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Editorial note

Fraud in Ornithology

An excellent article entitled "*What the eye doesn't see: the prevalence of fraud in ornithology*" by Andrew H.J. Harrop, J. Martin Collinson and Tim Melling, appeared in *British Birds* Vol. 105 pp.236-257 (May 2012).

Its abstract reads: "*There is a tendency to see examples of fraud in ornithology as rare aberrations. This paper outlines some known and suspected historical examples of fraud, and argues that fraud of one kind or another has occurred more or less consistently, if uncommonly, in ornithology. Although most of the examples discussed are from Britain, it is likely that similar examples could be found in the archives of many nations. It is also highly likely that small-scale fraud continues today and is something that the ornithological community should be aware of. In particular, this has implications for the level of proof required by those assessing records of rarities.*"

The authors outline some of their reasons "*for believing that the scale of the problem has perhaps been underestimated or (latterly) even denied*" and emphasize that "*there is evidence to suggest that fraud continues to the present day, and that the lessons should not be forgotten.*"

They then write on "*The psychology of fraud – motivation and opportunity*". Amongst various motives, which in some cases have been financial, the authors state categorically that probably the most common motivation for fraud, particularly where the sighting and reporting of rarities are concerned, "*is the desire for recognition among peers or rivals*". They add that "*Photographs alone are no longer considered proof in the birding community, since they can be manipulated and their associated EXIF data (embedded details about equipment used and date/time of image capture) tampered with. Sometimes fraud may be fuelled by rivalry, such that sightings are embellished or even fabricated to compete with rivals' sightings.*"

The authors write at length about "*Pranks, hoaxes and fraud*"; "*Fraud in early natural history*"; "*The Hasting rarities*"; "*Taxidermy*"; and "*Scientific fraud*" amongst several other topics. Under the topic "*Modern field ornithology*" the authors state that in the light of what birders know about the history of fraud one would think "*that modern field ornithology should be relatively free from it. The evidence, however, suggests that the conclusion would be premature.*"

Under the topic "*Manipulation of descriptions*" the authors write: "*In the most extreme cases, this may involve the complete fabrication of a rarity record, with submission of a description based on field-guide accounts*" and may also involve the embellishment of descriptions with "*the inclusion of photographs taken elsewhere, to 'corroborate' the sighting*". They also give various several examples of fraud by some birders and state that "*Fraud using photographs is perhaps the easiest to attempt*" adding that "*EXIF data are a key component of the validation of rarity photographs but can be modified using freely available software.*" They also stated that "*It seems that taking digital images abroad then claiming that they were taken in Britain is becoming the modern equivalent of importing specimens then claiming that they were obtained in Britain - a twenty-first century incarnation of 'what's hit is history.'*"

In our view, the latter quotation is a fine example of what has happened, and is still happening here, with the frequent underhand illegal importation of many dead carcasses or skins of birds from various countries and then claimed to have been recorded in Malta. Some have also appeared in print. In some cases we seem to be going back, and in some instances dishonestly, to those days when a mounted bird in a private collection represents unquestionable proof.

RINGING REPORT FOR 2006 TO 2016

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This report covers the ringing activities of the BirdLife Malta Bird Ringing Scheme for the years 2006 to 2016. During the years under review, the licensed ringers were: John Attard Montalto, Martin Austad, Ian Balzan, John J. Borg, Denis Cachia, Victor Cilia, Charles Coleiro, Jean Paul Farrugia, Nicholas Galea, Raymond Galea, Charles Gauci, Mario V. Gauci, Mark Gauci, John Grech, Emanuel Mallia, Joseph M. Mangion, Benjamin Metzger, Glenn Micallef, Patrick Sammut, Joe Sultana, Nadia Tschovikov, Justin Vassallo, and Adin Vella. Throughout the period under review several foreign ringers were granted temporary local ringing licenses to assist in fieldwork mainly related to seabird studies and bird ringing on Comino.

EURING

Throughout the period under review the BirdLife Malta ringing scheme remained a full member of EURING, with BirdLife Malta hosting the biannual EURING general assembly in Malta in November 2011. The ringing group was also represented in Hungary in August 2007, in Italy in September 2009 and in Spain in September 2015. In occasion of the 2015 general assembly the BirdLife Malta ringing scheme gave a presentation about the 50 years of ringing which were celebrated in 2015. Malta was also in the news again when EURING celebrated the 10 millionth entry into its European Databank with this bird being a Swallow *Hirundo rustica* ringed in Malta on the 16th of April 2011 and controlled in the Czech Republic in June of the same year.

RINGING TOTALS

The ringing totals for the years 2006 to 2016 are shown in table 1, along with the totals for the whole period of the BirdLife Malta Bird Ringing Scheme, covering the period 1965 to 2016.

Year	Number of Birds	Number of Species
2006	15,377	106
2007	12,241	102
2008	11,399	98
2009	12,365	97
2010	11,673	103
2011	14,454	100
2012	18,499	103
2013	28,595	109
2014	18,306	97
2015	15,439	109
2016	17,819	108
Grand total 1965 – 2016	586,567	223 + 2 hybrids

Table 1 Ringing totals for the years 2006 - 2016

For the period of 2006 to 2016 a total of 176,164 birds, representing 173 species were ringed. Of these, 24 species were new to the ringing list namely, **Cattle Egret, Grey Heron, Purple Heron, Marsh Harrier, Montagu's Harrier, Black-winged Stilt, European Golden Plover, Dotterel, Black Tern, Long-eared Owl, Pallid Swift, European Roller, Lesser Kestrel, Blue Tit, Great Tit, Mountain Chiffchaff, Menetries's Warbler, Moltoni's Warbler, Red-flanked Bluetail, Atlas Flycatcher, Moussier's Redstart, Great Grey Shrike, Pine Bunting, and Laughing Dove.** Additionally during the period under review a number of very scarce migrants or vagrants were also ringed. These include the 4th **Baillon's Crake**, the 2nd and 3rd **Marsh Sandpiper**, the 2nd **Barn Owl**, the 2nd and 3rd **Pallas's Leaf Warbler**, the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th **Dusky Warbler**, the 3rd **Barred Warbler**, the 5th **Western Orphean Warbler**, the 4th **Paddyfield Warbler** and the 7th **Isabelline Wheatear**.

As can be evidenced from the ringing totals, the ringing status of some species changed drastically. Clear examples of this are the **Common Swift** and the **Pallid Swift** with birds ringed regularly from 2009 onwards when the species started breeding locally. Other species like the **European Bee-eater** and **Yellow-browed Warbler** showed an increase in numbers ringed as a result of their increase in European distribution. The increase in **Yelkouan Shearwaters** ringed came as a result of the various EU LIFE projects administered by BirdLife Malta in connection with the species.

RINGING SITES

The main ringing sites in the 10 year period were Għadira Nature Reserve, Simar Nature Reserve, Rabat (M), Buskett Bird Sanctuary, Salina Bird Sanctuary, Ta' Gajdoru (G), Żurrieq, Tarġa Gap (Mosta) and Mtaħleb. Additionally, bird ringing was carried out annually on the island of Comino in the period mid-April to mid-May and then again mid-October to first week of November. Annual visits to Filfla were also undertaken and intensified as part of BirdLife Malta's EU-funded studies on seabirds. As in past years, the plateau of Filfla was also visited annually with the aim of ringing Yellow-legged Gull chicks. A number of new accessible breeding sites for Yelkouan and Scopoli's Shearwaters were also identified and monitored regularly.

EURING NUMBER	MALTA SPECIES LIST	Total ringed 1965 to 2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total ringed 1965 to 2016
01790	Eurasian Wigeon <i>Anas penelope</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
01840	Eurasian Teal <i>Anas crecca</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
01860	Mallard <i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5
01890	Pintail <i>Anas acuta</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
01910	Garganey <i>Anas querquedula</i>	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
03700	Common Quail <i>Coturnix coturnix</i>	29	2	0	0	2	5	3	3	1	1	1	2	49
03550	Chukar Partridge <i>Alectoris chukar</i>	2	4	5	2	3	5	2	2	3	0	1	0	29
00360	Scopoli's Shearwater <i>Calonectris diomedea</i>	2,818	31	50	9	51	17	37	110	176	77	59	88	3,523
00460	Manx Shearwater <i>Puffinus puffinus</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
00462	Yelkouan Shearwater <i>Puffinus yelkouan</i>	616	6	58	144	102	20	11	31	412	351	96	196	2,043
00520	European Storm-petrel <i>Hydrobates pelagicus</i>	19,257	93	391	415	639	249	642	2,055	4,659	661	526	781	30,368
00950	Eurasian Bittern <i>Botaurus stellaris</i>	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
00980	Little Bittern <i>Ixobrychus minutus</i>	99	0	6	3	0	2	6	1	4	4	6	1	132
01040	Night Heron <i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	15	0	0	1	0	3	2	1	0	0	1	1	24
01080	Squacco Heron <i>Ardeola ralloides</i>	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
01110	Cattle Egret <i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
01190	Little Egret <i>Egretta garzetta</i>	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	6
01220	Grey Heron <i>Ardea cinerea</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3
01240	Purple Heron <i>Ardea purpurea</i>	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
01440	Eurasian Spoonbill <i>Platalea leucorodia</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
00070	Little Grebe <i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
00090	Great Crested Grebe <i>Podiceps cristatus</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
00120	Black-necked Grebe <i>Podiceps nigricollis</i>	20	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	2	3	30

02310	Honey-buzzard <i>Pernis apivorus</i>	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
02380	Black Kite <i>Milvus migrans</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
02600	Marsh Harrier <i>Circus aeruginosus</i>	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	6
12620	Pallid Harrier <i>Circus macrourus</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
02630	Montagu's Harrier <i>Circus pygargus</i>	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
02690	Eurasian Sparrowhawk <i>Accipiter nisus</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	4
04070	Water Rail <i>Rallus aquaticus</i>	244	5	8	18	2	7	4	3	1	2	4	4	302
04080	Spotted Crake <i>Porzana porzana</i>	77	0	2	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	83
04100	Little Crake <i>Porzana parva</i>	37	2	2	2	4	5	0	1	0	0	1	0	54
04110	Baillon's Crake <i>Porzana pusilla</i>	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4
04210	Com Crake <i>Crex crex</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
04240	Moorhen <i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	534	9	15	25	10	10	7	7	3	4	10	10	644
04250	Allen's Gallinule <i>Porphyrio alleni</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
04290	Common Coot <i>Fulica atra</i>	15	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16
04590	Stone-curlew <i>Burhinus oediconemus</i>	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
04550	Black-winged Stilt <i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	3	6
04860	Grey Plover <i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
04850	European Golden Plover <i>Pluvialis apricaria</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
04820	Dotterel <i>Charadrius morinellus</i>	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	7	0	0	1	10
04700	Ringed Plover <i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>	78	7	1	0	3	0	3	4	1	1	1	3	102
04690	Little Ringed Plover <i>Charadrius dubius</i>	309	27	15	9	18	7	3	14	10	2	2	5	421
04930	Northern Lapwing <i>Vanellus vanellus</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
04770	Kentish Plover <i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
05380	Whimbrel <i>Numenius phaeopus</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
05320	Black-tailed Godwit <i>Limosa limosa</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
05610	Turnstone <i>Arenaria interpres</i>	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7

