/19, Heacham (Norfolk) 5/1/20, Wells (Norfolk) 6/11/20, Holkham 7/11/20, Wighton (Norfolk) 19/10/21, Bircham Newton (Norfolk) 25/11/21, Rollesby (Norfolk) 22/11/22, Weybourne 30/11/22, Frodsham Marsh (Cheshire) 27/2/23. Seen in fields south of Walsey Hills NOA 30/9/23+10/10/23.

**Grey neck collar with code XJF**

**Seen** Cley Marshes 28/1(GFe), 31/1(GFe).

**Ringed** as a juvenile male at Martin Mere (Lancs) 1/12/23.

**Movements** First sightings after ringing.

## **Barnacle Goose**

**White** neck collar with **black** code **D02**

**Seen** Cley Marshes 9/4(SC)

**Ringed** as a bird in at least its second calendar year at Scorton (N Yorks) 9/7/22.

Initially fitted with **White** neck collar and **black** code **B58**. Recaptured at Scorton 8/7/23 and the collar changed.

**Movements** Saltholme RSPB (Cleveland) 2/9/22, Cowpen Bewley (Cleveland) 11/9/22, Saltholme 17/9/22-30/11/22, Cowpen Bewley 26/12/22, Saltholme 2+3/1/23, Cowpen Bewley 12/1/23, Saltholme 16/1/23-2/2/23, Scorton 18/3/23-8/7/23, Saltholme 21/8/23-7/1/24, Obersee (Kiblegg, Ravensburg, Germany 47.80N 1.05E) 26/1/24+12/2/24, Cley Marshes 9/4/24.

## **Dark-bellied Brent Goose**

Left leg: **lime** ring with black code **3**.

Right leg: **green** ring with **white** code **D**.

Metal ring no.6181795

**Ringed** 14/5/19 as an adult male on the island of Terschelling (Netherlands)

53 22N 05 16E).

**Paired with**

Left leg: **lime** ring with black code **4**.

Right leg: **green** ring with **white** code **J**.

Metal ring no.6184219.

**Ringed** 14/5/19 as an adult female on the island of Terschelling (Netherlands

53 22N 05 16E).

**Seen** Cley Marshes 1/1(TWW) with 8 youngsters, 16/1(DPW) with 8 youngsters, 24/1(JFa), 6/2(DPW)(legs of female not seen), 6/2(GFe), 7/2(DPW) with 8 youngsters, 18/3(TWW).

E of Walsey Hills 31/1(DPW) with 8 youngsters.

Blakeney Freshes (River Glaven saltmarshes) 1/2(DPW).

**Movements** Seen again on Terschelling 17/5/19. Probably present at Cley Marshes 14/12/19 and 24/1/20 but codes could not be made out, codes read there on 15/2/20 then at Salthouse Marshes 17/2/20. Seen at Terschelling 16+19/3/20, Texel (Noord-Holland, Netherlands) 2/4/20 and then at Stavstensudden (Trelleborg, Malmohus, Sweden 55 22N 13 05E) 25/11/20. Seen back again at Cley Marshes 4/12/20 then at Salthouse 8/12/20, S of Cley 17/12/20(with a brood of one), Cley Marshes 12/1/21, 23-24/2/21 (codes could not be read on the first date). Seen again in the Netherlands at Texel 30/3/21 then at Terschelling 10/4/21 – 15/5/21. Seen 21/11/21 at Cley Marshes, S of Walsey Hills 25/11/21, Cley Marshes 21/12/21, 3+8-16/2/22, S of Cley village 24/2/22 and at Cley Marshes 9/3/22. Seen at Texel again 15/3/22-13/4/22 then at Polder Hee (Freisland, Netherlands) 17/4/22-14/5/22. Cley Marshes 21/12/22-12/3/23 with a brood of 5 youngsters. Seen at Texel again 19/3/23 then Terschelling 29/3/23-29/4/23, Cley Marshes 20/11/23 with a brood of 7 youngsters and then 5/12/23 when with 9 youngsters. Seen back in the Netherlands on Texel 27+30/3/24.

## Wigeon

Birds are being ringed by the Waterbird Colour-marking Group in **Project Penelope** a cooperation between wildfowlers and scientists that will run from 2021 to 2024. Birds ringed either have a **Green** ring with a white two alpha-numeric code (on left leg) and metal ring (on right leg) or a **Blue** ring with a yellow two alpha-numeric code (on left leg) and metal ring (on right leg).

note 1 : to be read from the bottom up.

note 2 : a bar is used to separate some of the letters i.e., A|A, |AA, AA|

note 3 : birds ringed in Britain & Ireland, Iceland, Denmark, Finland.

**website sighting submit:**

[Submit your Wigeon resightings](#)

**email sighting submit:**

[monitoring@basc.org.uk](mailto:monitoring@basc.org.uk)

Left leg: **green ring** on tarsus with white code **S | N** on tarsus (read up the ring with the two letters separated by a line).

Right leg: metal ring FJ83070 on tarsus.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 31/10(PL)

**Ringed** 22/1/24 as a male in at least its third calendar year at Blunham Lakes (Beds).

**Movements:** Terschelling-Striep (Netherlands 53.37N 05.30E) 20/10/24.

## White Stork

### *Code on ring not read*

Right tarsus: metal ring of relatively low height.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 8/5(DBry,LNi)  
Blakeney 8/5(SG).

Photo posted on Cley Bird Club website <https://cleybirdclub.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/1.jpg>

Seen together with an unringed bird.

Could be the bird from the Knepp Castle Rewilding Project <https://knepp.co.uk/white-storks> that also has a **blue** ring and white code **GB9X** on the left tibia. This bird is a male raised at Cotswold Wildlife Park and released at Knepp in 2022. It had been seen in Norfolk at Ludlum Bridge 6/5/24 and Choseley 7/5/24 together with an unringed bird.

Most of the tibia are hidden in the photos taken at Cley.

### **Spoonbill**

Left tibia: **white** ring with black code **NCXA**.

Right tibia: metal ring no.8067747.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 2/7(DPW), 18/7(DPW).

**Ringed** as a nestling 16/6/21 Oosterkwelder, Schiermonnikoog, Netherlands (53 29N 06 09E).

**Movements:** Hornhuizen Netherlands (53,26N 06,22E) 30/7/21, Hornhuizen Netherlands (53,24N 06,20E) 10/8/21, Fairburn Ings (Yorks) 17/5/22, Blacktoft Sands (Yorks) 18/5/22, Alkborough Flats (Lincs) 26/5/22, Blacktoft Sands 2/6/22, Alkborough Flats 11/6/22-29/7/22, Gibraltar Point (Lincs) 10/9/22 and Ile Arel Ouat (Banc d'Arguin, Mauritania) 22+23/11/22. Seen at Swine Moor, Beverley (E.Yorks) 6/7/24 in between the Cley sightings..

