

## **2015-2016 Sightings**

### **Winter sightings** (2015/2016)

#### **November 2015 - February 2016 (Chris Tyas)**

St Osyth Essex

An over wintering Ring Ouzel [photographed](#) near St Osyth in Essex

#### **10th January 2016 (Jacquie Carn)**

Bristol

I have seen a female Ring Ouzel in our garden in Bristol twice this week - between 10/01/16 and 17/01/16. Sat in apple tree for several minutes close to the house. Also at the top of the garden on the grass and into flower bed.

#### **1st January 2016 (Shaun Mckierna)**

Newcastle Airport

This sighting was observed on the Newcastle Airport road whilst in a pull in. This bird had same character as a blackbird, it was in a tree, & was brown in colour with a noticeable white throat. It was viewed for at least 10 - 15 minutes dropping to & from branches

#### **25th December 2015 (Brian Garrity)**

Armthorpe, Doncaster

Ring Ouzel seen in a garden in Armthorpe, Doncaster, at about 11.30am on the 25 December 2015

#### **23rd December 2015 (Peter Wells)**

Lode Norfolk

The Ring Ouzel appeared in our garden each day between 23rd and 27th December. (As well as on 4th; 12th and 19th of December) We have not seen it since 27th. I guess it then moved on. I have just had some correspondence with James Anderson who is involved with monitoring Ouzels in the Durham Dales. I am attaching for you a couple of very poor [photos](#) I took with a compact camera through the window, but hopefully enough to give an idea of the bird. James Anderson deduced from these that it is 'a bird of the year and quite possibly a male.'

#### **17th December 2015 (Hilary Smith)**

Babbacombe Downs, Torquay

I saw the bird sitting in a tree on the Babbacombe Downs, Torquay mid morning 17/12/2015. It attracted my attention as initially it looked more like a starling than a blackbird and I'd never seen a starling in this area. A closer look showed it to be more thrush like, with paler feathers on the throat. Having looked at your website I believe it was a female ring ouzel, despite the cliff top /urban location. I noticed that there are ring ouzel on Dartmoor and Dartmoor is visible from this part of Torquay, so I guess it is possible.

#### **4th December 2015 (Andrew Tidley)**

Steyning, West Sussex

Seen 10:00am Friday December 4th, Steyning, West Sussex. A single bird seen flying between two hedgerows

#### **4th December 2015 (Roger Tyler)**

Bromsgrove, Warwicks

Single Ring Ouzel sighted in Perryfields Road, north Bromsgrove on the morning of 4th December 2015. Feeding on hawthorn among small flock of Redwings

### **21st November 2015 (Katy Alderton)**

Dartmoor

We had a single Ring Ouzel in our garden on the edge of Dartmoor this morning (21 November) feeding on our apples.

## **Autumn Migration**

### **11th November 2015 (Janet Wilkes)**

RSPB Dungeness Kent

Ring Ouzel in the Brambles by the bridle path as per Paul Trodd.

### **25th October 2015 (Janet Wilkes)**

Dungeness Bird Observatory, Kent.

Regular Ring Ouzel recorded daily from 25th October until 29th October 2015 in the Moat . The Moat is an area of extracted Shingle with bramble and willow shrub. A safe haven for a migrating Ring Ouzel.

As per Dave Walker. Warden DBO.

### **23rd October 2015 (Max Catterwell)**

Essex

While talking on the phone to a friend of mine (David Wagstaff) down in Essex, he mentioned that he'd seen an **alpestris** (23 October 2015). He'd tried to get other interested parties to come and see it, but without success. He didn't have a camera and so no record. For what it's worth I have no doubt whatsoever that this is a totally reliable sighting. I've known him all my life (nearly seventy years) and he's been a fanatical birdwatcher for thirty to forty years. He's travelled to many parts of the world birding and has extensive knowledge. Regards, Max

### **18th October 2015 (Andrew Armstrong)**

Shoeburyness

Gunners Park in Shoeburyness. 3 Ring Ouzels

### **18th October 2015 (Michael whittaker)**

Liverpool

Backgarden in Blundellsands Liverpool

### **18th October 2015 (Janet Wilkes)**

West Sussex-Cissbury Ring.

At least 5 chacking Ring Ouzels in the Sourthern Yew Tree They were also feeding in the bushes around the ancient Flint Mines. Although elusive at times. Good views of a Male,a Female and a Juvenile, as well as flying over our heads

**17th October 2015 (Phil Long)**

Pakefield, Suffolk

Male Ring Ouzel sighted from the Pakefield Coastwatch Lighthouse in hedging nearby. Ref TM 53590 88640

**17th October 2015 (Charlotte Redfern)**

Ludlow Shropshire

Sighting of 6 birds in the Mortimer Forest, Ludlow Shropshire SO 45499 73506 yesterday afternoon (17 Oct 2015).

One landed in a close tree to pos ID with binoculars and the call was also confirmed.