05170	Ruff <i>Calidris pugnax</i>	89	2	2	0	0	4	0	1	0	0	1	0	99
05140	Broad-billed Sandpiper <i>Calidris falcinellus</i>	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
05090	Curlew Sandpiper <i>Calidris ferruginea</i>	174	7	3	0	7	2	2	0	1	4	0	2	202
05020	Temminck's Stint <i>Calidris temminckii</i>	73	6	2	4	2	1	0	1	3	1	0	2	95
05120	Dunlin <i>Calidris alpina</i>	401	14	14	10	8	14	6	5	0	4	0	24	500
05010	Little Stint <i>Calidris minuta</i>	2,591	155	88	56	66	49	54	32	38	41	20	77	3,267
05560	Common Sandpiper <i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	921	30	29	54	52	27	18	38	37	34	45	29	1,314
05530	Green Sandpiper <i>Tringa ochropus</i>	48	1	0	1	1	2	0	6	2	7	2	6	76
05450	Spotted Redshank <i>Tringa erythropus</i>	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
05480	Greenshank <i>Tringa nebularia</i>	5	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	7
05470	Marsh Sandpiper <i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
05540	Wood Sandpiper <i>Tringa glareola</i>	240	15	13	14	19	2	17	19	5	10	7	9	370
05460	Common Redshank <i>Tringa totanus</i>	52	1	2	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	58
05180	Jack Snipe <i>Lymnocyptes minimus</i>	34	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
05290	Woodcock <i>Scolopax rusticola</i>	10	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	16
05190	Common Snipe <i>Gallinago gallinago</i>	156	1	4	8	3	1	4	4	2	1	0	1	185
05200	Great Snipe <i>Gallinago media</i>	11	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	16
06270	Black Tern <i>Chlidonias niger</i>	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
06280	White-winged Black Tern <i>Chlidonias leucopterus</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
06110	Sandwich Tern <i>Sterna sandvicensis</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
05820	Black-headed Gull <i>Chroicocephalus ridibundus</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
05850	Slender-billed Gull <i>Chroicocephalus genei</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
05750	Mediterranean Gull <i>Larus melanocephalus</i>	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
05927	Yellow-legged Gull <i>Larus michahellis</i>	1,427	50	59	94	107	110	111	2	99	89	95	4	2,247
06840	Collared Dove <i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	2	0	0	0	0	1	8	5	13	15	29	47	120
06870	Turtle Dove <i>Streptopelia turtur</i>	287	20	13	7	8	5	13	4	6	13	5	18	399

06900	Laughing Dove <i>Streptopelia senegalensis</i>	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
07160	Great Spotted Cuckoo <i>Clamator glandarius</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
07240	Common Cuckoo <i>Cuculus canorus</i>	68	4	3	2	2	1	7	2	3	10	14	4	120
07350	Barn Owl <i>Tyto alba</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
07390	Eurasian Scops Owl <i>Otus scops</i>	245	18	21	12	9	10	15	27	73	41	77	22	570
07670	Long-eared Owl <i>Asio otus</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
07680	Short-eared Owl <i>Asio flammeus</i>	5	1	1	0	0	0	1	3	1	0	1	0	13
07780	European Nightjar <i>Caprimulgus europaeus</i>	135	49	19	32	20	18	21	19	68	80	53	46	560
07950	Common Swift <i>Apus apus</i>	57	0	0	0	34	9	1	11	24	89	40	13	278
07960	Pallid Swift <i>Apus pallidus</i>	0	0	0	0	12	4	1	9	17	22	15	6	86
08460	Hoopoe <i>Upupa epops</i>	159	14	11	2	9	9	6	18	11	21	32	14	306
08400	European Bee-eater <i>Merpos apiaster</i>	9	2	5	1	16	4	8	21	69	16	26	7	184
08410	European Roller <i>Coracias garrulus</i>	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
08310	Common Kingfisher <i>Alcedo atthis</i>	590	20	23	44	37	19	30	21	33	40	48	68	973
08480	Wryneck <i>Jynx torquilla</i>	1,034	45	43	32	52	32	29	45	76	49	54	57	1,548
03030	Lesser Kestrel <i>Falco naumanni</i>	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
03040	Common Kestrel <i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	49	4	2	3	2	5	0	2	5	1	0	5	78
03090	Merlin <i>Falco columbarius</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
03100	Hobby <i>Falco subbuteo</i>	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6
16330	Red-eyed Vireo <i>Vireo olivaceus</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
15080	Golden Oriole <i>Oriolus oriolus</i>	678	54	54	11	22	13	27	26	14	49	51	15	1,014
15200	Great Grey Shrike <i>Lanius excubitor</i>	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
15150	Red-backed Shrike <i>Lanius collurio</i>	131	0	3	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	139
32910	Southern Grey Shrike <i>Lanius meridionalis</i>	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
15230	Woodchat Shrike <i>Lanius senator</i>	1,305	92	73	34	38	30	39	46	87	77	66	30	1,917
13140	Goldcrest <i>Regulus regulus</i>	503	10	62	10	3	24	2	68	9	37	30	21	779

13150	Firecrest <i>Regulus ignicapilla</i>	510	36	31	14	6	15	30	24	15	4	18	20	723
14900	Penduline Tit <i>Remiz pendulinus</i>	96	0	7	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	106
14620	Blue Tit <i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
14640	Great Tit <i>Parus major</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
09740	Woodlark <i>Lullula arborea</i>	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
09760	Skylark <i>Alauda arvensis</i>	59	0	0	12	51	20	9	30	51	4	21	18	275
09680	Short-toed Lark <i>Calandrella brachydactyla</i>	316	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	2	0	0	327
09810	Sand Martin <i>Riparia riparia</i>	12,450	216	29	28	80	65	60	41	187	21	9	49	13,235
09920	Barn Swallow <i>Hirundo rustica</i>	40,839	361	513	361	1,569	643	1,054	1,710	2,570	862	543	722	51,747
10010	House Martin <i>Delichon urbicum</i>	11,058	50	15	27	104	74	31	20	36	8	48	17	11,488
09950	Red-rumped Swallow <i>Cecropis daurica</i>	155	2	4	0	8	0	5	3	11	0	3	1	192
12200	Cetti's Warbler <i>Cettia cetti</i>	3,097	162	116	122	149	123	135	175	179	167	196	102	4,723
12930	Greenish Warbler <i>Phylloscopus trochiloides</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
12950	Arctic Warbler <i>Phylloscopus borealis</i>	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
12980	Pallas's Leaf Warbler <i>Phylloscopus proregulus</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	3
13000	Yellow-browed Warbler <i>Phylloscopus inornatus</i>	31	0	0	2	1	5	4	6	33	24	30	61	197
13010	Radde's Warbler <i>Phylloscopus schwarzi</i>	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
13030	Dusky Warbler <i>Phylloscopus fuscatus</i>	4	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	8
13071	Western Bonelli's Warbler <i>Phylloscopus bonelli</i>	10	2	0	0	1	2	2	1	2	2	2	8	32
13072	Eastern Bonelli's Warbler <i>Phylloscopus orientalis</i>	28	3	3	0	3	12	3	2	3	0	0	4	61
13070	Western/Eastern Bonelli's Warbler <i>Phylloscopus bonellii/orientalis</i>	177	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	177
13080	Wood Warbler <i>Phylloscopus sibilatrix</i>	12,630	1,011	844	456	829	732	370	805	1,334	1,309	715	740	21,775
13110	Common Chiffchaff <i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>	40,987	1,210	1,501	1,843	1,270	2,470	2,997	2,372	2,172	2,315	1,486	2,832	63,455
13100	Mountain Chiffchaff <i>Phylloscopus sindianus</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
13120	Willow Warbler <i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>	9,752	118	363	348	308	171	183	357	750	343	442	606	13,741
12770	Blackcap <i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>	16,660	776	780	406	427	447	705	737	1,388	1,312	1,143	1,715	26,496

12760	Garden Warbler <i>Sylvia borin</i>	21,140	1,695	971	766	1,061	943	1,125	1,486	2,916	1,892	1,519	1,438	36,952
12730	Barred Warbler <i>Sylvia nisoria</i>	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3
12740	Lesser Whitethroat <i>Sylvia curruca</i>	73	1	1	5	1	2	1	0	3	1	2	2	92
12720	Western/Eastern Orphean Warbler <i>Sylvia hortensis/crassirostris</i>	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	5
20280	Ménétries's Warbler <i>Sylvia mystacea</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
12690	Rüppell's Warbler <i>Sylvia rueppelli</i>	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
12670	Sardinian Warbler <i>Sylvia melanocephala</i>	20,000	523	495	462	398	432	518	355	628	680	501	562	25,554
12652	Moltoni's Warbler <i>Sylvia subalpina</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
12650	Subalpine Warbler <i>Sylvia cantillans</i>	9,487	187	166	142	184	305	128	246	348	436	531	376	12,536
12750	Common Whitethroat <i>Sylvia communis</i>	6,500	710	403	559	355	241	301	367	984	576	712	504	12,212
12640	Spectacled Warbler <i>Sylvia conspicillata</i>	1,379	9	4	5	13	9	6	2	78	25	3	10	1,543
12620	Dartford Warbler <i>Sylvia undata</i>	41	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	43
12360	Grasshopper Warbler <i>Locustella naevia</i>	9	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	12
12370	River Warbler <i>Locustella fluviatilis</i>	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
12380	Savi's Warbler <i>Locustella luscinioides</i>	70	1	5	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	81
12551	Eastern Olivaceous Warbler <i>Iduna pallida</i>	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
12552	Western Olivaceous Warbler <i>Iduna opaca</i>	5	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	1	1	11
12550	Eastern/Western Olivaceous Warbler <i>Iduna pallidalopaca</i>	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
12590	Icterine Warbler <i>Hippolais icterina</i>	3,050	56	99	84	78	90	121	166	182	216	91	194	4,427
12600	Melodious Warbler <i>Hippolais polyglotta</i>	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
12410	Moustached Warbler <i>Acrocephalus melanopogon</i>	153	2	0	2	4	3	10	7	2	5	4	3	195
12430	Sedge Warbler <i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>	4,164	218	105	128	163	172	93	68	455	130	82	245	6,023
12470	Paddyfield Warbler <i>Acrocephalus agricola</i>	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	5
12480	Blyth's Reed Warbler <i>Acrocephalus dumetorum</i>	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
12500	Marsh Warbler <i>Acrocephalus palustris</i>	62	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	65
12510	Reed Warbler <i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>	3,216	103	71	79	102	80	61	52	103	88	78	79	4,112