### **Red Kite**

Wing-tagging of Red Kites commenced in East Anglia in 2015. Those first ringed by Phil Littler in North Norfolk were fitted with **black tags** and **white** codes (the same 2 alpha/numeric on each wing) but **white tags** with **black** codes are now being used.

Phil asks if anyone seeing one of these birds could e-mail him directly on

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and he will reply with details of the bird ASAP.

### **White-tailed Eagle**

Five colour-ringed individuals fitted with satellite transmitters have been seen and satellite plots revealed that another bird has also visited the Square. They come from a project run by the Roy Dennis Wildlife Foundation in partnership with Forestry England. Nestlings are collected under licence, issued by Scottish Natural Heritage, from nests in Scotland and are translocated to the Isle of Wight in late June. They are then held in a quiet, confidential, location for approximately four-eight weeks before being released. Food (mainly fish) is provided close to the release site during the autumn and winter before the young eagles become independent. The Natural England licence permits the release of up to 60 juvenile eagles on the Isle of Wight over a five-year period from 2019. The first six juveniles were translocated to the Isle of Wight in late June 2019 and all were successfully released in August. A further seven youngsters were translocated and released in 2020 and 12 in 2021. Detailed information on the progress and movements of these birds can be found on the Roy Dennis Wildlife Foundation website <https://www.roydennis.org/> and on their twitter feed <https://twitter.com/roydenniswf>

An individual that was rescued in the Netherlands and then colour-ringed has also been seen.

Left leg: **black** ring with white code **WN** above **88**.

Right leg: **Orange** metal ring TY03.

**Seen** S of Glandford 2/3(SG)(photo showing code).

Wiveton 3/3(AJ,GSa(photo showing code),MG).

Cley Marshes 4/3.

**Ringed** as a first calendar year bird that had been taken into care at Fugelhelling Wildopvang, the Netherlands (53.11N 06.14E) 13/9/23.

**Movements** Rescued at Eemshaven (Netherlands 53.46N 06.83E) 5/8/23 after an accident with a wind turbine. Released Bantpolder (Lauwersmeer, Netherlands 53.40N 06.14E) 27/9/23. Then seen at Ezumakeeg (Lauwersmeer, Netherlands 53.35N 06.16E) 29/9/23, Walsham Le Willows (Suffolk) 19/10/23, Long Thurlow (Suffolk) 21/10/23, Woolpit (Suffolk) 31/10/23+6/11/23, Ixworth (Suffolk) 15+25/12/23, Stanton (Suffolk) 16/1/24, Stowlangtoft (Suffolk) 29/1/24 and 8/2/24. After the sightings in the Cley Square seen and photographed at Langham Airfield 12+13/3/24(GSa,TWW). Then seen on a wind turbine in the North Sea at Windpark DanTysk (Denmark 55.15N 07.18E) 22/3/24.

## Marsh Harrier

Well over 200 Marsh Harriers have been fitted with wing-tags in North Norfolk since 2011 and individuals have been sighted in the UK from Cornwall to as far north as Aberdeen. There have also been sightings in Ireland, Belgium, Germany, Spain, Portugal and the Canaries.

These birds originally had **lime** tags with a code of two letters/numbers. The tags in fact look pale green, a little darker than most lime leg rings. The first series of codes beginning A were in **white** but all subsequent wing-tags have the code in **black**. **Orange** tags with **black** codes were then used and in 2024 **Yellow** tags with **black** codes started being used.

Detailed information on these birds including maps showing the movements of different individuals can be viewed on the NW Norfolk Ringing Group website

<https://www.nwnrg.co.uk/>

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and he will reply with details of the bird ASAP.

### **New information this month\*.**

Left and right wings: **orange** tag with **black** code **4A**.

Metal ring no. GV17899.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 3/1 (DPW), 7/1(DG), 2/9(TWW) photographed interacting with two juveniles, 2/12(TWW photo).

Salthouse 22/1

**Ringed** near Letheringsett (Norfolk) 15/6/22 as a female nestling, one of a brood of four, two males and two females. Sister to bird with **orange** tags with **black** code **4H**. The nest was located by using a drone so that the habitat was kept in pristine condition and by keeping an eye on the birds the ringers knew exactly when the time was right to ring the nestlings.

**Movements** Cley Marshes 9/11/22, Salthouse 17/12/22, Cley Marshes 29/12/22, Flitcham (Norfolk) 4/6/23, Salthouse Heath 22/10/23 and Cley Marshes 22/12/23. Seen near Babingley (Norfolk) 15/2/24 and at Stiffkey Fen 22/5/24.

### **New information this month\*.**

Left and right wings: **orange** tag with **black** code **43**.



Metal ring no. FH62089.

**Seen:** Cley Marshes 22/3(roost)(TWW)(photo), 14/6(DG)(photo), 8/11(TWW).

Probably Blakeney Point 3/10(EBS)(photo)(age and sex fit but second number of code not clear in photo).

Blakeney Freshes 6/10(GSa)(photo heading W over Cley W Bank towards Blakeney Point), 26/11(TWW)(photo).

**Ringed** 12/6/23 as a male nestling near Glandford. He had just one sibling, a female.

**Movements** Cley Marshes 4/10/23, Kelling Water Meadow 1/11/23, Cley Marshes 24/11/23.

His sibling (code 44) has been seen at Gosforth Nature Reserve (Newcastle) and then at Wigton (Norfolk) 14/3/24.

### ***Code on Wing-tags not read***

Left and right wings: **orange** tag with **black** code.

**Seen** Salthouse Marshes 22/3 (MH)

Kelling Quags 9/5(PB)

Cley Marshes 8/10(DPW), 23/10(DPW).

### **Osprey**

Left tarsus: metal ring.

Right tarsus: **blue** ring with **white** code **3R4**.

**Seen** catching and eating a fish at Bayfield Lake then flew off high W over Glandford 26/8 (AJ, SG, GFe, PSM, DG).

**Ringed** as a female nestling 11/7/24 at a confidential site in Northants.

**Movements** first sighting away from nest site.

### **Oystercatcher**

The Icen Bird Monitoring Group are colour-ringing Oystercatchers in North Norfolk using

Left tarsus: **Green ring** with white codes **C00** to **C99**

Right tarsus: **Orange** over metal rings.

Sightings can be reported on <https://iceni.shinyapps.io/sightings/>

Left leg: **green** ring over **white** ring with **black** code **9** on tarsus.

Right leg: **black** ring with **white** code **9** on tarsus.

Metal ring 5620660 (Arnhem, Netherlands).

European Colour-ring Birding colour code BLG-W9B9.

**Seen:** Cley Marshes 12/5 (RL)

**Ringed** as a pullus 6/7/21 Oosterend, Terschelling, The Netherlands.

**Movements** 15 sightings on the Island of Terschelling over the period 19/7/21-17/3/23 then seen at Harlingen (Friesland, The Netherlands) 1+14/7/23 and W Terschelling 4/10/23.