**16th October 2015 (Stewart Reekie)**

Longsleddale Cumbria

Juvenile male and female on Buckbarrow Crag Longsleddale Cumbria

**14th October 2015 (Peter Clarke)**

Innerleithen, Scottish Borders

Lee Pen hill above the town of Innerleithen in the Scottish Borders. 14/10-15 @ 0900 perched on a small spruce sapling on a heather moor (approx 450m)

Map ref 326385 OS sheet 73. Single bird

**12th October 2015 (Colin Ashcroft)**

Mossy Lea Farm, Glossop Derbyshire.

There may have been more than one Ring Ouzel - one clearly seen looked Female possibly with others but Blackbirds also present feeding with Fieldfare, Mistle Thrush in Rowan Tree at the Farm

**12th October 2015 (Alex Scott)**

Scarborough

1 adult male 0934hrs @ Scarborough castle hill !

**8th October 2015 (Andrew Cannon)**

Weybourne Norfolk

3 male ringed today Weybourne Norfolk TG1042, 5 ogc, wing 145 weight 101, a ringing tick for me! ;)

**8th October 2015 (Janet Wilkes)**

East Dean Sussex

Ring Ouzel found in garden in East Dean, Nr Beachy Head. East Sussex. See link below

[http://www.sos.org.uk/index.php?option=com\\_jobline4&Itemid=10&task=view&id=31447](http://www.sos.org.uk/index.php?option=com_jobline4&Itemid=10&task=view&id=31447)

**4th October 2015 (R Draper)**

Earsham Bungay NR35 2TW

Female sighted.

**1st October 2015 (Lawrence Sampson)**

Bodmin Moor, Cornwall

Two ring ouzels (m+f) at Garrow Tor, Bodmin Moor, Cornwall, on 01/10/2015. Grid reference is SX 1434 7752.

## **Spring/Summer Breeding**

### **13th September 2015 (Tom Bailey)**

Eagle Crag, Borrowdale

Pair of Ring Ouzel chack-chacking amongst the trees on Bleak How, north side of Eagle Crag, Borrowdale.

### **11th September 2015 (Tom Bailey)**

Eagle Crag, Borrowdale

11th September 2015. Pair of ring ouzels chack-chacking amongst mountain ash on slopes of Heron Crag just below Eagle Crag, Borrowdale, Lake District.

### **4th September 2015 (Lowell Mills)**

Holne Moor, Dartmoor

Juvenile moving between Rowan trees (**Passage sighting**)

Stream Gully, Holne Moor, Dartmoor, Devon SX 67220 70642

(This 2x2km area is extensively searched twice a week for breeding upland birds by a University of Exeter nest study group and Ring Ouzel have not been seen and are considered absent as breeders. Sometimes flocks of many passage birds are seen in autumn however).

### **2nd September 2015 (Adrian Stabler)**

Swaledale, North Yorkshire

Grid Ref: SD 943 993. Seen and heard 2+ individuals in deciduous woodland on the east facing slope of a steep craggy limestone valley called Gunnerside Gill, which runs S-N from Gunnerside in Swaledale, North Yorkshire. Weather warm and sunny, light winds. Light good, unmistakable id.

### **19th August 2015 (Robert Smith)**

Blakely Clough - Kirklees Way

Walking from Black Moss res along Blakely Clough I crossed the Kirklees way at Hey Green. Walking towards Wessenden Lodge I panned about the rocky outcrops and vegetation in the area of the air shaft which can be seen on an ordinance survey map. I spotted a lone ring ouzel on a rocky outcrop. Its distinctive white band about its neck and my immediate ID kept me there for an hour. In this time he flirted back to some lower lying Heather and billbery, though still some 200' from the stream below. There I discovered not one but two. I watched them for another 30 mins. All very still. Just sitting peacefully. Lovely. Made my week.

### **9th August 2015 (John Holden)**

Summit of Dow Crag

One or possibly two young being fed by parent. See photo of adult [here](#).

15th July 2015 (Janet Wilkes)

North Pennines-Teesdale

Female Ouzel foraging amongst Bilberry on edge of sheep grazed heather moorland.

**15th July 2015 (Janet Wilkes)**

North Pennines-Weardale-Jopla Syke  
Fly over chacking male Ring Ouzel

**5th July 2015 (Shannon Llewellyn)**

Chew reservoir, Greater Manchester  
Chew valley, very near the top, near Chew reservoir, Greater Manchester, female seen entering hole on rock face with beak full of food. Grid reference SE 02353 01796.

**4th July 2015 (Marc Stirrup)**

Pike of Blisco summit  
NY271 042 close to Pike of Blisco summit. One individual sighted

**3rd July 2015 (Michael Beecher)**

Burbage Edge, Peak district  
Old quarry at Burbage Edge in Peak district. Male.

**27th June 2015 (Marc Stirrup)**

Kettle Crag, Oxendale  
NY278 049 in vicinity of Kettle Crag, Oxendale (Great Langdale).  
One individual sighted clearly, several others calling, possibly 3 in total.