12530	Great Reed Warbler <i>Acrocephalus arundinaceus</i>	2,132	84	30	44	90	66	42	45	156	68	62	96	2,915
12260	Zitting Cisticola <i>Cisticola juncidis</i>	8,904	121	151	125	131	111	95	69	142	93	90	99	10,131
10660	Wren <i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24
15820	Common Starling <i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	373	106	8	116	81	51	84	66	136	16	23	12	1,072
11860	Ring Ouzel <i>Turdus torquatus</i>	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
11870	Blackbird <i>Turdus merula</i>	303	5	13	4	5	11	25	16	5	11	18	12	428
11980	Fieldfare <i>Turdus pilaris</i>	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
12000	Song Thrush <i>Turdus philomelos</i>	2,175	145	56	121	64	80	140	167	242	111	147	113	3,561
12010	Redwing <i>Turdus iliacus</i>	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37
10950	Rufous-tailed Scrub Robin <i>Cercotrichas galactotes</i>	13	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	16
13350	Spotted Flycatcher <i>Muscicapa striata</i>	3,461	226	119	80	142	82	165	179	179	304	63	133	5,133
10990	Robin <i>Erithacus rubecula</i>	62,412	3,475	1,873	1,937	1,305	1,684	2,469	3,628	3,901	2,425	2,321	2,768	90,198
11030	Thrush Nightingale <i>Luscinia luscinia</i>	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
11040	Common Nightingale <i>Luscinia megarhynchos</i>	2,938	90	68	29	47	78	35	62	112	77	98	46	3,680
11060	Bluethroat <i>Luscinia svecica</i>	1	3	2	2	1	3	3	6	1	4	7	5	38
11050	Siberian Rubythroat <i>Calliope calliope</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
11130	Red-flanked Bluetail <i>Tarsiger cyanurus</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
13430	Red-breasted Flycatcher <i>Ficedula parva</i>	126	5	3	3	1	1	1	2	0	8	5	2	157
13470	Semi-collared Flycatcher <i>Ficedula semitorquata</i>	23	4	1	0	3	12	4	3	0	0	14	0	64
13480	Collared Flycatcher <i>Ficedula albicollis</i>	1,037	57	20	17	14	47	112	14	77	49	256	53	1,753
13490	Pied Flycatcher <i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>	5,373	271	191	221	169	135	173	166	344	436	400	235	8,114
	Atlas Flycatcher <i>Ficedula speculigera</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
11210	Black Redstart <i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>	668	54	55	41	35	30	90	189	125	79	81	60	1,507
11220	Common Redstart <i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>	3,735	82	97	91	85	69	75	115	227	152	122	205	5,055
11270	Moussier's Redstart <i>Phoenicurus moussieri</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
11620	Rock Thrush <i>Monticola saxatilis</i>	14	1	1	0	2	3	1	1	0	0	1	0	24

11660	Blue Rock Thrush <i>Monticola solitarius</i>	199	6	6	7	15	6	20	8	14	17	14	26	338
11370	Whinchat <i>Saxicola rubetra</i>	2,987	266	307	145	152	165	223	219	260	198	135	113	5,170
11390	European Stonechat <i>Saxicola rubicola</i>	3,494	85	61	163	79	82	175	178	148	55	51	69	4,640
11460	Northern Wheatear <i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>	355	12	5	4	6	6	12	6	22	10	22	7	467
11440	Isabelline Wheatear <i>Oenanthe isabellina</i>	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7
11480	Black-eared Wheatear <i>Oenanthe hispanica</i>	60	2	6	0	1	5	4	2	2	4	1	5	92
10840	Dunnock <i>Prunella modularis</i>	3,093	224	146	72	210	189	304	221	339	231	176	581	5,786
15920	Spanish Sparrow <i>Passer hispaniolensis</i>	32,086	1,275	984	879	880	664	730	859	1,081	1,055	1,070	782	42,345
15980	Tree Sparrow <i>Passer montanus</i>	1,415	116	49	45	74	47	51	87	179	114	185	80	2,442
10170	Yellow Wagtail <i>Motacilla flava</i>	5,924	172	45	79	66	36	57	47	65	15	26	57	6,589
10190	Grey Wagtail <i>Motacilla cinerea</i>	828	2	7	5	4	5	3	2	6	9	8	5	884
10200	White Wagtail/Pied Wagtail <i>Motacilla alba</i>	2,028	48	115	32	4	31	14	17	62	9	41	55	2,456
10020	Richard's Pipit <i>Anthus richardi</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
10050	Tawny Pipit <i>Anthus campestris</i>	13	1	2	0	0	0	5	0	2	2	3	0	28
10080	Olive-backed Pipit <i>Anthus hodgsoni</i>	5	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	2	1	0	0	11
10090	Tree Pipit <i>Anthus trivialis</i>	2,114	46	38	66	48	95	51	175	178	185	188	130	3,314
10110	Meadow Pipit <i>Anthus pratensis</i>	4,201	102	67	70	35	55	114	164	123	37	123	96	5,187
10120	Red-throated Pipit <i>Anthus cervinus</i>	78	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	83
10140	Water Pipit <i>Anthus spinoletta</i>	19	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	22
10142	Rock Pipit <i>Anthus petrosus</i>	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
16380	Brambling <i>Fringilla montifringilla</i>	9	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
16360	Common Chaffinch <i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	1,186	13	5	18	44	16	27	28	16	92	17	14	1,476
17170	Hawfinch <i>Coccothraustes coccothraustes</i>	7	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	94	0	0	103
16790	Common Rosefinch <i>Erythrina erythrina</i>	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	11
16490	Greenfinch <i>Chloris chloris</i>	429	1	2	5	1	3	1	0	0	4	1	2	449
16600	Linnet <i>Linaria cannabina</i>	933	0	1	2	0	0	0	1	2	18	0	0	957

16660	Common Crossbill <i>Loxia curvirostra</i>	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	26
16530	Goldfinch <i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	34	1	56
16400	European Serin <i>Serinus serinus</i>	323	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	14	0	1	340
16540	Siskin <i>Spinus spinus</i>	13	3	1	2	0	0	0	1	1	2	1	0	24
18470	Lapland Bunting <i>Calcarius lapponicus</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
16820	Corn Bunting <i>Emberiza calandra</i>	446	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	449
18680	Cretzschmar's Bunting <i>Emberiza caesia</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
18660	Ortolan Bunting <i>Emberiza hortulana</i>	3	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	12
18560	Pine Bunting <i>Emberiza leucocephala</i>	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
18580	Cirl Bunting <i>Emberiza cirlus</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
18570	Yellowhammer <i>Emberiza citrinella</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
18770	Reed Bunting <i>Emberiza schoeniclus</i>	323	3	66	42	35	9	43	43	18	16	12	7	617
18760	Yellow-breasted Bunting <i>Emberiza aureola</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
18750	Chestnut Bunting <i>Emberiza rutila</i>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
18740	Little Bunting <i>Emberiza pusilla</i>	10	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	16
18730	Rustic Bunting <i>Emberiza rustica</i>	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19
	Barn Swallow <i>Hirundo rustica</i> X House Martin <i>Delichon urbicum</i>	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	6
	Tree Sparrow <i>Passer montanus</i> X Spanish Sparrow <i>Passer hispaniolensis</i>	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
TOTAL		410,400	15,377	12,241	11,399	12,365	11,673	14,454	18,499	28,595	18,306	15,439	17,819	586,567

RINGING RECOVERIES

Key to symbols and terms used in the recovery list.

Arrangement of entry

Recoveries are arranged by species and within species usually by date of the recovery letter. Ringing details are given on the first line and recovery data on the second.

Ring number

A ring in italics indicates that the ring has been returned and verified.

Age code

1 pullus; young bird ringed in the nest. A number in brackets beside this age code indicates brood size

2 fully grown; year of hatching quite unknown

3 definitely hatched during current calendar year

3J as in 3, but bird still partly or totally in juvenile body plumage

4 hatched before current calendar year - exact year unknown

5 definitely hatched during last calendar year

Sex

M male

F female

Date of recovery

Where this is unknown the date of the reporting letter is given instead and is shown in brackets. A 00 in the date indicates that the exact day or month are unknown.

Manner of recovery

v caught or trapped, and released with ring (controlled)

+ shot or killed by man

x found dead or dying

xA found long dead

() caught or trapped alive and not released, or released but with ring removed

B breeding when recovered

C recovered at colony

R recovered in roost

S sight record (colour ring)

/?/ manner of recovery unknown

FOREIGN RINGED BIRDS RECOVERED IN MALTA

Storm-petrel *Hydrobates pelagicus*

KN16489 1 19.06.2003 Isola Marettimo: 37°57'N; 12°03'E, Favignana, Trapani (IA63), **Italy**

 v 10.08.2009 Filfla: 35°47'N; 14°25'E

KN23928 1 23.08.2011 Isola Marettimo: 37°57'N; 12°03'E, Favignana, Trapani (IA63), **Italy**

 v 01.07.2012 Filfla

Purple Heron *Ardea purpurea*

8-004057 1 17.06.2003 Fao (Corral Pollos): 37°04'N; 02°22'E. Donana NP, **Spain**

 x 08.04.2007 l/o Żurrieq: 35.49'N; 14.28'E

Spoonbill *Platalea leucorodia*

Darvic- ICP 1 07.04.1994 Mar del Donana: 37°10'N; 06°58'E, **Spain**

 S 08.04.2003 Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa

Black -IXC 1 27.04.2000 Valli di Comacchio: 44°40'N; 12°12'E, Dosso di Fuori, **Italy**

 S 10.03.2009 Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa (sighting)

Darvic-YaY/RLBf 1 13.06.2009 Fejer: 46°51'N; 18°35'E, Retszilas, **Hungary**

HGB PH00071 S 30.06.2011 Salina Salt pans: 35°56'N; 14°27'E, St. Paul's Bay (sight record)

Greater Flamingo <i>Phoenicopterus roseus</i>			
E11287	1	26.07.2008	Saline di Macchiarèdu: 39°13'N; 09°02'E, Cagliari, Sardegna, Italy
Black M393 on white	S	01.12.2008 11.12.2008	Salina, l/o St. Paul's Bay (sight record) Sighted at Saline di Priolo, Sicily, Italy
White Stork <i>Ciconia ciconia</i>			
IAB PA190	1	09.06.2014	Fagagna: 46°06'N; 13°05'E, Udine (IA34), Italy
	S	15.09.2014	Qormi: 35°52'N; 14°27'E (sight record)
SVS2072	1	18.08.2015	Skåne Län, Veberöd, 55° 38'N 13° 34'E Hemmestorps Mölla, (SV63) Sweden
white-orange-black	S	02.10.2015	Mdina (sight record)
SVS1927	1	18.08.2015	Skåne Län, Veberöd, 55° 38'N 13° 34'E Hemmestorps Mölla, (SV63) Sweden
green-black-orange	S	02.10.2015	Mdina (sight record)
SVS2054	1	25.06.2015	Skåne Län, Lövestad, 55° 40'N 13° 53'E Heingetorp, (SV63) Sweden
white-pink-L blue	S	02.10.2015	Mdina (sight record)
SVS1932	1	18.08.2015	Skåne Län, Veberöd, 55° 38'N 13° 34'E Hemmestorps Mölla, (SV63) Sweden
green-red-black	S	02.10.2015	Mdina (sight record)
SVS2031	1	16.06.2015	Skåne Län, Veberöd, 55° 38'N 13° 34'E Hemmestorps Mölla (SV63) Sweden
white-red-yellow	S	02.10.2015	Mdina (sight record)
SVS2029	1	16.06.2015	Skåne Län, Veberöd, 55° 38'N 13° 34'E Hemmestorps Mölla, (SV63) Sweden
white-green-black	S	02.10.2015	Mdina (sight record)
SVS2068	1	18.08.2015	Skåne Län, Veberöd, 55° 38'N 13° 34'E Hemmestorps Mölla, (SV63) Sweden
white-green-D blue	S	02.10.2015	Mdina (sight record)
Lesser Spotted Eagle <i>Aquila pomarina</i>			
CA007 795	1 (2/2)	15.07.2007	State of Brandenburg 52°15'N; 12°33'E, Germany
AAATTT (White)	+	23.09.2007	Birzebbuga 35°49'N; 14°31'E
Osprey <i>Pandion haliaetus</i>			
M54233	1	10.06.2006	Ruovesi, Hame, Finland
	+	02.10.2006	Fomm ir-Riħ 35°51'N; 14°21'E
M37758	1	04.07.1995	Pernaja, Uusimaa, Finland
	+	00.09.2002	Žejtun: 35°51'N; 14°32'E
M49215	1	03.07.2003	Tammisaari: 59°58'N; 23°26'E, Uusimaa, Finland
	+	15.10.2003	35.55'N; 14.25'E, Malta
Marsh Harrier <i>Circus aeruginosus</i>			
H166 780	1	05.07.2005	Kiikoinen: 61°30'N; 22°36'E, Turku – Pori, Finland
	+	09.04.2007	Wied Qannotta: 35°55'N; 14°25'E, Burmarrad
D122558	1	20.06.2000	Jezerce: 49°45'N; 12°56'E, Plzensky (Tachov), Czech Republic
	+	02.10.2005	off Delimara: 35°52'N; 14°32'E
Honey Buzzard <i>Pernis apivorus</i>			
394887	1	31.07.1985	Zabeltitz: 51°21'N; 13°30'E, Gropenhain, Sachsen, Germany
	+	(04.09.2015)*	Found in confiscated collection. * date when reported
Eleonora`s Falcon <i>Falco eleonora</i>			
GN52276	1	22.09.2005	Toro Island: 38°51'N; 08°24'E, Sardinia, Italy
	+	00.00.2005	Gozo
E003824	1	16.09.2005	South-east Aegian: 36°20'N; 14°22'E, Aegian Islands, Greece
	+	00.03.2010*	Malta *date when reported, found in private collection
Common Kestrel <i>Falco tinnunculus</i>			
718 2964	1	27.06.2006	Anaset: 64°17'N; 21°04'E, Vasterbotten, AC, Sweden
	+	14.05.2007	Nadur 36°04'N; 14°16'E, Gozo