### **Avocet**

Left tibia: **blue flag** with **white** code **AE** over **yellow** ring, metal ring no EM57724 on tarsus. Code often looks like AF on left hand side of flag.

Right leg: **yellow** ring on tibia.

**Seen:** Cley Marshes 14/2(photo), 19/2(code read)(DPW), 21/2(code read)(DPW), 23/2(code read)(DPW), 26/2(code read)(DPW, TW), 27/2(code read)(DPW), 28/2(DG photo showing

code), 4/3(code read)(TW), 15/3(code read)(DPW), 15/3(code read)(PSM), 18/3(code read)(DPW), 19/3(code read)(DPW), 20/3(code read)(DPW), 22/3(code read) (DPW), 24/3(MC), 25/3(code read) (DPW), 25/3(TW photo showing code), 27/3(code read)(DPW), 27/3(MG photo showing code), 28/3(code read)(DPW), 30/3(code read)(CG,ACa,DG), 1/4(JSw photo showing code), 3/4(code read)(CDL), 7/4(code read)(CDL), 9/4(code read)(DPW), 9/4(code read)(TWW), 10/4(code read)(DPW), 11/4(code read)(DPW), 12/4(code read)(DPW), 15/4(code read)(DPW), 16/4(code read)(DPW), 16/4(code read)(TWW), 17/4(code read)(DPW), 18/4(code read)(DPW), 22/4(code read)(DPW), 23/4(code read)(DPW), 24/4(code read)(DPW), 28/5(photo showing code)(HP), 6/9(code read)(DPW).

**Ringed** as a chick at Canute, Castletown Estate (Cumbria) 2/6/23.

**Movements** Poole Harbour (Dorset) 4+18/1/24.

Left tibia: **blue flag** with **white** code **C1** over **yellow** ring, metal ring no EW87081 on tarsus.  
Right leg: **yellow** ring on tibia..

**Seen:** Cley Marshes 2/1(code read) (DPW), 8/1(code read) (DPW,TWW), 9/1(DHo photo showing code), 10/1(code not read)(DPW,JSw), 11/1(code not read)(DPW), 16/1(code read) (DPW), 23/1(code read) (DPW), 25/1(code not read)(DPW), 1/2(code read) (DPW), 8/2(code read) (DPW), 9/2(code read) (DPW), 16/2(code read)(DPW), 19/2(code read)(DPW), 19/2(TWphoto), 20/2 (code read)(DPW), 21/2(code read)(DPW), 23/2(code read)(DPW), 26/2(code read)(DPW,TW), 27/2(code read)(DPW), 1/3(code read)(DPW), 4/3(code read)(DPW), 13/3(photo showing code)(JSw), 14/3(code read)(DPW), 15/3(code read)(DPW), 18/3(code read)(DPW), 19/3(code read)(DPW), 20/3(code read)(DPW), 25/3(code read)(DPW), 27/3(code read)(DPW), 28/3(code read)(DPW), 29/3(code read)(DPW), 6/4(code read)(TWW), 8/4(code read)(DPW,TWW), 9/4(code read)(DPW), 9/4(code read)(TWW), 10/4(code read)(DPW), 11/4(code read)(DPW), 12/4(code read)(DPW), 15/4(code read)(DPW), 16/4(code read)(DPW), 18/4(code read)(DPW), 24/4(code read)(DPW), 29/4(code read)(DW), 30/4(code read)(PW).

**Ringed** as a chick at Conder Green (Lancs) 7/7/23.

**Movements** Fledged at Conder Green on 15/7/23 and last seen there 16/7/23. Then seen at Kilnsea Wetlands (Spurn E. Yorks) 29/8/23, Cley Marshes 28/11/23-29/12/23.

#### **Individuals seen after 1/2/24 but code on flag not read**

Left tibia: **blue flag** with **white** code over **yellow** ring, metal ring on tarsus.

Right leg: **yellow** ring on tibia.

**Seen:** Cley Marshes 5/2(left leg not seen) (DPW), 14/2(left leg not seen)(DPW), 6/3(DPW), 8/3(DPW), 13/3(left leg not seen)(DPW), 14/3(2 blue-flagged individuals present, left leg not seen on one of them)(DPW), 2/4(DPW), 3/4 (DPW,DG), 4/4 (thought to possibly be C1)(DPW), 5/4 (DPW,JSw), 8/4(2 blue-flagged individuals present)(DPW), 19/4(2 blue-flagged individuals present)(DPW), 22/4(on Arnold's Marsh, left leg not seen)(DPW), 25/4 (thought to probably be AE)(DPW), 26/4 (thought to probably be AE)(DPW).

Left leg: **red** over **lime** rings on tibia.

Right leg: **yellow** above metal ring no. ES43676 on tibia.

Rings looked old with the lower left heavily stained and often looking pale yellow.

**Seen:** Cley Marshes 9/7 (DPW), 10/7(DPW), 11/7(DPW,CG,SR,JMc,CDL), 12/7(SR,DPW), 13/7(DG,ACa), 16/7(DPW), 18/7(DPW), 19/7(DPW), 23/7(DPW), 24/7(DPW), 26/7(DPW).

**Ringed** 15/7/94 as a chick at Holme (N Norfolk).

Two pulli from the same nest were ringed with this combo. It is presumed that all the following sightings will probably relate to a sole surviving bird with the metal ring no. given above.

**Movements:** Cley Marshes 4/95, Titchwell (Norfolk) 23/3/03, 5/4/06, 2/6/06 and 2/4/07, Cley Marshes 10/7/09 and 1/7/11, Orfordness (Suffolk) 2/7/11, Cley Marshes 20/7/12, Titchwell 13/3/13 when the metal ring no. was read from photos, 13/4/13 and 5+11/3/15, Cley Marshes 3/8/16 and 20/7/18, Titchwell 24/7/19 and 24/7/21.

Left leg: **yellow flag** with black code **BL** on tibia.

Right leg: **yellow** ring on tibia.

Metal ring no. EW43439.

**Seen:** Cley Marshes 22/3(photo)(TWW)

**Ringed** as a chick at Orfordness (Suffolk) 11/6/17.

**Movements:** Orfordness 25/6/17, Oare Marshes (Kent) 31/1/19-12/2/19+1/12/19-12/2/20, Hollesley Marshes (Suffolk) 12/4/20-29/5/20 (bred seen with 3 chicks), Oare Marshes 2+4/11/20, Hollesley Marshes 10+12/4/21, Havergate Island (Suffolk) 11/5/21, Orfordness 16+23/7/21, Havergate Island 14/8/21, Oare Marshes 7+9/2/22, Hollesley Marshes 18/3/22, Orfordness 29/3/22-18/5/22 (bred), Havergate Island 20/7/22+4/8/22, Oare Marshes 8-19/2/23, Havergate Island 21+29/7/23, Oare Marshes 27/1/24.