**22nd June 2015 (David Leedham)**

Kirkstone Pass, Cumbria  
Single bird near summit of Caudale Moor near Kirkstone Pass, Cumbria

**21st June 2015 (Simon Surtees)**

Stanage Edge, Derbyshire  
Male Ring Ouzel seen Sunday 21st June in rocky slope c.800 yards north of Neb End triangulation point along Stanage Edge, Derbyshire.

**20th June 2015 (Andrew & Katrina Pearson)**

Jesmond Dene Park, Newcastle  
It was feeding in the rocks next to the waterfall in Jesmond Dene Park. My wife and I had plenty of time to view it through my binoculars, first time viewing for us.

**20th June 2015 (John Smalley)**

Stanage Edge, Peak District  
Sighted at approx 21:30 on 20/6/15, one male Ring Ouzel singing his heart out just below Stanage Edge in the Peak District.

**18th June 2015 (Jenny Gate)**

Callater Burn  
Male  
Callater Burn Grid Reference NO 163 878

Right Leg ring colours. Red

Left Leg ring colours. Not seen in photo

Feeding in bog. Mate in burn

**12th June 2015 (michael sterling)**

Upper Langdale, Lake District

2 separate sightings on 12 June 2015 up on the Crinkle Craggs, Upper Langdale, Lake District - both above 2500'

**12th June 2015 (Stephen marnick)**

Gwynedd Wales

Saw a single Ring Ouzel (photographed it foraging) while out on the hills of the "Mach Loop" at 14:24hrs

12/06/2015 at Grid Ref SH 76058 15918.

X = 276958 Y= 315918 Gwynedd Wales.

**12th June 2015 (roy clarke)**

SE0356

12/06/15 ,1 pair with 3 fledglings. SE0356

**12th June 2015 (Susan Brook)**

Haweswater Reservoir, Lake district

Saw a male perched on a drystone wall part way up the hill behind Haweswater Reservoir, Lake district at approximately 10.10am on Friday 12 June 2015.

**9th June 2015 (Maverick hardiman)**

Machynlleth North wales

9 June 10am -6pm Pair of Ring ouzels feeding consistantly through the day on cad west hill side near Machynlleth North wales. Lots of photos taken.

**9th June 2015 (Kevin Marsden)**

Devil's Bridge, Derbyshire

In trees at side of road at Devil's Bridge on the A57 in Derbyshire

**8th June 2015 (John Davies)**

BB1 2QR

Seen at 1500hrs at postcode BB1 2QR. It was bobbing between 2 work vehirs roof to roof, letting off that distinctive high pitch single shrill. It looked like it was looking for its mate?

**7th June 2015 (Kathryn Margaret Stanley)**

Burbage rocks Derbyshire

Walking along the footpath below Burbage rocks Derbyshire. The Ring Ouzel was hopping along the rocks in front of us.

**5th June 2015 (Catrin Williams)**

Llynau diwaunydd in North Wales

Singing on rocks on way down a gully called Bwlch Rhiw'r Ychen above lakes called Llynau diwaunydd in North Wales. Sh677542. Never seen one before. Had to google it.

**5th June 2015 (Hamish Joe Rogers)**

Stanage Edge

Been climbing at Stanage Edge all day and the pair nesting in Green Crack were flying round and were busy collecting loads to eat - guessing that's good news for the chicks. They seemed pretty unfazed by all the climbers so they're used to people, looks like the signs up work well. 5.6.15

**4th June 2015 (Oliver Watson)**

Bala Lake in Gwynedd

A pair on the mountain Arenig above Bala Lake in Gwynedd - at about 6.30pm and at c. 400 m.

**2nd June 2015 (Allan Littlemore)**

Whitchurch, Salop/Cheshire

On a private drive way in Whitchurch, Salop/Cheshire border on 2nd June 2015.

**2nd June 2015 (Lowell Mills)**

Meldon, Dartmoor

Adult male collecting food

Black Tor Copse, nr Meldon, Dartmoor, Devon SX 564 893

**29th May 2015 (Chris Hall)**

Hampshire

Spotted on Mayles lane in Hampshire at PO17 5LZ. May 29 2015 @ 11:30am

Thought was a blackbird but surprised by the full white throat. Never seen that before.

Skipped off of road into tree verge

**28th May 2015 (David G Hill)**

Y Garn on the Nantlle Ridge

2 Ring Ouzels seen feeding in rough sheep grazed grassland whilst descending Y Garn on the Nantlle Ridge (Snowdonia).

28/05/2015

SH556524

**25th May 2015 (Gerry Rawcliffe)**

Scafell Pike, Wasdale

25th May 2015, male and female Ring Ouzel, with male displaying to female. Piers Gill, Scafell Pike, Wasdale, NY213085

**21st May 2015 (Carolyn Green)**

Charente Maritime, France

Seen 21st May in Charente Maritime, France. About 30km inland from Gironde estuary and at approx 30' above sea level. Female, sitting happily on a vinyard post. Poor photos taken at about 50 yards.