S267 820	1 +	12.06.2006 19.04.2007	Palkane: 61° 21'N; 24° 14'E, Hame Finland 36.04'N; 14.16'E Gozo
S264 583	1 +	22.06.2006 02.10.2006	Jokioinen: 60.48'N; 23.26'E, Hame Finland Malta International Airport, 35.52'N; 14.29'E Luqa
S135166	1 +	01.07.1991 (01.01.1992)	Ylistaro: 62.53'N; 22.38'E, Vaasa, Finland found in private stuffed bird collection
301059	1 +	14.06.1997 00.10.2004	Mali Pesak: 46.04'N; 02.00'E, Kanjiza, Vojvodina (RS78), Serbia ring on stuffed Hobby <i>Falco subbuteo</i> in private collection
S240358	1 x	19.06.2003 15.09.2003	Valkeakoski: 61.14'N; 23.53'E, Hame, Finland Qrendi
S23034	1 1 +F	21.07.2003 00.10.2003	Savitaipale: 61.07'N; 27.39'E, Kymi, Finland Bidnija: 35.54'N; 14.25'E, Mosta
S187447	1 x	07.07.1999 22.11.2001	Kurikka: 62.35'N; 22.30'E, Vaasa, Finland Madliena: 35.56'N; 14.28'E
S305441	1 +	10.06.2009 21.10.2010	Loimaa: 61.01'N; 23.05'E, Turko-Pori, Finland Hal Far: 35.50'N; 14.27'E
K100758	1 (5/5) +	22.06.2011 00.00.2012	Saint-Aubin-Sauges: 46.53'N; 06.45'E, Neuchatel, Switzerland Malta – found dead in freezer
Lesser Kestrel <i>Falco naumanni</i>			
T46581	3	31.08.2001	San Giuliano: 40.37'N; 16.31'E, Lago di Matera (IA56) Italy
Blue Ring 1337	+	24.09.2002	Malta
Dunlin <i>Calidris alpina</i>			
CS30951	4	21.09.2015	Tiligulskiy liman: 46.44'N; 31.11'E, Chervonoukrainka, Mikolayiv O., Ukraine
	S	24.09.2015	Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa (Blue ring 154 - sight record)
Great Snipe <i>Gallinago media</i>			
DA367 771	2M	13.06.2005	Fundin: 62.21'N; 09.51'E SV Folldal, Hedmark, Norway
	x	17.04.2006	Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
Wood Sandpiper <i>Tringa glareola</i>			
OA0073524	2	05.08.1999	Gulper See: 52.45'N; 12.16'E, Havelland, Brandenburg, Germany
	x	23.09.2002	Marsaskala: 35.52'N; 14.34'E
Great Skua <i>Stercorarius skua</i>			
HT92238	1	19.07.2003	Foula: 60.08'N; 02.04'W, Shetland Islands, Scotland
	+	(01.01.2009)	offshore – found in private collection
Yellow-legged Gull <i>Larus michahellis</i>			
Blue/white IBZX	1	29.05.1999	Isola Zanone: 40.58'N; 13.04'E Ponza, Latina, Italy
	x	winter 2000/01	off Comino. Metal ring was not found!
Lesser Black-backed Gull <i>Larus fuscus</i>			
HT263 834	1	08.07.2006	Kontiolahti: 62.48'N; 29.43'E, Pohjois –Karjala Finland
C40X (red)	+	20.11.2006	North-east coast: 35.57'N; 14.27'E
HT237654	3	28.06.2002	Vehkalahti: 60.24'N; 27.30'E, Kymi, Finland
C656 (white)	xA	18.04.2008	Ras il-Griebeġ: 35.58'N; 14.23'E Mellieħa
Slender-billed Gull <i>Croicocephalus genei</i>			
5098917	1	26.06.1005	Punta la Banya: 40.38'N; 00.35'E, Sant Carles la Rapita Tarragona, Spain
	v	17.12.2005	Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa (ident through CR 6PM White)
Turtle Dove <i>Streptopelia turtur</i>			
H113 760	4	20.04.2005	Isola San Andrea: 40.30'N; 17.57'E, Gallipoli, Lecce (IA52) Italy
	+	00.04.2006	Xagħra 36.04'N; 14.16'E, Gozo
H109999	4M	29.04.1998	M. Brisighella: 43.56'N; 12.50'E, Pesaro Urbino (IA30), Italy
	+	(15.05.2013)	Malta
HA07154	3	16.08.2012	Kulsovát (Banhalmapuszta): 47.16'N; 17.13'E, Veszprem (HG37) Hungary
	+	24.04.2015	Gozo

Sand Martin <i>Riparia riparia</i>			
T431 267	4F	10.07.2004	Timar (Homokbanya): 48.08'N; 21.27'E Szabolcs-Szatmar-Bereg Hungary
	v	26.04.2006	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
P75199	3	27.08.2004	Mlync: 50.19'N; 15.14'E, Kralovehradecky (Jicin), Czech Republic
	v	11.09.2004	Lunzjata Valley, Gozo
285167	1	16.06.2000	Rautalampi: 62.39'N; 26.47'E, Kuopio, Finland
	4	06.05.2002	Lunzjata Valley, Gozo
AE86651	2M	13.06.2008	Papendrecht Het Nieuwland: 51.51'N; 04.41'E, Zuig-Holland, Holland
	v	13.04.2009	Salina, l/o St. Paul's Bay
W189958	3	30.06.2012	Doge (Homokbanya): 48.16'N; 22.02'E, Szabolcs-Szatmar-Bereg Hungary
	v	18.04.2013	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
KX10466	2M	10.06.2012	Chorzow-Maciejkowice: 50.19'N; 18.58'E, Sloskie, Poland
	v	23.04.2013	Marsalforn Valley: 36.03'N; 14.16'E, Gozo
Barn Swallow <i>Hirundo rustica</i>			
AS30640	3	20.08.2003	Donegaglia Bellaria-Igea, Marina Rimini (IA3-) 44.07'N; 12.27'E, Italy
	v	30.03.2007	Kapuċċini Valley: 36.04'N; 14.15'E, Marsalforn Valley, Gozo
T 57383	3	03.08.2005	Farmos: 47.21'N; 19.49'E, (Gatorhaz), Pest, Hungary
	v	06.04.2007	Simar Nature Reserve: 35.57'N; 14.23'E, St. Paul's Bay
KP87092	3	26.08.2005	Bonfika: 45.34'N; 13.45'E, Srmin, Koper, Slovenia
	v	02.04.2007	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa 35.58'N; 14.21'E
KP83 657	3	30.08.2006	Notranje Gorice: 45.59'N; 14.25'E. Ljubljansko barje Slovenia
	v	02.10.2006	Rabat
BB73299	3F	15.08.2004	Vransko Lake: 43.53'N; 15.33'E, Pakostane, (HR05) Croatia
	v	20.04.2005	Rabat
XU 7116	3	18.09.2005	Sawall: 52.04'N; 14.12'E, 1kmE. Oder-Spree, Brandenburg, Germany
	v	06.10.2005	Ramla Valley, Gozo
AS54225	3	12.09.2004	S.Anna: 44.36'N; 11.00'E, Castelfranco Emilia Mo (IA14) Italy
	v	04.10.2004	Buskett, Rabat
BN75899	3	08.09.1999	Kinna: 57.33'N; 12.42'E, Rydal, P.Vastergotland, Sweden
	x	15.10.2003	Qrendi: 35.50'N; 14.27'E
ZA12588	1	23.08.2004	Rosenhain: 51.08'N; 14.46'E, 3km NE, Lobao-Zittau, Sachsen, Germany
	v	11.10.2004	Buskett, Rabat
AM72764	3	24.08.2001	Idrovore Lauro: 41.53'N; 15.33'E, Lesina FG (IA55), Italy
	v	30.03.2004	Lunzjata Valley, Gozo
AE87236	3	09.09.2001	Laghetto Legnochinica: 39.21'N; 16.12'E, Rende, CS (IA44), Italy
	v	30.03.2004	Lunzjata Valley, Gozo
T104448	3	15.07.2002	Keszthely-Fenekpustza: 46.43'N; 17.15'E, Hungary
	v	09.04.2003	Marsalforn Valley, Gozo
T115718	3	01.08.2000	Hansag: 47.41'N; 17.21'E, Feherto, Gyor-Moson-Sopron (HG32), Hungary
	v	09.04.2003	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
KL14036	3	27.08.1999	Vrhnika: 45.58'N; 14.18'E, Slovenia
	v	12.04.2002	Lunzjata Valley, Gozo
AL23654	4F	31.08.2000	Metilde-Sannicandro: 41.53'N; 15.33'E, Garnacio, Foggia, Italy
	v	24.04.2002	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
AM23139	3	02.09.2001	For.Ce- Bellaria-Igea Marina: 44.08'N; 12.27'E, Rimini, Italy
	v	16.04.2002	Lunzjata Valley, Gozo