### ***Untraced birds***

Left leg: **red** over **green** rings on tibia.

Right leg: **black** ring (slightly smaller than the other colour rings) over **yellow** ring on tibia, metal ring on tarsus.

Rings looked old but not obviously badly stained or faded.

**Seen:** Cley Marshes 5/7 (DPW, ACa)

**Ringed** Does not match any scheme listed in the IWSG database.

If the lower left ring had been stained or discoloured then it might have been the following bird:-

Left leg: **red** over **blue** rings on tibia.

Right leg: **black** over **yellow** rings on tibia, metal ring no. EY98055 on tarsus.

**Ringed** as a nestling 23/5/15 at Seal Sands, Teesmouth, Stockton-on-Tees..

**Movements:** Seal Sands 31/5/15, Titchwell (Norfolk) 14/6/16-1/7/16, Hollesley Marshes (Suffolk) 10-23/6/17 where it raised three chicks, Boyton Marshes (Suffolk) 17/4/18, Orfordness (Suffolk) 16+23/6/18 with three chicks, Boyton Marshes 12/4/19, Havergate Island 19/4/19, Hollesley Marshes 27/4/19 (on nest) – 13/6/20, Titchwell 18/6/20, Hollesley Marshes 1/4/21, Boyton Marshes 5/5/21, Havergate Island 23/5/21, Titchwell 9/7/21, Orfordness 29/4/22+4/5/22, Saltholme (Cleveland) 24/6/22, Havergate Island 23/5/21, Hollesley Marshes 13/3/23 and Titchwell 10+19/5/24.

Left leg: two badly stained/faded rings that looked grey on tibia.

Right leg: **yellow** ring over badly faded **black** ring on tibia, metal ring on tarsus.

**Seen:** Cley Marshes 19/7 (DPW, JSw)

### **Ringed Plover**

#### ***Birds with code on flag not read***

Left leg: **red** over **yellow** rings on tibia and metal ring on tarsus.

Right leg: **yellow flag** with black code on tibia.

**Ringed** Norway??

**Seen:** Cley Marshes 23/8(DPW).

### Lapwing

Left leg: **Lime** ring on tibia, **Blue** over **Black** rings on tarsus.

Right leg: **Lime flag** (missing from 4/9/19) on tibia, **yellow** ring (first noted as missing 12/7/18) over metal ring on tarsus.

**Seen:** Cley Marshes 10/5 (DPW), 20/5(DPW).

**Ringed** as a chick in 2014 at Berney Marshes RSPB Reserve (Norfolk).

A male.

**Movements:** Cley Marshes 2/9/17, 26/1/18-13/2/18 and 5/4/18-9/5/18 when seen to be a male displaying and nest scraping. Next seen with his mate and three chicks 8+13/6/18. Seen again but alone on 9+12/7/18. A male with a lime flag on the right tibia, blue left tarsus ring and no right tarsus colour-ring seen distantly at Cley Marshes in the same nesting area on 21-22/5/19 (possibly with chicks) and then later on brooding two chicks on 10/7/19 is thought to have probably been this bird returning. Seen in a flock on Pat's Pool at Cley Marshes 4/9/19 and again 25/2/20. Next seen with his mate and four chicks by the Serpentine at Cley Marshes 21/5/20 but the chicks were all lost by 28/5/20, seen to 17/7/20. Present at Cley Marshes again 6/5/21- 28/7/21 being seen with a nearly full-grown youngster 28/7/21. Seen on Pat's Pool, Cley Marshes 25/2/22 then on its breeding territory 13/4/22-9/6/22. On breeding territory again 2+19/5/23.

### Ruff

Left leg: **Orange** ring on tibia, metal ring Stavanger no DA13423 on tarsus.

Right leg: **Lime flag** with black code **NSJ** on tibia.

**Seen:** Cley Marshes 25/8 (GFe,JFa), 26/8(CG,AJ), 27/8(CG,DPW), 28/8(DPW), 29/8(CG), 1/9(CG), 1/9(JD), 2/9(DPW), 3/9(DPW), 5/9(DPW,CG), 6/9(DPW), 9/9(DPW).

**Ringed** 8/8/24 as a juvenile female at Makkevika, Giske, Møre & Romsdal, Norway (62 3029N 006 0137E).

**Movements:** First sightings.

### Black-tailed Godwit: nominate form *limosa*

In 2015 the RSPB decided to restart colour-ringing chicks and also adults as the UK population was not increasing as had been hoped for. The new scheme again has four tibia rings but the lower right scheme identifier is now a **lime** ring with a **black E** engraved on it. Anyone seeing one of these birds is asked to report the sighting to

[Jennifer.Smart@rspb.org.uk](mailto:Jennifer.Smart@rspb.org.uk)

and she will reply with details of the bird ASAP.

Unfortunately the 2015 breeding season was a poor one. Some adults were successfully ringed but only four chicks were and it is feared that none of these chicks survived.

From 2017 birds were "head-started" by RSPB/WWT. Eggs were taken from the nests of Black-tailed Godwits at Nene Washes (Cambs) then hatched at Welney with the resulting youngsters being released. These released birds all had a dark **Green** ring as the upper right tibia ring in 2017 and a total of 26 were released at Welney. In 2018 the upper right ring for the "head-started" birds was **White** and a total of 38 birds were released, 23 at Welney and 15 at Nene Washes. In 2019 the upper right ring for the "head-started" birds was **Black** and a total of 48 birds were released. No birds were head-started in 2020 due to the coronavirus

lockdown. In 2021 the upper right ring for the “head-started” birds was **Yellow** and a total of 43 birds were released. In 2022, the final year of the project, the upper right ring for the “head-started” birds was **Blue** and 51 more fledglings were released making the total for the project 206. All birds that have been ringed in recent years have been fitted with a PIT tag attached to the tarsus (usually the left) that does not have the metal ring. This “helps to tie a few extra adult identities to nests for some birds which are difficult to observe walking on to nests”.

Youngsters and adults ringed in the wild in recent years have been fitted with a **white flag** on the left tibia with a two-character **black** code and with a **lime** ring with a **black E** engraved on it on the right tibia.

Left leg: **green** over **white** (stained **yellow**) ring with black code **W** on tibia.

Right leg: **carmine (pink) flag** over **green** over **white** (stained **yellow**) with black code **W** on tibia.