**25th May 2015 (Clare Thompson)**

Lake District, Cumbria

Monday 25th May. 10pm red pit car park, kirkstone pass, Lake District, Cumbria. 1 female and 1 male feeding. Later heard calling on the crags above.

**22nd May 2015 (Kay Faria)**

Bristol

Last week we saw a male Ring Ouzel in our garden in north Bristol. A female has also been visiting, and we had a very clear sighting of her this morning.

**22nd May 2015 (Kate Rundle)**

Downton, Wiltshire

08/05/2015 9.30hrs The Borough, Downton, Wiltshire. Single bird feeding on grassy area between row of houses and road.

22/05/2015 08.15hrs The Borough, Downton, Wiltshire. Single bird feeding on grass in almost same place as above sighting.

**25th May 2015 (Alison Rosser)**

Dartmoor

Male sighted on Dartmoor amongst rocks on open moor 25/05/15 13.45 at approx SX633810 above East Dart downstream from the waterfall.

**21st May 2015 (David Griffiths)**

Upper Teesdale

Around 3p.m. on Thursday 21st May 2015 on the bank of the river Tees in upper Teesdale, about half a mile downstream from Cauldron Snout water fall which comes from Cow Green Reservoir. I was walking along a grassed area on the east side of the river and only had a brief sighting of the bird before it flew off.

**20th May 2015 (Patricia Ormond)**

Cairngorms

20/5/12 Pair of Ring Ouzels on a path near the base station of the funicular railway on Cairngorm mountain. Probably the same pair that we saw 2 days previous further up the mountain.

**20th May 2015 (Ronnie McGovern)**

St Kilda

St Kilda (Hirta) on Wednesday 20th May 2015 @ 10.57 am. I photographed a bird I did not know which the National Trust Scotland Bird Ranger on St Kilda identified as a Ring Ouzel. I can send you the photo if you wish.

**14th May 2015 (Julie Powis Arthur)**

Out Skerries, Shetland Isles

I seen and photographed 1 male ringed ouzel on the island of Out Skerries, Shetland Isles.

**12th May 2015 (Laura Corbiere)**

Mount Pleasant, Tyne and Wear

Just saw a female in my garden (12/5/15), it had a long drink then disappeared. Mount Pleasant, Tyne and Wear



**12th May 2015 (BRENDAN POWER)**

Swaledale, North Yorkshire

TOP OF SWALEDALE ON HIGH LEVEL COAST TO COAST ROUTE FROM KELD TO REETH IN VICINITY OF CRACKPOT HALL AND SWINNER GILL MINE. GRID REF: NY 90594 00864.

TOTAL OF 8 SEEN - 5 MALE & 3 FEMALE.

**11th May 2015 (Thomas Riley)**

Eskdale, Cumbria

I saw a male Ring Ouzel in Eskdale, Cumbria on 11 May 2015. I saw another male on the flanks of Seat between Ennerdale and Buttermere on 15 May 2015.

**10th May 2015 (John Reid)**

Aboyne, Aberdeenshire

Spotted 1 x male in the picnic area of huntly arms hotel this afternoon in Aboyne, Aberdeenshire. First time I have seen this beautiful bird. 10 May 2015.

**8th May 2015 (Rob Hannam)**

Wanlockhead, Dumfries & Galloway

Male singing past few days from tall conifers, actually in the village !  
(Menck Pass seems a bit quiet at the moment.)

**7th May 2015 (Andrew Walsh)**

Isle of Arran

One Male Ring Ouzel seen this afternoon (07.05.15) at about 16.00 at NR991417 at about 750-800m elevation on the north west slopes of Goatfell on the Isle of Arran. A very clear view

**4th May 2015 (Mike Wallage)**

Berwyn Mountains

Spotted on the Berwyn Mountains close to Llyn Lluncaws. At least one pair, possibly two.

**4th May 2015 (Antony Wilson)**

Burbage bridge Derbyshire

3 seen at Carl Wark near Burbage bridge Derbyshire

**3rd May 2015 (Kenny Carson)**

Loch Callater, Cairngorms

I am reporting sightings of Ring Ouzels on Saturday 3rd May in the area around Loch Callater in the Cairngorms. I saw a pair about 1km south east from the end of the loch. Earlier in the day I saw 3 on the path above Loch Callater Lodge.

Approx grid refs OS Sheet 43 193830 and 182847

**2nd May 2015 (Alan Currall)**

Wanlockhead, Dumfries & Galloway

I was watching a Ring Ouzel, off and on, all morning yesterday (2nd May 2015) in my front garden. Wanlockhead, Dumfries & Galloway.