KM34579	3 v	08.09.2001 24.04.2002	Pristavica: 46.12'N; 15.39'E, Rogaska Slatina, Slovenia Lunzjata Valley, Gozo
KM37179	1 v	23.06.2004 13.04.2008	Breg: 46.02'N; 15.14'E, Okroglice, Zidani Most, Slovenia Salina: 35.55'N; 14.25'E, St. Paul's Bay
AN17061	3 v	25.08.2002 21.03.2009	Metilde: 41.89'N; 15.56'E, Sannicandro Garganico, Foggia IA55, Italy Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
5163006	3 v	12.08.2005 13.04.2009	Mars-Ouset: 47.02'N; 01.38'E, Saint-Philbert-de-Grand-Lieu, Loire-Atlantique, France Marsalforn Valley : 36.03'N ; 14.15'E, Gozo
9L14222	2M v	23.07.2004 17.04.2009	Omo: 55.10'N; 11.09'E, Skaeokor, Sjaelland, Denmark Salina l/o St. Paul's Bay
BE49504	3 v	26.08.2008 17.04.2009	Jezero: 45.10'N; 14.34'E, Njivice, o.Krk (HR04), Croatia Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
AZ25128	3 v	03.08.2008 22.04.2009	Canton Magistris: 45.56'N; 08.30'E, Verbania (IA0-), Italy Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
BH01019	3 v	02.08.2009 29.03.2011	Vid: 43.05'N; 17.38'E, Metkovic (HR05), Croatia Salina, l/o St. Paul's Bay
BH22464	3 v	23.08.2010 16.04.2011	Jezero: 45.10'N; 14.34'E, Njivice, o.Krk (HR04), Croatia Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
X861373	3J v	07.08.2009 09.04.2012	Near Boughton: 25.35'N; 00.31'E, Stoke Ferry Rg, Norfolk, England Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
L486230	3J v	31.08.2010 10.04.2012	Westwick: 54.05'N; 01.29'E, Near Bishop Monkton Rd, North Yorkshire, England Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
12386343	3 v	18.09.2011 16.04.2012	Wibrin: 35.57'N; 14.23'E, Luxembourg BL25, Belgium Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
2A65167	4 v	30.04.2009 18.04.2012	Canton Magistris: 45.94'N; 08.51'E, Verbania, Italy Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
5A57363	1 v	15.07.2011 19.04.2012	Stacca-Gussago: 45.58'N; 10.13'E, Brescia (IA30), Italy Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
KS51065	3 v	02.08.2011 19.04.2012	Nrsz: 45.32'N; 13.45'E, Loper, Slovenia Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
3A43882	3 v	13.09.2011 21.04.2012	Fanano-Gradara: 43.95'N; 12.76'E, Pesaro, Urbino (IA30), Italy Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
L355118	1 v	31.05.2011 21.04.2012	Rye Farm: 54.21'N; 01.13'E, Snilesworth, North Yorkshire, England Wied l-Aħmar, Comino
8H43756	3 v	26.08.2010 21.04.2012	Borrevannet: 23.44'N; 26.38'E, Vestfold, Horten, Norway Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
S238369	1 v	01.08.2011 24.04.2012	Kos: 48.44'N; 18.34'E, Prievidza, Slovakia Salina, l/o St. Paul's Bay
BH57600	4 v	23.08.2011 26.04.2012	Jezero: 45.10'N; 14.34'E, Njivice, o. Krik (HR04), Croatia Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
CP47218	3 v	18.08.2012 20.10.2012	Oland: 56.12'N; 16.24'E, Ottenby, Sweden Rabat
KR44544	3 v	18.08.2009 16.03.2013	Bonfika: 45.34'N; 13.45'E, Smin, Koper, Slovenia Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
S691952	3 v	29.08.2013 30.09.2013	Chotilsko: 49.46'N; 14.21'E, Pribrom CZ17, Czech Republic Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa

9L68290	3 v	24.06.2012 12.10.2013	Morkov: 55.40'N; 11.32'E, Tornved, Sjaelland DK06, Denmark Buskett, Rabat
6A67781	4F v	11.07.2012 04.04.2013	Capanna Tappar: 44.32'N; 12.16'E, Ravenna IA37, Italy Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
KT75498	3 v	06.09.2013 23.09.2013	Verd: 45.58'N; 14.18'E, Vrhnika, Slovenia Buskett, Rabat
Tree Pipit <i>Anthus trivialis</i>			
9E97009	3 v	09.08.2011 13.04.2012	Molen: 58.58'N; 09.49'E, Vestfold, Larvik, Norway Wied l-Ahmar, Comino
Robin <i>Erithacus rubecula</i>			
A192580	2 v	25.09.2007 02.11.2007	Antikythira: 35.52'N; 23.18'E, South-West Aegean, Greece Ta' Pinu: 36.04'N; 14.12'E, Gharb, Gozo
S027 527	2M v	09.04.2004 06.02.2005	Kamenica nad Hronom: 47.50'N; 18.44'E, Nove Zamky Slovakia Buskett, Rabat
XG02335	3 v	27.08.2009 08.10.2009	Zelenogradskiy dist: 55.09'N; 20.51'E, Rybachiy, Kaliningrad O, Russia Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
AT28213	4 v	25.09.2009 22.10.2009	Bilje: 45.53'N; 13.39'E, Nova Gorica, Slovenia Wied l-Ahmar, Comino
XN39039	3 v	11.07.2011 20.10.2012	Zvenigorodskaya biostation MSU: 55.44'N; 36.51'E, Moscow, Russia Žurrieq: 35.77'N; 14.64'E
VL14669	3 x	09.10.2011 24.10.2012	Ventes Ragas: 55.21'N; 21.13'E, Silute, Lithuania Floriana: 35.53'N; 14.30'E (collided with glass)
Sedge Warbler <i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>			
AG88187	3 v	02.08.2004 09.08.2005	Saeftinghe: 51.21'N; 04.13'E, SieperdaZeeland, Holland Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
4199080	3 v	01.10.2000 02.09.2005	Marais Du Vigueirat: 43.34'N; 04.34'E, Aries, Bouches-Du-Rhone, France Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
AP79002	3 v	23.09.2003 24.10.2003	Mortizzuolo: 44.52'N; 11.44'E, Mirandola MO (IA14) Italy Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
KT29456	? v	18.09.2012 22.04.2013	Kozlarjevagosca: 46.00'N; 14.30'E, Ljubljana, Slovenia Wied l-Ahmar, Comino
Reed Warbler <i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>			
	3 v	07.08.2001 26.04.2002	Icklesham: 50.54'N; 00.40'E, Sussex, England Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
1A22262	3 v	06.09.2008 03.10.2008	Lago Trasimeno – Magione: 43.06'N; 12.10'E, Perugia IA36, Italy Salina, l/o St. Paul's Bay
5A35621	3 v	17.07.2012 21.08.2013	Contr. A. Cittadella Dei Maccari: 36.46'N; 15.05'E, Noto, Syracuse IA63, Italy Mġarr ix-Xini: 36.01'N; 14.17'E, Gozo
Great Reed Warbler <i>Acrocephalus arundinaceus</i>			
3483848 +Yellow ring	1 5/5 v	08.07.2004 02.10.2004	Kvismaren: 59.10'N; 15.25'E, Ostra, Fagelsjon, T Narke, Sweden Lunzjata Valley, Gozo
7Y1702	3 v	01.08.1999 26.04.2002	Izsák: 46.47'N; 19.21'E, Kolon-Tó, Bács-Kiskun, Hungary Luunzjata Valley, Gozo
Z276440	3 v	14.09.2008 25.08.2009	C. Bellagamba: 43.33'N; 13.18'E, Jesi, Ancona IA30, Italy Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
CA88438	4 v	08.08.2009 01.09.2010	Vransko-jezero: 43.53'N; 15.33'E, Pakostane (HR05), Croatia Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
XA31089	3 v	13.07.2008 16.04.2012	Izsak: 46.47'N; 19.21'E, (Kolon-to) Bacs-Kiskun, Hungary Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay

Common Whitethroat <i>Sylvia communis</i>			
BH79031	3	20.08.2013	Vransko-jezero: 43.53'N; 15.33'E, Pakostane (HR05), Croatia
	v	29.04.2015	Wied I-Ahmar, Comino
Blackcap <i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>			
TE59 766*	3	13.07.2007	Rohozna: 49.48'N; 15.49'E, Chrudim Czech Republic
	v	20.10.2007	Rabat. *a second ring TE60061 was removed
FA156 41	3	21.07.1996	Galenbeck Mri: 53.38'N; 13.45'E, Mecklenburg-Strelitz, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany
	v	06.02.2005	Buskett, Rabat
VD84713	3F	31.08.2003	Borthen 2km NE: 50.58'N; 13.49'E, Sachsische Schweiz, Sachsen Germany
	v	13.03.2005	Rabat
3E80394	1F	31.08.2003	Bilkshaven: 59.12'N; 05.19'E, Karmyym Rogaland, Norway
	v	01.03.2004	Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
	v	01.04.2005	<i>ibidem</i>
8488067	4M	16.09.2003	Sinaai: 51.10'N; 04.02'E, Oost-Vlaanderen, Belgium
	v	05.11.2003	Buskett, Rabat – Ring replaced with BLM ring- 158460
TX80605	4F	21.09.2001	Plešt'any: 48°36'N; 17°49'E, Plešt'any, Slovakia
	v	18.03.2002	Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
AE66475	3	06.09.1999	Vrhnika 45.58'N; 14.18'E, Slovenia
	v	17.04.2002	Wied I-Ahmar, Comino
AS22528	3F	21.09.2008	Dolenje jezero: 45.46'N; 14.23'E, Cerknica, Slovenia
	v	01.11.2008	Mellieħa: 35.58'N; 14.22'E
AZ95572	3F	13.09.2013	Ormoz: 46.25'N; 16.10'E, Ptuj, Slovenia
	v	18.12.2013	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
TP09410	3M	05.09.2012	Milovice: 50.14'N; 14.53'E, Nymburk CZ17, Czech Republic
	v	22.11.2014	Rabat
Garden Warbler <i>Sylvia borin</i>			
BA206712	3	19.08.2008	Vransko-jezero: 43.53'N; 15.33'E, Pakostane (HR05), Croatia
	v	06.05.2009	Wied I-Ahmar, Comino
LL57520	3	22.09.2008	Lago di Ripa Sottile: 42.28'N; 12.48'E, Rieti IT58, Italy
	v	17.09.2009	Wied I-Ahmar, Comino
TL84674	2	14.08.2012	Postrekov: 49.28'N; 12.48'E, Domazlice CZ16, Czech Republic
	v	14.09.2013	Žurrieq
J 916943	2	29.07.2011	Kirkkojarvi: 61.27'N; 24.04'E, Kangasala, Pirkanmaa, Hame (SF80), Finland
	v	10.05.2013	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
Common Chiffchaff <i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>			
BIR0297	3	10.10.2003	Hohenau-Ringelsdorf: 48.35'N; 16.55'E, Niederosterreich (AU02), Austria
	v	27.11.2003	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
Z98426	3	07.10.2000	Bingsmarken: 55.23'N; 13.30'E, Skane Lan Skurup, Sweden
	v	13.03.2002	Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
J10360	3	03.09.2007	Zilv: 49.04'N; 14.22'E, Ceske Budejovice, Czech Republic
	v	27.02.2008	Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
AP4253	3	21.07.2008	Haram: 62.40'N; 06.15'E, More og Romsdal, Norway
	2	26.11.2008	Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
KR51634	3	08.10.2008	Medvedce: 46.22'N; 15.42'E, Pragersko, Slovenia
	v	01.12.2008	Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
P55402	3	28.09.2010	Gedser Odde: 54.34'N; 11.58'E, Falster, Sjaelland, Denmark
	v	29.03.2011	Wied I-Ahmar, Comino
KT04712	3	06.10.2012	Vinica-Zdravci: 45.54'N; 15.14'E, Slovenia
	v	24.12.2012	Tarġa Gap: 35.54'N; 14.24'E, Mosta