Metal ring no. 2514506

Colourcode: C2GWWG

**Seen** Cley Marshes 27/3 (DPW)

**Ringed** 29/5/19 as a 15 day old chick at Polder Aent Lieuwes, It Heidenskip, Netherlands (52.93N 05.48E)

**Movements:** Almire (Netherlands 52.45N 05.32E) 12/8/19, Koudum (Netherlands 52.91N 05.46E) 8-17/6/20, Castro Marim (Portugal 37.22N 07.42W) 12/8/20+8/9/20, It Heidenskip 19+22/6/21, Koudum 29/3/22, Obando (Spain 39.18N 05.46W) 10/2/23, Vegas Atlas (Spain 39.15N 05.57W) 15/2/23 and It Heidenskip 28/6/23.

Left leg: **white** over **lime** rings on tibia.

Right leg: **green** ring over **lime** ring with black **E** on tibia. A black radio tag was temporarily attached to the **green** ring with cotton in an attempt to follow its movements shortly after release.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 14/6 (PSM, DG, GFe), 10/7(DPW), 11/7(DPW,CG,SR,JMc), 12/7(DPW), 16/7(MG), 19/7(only left leg seen)(DPW, PSM), 23/7(DPW, PLa), 26/7(DPW), 29/7(DPW), 30/7(DPW), 31/7(DPW), 5/8(DPW), 6/8(GFe), 9/8(DPW).

**Ringed** One of the birds “headed-started” by RSPB/WWT. Eggs were taken from the nests of Black-tailed Godwits at Nene Washes (Cambs) then hatched and reared at Welney. This individual is a female that hatched on 11/5/17, was ringed 26/5/17 then released at Welney on 12/6/17. Named Anouk.

**Movements:** Welney to 19/6/17, then Ouse Washes 19-26/6/17, Cley Marshes 3-25/7/17 and was the first head-started bird to be seen outside the Fens. Next seen at Wieringermeer (Netherlands) 25+27/3/19. Then seen at Welney WWT 3/4/19-27/6/19 paired with another “headed-started” bird from 2017 (YW-GL[E] named Delph). Their first nest failed but their second nest hatched with one chick surviving into mid-June. Cley Marshes 1/7/19-20/8/19. Welney 19/4/20-14/6/20 when the pair successfully raised a youngster that was colour-ringed. She left the male and their youngster before it fledged as often happens with wild pairs. She staged at Cley Marshes 1/7/20-21/8/20. Recorded at Welney again 26/3/21-10/6/21 when the pair produced chicks again. Seen Cley Marshes 25/6/21-16/8/21. Welney 2/4/22-13/7/22 with the pair breeding again and one of the chicks fledging. Seen Cley Marshes 12/6/23-16/8/23 Welney 5/4/24-17/5/24 when she left Delph who was present and paired up instead with RG-BL(E) named Noah.

Left leg: **White flag** on tibia with black code **AY**, **black** ring on tarsus.

Right leg: **lime** ring with black **E** on tibia

**Seen** Cley Marshes 15/4 (DPW), 15/4(GFe,GBa), 16/4(DPW).

05/12/2024

**Ringed** as a chick 13/5/23 at Ouse Washes RSPB (Cambs).

**Movements:** Welney WWT (Norfolk) 21+28/6/23, Livermere Lake (Suffolk) 7/12/23, Welney 20/7/23-3/8/23, Porto Alto (Portugal) 6+8/2/24. Subsequently seen at Welney WWT paired up with a wild bird that was raised there in 2022.

**Black-tailed Godwit: form *islandica***

Left leg: **blue** over **black** over **lime** on tibia.

Right leg: **red** over **black** over **red** on tibia.

Metal ring no. EY97786.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 9/7(DG), 11/7(DPW,CG,SR,JMc), 12/7(DPW), 13/7(DG,TWW).

**Ringed** as an adult female at Harty, The Swale, Kent 23/7/21.

**Movements:** Oare Marshes (Kent) 27/7/21-9/10/21, Heybridge Basin (Essex) 15+18/4/22, Oare Marshes 13/7/22-9/9/22, Heybridge Basin 20/9/22-10/10/22, Lawling Creek (Essex) 15/12/22, Alresford (Essex) 4+25/2/23, Fingringhoe (Essex) 23/3/23, Alresford 7/4/23, Fingringhoe 1+13/8/23, Alresford 17/8/23, Fingringhoe 22/8/23-5/9/23, Alresford 12/9/23, Wivenhoe (Essex) 29/9/23, Mistley Walls (Essex) 30/10/23+6/11/23, Stutton (Essex) 9/11/23, Mistley Walls 11/11/23-3/3/24, Alresford 9/3/24, Fingringhoe 10+26/3/24-5/9/23, Alresford 28/3/24.

Left leg: **blue** over **red** over **metal** ring no. 5156356 on tibia.

Right leg: **white flag** over **red** on tibia.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 25/4(DPW, PLa), 26/4(DPW).

**Ringed** as an adult female 15/2/17 at Heman Cortes, Badajoz, Spain (39.02N 05.93W).

**Movements:** Landje van Geijssel (Ouderkerk aan de Amstel, N Holland, Netherlands 52.28N 04.88E) 11/3/18, Honselersdijk (Wollebrand, S Holland, Netherlands 51.99N 04.25E) 31/3/19+1/4/19, Loch of Stenness (Voy, Orkney Isles) 28/4/20, Veta la Palma (Donana, Sevilla, Spain 36.94N, 06.22W) 2/10/20, Stroe (Wieringen, N Holland, Netherlands 52.93N 04.98E) 29/3/23+2/4/23, Harlingen (Friesland, Netherlands 53.17N 05.41E) 9+10/3/24.

Left leg: **green** over **green** on tibia.

Right leg: **red** on tibia, **white** on tarsus.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 20/8(DPW), 21/8(DPW), 22/8(DPW,PL), 23/8(DPW).

**Ringed** at Snettisham (Norfolk) 2/9/19 as a 1cy male.

**Movements:** Holme (Norfolk) 4-11/9/19, Cley Marshes 20+25/9/19, Freiston Shore (The Wash) 16/11/19, Burnham Overy Staithe (Norfolk) 23/1/20 Holkham (Norfolk) 25/1/20, Breydon Water (Norfolk) 1/3/20, Buren (Ameland, N Netherlands) 2+4/7/20, Harlingen (Freisland, N Netherlands) 12/8/20, Humber Estuary (Lincs) 31/7/21-26/9/21, Cley Marshes 8-25/11/21, Breydon Water (Norfolk) 21/1/22, Cley Marshes 24/1/22-17/2/22, Blakeney 19/2/22, Cley Marshes 23/2/22+11-24/3/22, Breydon Water 4/9/22, Cley Marshes 29/9/22, 4/11/22, 12/12/22 and 1/1/23, Alde Estuary (Suffolk) 29/3/23 and Breydon Water 28/7/23-14/9/23.

Left leg: **green** over **red** on tibia.

Right leg: **orange** on tibia, **white** (stained yellow) on tarsus.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 23/7(DPW, PLa), 26/7(PSM), 29/7(DPW), 31/7(DPW), 2/8(DPW,CG), 5/8(DPW).