## **Early arrivals**

### **30th April 2015 (Carolyn Brock)**

Snettishan Nature reserve, Norfolk

We saw two females and one male ring ouzel in Snettishan Nature reserve, Norfolk, this morning at 7am 30th April 2015

### **28th April 2015 (Jill Robertson)**

Mount Keen East of Loch Muick

Hi. Saw a pair close to a cottage in Glen Mark adjacent to The Queens Well en route to Mount Keen East of Loch Muick, South of the A93 braemar to Aberdeen Road, Scotland. That was on 28th April 2015 Mount keen is OS sheet 44. NO409869). Didn't realise there was a site until speaking to a friend

### **27th April 2015 (Sally Hawkins)**

Warrington, Cheshire

Great Sankey near Warrington, Cheshire. In our garden for about 10 minutes from about 9.30 am

### **26th April 2015 (Claudia Genest)**

Forres, Scotland

Three ring ouzels in my garden in the Knockhomie area of Forres, Scotland.

### **26th April 2015 (Tim Ramsay)**

Blencathra nr Keswick

At 700 metre altitude on se slopes of blencathra nr keswick. beautiful views of male and female pair. approx 25 yds from path so v.clear views with and without binoculars.disappeared round the ridge after 40 seconds.

### **25th April 2015 (Tony Jay)**

Grid Ref. SJ 63618 13071

Ring ouzel grid reference.SJ 63618 13071. Saturday 25th April at 7am. On the ground

### **24th April 2015 (Stanton Royle)**

Hannington, Hampshire

Seen over 24 hour period from 24/4/2015. Male & Female pair still seen regularly on farmland at Hannington, Hampshire

### **24th April 2015 (Hannah Nixon)**

Burbage Derbyshire

### **24th April 2015 (Vivian Stratton)**

Rosewall Hill, Cornwall

I have got a flock of 22 Ring Ouzels which have dropped into Rosewall Hill between St. Ives and Zennor in Cornwall, this evening the largest flock that i have recorded here.

The birds included one with a coloured ring. See [photo](#).

Update from Innes Sim: This bird (yellow/yellow RIGHT LEG, metal/white LEFT LEG) was ringed by Graham Rebecca in Glen Clunie, near Braemar, Aberdeenshire as a 1st brood nestling male on 30 May 2013 (ring ouzels frequently have 2 broods per year).

#### **24th April 2015 (Shannon Llewellyn)**

Chew reservoir, Lancashire

Pair seen around Chew reservoir, grid ref SE0301; seen at the very north of that 1km square, just to the west of the reservoir, close to the Chew Valley path that the Chew Brook runs adjacent to.

#### **24th April 2015 (Shannon Llewellyn)**

Greenfield, Greater Manchester

At least 8 individuals (both sexes) seen feeding on sheep field and rougher ground immediately behind it at Grid Ref SE0104 (according to the BirdTrack 1km recording square). Just below the area known as 'Pots and Pans' (a rock formation) on the Moors just outside the Greater Manchester town of Greenfield. If you are able to zoom in on this grid reference using a satellite image, you will see a ruined cottage near the end of White Brook Lane; they were there (sheep field in front, rough ground behind).

#### **23rd April 2015 (Dudley Cox)**

Farlington Marsh, Hants

Female at Farlington Marsh, Hants on April 23rd 2015. Watched the bird for about an hour with 2 others who took photos

#### **23rd April 2015 (Maureen Iggleden)**

Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire

Ring Ouzel male spotted yesterday (23/4/15) at 8.40 am on nearby Plumstone Mountain - moorland outside Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire. Feeding on ground near parking area.

I saw 2 male ring ouzels together displaying on a rock in burbage Derbyshire at approx 1500 on 24 april. After a couple of minutes one flew away down the valley calling as it went whilst the other remained on the rock perch.

#### **23rd April 2015 (Timothy Rowley)**

Dane Bower Quarry, Derbyshire

2 males were seen yesterday at around 19:45 on the opposite side of the road to Dane Bower Quarry in Derbyshire before flying off towards the old quarry workings.

#### **23rd April 2015 (Bill Brocklehurst)**

Roaches Staffs

23/4/15 three males one female at nest site on Roaches Staffs. One male singing from tree top at different site below Roaches

#### **21st April 2015 (Tom Bailey)**

Buttermere, Cumbria

21st April 2015. Tentative sighting of male ring ouzel just below summit on west side of Robinson fell, Buttermere, Cumbria.

**21st April 2015 (Meg Stark)**

Rosedale

Nine ring ouzels sighted during a Rosedale Round Walk (see <http://www.walkingenglishman.com/northyorkshire12.htm>) one pair between East Mines and Dale Head. Three pairs between High House Farm to between THorgill and Rosedale, plus one solitary male, singing on a post, same area. Wonderful hot-spot.

**17th April 2015 (Cathy Ryden)**

Guilsborough, Northants

Male ring ouzel photographed on 17 April in a field in Guilsborough, Northants, where it stayed for a week feeding up on invertebrates.