XF0999	5 v	20.03.2012 11.11.2012	Lago Trasimeno: 43.06'N; 12.10'E, Magione, Perugia IA36, Italy Rabat
P72937	3 v	22.06.2012 17.11.2012	Zemechy: 50.14'N, 14.16'E, Melnik (CZ17), Czech Republic Ta' Gajdoru: 36.03'N; 14.16'E, Xaghra, Gozo
8GS729	3 v	29.10.2012 07.01.2013	Capannelle-Grassobbio: 45.38'N; 09.42'E, Bergamo IA01, Italy Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
J46529	2 v	18.08.2011 20.11.2013	Sudislavice: 49.36'N; 15.02'E, Benesove (CZ17) Czech Republic Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
N174820	5 v	05.04.2013 09.03.2014	Volcsej: 47.29'N; 16.45'E, Gyor-Moson-Sapron, Hungary Rabat
F163131	3 v	14.08.2015 03.12.2015	Divcice: 49.07'N; 14.18'E, Ceske Budejovice (CZ10), Czech Republic Ta' Gajdoru: 36.03'N; 14.16'E, Xaghra, Gozo
Willow Warbler <i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>			
9L40477	3 v	03.08.2002 24.04.2003	Sonderho Strand: 55.21'N; 08.26'E, Fano, Vadehavsoerne,DK07, Denmark Wied I-Aħmar, Comino – Re-ringed 2N258
OO8531	3 v	29.08.2002 16.09.2002	Passo di Spino: 45.41'N; 01.33'E, Toscolano Maderno IA03, Brescia, Italy Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
CK90828	4 v v	26.04.2010 03.04.2013 04.04.2013	Utklippan: 55.57'N; 14.23'E, Blekinge Lan (SV41), Sweden Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay <i>ibidem</i>
Wood Warbler <i>Phylloscopus sibilatrix</i>			
XB69 838	3 v	30.08.2006 27.04.2007	Parnumaa: 58.05'N; 24.29'E, Haademeeste vald, Haademeeste Kivilaid, Estonia Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
W55017	3 v	31.07.2008 08.04.2009	Ocsa (AH): 47.17'N; 19.12'E. Pest (HG48), Hungary Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
GP3311	4 v	01.05.2007 29.04.2009	P. Dell' Arco: 40.47'N; 13.24'E, Ventotene (Latina) IA45, Italy Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
Pied Flycatcher <i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>			
4671299	3M v	13.09.2002 30.04.2005	Stoa: 47.36'N; 07.32'E, Saint-Louis, haut Rhin (FR85), France Wied I-Aħmar, Comino
A901485	1 v	27.05.2000 12.04.2002	Saukuhle: 52.34'N; 10.73'E, bei Lehre (TK3630), Braunschweig, Germany Wied I-Aħmar, Comino
S342613	2 v	25.08.2006 16.04.2009	Vosecka bouda: 50.47'N; 15.31'E, Semily, Czech Republic Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
LK01367	3 v	03.09.2014 23.04.2015	ZB. Bukowka: 50.42'N; 15.55'E, Miskowice, 1km S. Lubawka, Dolnoslaskie, Poland Wied L-Aħmar, Comino
Penduline Tit <i>Remiz pendulinuz</i>			
BC38224	3 v	26.10.2006 29.01.2008	Vransko Jezero: 43.53'N; 15.33'E, Pakostane (HR05), Croatia Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
Greenfinch <i>Carduelis chloris</i>			
AK93676	3F ()	14.10.2001 00.10.2002	Slovenska vas 45.58'N; 15.04'E, Mirna, Slovenia approx: 36.04'N; 14.15'E, Gozo
L604919	3M x	22.07.2001 28.03.2002	Gradara: 43.56'N; 12.45'E, Gabicce Mare PU (IA30), Italy Malta – found dead on confiscated boat along with other finches
Linnet <i>Carduelis cannabina</i>			
R44632	3 ()	21.08.2003 00.10.2003	Kisszekely: 46.42'N; 18.32'E, Tolna (HG35), Hungary 36.01'N; 14.15'E, Gozo

Siskin <i>Carduelis spinus</i>			
AP 72693	3M ()	08.10.2005 17.01.2006	C.Na Dei Fop; 45.41'N; 09.46'E, Cornalba Bergamo, Italy Wied Żhuber, 35.49'N; 14.30'E Hal Far
B222472	3F ()	28.09.2005 01.11.2005	Col de Bretolet: 46.09'N; 06.47'E, Valais, Switzerland San Lawrenz: 36.04'N; 14.12'E, Gozo
2H16216	2F ()	25.05.2002 07.12.2002	Lognavann: 58.45'N; 07.29'E, Aseral, Vest-Agder, Norway Nadur: 36.03'N; 14.17'E, Gozo
XX33586	2M ()	22.09.2012 27.11.2012	Juodkrantes didzioji gauykle: 55.33'N; 21.06'E, Kursiu nerija, Lietuva, Lithuania Nadur, Gozo
Corn Bunting <i>Emberiza calandra</i>			
CA30386	3F ()	25.08.2004 00.11.2005	Jardtovac: 43.31'N; 15.58'E, Sibenik (HR05), Croatia Žurrieq: 35.53'N; 14.32'E
MALTA RINGED BIRDS RECOVERED ABROAD			
Yelkouan Shearwater <i>Puffinus yelkouan</i>			
EE02603	6 x	16.02.2015 21.09.2015	Majjistral Nature Park: 35°56'N; 14°20'E, Għajn Tuffieħa Bay of Kolimbathra: 37°40'N; 25°22'E, Tinos, Greece
Little Bittern <i>Ixobrychus minutus</i>			
EE01256	6F x	26.04.2007 28.12.2007	Wied I-Aħmar, Comino Botongo Village: 45°54'N; 19°04'E, Lac Tele Community Reserve, Rep. of Congo (caught in fishing net)
Moorhen <i>Gallinula chloropus</i>			
FF02370	3F x	21.11.1997 12.04.2005	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Jesolo: 45°30'N; 12°38'E, Lido Venezia (IA39) Italy
Dunlin <i>Calidris alpina</i>			
NR73363	3 v	28.09.1997 04.01.2003	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Golspie: 57°58'N; 03°59'W, Highland Region, Scotland
Common Sandpiper <i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>			
BV1751	2 v (dog)	08.08.2005 21.07.2007	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay Vistula River, (Plock) Mazowieckie 52°32'N; 19°44'E Poland
Yellow-legged Gull <i>Larus micahellis</i>			
GG1398	1 x	19.05.2004 14.10.2004	Filfla Castellante Marina, Taranto, Italy
GG1424 + Red ring	1 x	24.05.2005 11.09.2005	Filfla Bruzano Zefiro: 46°01'N; 02°80'E, Reggio Calabria (RC) IA47, Italy
GG0381	1 /?/	27.05.1991 15.03.2005	Filfla Saline di Punta della Contessa: 49°24'N; 43°66'E, BR IA52, Italy
GG1551	1 x	19.05.2008 09.04.2009	Filfla Augusta: 37°05'N; 15°16'E Syracuse, Sicily, Italy
GG1657	1 S	18.05.2009 12/13.10.2009	Filfla Marlonga-Chioggia: 45°12'N; 12°15'E, Venezia (IA39), Italy (sighting)
GG1804	1 v	18.05.2010 04.07.2010	Filfla Carrubella su le Rocche: 38°02'N; 13°10'E, Borgetto, Palermo (IA63), Italy
GG1228	1 x	17.05.2011 03.11.2011	Filfla V.Comm. Aureri Giuseppe Str.: 50°10'N; 14°25'E, Corasanti, Saverio, Italy
GG1914	1 x	17.05.2011 18.05.2011	Filfla Costa di Ostuni: 40°47'N; 17°36'E, Brindisi, Italy
Common Kingfisher <i>Alceo atthis</i>			
SB088042	2F v	19.10.2001 13.04.2002	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Marano (Torrente): 44°00'N; 12°37'E, Riccione IA33, Rimini, Italy
SB88043	2F v	19.10.2001 13.04.2002	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Marano (Torente): 44°00'N; 12°37'E, Riccione, Forli, Italy

Wryneck <i>Jynx torquilla</i>			
B29838	4	01.04.2009	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
	x cat	06.05.2009	Sztutowo: 54.20'N; 19.11'E, Pomorskie, Poland
Sand Martin <i>Riparia riparia</i>			
212393	4	28.04.2006	Lunzjata Valley: 36.03'N; 14.14'E Gozo
	v	09.06.2006	Nagybaracska: 46.04'N; 18.54'E, Bacs-Kiskun Hungary
174416	3	13.09.2004	Lunzjata Valley, Gozo
	4	18.07.2005	Felsokortvelyes: 46.57'N; 18.35'E, Fejer, HG31, Hungary
174883	4	06.05.2002	Lunzjata Valley, Gozo
	v	24.04.2004	P.Dell'Arco: 40.47'N; 13.24'E, Ventotene, Latina (IA45), Italy
236008	4	23.04.2008	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
	v	10.06.2008	Bellarosa-Mordano: 44.25'N; 11.48'E, Bologna IA11, Italy
	v	02.07.2008	<i>ibidem</i>
240380	4	23.04.2009	Hemsija: 35.53'N; 14.24'E, Rabat
	v	04.07.2011	Davod (Homokbanya): 46.00'N; 18.55'E, Bacs-Kiskun, Hungary
Barn Swallow <i>Hirundo rustica</i>			
166 213	4	19.04.2003	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
	v	20.05.2006 & 06.07.2007	Srbsko: 50.30'N; 15.06'E. Mlada Boleslav, Czech Republic
212370	4M*	28.04.2006	Marsalforn Valley, 36.04'N; 14.14'E Gozo
	v	23.07.2006	Ubersyren: 49.38'N; 06.16'E Luxembourg
199218	4F	21.04.2005	Lunzjata Valley 36.03'N; 14.14'E Gozo
	v	14.07.2006	Popola – Foligno: 42.59'N; 12.53'E. Perugia, Italy
204503	4M	20.04.2005	Rabat
	v	27.04.2005	Valli di Mortizzuolo: 44.52'N; 11.07'E, Mirandola-Modena (IA14), Italy
171691	4M	16.04.2002	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
	v	10.04.2005	Isolino: 46.55'N; 08.29'E, Verbania Italy
19112	4	08.04.2003	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
	vC	25.04.2003	Ravnica: 45.59'N; 13.42'E, Nova Gorica, Slovenia
181320	4M	22.04.2002	Lunzjata Valley, Gozo
	v	29.07.2002	Foppa: 45.56'N; 09.56'E, Monasterolo del Castello IA01, Bergamo, Italy
180056	2M	22.04.2002	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
	v	19.08.2002	Fornace: 44.09'N; 12.28'E, Bellaria Igea Marina IA33, Rimini. Italy
247689	4	24.02.2010	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
	v	29.04.2010	Canton Magistris-Verbania: 45.56'N; 08.30'E, Vervania (IA0-), Italy
241916	4F	16.04.2010	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
	v	26.04.2010	Canton Magistris-Verbania: 45.56'N; 08.30'E, Vervania (IA0-), Italy
249247	4	19.04.2010	Hemsija: 35.53'N; 14.24'E, Rabat
	v	07.08.2011	C. Rossi-Rimini: 44.06'N; 12.29'E, Rimini, Italy
237925	4M	23.04.2009	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
	x	22.04.2012	(Thurgau) Schweiz HETG: 47.32'N; 09.22'E, Neukirch-Egnach, Switzerland - (collided with a window)
264714	4M	20.03.2013	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
	v	28.03.2013	C. Caroccio: 44.36'N; 11.08'E, San Giovanni in Persiceto, Bologna (IA11), Italy
272615	4M	08.04.2013	Ramla Valley: 36.03'N; 14.17'E, Gozo
	x	10.08.2013	Bartosovice: 49.40'N; 18.03'E, Novy Jicin (CZ27), Czech Republic
276043	4F	09.04.2013	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
	v	14.04.2013	Fondo Alberi – Gatteo: 44.09'N; 12.24'E, Forlì E Cesena (IA33), Italy