**Ringed** 6/8/23 as an adult male at Terrington (The Wash).

**Movements:** Snettisham (Norfolk) 17+18/8/23, Frampton Marsh (Lincs) 1/10/23, Welney (Norfolk) 14/3/24. Titchwell (Norfolk) 9/8/24.

Left leg: **lime** on tibia.

Right leg: **yellow** over **black** on tibia, **white** on tarsus (often stained yellow or orange or red or brown).

**Seen** Cley Marshes 15/4 (DPW,GFe), 16/4(DPW,PLa,TWW), 18/4(DPW,GW), 22/4(DPW,ACa), 23/4(DPW), 24/4(MBu,DPW), 25/4(DPW,GW), 26/4(DPW), 29/4(DPW).

**Ringed** at Holbeach 9/9/02 as an adult female.

**Movements:** Cley Marshes 6-23/3/2003, 16-28/3/04, 18/3/05, 19/4/05, 28/4/05, Titchwell 13/8/05, Ballymacoda (Co Cork) 16/12/05 to 31/1/06, Cley Marshes 10/3/06-30/4/06, Salthouse 1+2/5/06, Cley Marshes 4/3/07-28/4/07 and irregularly 6/3/08-5/5/08. Its breeding site discovered at Langhus, Fljot (N Iceland) 15/7/08. Frodsham Marsh (Cheshire) 27/2/09, Cley Marshes 1/3/09-26/4/09, Haganesvik, Fljot (N Iceland) 4+5/6/09, Freiston (The Wash) 3/10/09, Cley Marshes 17/3/10-27/4/10, 11-18/3/11 and 8/3/12, Stiffkey Fen (Norfolk) 24/3/12, Frampton Marsh (Lincs) 20/8/12, Cley Marshes 15-26/4/13 and 7/8/13, Frampton Marsh (Lincs) 11/7/14-8/9/14, Cley Marshes 23+29/3/15, Freiston Shore (Lincs) 27/9/15, Cley Marshes 6/4/16-1/5/16 and 2/7/16-2/8/16, Dee Estuary (Cheshire) 22/11/16-1/2/17, Titchwell 27/2/17, Ouse Washes (Cambs) 20/8/17, Frampton Marsh 20/8/17, Cley Marshes 12/4/17, 4/5/17, Langhus (N Iceland) 14/7/18, Frampton Marsh 30/7/18, Cley Marshes 19-29/4/19, Skegness (Lincs) 18/8/21, Snettisham (Norfolk) 22/8/21 and Cley Marshes 29/3/22+19/4/22.

Left leg: **orange** on tibia.

Right leg: **green** over **orange** on tibia, **white** (often stained yellow) on tarsus

**Seen** Cley Marshes 26/1 (DPW), 6/2(DPW)(only right tibia rings seen), 26/2(DPW,TW), 8/3(DPW), possibly 22/3(only right tibia seen)(DPW), 7/4(CDL), 10/4(DPW), 15/4(DPW), 17/4(DPW), 18/4(DPW), 19/4(DPW), 22/7(DPW), 23/7(DPW, PLa).

**Ringed** 1/9/19 as an adult at Snettisham (the Wash).

**Movements:** Freiston Shore (Lincs) 16/11/19, Cley Marshes 6+8/2/20, 6+9/3/20 and 2-3/7/20, Frampton Marsh (Lincs) 13/9/20, Cley Marshes 26/2/21, Stiffkey (Norfolk) 1+8+22/3/21, Cley Marshes 31/3/21, Little Marlow (Bucks) 27/6/21, Stiffkey 25-26/7/21, Snettisham 13/8/21, Frampton Marsh 21/8/21, Cley Marshes 18-25/11/21, 3/1/22, 15-31/8/22, 13-21/10/22 and 7-11/11/22, Blakeney Harbour 9+27/1/23, Cley Marshes 20/2/23, Blakeney Harbour 8/3/23, Cley Marshes 10-20/4/23 and 3/7/23. Seen at Stiffkey 10/2/24+3/3/24 and Frampton Marsh 9/8/24.

Left leg: **orange** on tibia.

Right leg: **orange** over **lime** on tibia, **white** on tarsus

**Seen** Cley Marshes 29/3(DPW), 7/4(CDL).

**Ringed** 19/11/17 as a juvenile at Terrington (The Wash).

**Movements:** Cley Marshes 4-9/12/17, Kelling Water Meadow 12/12/17, Cley Marshes 19/12/17, Holkham (Norfolk) 27/2/18, Morston (Norfolk) 14/1/19, Brancaster Staithe (Norfolk) 21/1/19, Snettisham (The Wash) 13-14/9/19, Freiston Shore (The Wash) 16/11/19+1/12/19. Burnham Overy Staithe (Norfolk) 19/2/20, Stiffkey (Norfolk) 22/3/21, Snettisham 25/8/21, Cley Marshes 3-4+18+24/1/22, Blakeney Freshes 8/2/22, Cley Marshes 10-15/2/22 and Snettisham 11-20/8/22.

Left leg: **red** over **black flag** on tibia.

Right leg: **blue** over **black** on tibia.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 24/4(MBu,DPW), probably 25/4(only left leg seen).

**Ringed** at Welwick Saltmarsh (N Humber Estuary) 6/11/18 as an adult female.

**Movements:** Leighton Moss (Lancs) 11/7/19, Cley Marshes 27-28/7/20.

Left leg: **red** over **black flag** on tibia.

Right leg: **orange** over **black** on tibia.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 19/3 (DPW), 20/3(DPW), 21/3(DPW), 29/3(DPW), 10/4(DPW), 17/4(DPW).

**Ringed** at Welwick Saltmarsh (N Humber Estuary) 6/11/18 as a 1cy.

**Movements:** Welney WWT 22/2/19, Cley Marshes irregularly 21/6/19-22/7/19, Mistley Walls (Essex) 4/12/19, Frampton Marsh (Lincs) 28/7/21, Pyewipe (N Lincs) 23/2/22, Conder Green (Lancs) 24/7/22, East Halton Skitter (N Lincs) 8/10/22, Pyewipe 30/1/23 and Frampton Marsh 15-17/8/23.

Left leg: **red** over **red** on tibia.

Right leg: **orange** over **yellow** with black code **H** on tibia.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 13/7(DG photo), 15/7(TWW), 16/7(DPW, MG), 17/7(DPW), 19/7(PSM, DPW), 23/7(DPW, PLa), 26/7(DPW, PSM), 29/7(DPW), 30/7(DPW), 31/7(DPW), 1/8(CG), 2/8(DPW, CG), 3/8(JMc), 5/8(DPW), 16/9(DPW, TW).

**Ringed** in Portugal.

**Movements:**

### **Partial reads**

Left leg: **green** over **white** on tibia.