It stayed a week feeding up in one field which had previously been grazed by sheep but was empty. Occasionally it went in another field that had sheep but was easily spooked by the bouncing lambs. On Thursday evening it went high up an Ash tree calling frequently. That was the last time I saw it. Click [here for photos](#)

**17th April 2015 (Rob McEwen)**

Cats and Shining Tors

Three males foraging and appearing to be moving through on Cats and Shining Tors (SJ995758) on 17th April at 0800

**22nd April 2015 (Mark Seaman)**

Bishops Lydeard, Somerset

On cut meadow grass lawn at base of Quantock Hills 1.5 miles north Bishops Lydeard, Somerset at 0735 on 22 April 2015. Approx altitude 130m.

**22nd April 2015 (Kristina Elderfield)**

Bude Cornwall

We have had a ring ouzel in our garden tonight. I managed to take some photo's. Grimscott, Nr Bude Cornwall

**20th April 2015 (Tim Gobourn)**

GR so98955 25020

20/4/15 at so98955 25020. At least six total male and female seen eating ivy berries. Have been seen for about two weeks.

**20th April 2015 (Gordon Roberts)**

Docker, Lancashire

Ring Ouzel sighted on the 20/04/2015 in Docker, Lancashire. On top of a hedge at a road junction, about 3/4 mile from the Cumbrian border.

**19th April 2015 (KEVIN OLIVER)**

Skegness, Lincolnshire

I saw a pair of ring ouzels in the fields very close to the sea bank along the Wash between Sailor's Home and

Leverton Outgate, which is between Boston and Skegness in Lincolnshire. I saw them yesterday afternoon (19/04/2015).

**19th April 2015 (Christine Weaver)**

GR SE 950486

Two Ring Ouzels (m + f) seen feeding at SE 950486 on 19/04/15 at 1.00pm feeding on the rough pasture.

**19th April 2015 (Andrea Rampley)**

Predannack Wollas, Cornwall

A male spotted today (19.04.15) on coastal path below Predannack Wollas, between Mullion and Kynance Cove

**19th April 2015 (Lesley Frankland)**

Howe Green, Chelmsford

Seen a lone Ring Ouzel in my garden this morning (Sunday 19th April 2015) for a few hours. Took a number of pictures to confirm.

Location Howe Green near Chelmsford. CM2 7TQ.

**19th April 2015 (Heather Tanner)**

Suffolk

Has been on my lawn for past 3 days in Suffolk. ..a pair

**19th April 2015 (Janis Gascoigne)**

Weardale, County Durham

Ring ouzels sighted on Bollihope common Weardale County Durham

**18th April 2015 (Shaun Woodcock)**

Morgan's Hill, Wiltshire

3 x male Ring Ouzel observed at 1800 hrs on 18 Apr 15.

Location Morgan's Hill WWT Nature Reserve, Wiltshire.

Grid Ref: SU 03320 67495

**18th April 2015 (John & Jonny)**

Ingleby Incline, North Yorks

8 males in field near Ingleby Incline, North Yorks. NGR NZ597038

**17th April 2015 (Neil Hampson)**

Worksop Nottinghamshire

Worksop Nottinghamshire. Private garden opposite woodland on Windmill Lane 17th April 2015. One female sighted.

**17th April 2015 (Cathy Ryden)**

Guilsborough Northants

This afternoon. Friday 17th April. Watched a male Ring Ouzel in Guilsborough Northants. On private land. Grid is about SP6767--.

Kind Regards. Cathy Ryden

**17th April 2015 (Barbara Robinson)**

Britannia Bridge, Anglesey

Sighted twice now on the A 5025 between the Britannia Bridge and Four Crossed roundabout.

**16th April 2015 (Will Lewis)**

Fan Brycheiniog, Brecon Beacons

One bird on the slopes below Fan Brycheiniog in the Brecon Beacons.

Midday, April 16, 2015. Map ref: 825220. Elevation about 750m.

**16th April 2015 (Natalie Welden)**

Baddoch Burn, Glen Clunie

Happy to report three ring ouzel above the Baddoch Burn, Glen Clunie today. Two males and one female. Distant photos taken. Obvious territorial scraps ending in one male obviously displaying to the luck lady.

**16th April 2015 (C O'Donoghue)**

Darsham, Suffolk

16th April 2015. The male Ring Ouzel that has been in Darsham, Suffolk all week has now been joined by a female. Both feeding on the edge of fields.

**15th April 2015 (Nicola Chester)**

Walbury Hill, North Wessex Downs

Report from BerksBirds. 52 Ring Ouzels were recorded in the same place, later on that same day (15th April). Still coming through in big numbers - I think this is a once-in-a-lifetime experience!