272369	4M v	08.04.2013 19.09.2014	Salina, I/o St.Paul's Bay Dinnyes (Ferto tanosveny): 47.10'N; 18.33'E, Fejer (HG31), Hungary
264193	3 x	01.10.2012 21.04.2015	Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Camin: 45.23'N; 11.57'E, Padova (IA35) Italy
Robin <i>Erithacus rubecula</i>			
202701	3 v	21.10.2005 06.04.2007	Wied I-Aħmar 36.01'N; 14.20'E, Comino M. Brisighella: 43.95'N; 12.84'E, Pesaro (Pesaro Urbino IA30) Italy
282838	3 v	24.10.2013 18.03.2015	Mġarr ix-Xini: 36.01'N; 14.17'E, Gozo Isola di Ponza: 40.54'N; 12.57'E, Ponza Latina (IA45), Italy
Common Redstart <i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>			
187275	4M x	19.04.2003 16.06.2003	Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Vahankino: 59.21'N; 37.12'E, Kaduy District, Vologskaya NW Region, Russia
Nightingale <i>Luscinia megarhynchos</i>			
166095	4 x	11.04.2003 17.04.2005	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay Gabes, 33.52'N; 10.06'E, Tunisia
Icterine Warbler <i>Hippolais icterina</i>			
165957	4 v	07.05.2012 22.05.2015	Wied I-Aħmar, Comino Christianso: 55.19'N; 15.11'E, Christianso, Hovedstaden, Denmark
Great Reed Warbler <i>Acrocephalus arundinaceus</i>			
B29105	4 v	02.09.2003 25.08.2004	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay Vransko Lake: 43.53'N; 15.33'E, Pakostane, Croatia
B21996	4 v	23.04.2002 24.03.2003	Lunzjata Valley: 36.02'N; 14.13'E, Gozo T.Cavone: 40.17'N; 16.45'E, Scanzano Jonico, Matera IA56, Italy
B33513	4 v	17.04.2008 03.07.2008	Wied I-Aħmar, Comino Sombor: 45.46'N; 19.07'E, Vojvadan, RS78 Serbia
B32943	4M v	26.09.2011 18.08.2012	Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Naszaly: 47.41'N; 18.16'E, (Ferencmajor), Komarom-Esztergom, Hungary
B39201	4 v	26.04.2013 08.05.2014	Wied I-Aħmar, Comino Gakova: 45.53'N; 19.04'E, Vojvodina (RS78), Serbia (white plastic ring EPN added)
B39025	4 v	16.04.2012 27.07.2014	Wied L-Aħmar, Comino Drouzkovice: 50.26'N; 13.26'E, Chomutov (CZ18), Czech Republic
B38783	4 v	01.09.2013 07.05.2014	Rabat C. Rossi: 44.06'N; 12.29'E, Rimini (IA3), Italy
Reed Warbler <i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>			
164605	4 v v	19.04.2002 09.06.2004 01.09.2005	Simar Nature Reserve, St.Paul's Bay Lago di Pergusa, 37.52'N; 14.03'E, Enna (IA63), Sicily, Italy <i>ibidem</i>
249011	3 v	20.09.2009 25.06.2010	Rabat: 35.53'N; 14.24'E Mortizzulo-Mirandola: 44.52'N; 11.07'E, Modena (IA14), Italy
Sedge Warbler <i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>			
163646	4 v	08.05.2001 07.05.2002	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay Titreyngol: 36.45'N; 31.27'E, Sogon/Manavgat, Turkey
Garden Warbler <i>Sylvia borin</i>			
209 127	4 v	07.05.2006 30.09.2006	Buskett 35.51'N; 14.25'E Rabat S'albufera d'es Grau: 39.53'N; 04.15'E, Mao (Menorca) Iles Balears, Spain
48369	4 x	10.05.1986 10.05.1987	Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Barcaggio: 43.00'N; 09.24'E, Ersa, Haute Corse, France

163451	2 x(glass)	01.10.2004 11.06.2005	Mdina: 35.53'N; 14.24'E, Rabat Karankamaki: 61.27'N; 26.38'E, Mantyharju Mikkeli, SF84, Finland
180055	2 v	22.04.2002 23.08.2003	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Progimet: 43.37'N; 16.15'E, Trogir (HR05) Croatia
144532	3 v	24.09.1997 05.05.2000	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Zannone-Casa di Caccia: 40.59'N; 13.04'E, Ponza (IA45), Latina, Italy
210861	3 x	02.09.2006 12.05.2008	Buskett, Rabat Herault: 43.35'N; 03.22'E, Saint Croix de Quinillargues, France
210756	4 v	11.05.2006 14.05.2011	Buskett, Rabat Isla di Ponza : 40.54'N ; 12.57'E, Latina (IA45), Italy
259945	4 v	01.05.2012 30.04.2013	Wied I-Aħmar, Comino Spalmatore: 45.23'N; 11.57'E, Ustica, Palermo, Italy
259885	4 v	30.04.2012 07.05.2014	Wied I-Aħmar, Comino Isla di Ponza : 40.54'N ; 12.57'E, Latina (IA45), Italy
Blackcap <i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>			
184941	2F v	07.10.2002 04.10.2003	Lunzjata Valley, Gozo Vrhnika: 45.58'N; 14.18'E, Slovenia
173625	2F v	24.11.2003 29.06.2004	Mellieħa: 35.58'N; 14.22'E Bruhl/DEBK/TK6517: 49.24'N; 08.32'E, Nordbaden (Karlsruhe), Germany
218593	2F v	30.11.2006 18.09.2007	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Gedser Odde: 54.34'N; 11.58'E, Gedser, Flaster, Lolland-Flaster, Denmark (retrapped as male)
237329	3F x cat	19.11.2008 07.05.2011	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Ny Gesinge: 54.59'N; 10.32'E, Tasinge, Syddanmark, Denmark
239110	4M v	05.04.2009 24.03.2012	Wied L-Aħmar, Comino Tor Paterno: 41.41'N; 12.24'E, Rome (IA48), Italy
243314	3 v	21.10.2011 20.10.2012	Ta' Gajdor, Xagħra, Gozo Spalmatore: 38.41'N; 13.09'E, Ustica, Palermo, Italy
264583	4F x (cat)	02.02.2013 30.04.2013	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Vibevej 30: 57.35'N; 10.25'E, DK-9982 Albaek, Nordjylland, Denmark
258436	5F v	04.04.2012 20.04.2013	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay Riga: 57.00'N; 24.09'E. Latvia
286297	5M v	02.04.2014 14.09.2014	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay Le Due Bocche – Savignano Sul Rubicone: 44.09'E, 12.26'E, Forlì E. Cesena, Italy
294272	3M x (cat)	25.10.2014 28.04.2015	Buskett, Rabat Norrev AG: 55.30'N; 13.09'E, Karrstorp, Skane Lan, Svedala (SV63), Sweden
Common Whitethroat <i>Sylvia communis</i>			
233982	5 x(glass)	03.05.2008 10.08.2008	Wied I-Aħmar, Comino Lehmuskuja Jokionen: 60.47'N; 23.29'E, Hame SF80, Finland
Wood Warbler <i>Phylloscopus sibilatrix</i>			
7P190	4 v	29.04.2009 12.04.2010	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay Isola di Ponza: 40.54'N; 12.57'E, Ponza (Latina) IA45, Italy
9P043	4 x	05.04.2010 16.04.2013	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay Belzyce: 51.10'N; 22.16'E, Lubelskie, Poland
Willow Warbler <i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>			
2N 366	4 v	19.04.2004 21.09.2004	Wied I-Aħmar, Comino P. Nat. De Las Islas Columbretes 39.53'N; 00.41'E Castellon, Spain

4A 456	4 x (car)	15.04.2002 20.05.2003	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Haljeboda: 59.58'N; 12.25'E, Charlottenberg, Varmland Sweden
9F063	4 v	13.04.1998 13.08.2000	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Hamburg-Reitbrook (TK2526 DEHH): 53.47'N; 10.06'E, Hamburg, Germany
Common Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>		
0N494	2 v	31.10.2006 01.07.2007	Buskett 35.51'N; 14.25'E, Rabat Savica: 45.50'N; 16.00'E, Zagreb Croatia
6N413	2 +	07.11.2006 19.04.2007	Rabat 35.53'N; 14.14'E Chermoe more ls.: 45.11'N; 30.14'E Zmeinyy Odessa O. Ukraine
9N 414	4 +	18.02.2007 25.03.2007	Rabat Nimis: 46.20'N; 13.25'E, Udine, IA34 Italy
0N682	2 v	27.12.2006 12.09.2007	Lunzjata Valley 36.03'N; 14.14'E Gozo Baranya: 45.58'N; 17.56'E, Sumony (AH), Hungary
8H598	2 v	08.11.2006 25.09.2007	Simar Nature Reserve, St.Paul's Bay Senetin: 49.49'N; 15.19'E, Kutna Hora, Czech Republic
8F 183	4 v	06.03.1999 26.03.1999	Rabat 35.53'N; 14.14'E Hostovice: 50.00'N; 15.52'E, Pardulice Czech Republic
6B 175	4 +*	03.02.1990 14.04.1991	Biņġemma 35.54' N; 14.22' E, Mġarr Nakri: 49.70' N; 14.20' E, Ceske Budejovice, Czech Republic *Raptor in net
8H677	2 v	30.11.2006 16.09.2007	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay Postupice: 49.44'N; 14.47'E, Benesov, Czech Republic
4P877	3 v	16.11.2009 17.05.2010	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Hledsebe: 50.22'N; 14.34'E, Melnik (CZ17), Czech Republic
7P826	6 v	24.02.2010 25.03.2010	Simar Nature Reserve, St.Paul's Bay C. Montanari: 44.39'N; 10.45'E, Reggio Nell'Emilia (IA15) Italy
4P865	3 x	13.11.2009 14.04.2011	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Brnky: 50.10'N; 14.25'E, Praha-Vychod CZ17, Czech Republic
10P587	3 v	20.12.2010 20.04.2011	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay M. Brisighella-Pesaro: 43.56'N; 12.50'E, Pesaro Urbino IA30, Italy
6N209	2 v	25.12.2005 11.04.2011	Għar Barka: 35.53'N; 14.24'E, Rabat Duchcov: 50.36'N; 13.45'E, Teplice CZ18, Czech Republic
8P901	3 v	27.11.2010 21.05.2012	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Christianso: 55.19'N; 15.11'E, Ertholmene, Bornholm, Hovedstaden, Denmark
12P641	3 v	24.11.2011 25.03.2012	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa P. Dell'Arco: 40.47'N; 13.24'E, Ventotene (Latina) (IA45), Italy
9H513	2 v	25.12.2012 31.03.2013	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Sumony (AH): 45.58'N; 17.53'E, Baranya, Hungary
14P732	5 v	07.03.2013 29.03.2013	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa M. Brisighella – Pesaro: 43.56'N; 12.50'E, Pesaro Urbino (IA30) Italy
21P015	3 v	10.11.2013 20.04.2014	Rabat Ventos ragos: 55.20'N; 21.11'E, Silutes r, Lietuva, Lithuania
24P140	5 v	24.02.2014 30.03.2014	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Hostovice: 50.00'N; 15.52'E Pardubice (CZ15), Czech Republic
16P426	3 v	26.11.2014 27.03.2015	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay Tomord (AH): 47.21'N; 16.40'E, Vos, (HG36), Hungary