Right leg: seen poorly looked like a tall **yellow** on tibia.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 17/7(DPW).

### **Curlew**

**New information this month\*.**

**Combination incomplete**

Left leg: **yellow** ring with two digit code starting **7** on tibia.

Right leg: **White** ring on tibia.

**Seen** Blakeney Harbour 12/10(JDa).

### **Redshank**

Left leg: **orange** over **black** on tibia.

Right leg: **green** over **green** on tibia, **white** over metal on tarsus.

**Seen** Blakeney Point 30/6(CP). Present since at least 18/6/24, paired and thought to have produced chicks.

**Ringed** 20/9/21 at Levington Lagoon, Orwell Estuary (Suffolk) as a bird in at least its second calendar year.

**Movements:** First sighting since ringing.

Left leg: **white flag** with black code **CLK** on tibia.

Right leg: **yellow** ring on tibia.

Metal ring DT60547.

**Seen:** Cley Marshes 21/7(CDL).



**Ringed** as an adult at Leverton Outgate (Lincs) 14/9/22.

**Movements:** Freiston Shore RSPB (Lincs) 5/8/23.

Left leg: **yellow** ring over **blue flag** on tibia.

Right leg: **blue** ring over **yellow** ring on tibia.

Metal ring no. DT45991.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 17/7(DPW).

**Ringed** at Harty, Swale Estuary (Kent) 16/11/21 as an adult.

**Movements:** Oare Marshes (Kent) 14/2/22, 7/3/22, 16/8/22, 14/2/23-21/3/23, 10/8/23-4/9/23 and 27/2/24.

### ***Birds with code on leg colour-ring not read***

Left leg: **yellow** ring on tibia.

Right leg: **orange flag** with black code (3 letters) on tibia.

**Seen:** Cley Marshes 4/6 (GFe,DJB), 5/6(DPW).

**Ringed** in Norway.

### **Mediterranean Gull**

Left tibia: metal ring Hiddensee 1A 228738.

Right tarsus: **yellow ring** with black code **A3KL**.

**Seen:** Cley Marshes 8/7 (ME) and possibly 18/7(DPW,CG) but the code could not be read.

**Ringed** as a nestling 13/6/22 Rehbach Gravel Pit, Leipzig, Sachsen, Germany (51° 16' N 12° 17' E)

**Movements:** Rehbach 11/7/22+31/3/24, Scolt Head Island (Norfolk) 25/6/24.

### **Black-headed Gull**

The Icen Bird Monitoring Group are colour-ringing Black-headed Gulls in North Norfolk using **Red** rings and **white** codes **2C00** to **2C99** and **2H00** to **2H99**. One was ringed at Salthouse Duck Pond on 26/10/23. Sightings can be reported on <https://iceni.shinyapps.io/sightings/>

Left leg: **green** ring with **white** code **JJK4**.

Right leg: metal ring no. Stavanger, K10414.

**Seen** Salthouse 3/1(DPW), 4/1(CDL), 10/1(DPW), 12/1(DPW), 18/1(DPW), 1/9(CDL).

**Ringed** as a 1cy male 23/8/22 at Mølledamen, Time, Rogaland, Norway (58 44N 05 39E).

**Movements:** Salthouse 30/1/23+13/2/23+27/3/23 and possibly also seen there earlier 7/11/22 but code not read. Salthouse 8-22/12/23.

Left leg: **Red ring** with **white** code **2C31**

Right leg: metal ring no. EA88120.

**Seen** Salthouse 13/2(DPW), 23/2(DPW), 27/2(DPW), 1/3(DPW), 8/3(DPW), 12/3(DPW), 13/3(DPW), 12/4(DPW), 23/7(DPW), 20/8(DPW), 4/9(DPW), 6/9(DPW), 10/9(DPW), 15/10(DPW), 22/10(DPW).

**Ringed** 26/10/23 at Salthouse as an adult.

**Movements:** Remained at Salthouse to 9/11/23.

### **New information this month\*.**

Left leg: metal ring no. Stavanger, 6205267.

Right leg: **White ring** with black code **J9Z5** (ring damaged and number 5 now missing on one side).

**Seen** Salthouse 9/1 (DPW), 12/1(DPW), 26/11(DPW),

**Ringed** 28/6/13 as a nestling at Lanoeyksjaeret, Raade, Oestfold, SE Norway (59 22N 10 52E).

**Movements:** Salthouse 10/2/14-17/3/14, 8/10/14 -2/3/15, 17/9/15-18/3/16, 25/7/16, 28/10/16-12/3/17, 15/7/17-20/3/18, 7/10/18-18/2/19, 2/9/19-12/2/20, 5/10/20-8/3/21, 22/11/21-9/3/22, 25/9/22-7/3/23 and 28/11/23-14/12/23, Raade (Norway) 4/6/24\*.

**Distance:** 934km SW.

### ***Birds with code on leg colour-ring not read***

Left leg: metal ring.

Right leg: **White ring** with 3 character black code

**Seen** Cley Marshes 28/6(DPW,CG).

### ***Birds with metal ring only***

metal ring **ST230.640**, Museum Zoolog, Helsinki Finland

**Ringed** as a youngster out of the nest 9/7/21 at Rovaniemi, Lappi, Finland (66 28N, 25 36E).

**Seen** Wielkopolskie, Poland (52 24N 16 58E) 25/12/22.

**Recovered** Blakeney village 9/3/24. Found by Stephanie & Tom Green in their garden. Unable to fly, taken into care but died later that day.

**Distance:** 2013km SW.

### **New information this month\*.**

Left leg: metal ring. Zool. Museum, Denmark, **6J-4976**

**Seen** Salthouse 4/1(CDL), 10/1(DPW), 12/1(DPW), 18/1(full number read)(DPW), 13/2(DPW), 15/10(DPW), 22/10(DPW), 8/11(DPW).

**Ringed** 23/5/13 as a pullus at Holm Sø, Brøndby, Sjælland, Denmark (55 37N, 12 26E).

**Seen:** Salthouse 24/12/14-21/3/15, 3/11/15-12/3/16, 5/11/16-25/1/17, 2/12/17-8/2/18, 16/10/18-4/3/19, 12/11/19-29/1/20, 4/11/20-29/12/20, 18/11/21-8/3/22, 29/10/22-28/2/23 and 17/10/23-29/12/23.

**Distance:** 792km WSW.

### **Common Gull**

Left leg: **White leg ring** with black code **JH892**.

First two numbers in the code determined by Norwegian ringers from photos that only show the top and bottom of the code.

Right leg: Stavanger metal ring no. 5201137.

**Seen and photographed:** Cley Marshes 6/1(DHo).

**Ringed** as a pullus 6/7/20 at Orstad, Kleppe, Rogaland, Norway (58 48N 05 43E).

**Movements:** Hå, Rogaland, Norway (58 41N 05 33E) 8/9/20.

**Distance:** 712km SSW.

### **Lesser Black-backed Gull**

Left leg: metal ring no. Stavanger 4284708.