**15th April 2015 (John Wilson)**

Newark, Notts

1 x male seen at Kilvington Lakes, near Staunton in the dale, Newark, Notts. Wednesday 15th April 2015

**14th April 2015 (C O'Donoghue)**

Coastal Suffolk

A Ring Ouzel has been feeding in this garden near the coast in Suffolk since 12.4.15. Lat: 52.277180. Long: 1.5295799

**13th April 2015 (Barrie Dowdeswell)**

Moor House Reserve, Upper Teesdale

2 separate pairs on 13th April - near Widdy Bank Farm, Moor House Reserve, Upper Teesdale. 1 pair just north of the farm (near Langdon Beck) and the other below the crags adjacent to the farm - near, GR NY847 309

**13th April 2015 (ROGER HARDY)**

Hungerford, Berkshire

At least four feeding on slope below Combe Gibbet near Hungerford, Berkshire, this evening/ Mon April 13th

**13th April 2015 (Kevin McSwiggan)**

Pateley Bridge, North Yorkshire

Female seen at Angram Dam, (above Pateley Bridge, North Yorkshire). 13th April 2015 3pm.

**13th April 2015 (Nicola Chester)**

Walbury Hill, Berkshire

SU370620 Walbury Hill, Berkshire (North Wessex Downs) 11.30am: 15 Ring Ouzel flew up from the down below me to land in hawthorn long enough for me to count them: Mostly female or younger birds as gorgets quite dusky, although two or three bright white. Joined by up to ten more birds (prob also Ring Ouzels) and all flew off in a loose flock over down.

1.30pm Coming back over hill on neighbouring Gallows Down, 6 Ring Ouzel (3 def males) on ground of southern slope.

See them here on migration every year, but never more than 5 before - a red letter day!

**12th April 2015 (Christine Osborn)**

Stowmarket, Suffolk

At Haughley, nr Stowmarket, Suffolk a male Ring Ouzle was outside our caravan in a field for about 25 minutes. It was so close we did not need binoculars. This was Sunday the 12th April. Just thought I would let you know.

Been trying to find out who to tell!

**12th April 2015 (Antony Pooles)**

Pride Park Sanctuary, Derby

12/4/15 - Pride Park Sanctuary, Derby. 2 males feeding on the north face of the grass mound and still present on 13/4/15.

**12th April 2015 (Julie Baldock)**

Margate, Kent

The bird arrived in our garden this evening (we live in Margate, Kent) and has stayed for about an hour so far. It has been running around the garden and eating insects but seems extremely interested in the fish in the fish pond. We're not avid bird watchers so have researched and are sure it is a ring ouzel. Never seen one before. It is very attractive.

**12th April 2015 (Mrs P Robinson)**

Saham Toney, Norfolk

Date 12 april 2015. Male. Saham Toney Norfolk

**11th April 2015 (Meg Stark)**

Swaledale / Arkengarthdale North Yorks

Male Ring Ouzel seen between Swaledale and Arkengarthdale near the Old Gang smeltpill, possibly a female nearby, NY 974 005 on Saturday 11th April. Also possibly another male seen from above, flying nearer to the Feetham Pasture road (we've seen them there before)

**11th April 2015 (Colin Richards)**

Ogmore Valley, Glamorgan

Adult male present at Rhiw Fer in the Ogmore Valley, Glamorgan this morning (SS923923) bird at low heather clad crags / gullies.

**11th April 2015 (Pete Mantle)**

Hampstead Heath, London

A male seen feeding on Hampstead Heath for half an hour today (11th April)

**11th April 2015 (Bunty Macdonald)**

Carr-Bridge, Cairngorm

It's back again same time in my back garden. I live in a small village called Carr-Bridge in the Scottish Highlands. We are near the Cairngorm Mountains.

**11th April 2015 (Basil Warren)**

Dunkery Beacon, Somerset

6 Ring Ouzels Cloutsham water Dunkery Beacon, Somerset 12 noon today

**10th April 2015 (Laura Swindells)**

South Walney, Cumbria

Saw one male ring ouzel at South Walney nature reserve in Cumbria on Saturday 10th April by the picnic area

**10th April 2015 (Paul Kerslake)**

Sandy, Bedfordshire

10 April 2015, 4pm, male & female at RSPB The Lodge, Sandy, Bedfordshire.

**10th April 2015 (Kevin Baker)**

Lowestoft, Norfolk

Hi I have just been watching a ring ouzel at lound lakes near lowestoft and thought you may like to know. The time was around five pm 10th April 2015. Kev

**10th April 2015 (Vicki Hodgkiss)**

Church End, Hernhill

2 ring ouzel on my lawn 9am . 10 April 2015. Rural area surrounded with orchards. Church End, Hernhill, ME13 9JU

**9th April 2015 (Andy Gordon)**

North Walney, Cumbria

North Walney nature reserve 09/04/2015. Click [here](#) for photos.

**9th April 2015 (Cathy Honeybone)**

Helvellyn in Lake District

2 of them on rock at the top of Helvellyn in Lake District at 1.30 pm on Thurs 9th April. Didn't have time to check for rings before they flew away and didn't return. We think a pair as one was definitely darker and glossier than the other. A first for us but they were definitely ouzels.

**9th April 2015 (T Squire)**

Chimney Meadows, Oxfordshire

Seen at Chimney Meadows 09/04/15 10.45am. Walk from carpark towards hides. About 300yds there is an owl box on tree on left. Bird was seen at top of this tree. Photo was taken but no sign of leg ring. Bird flew away to right with characteristic call.