Right leg: **Black ring** with white code **JC21R**.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 6/9(DPW)

**Ringed** Søndre Skjælholmen, Nesodden, Akershus & Oslo, Norway (59 51N 010 44E) as a pullus 15/6/20.

**Movements:** Kartong (The Gambia 13 04N 016 45W) 28/2/24-19/3/24.

### **Caspian Gull**

Left tibia: metal ring Arnhem no. 5623812

Right tibia: **Green ring** with white code **1 B** read up the leg and with the number and letter separated by a white horizontal band.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 8/8(GFe,DG)

**Ringed** as a pullus 12/5/23 at the IJsselmeer (De Kreupel), N Holland, Netherlands (52 47N 05 13E).in the Netherlands.

**Movements:** Lago (Cervo, Lugo, Spain 43 42N 07 28W) 3/12/23, Gozon (Asturias, Spain 43 37N 05 48W) 4/12/23+15/3/24.

### **Great Black-backed Gull**

Left leg: metal ring no. Copenhagen 3M2877.

Right leg: **black ring** with white code **J222Y**.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 23/7(CG,DPW), 24/7(DPW), 29/7(CG), 31/7(DPW).

**Ringed** as a pullus at Koelpen, Hirsholmene, N Jutland, Denmark (57 28N 10 36E) 9/7/21.

**Movements:** Frederikshavn (N Jutland, Denmark 57 28N 10 36E) 19/8/21, Salthouse 9/12/21, Cley 11/12/21, Salthouse 14/12/21, Cromer (Norfolk) 15/3/22, W Runton (Norfolk) 19/4/22+24/11/22, Neeltje Jans (Zeeland, Netherlands 51 37N 03 40E) 22/11/23 and Sheringham (Norfolk) 5/3/24.

**Distance:** 785km SW.

### **Sandwich Tern**

Left leg: metal ring no DT89574.

Right leg: **red** ring with white code **467**.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 26/7(PSM).

**Ringed** as a pullus 11/6/24 at Cockleshell, Lymington River, Hants.

**Movements:** First sighting.

Left leg: **Yellow** ring with **black** code **J.P5** (read from the bottom up).

Right leg: metal ring NLA 1581448.

**Seen** Cley Marshes 30/8(CG).

**Ringed:** as a pullus 22/6/20 at Scheelhock Eilanden, Haringvliet, Zuid Holland, The Netherlands.

**Movements:** seen in the Netherlands at Maasvlakte 19/7/20, Serooskerke (Weevers Inlaag, Zeeland) 22/7/20, Zandmotor 13/8/21+1/7/22, Haringvliet 9/6/23, Schouwen (Zeeland) 7/7/23, Zandmotor 20/7/23, Waterdunen 18/7/24 and Schouwen 7/8/24.

### **Birds with code on leg colour-ring not read fully**

Left leg: **red** ring with white code ending **P**, possibly **LP**.

Right leg: metal ring

**Seen** Cley Marshes 23/7(CG)

## Little Tern

Left leg: **yellow** ring with code **BCH**.

Right leg: metal ring no. NW12723.

**Ringed** on Blakeney Point 1/7/23 as a nestling.

**Movements** Gronant (Flintshire) 21/7/24.

## Barn Owl

Metal leg ring with code **GV08372** (British Museum).

**Controlled** caught at Langham (Norfolk) 12/2(CDL).

**Ringed** 16/7/14 as a nestling near Stiffkey (Norfolk).

**Distance:** 8km.

## Yellow-browed Warbler

The NOA have fitted some of the **Yellow-Browed Warblers** caught at Walsey Hills with colour-rings – a **purple** (Violet) ring above another colour-ring on the left leg and a **white** ring above the metal ring on the right leg. The warden Shannon Clifford asks that if anyone sees one of these birds then please send her a message on whatsapp.

## Blue Tit

Metal ring: **ACX2854**.

**Controlled** at Langham (Norfolk) 15/12/23 (CDL).

**Ringed** as a nestling at Charter Wood, Norwich (Norfolk) 13/5/23.

**Distance:** 36km.

## Starling

*Tagged bird recorded at the Weybourne Motus Tower*

**New information this month\*.**

**Tag no** NL#39:76M.91940

**Deployed** 27/10/24 on the North Sea island of Vlieland in the Netherlands at 53.25N 04.95E.

**Date at Weybourne** 2/11.

**Movements** Remained on the North Sea islands of Vlieland and Texel to 2/11/24 before flying across the North Sea to Weybourne.

## Reed Bunting

Metal ring: **AYZ4473**.

**Controlled** at Langham (Norfolk) 10/2 (CDL).

**Ringed** as a first calendar year at Hilgay Wetland (Norfolk) 8/8/23.

**Distance:** 58km.

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Ed Mackrill	EMa
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Greg Bond	GBo
Garry Elton	GE
Gordon Follows	GF
Graham Fellows	GFe
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Gordon Nash	GN
Guy Bailey	GuB
Geoff Snelson	GS
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Gary Wright	GW
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Henry Page	HP
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Ian Haynes	IH
James Appleton	JA
Janice Darch	JDa
Julian Bhalerao	JB
John Bennett	JBe
John Dobson	JD
John Furse	JF
John Fairey	JFa
James Ford	JFo
Jeff Grey	JG
John Geeson	JGe
Jenny Gill	JGi
Jason Moss	JM
James & Nola McCallum	JMc
John Miller	JMi

J Morris	JMo
Josh McCallum-Stewart	JMS
Jonny Rankin	JR
John Rae	JRa
John Spooner	JS
John Swallow	JSw
Julian Thomas	JT
John Wagstaff	JW
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Ken Clegg	KC
Kayn Forbes	KF
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Kieran Nixon	KN
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Len & Carole Bentley	LCB
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Mark Eldridge	ME
Mark Golley	MG
Mike Harcup	MH
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Russ Heselden	RH
Rob Holmes	RHo
Roger Hughes	RHu
Rob Lee	RL
Roger & Liz Akroyd	RLA
Rob Lucking	RLu
Richard Millington	RM
Richard Porter	RP
Richard Price	RPr
Robert Smith	RS
Robert Taylor	RT
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Steve Beal	SB
Steve Chapman	SC
Shannon Clifford	SCI
Steve Gantlett	SG
Steve Harris	SH
Steve Hale	SHa
Steve Hack	SHack
Simon Harrup	SHar
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Stella Woodman	SW
Steve Wakeham	SWa
Trevor Davies	TD
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Tom Green	TG
Tim Hayward	TH
Tony Moverley	TM
Tony Prater	TP
Tony Smith	TS
Tim Vaughan	TV
Tom Whiley	TWW
Trevor Williams	TW
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