**9th April 2015 (Wayne Fennell)**

Dordogne France

This evening the 9th April I was feeding my two horses when I heard a bird call I'd never heard before. Looking up I saw a male Ring Ouzel, couldn't mistake it because of the white mark around the birds throat. Whilst watching this bird a female was spotted in the next field, fields only separated by electric fence. I've been a keen birder for 60 years and these are the first I've ever seen. I'm in the north of the Dordogne France. Please tell me this is a rare sighting or is this a common stop off point for migrating birds.

**9th April 2015 (Frank Hardie)**

St Nicholas, Wade Kent

At 1100hrs a pair of Ring Ouzel at St Nicholas at Wade Kent spotted in a small copse

**9th April 2015 (Ken Yarnold)**

Worcestershire

Amazed to see a male bird on my front lawn at 6.15 am this morning. Never seen one before but it was instantly recognisable. Went to get camera but it had flown when I got back. Thought you may be interested in this bird visiting Worcestershire.

Grid reference is SP058622

**9th April 2015 (Jeremy Taylor)**

Burley Woodhead, West Yorks

2 ring ouzels at Coldstone Beck near Burley Woodhead, West Yorks. this morning 11 till 11.30. Feeding alongside 2 mistle thrushes. This is a regular spot to see them in spring.

**9th April 2015 (Justin Hall)**

Godmersham Park, Canterbury

1 male spotted where I work, feeding in the fields. Just outside Canterbury in Godmersham Park at about 11.45 this morning. Too far off to see if it was rung.

**9th April 2015 (Gary Johnson)**

Dannon Chapel, North Cornwall

Saw 1 male at National Trusts Dannon Chapel ruin, close to South west coast path. North Cornwall . 9.30 am Thursday 9 th April. It was alarm calling an flying around the ruins. Very visible.

**8th April 2015 (VIVIAN STRATTON)**

St. Ives, Cornwall

Date 08/04/2015 Male. Location between St. Ives and Zennor in Cornwall on Rosewall Hill.

Right Leg ring colours. yellow rings. Left Leg ring colours. silver rings

This is an ancestral migration route in Spring and Autumn for Migrant Ring Ouzels which i have recorded here for the past 60 years the numbers vary from year to year but so far this spring i have had 28 birds the majority of which are adult males with a few females.

**8th April 2015 (Celia Gibb)**

Clee Hill common, Shropshire

Male Ring Ouzel on top of a tree at GR769616 - on Clee Hill common. This morning, 8 April 2015 at about 8.50am. It sat and "sang" (not tuneful like a blackbird!) for 8-10 minutes.

**8th April 2015 (Jackie Woodley)**

Haute Vienne, France

We live in Bussiere Galant, 87230, Haute Vienne, France.

We have just sighted a Ringed Ouzel in our veg patch. 08/04/2015. 19.30.

Male with white ring, light yellow beak and grey sides on wings.

Beautiful, been here 10yrs and never seen one before.

Did get some photos!

**8th April 2015 (Robert Hannam)**

Mennock Pass road, Dumfries & Galloway

Three males seen together from the B797 Mennock Pass road, approx NS853102.

8/4/15 (slightly earlier than usual).

**7th April 2015 (Anne Wall)**

Crantock, Newquay. North Cornwall

Male Ring Ouzel on cliff top above Polly Joke beach, near Crantock, Newquay. North Cornwall.

Sighting at 5.30pm, 7/04/2015. Never have I come across a Ring Ouzel in Cornwall before.

**7th April 2015 (Perry Farrow)**

Ventnor Isle of Wight

Male Ring Ouzel at Luccombe Down Ventnor Isle of Wight 10.15am

**25th March 2015 (Simon Elliott)**

Hexhamshire Common Northumberland

1 male. Hexhamshire Common Northumberland. NY8955. 9am 25 March 2015

**23rd March 2015 (Janets birds)**

Beachy Head, East Sussex

1 x Male Ouzel recorded at Shooters Bottom, Beachy Head, East Sussex yesterday morning. North East wind backing westerly making birding difficult.

**23rd March 2015 (Gary Flakes)**

Nidderdale, North Yorkshire

Male on North side of Scar House Reservoir, Nidderdale, North Yorkshire.

**22nd March 2015 (Chris Rollie)**

Dumfriesshire and Hundleshope (Peebles)

They're back in Mennock Pass, Dumfriesshire and Hundleshope (Peebles) on 21 March.

**22nd March 2015 (Vic Fairbrother)**

Rosedale North Yorks

Found the first arrival in Rosedale today, 22nd, just a day later than last year.

**20th March 2015 (Jean Smith)**

Anglesey

This morning, Friday March 20th, perched beside A2050 at the Pili Palas roundabout on Anglesey. 1 male.

**16th March 2015 (Bill Gordon)**

Stanage Edge Derbyshire

This morning at 7.30am, 2 male Ring Ouzels flew under Stanage Edge heading towards High Neb.

They're back !