24P093	3 v	29.12.2013 07.05.2015	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Tremesek: 49.57'N; 17.00'E, Sumperk CZ26, Czech Republic
27P414	3 v	20.11.2014 29.03.2016	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay Praha 4 – Kunratice: 50.01'N; 14.30'E, Praha (CZ17), Czech Republic
Goldcrest <i>Regulus regulus</i>			
9H905	3M v	08.12.2006 03.11.2007	Buskett, Rabat Vransko Lake: 43.53'N; 15.33'E, Pakoštane (HR05), Croatia
Spotted Flycatcher <i>Muscicapa striata</i>			
239551	4 v	29.04.2009 30.07.2009	Wied I-Aħmar, Comino Casale Viceza: 45.32'N; 11.33'E, Vicenza, Italy
248883	4 v	24.04.2010 28.04.2011	Wied I-Aħmar, Comino I. Zannone-Ponza: 40.58'N; 12.03'E, Latina (IA45), Italy
Pied Flycatcher <i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>			
197 378	4M +car	12.04.2005 29.08.2006	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay Betren: 42.42'N; 00.49'E, Lleida Spain

LOCAL RECOVERIES – MORE THAN 3KM AWAY FROM RINGING SITE

Common Kestrel <i>Falco tinnunculus</i>			
EE00964	6M +	12.04.2003 13.04.2003	Wied I-Aħmar, Comino (released after rehab) Dwejra: 36.03'N; 14.11'E, Gozo
Water Rail <i>Rallus aquaticus</i>			
EE00995	4M v	11.11.2010 30.11.2012	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
Moorhen <i>Gallinula chloropus</i>			
FF02866*	3J S	20.07.2006 15.10.2006	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay. *Red plastic ring. Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa, (sighting)
Little Ringed Plover <i>Charadrius dubius</i>			
N452593	1 x	19.05.2001 20.03.2002	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa. Marsaskala: 35.52'N; 14.34'E
Common Sandpiper <i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>			
BV0125	4 v	22.07.2009 23.07.2009	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
Common Snipe <i>Gallinago gallinago</i>			
SV40056	4 +	25.10.2006 03.12.2006	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay (retrapped at same on 16.11.2006) Għajn Mula, l/o Bidnija
Yellow-legged Gull <i>Larus michahellis</i>			
GG1271	1 +	19.05.2003 01.01.2007	Filfla 35.47'N; 14.25'E Malta
GG1164	1 +	18.05.2001 06.10.2007	Filfla Marsaskala 35.49'N; 14.32'E
GG1315	1 x	19.05.2003 12.04.2004	Filfla off St. Paul's Island: 36.01'N; 14.20'E. St. Paul's Bay/ (Caught in fish cage)
GG1149	1 xA	20.05.2001 15.06.2008	Filfla Dingli Cliffs: 35.51'N; 14.22'E, Rabat
GG1817	1 x	18.05.2010 30.05.2010	Filfla Offshore entangled in fishing line
GG1752	1 x	18.05.2009 12.07.2011	Filfla Offshore, Ġnejna: 35.55'N; 14.20'E, St. Paul's Bay
GG1742	1 xA	18.05.2010 14.07.2011	Filfla Mistra

Turtle Dove <i>Streptopelia turtur</i>			
DD0462	4	03.05.2001	Wied I-Aħmar, Comino
	+	31.08.2005	Marsaxlokk: 35.49'N; 14.32'E
Common Swift <i>Apus apus</i>			
SS0026	4	22.06.2014	Saqqajja, Rabat
	v	19.05.2015	Mosta (retrapped also on 08.06.2015 & 13.07.2015 at Mosta)
Cetti's Warbler <i>Cettia cetti</i>			
198914	2F	06.08.2005	Buskett
	v	29.11.2009	Saqqajja, Rabat (retrapped also on: 28.05.2006, 22.09.2007, 22.02.2009, 07.05.2009 all at Saqqajja, Rabat)
Reed Warbler <i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>			
197697	3	05.07.2005	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
	v	13.07.2008	Għadira NR (retrapped also on 15.07.2005 at Simar and 08.05.2007 at Għadira NR)
197698	3	05.07.2005	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
	v	09.08.2005	Għadira NR. (retrapped also on 08.06.2006 and 14.06.2007 both at Simar NR)
230245	3	10.08.2008	Salina l/o St. Paul's Bay
	v	25.05.2009	Simar NR, St. Paul's Bay (retrapped on 04.06.2012, 26.06.2012, 04.07.2012, 19.07.2012, 13.06.2014, 13.05.2015 all at Simar NR)
Blackcap <i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>			
241614	3F	14.11.2009	Għadira NR, Mellieħa
	v	24.03.2013	Rabat, Malta
Common Chiffchaff <i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>			
10P185	3	19.11.2010	Simar NR, St. Paul's Bay
	v	17.03.2012	Ta' Pinu, Gozo
13P574	3	03.11.2012	Saqqajja, Rabat
	v	17.11.2013	Tarġa Gap, Mosta
13P592	3	04.11.2012	Salina, l/o St. Paul's Bay
	v	24.11.2012	Tarġa Gap, Mosta
13P931	3	10.11.2012	Tarġa Gap, Mosta
	v	24.11.2012	Għadira NR
	v	24.02.2015	<i>ibidem</i>
14P266	3	22.10.2012	Għadira NR
	v	26.10.2012	Saqqajja, Rabat
	v	05.01.2013	Rabat
15P709	2	09.11.2012	Foresta 2000, Mellieħa
	v	11.11.2012	Rabat
	v	16.03.2013	Għadira NR, Mellieħa
15P778	2	11.11.2012	Saqqajja, Rabat
	v	17.12.2012	Għadira NR, Mellieħa
15P780	3	11.11.2012	Saqqajja, Rabat
	v	27.12.2012	Għadira NR, Mellieħa
17P539	3	22.10.2013	Simar NR, St. Paul's Bay
	v	25.10.2013	Mġarr ix-Xini, Gozo
17P595	3	31.10.2013	Simar NR, St. Paul's Bay
	v	17.11.2013	Tarġa Gap, Mosta
18P121	3	23.11.2014	Żurrieq
	v	25.11.2014	Simar NR, St. Paul's Bay
18P881	3	01.11.2014	Tarġa Gap, Mosta
	v	03.03.2015	Għadira NR, Mellieħa
	v	05.03.2015	<i>ibidem</i>
19P009	3	09.11.2012	Simar NR, St. Paul's Bay
	v	18.11.2012	Salina l/o St. Paul's Bay
	v	10.01.2013	Għadira NR, Mellieħa
	v	03.03.2015	<i>ibidem</i>

20P954	3 v	21.10.2014 23.11.2014	Għadira NR, Mellieħa Buskett, Rabat
21P944	3 v	08.11.2013 10.11.2013	Għadira NR, Mellieħa Saqqajja, Rabat
Firecrest <i>Regulus ignicapillus</i>			
10P324	3M v	20.10.2011 03.02.2012	Buskett, Rabat. Għajn Tuffieħa: 35.55'N; 14.20'E
Robin <i>Erithacus rubecula</i>			
201198	3 v	16.10.2005 22.10.2005 04.11.2005	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Is-Sellum: 36.04'N; 14.16'E, l/o Xagħra, Gozo <i>ibidem</i>
160775	3 ()	12.10.2000 Oct-Nov2003	Lunzjata Valley, Gozo Rabat
255494	3 x	18.10.2011 01.11.2011	Wied l-Aħmar, Comino Mellieħa: 35.58'N; 14.22'E,
257163	3 v	20.10.2011 13.03.2012	Wied l-Aħmar, Comino Santa Maria Estate: 35.57'N; 14.21'E, Mellieħa
263487	3 v v	21.10.2012 20.10.2014 13.01.2015	Wied l-Aħmar, Comino Buskett <i>ibidem</i>
197830	5 v v	14.02.2006 07.01.2008 20.02.2008	Simar Nature Reserve, St.Paul's Bay Salina Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
242655	3 v	26.10.2010 20.10.2011	Mellieħa Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa
Meadow Pipit <i>Anthus pratensis</i>			
231076	4 v	18.03.2008 22.11.2009	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa Tarġa Gap: 35.54'N; 14.24'E, Mosta
Golden Oriole <i>Oriolus oriolus</i>			
CX1315	6F +	24.04.2003 25.04.2003	Wied l-Aħmar, Comino Ramla Valley, Gozo
Common Starling <i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>			
CX1953	2 +	20.10.2006 00.11.2006	Wied l-Aħmar, Comino Miżieb
CX1609	2 +	28.10.2006 00.11.2006	Wied l-Aħmar, Comino Miżieb
CX1172	3 +	16.11.2006 00.12.2006	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay Għajn Riħana 35.33'N; 14.24'E, Mosta
Dunnock <i>Prunella modularis</i>			
231026	4 v	25.02.2008 07.03.2009	Għadira NR, Mellieħa Rabat
256395	3 v	19.11.2011 18.02.2012	Għadira NR, Mellieħa Buskett, Rabat
274110	4 v	26.10.2014 04.11.2014	Buskett, Rabat Għadira NR, Mellieħa
279172	3 v	19.10.2013 29.10.2013	Ta' Gajdoru, Xagħra, Gozo Buskett, Rabat
282864	3 v	26.10.2013 29.10.2013	Mgarr ix-Xini, Gozo Simar NR, St. Paul's Bay
283865	3 v	10.11.2014 26.01.2015	Ta' Gajdoru, Xagħra, Gozo Buskett, Rabat
299414	3 v	26.10.2015 31.10.2015	Mtaħleb tal-Golf Għadira NR, Mellieħa

Tree Sparrow *Passer montanus*

B30083	3	15.07.2005	Saqqajja, Rabat
	4M	29.07.2006	Buskett, Rabat

Spanish Sparrow *Passer hispaniolensis*

B29968	4F	07.07.2006	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
	x	02.11.2006	St. Paul's Bay
B21881	3JM	09.07.2004	Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieha
	()	00.04.2005	Mellieha (date when reported)
B23550	2F	16.10.2002	Simar Nature Reserve, St. Paul's Bay
	xcat	22.11.2003	Ghadira Nature Reserve, Mellieha

SELECTED RETRAPS 2006 – 2016

This section deals with a selected number of interesting retraps which were reported by ringers during the period between 2006-2016. Retraps are ringed birds recaptured at the same locality where they were originally ringed. These are mainly birds which are residents, breeding or winter visitors. Occasionally they may also be migrants using the same migratory route and the same resting/feeding areas in the following years. Selected retraps are presented below by species in the categories mentioned above. Ringing and retrap details are given in the following order: **Ring number, Age/Sex, Ringing Date, Locality and Remarks** (giving the time of years and months between the ringing and retrap dates. In the case of winter visitors giving the number of winters after ringing date). Age and sex codes are the same as used in the previous section for the recoveries.

RESIDENTS**Moorhen** *Gallinula chloropus*

FF02865	3J	18.07.2006	24.10.2008	Simar NR	2 years 3 months
FF03063	3J	15.09.2008	24.06.2010	Ghadira NR	1 year 9 months

Cetti's Warbler *Cettia cetti*

166626	3F	03.07.2006	23.04.2007	Simar NR	1 year 3 months
<i>ditto</i>			06.11.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 4 months
<i>ditto</i>			13.07.2009	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years
<i>ditto</i>			03.11.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years 4 months
<i>ditto</i>			14.05.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	6 years 10 months
<i>ditto</i>			05.05.2015	<i>ibidem</i>	8 years 10 months

(166626 was retrapped at the same place on several other occasions from 2006 to 2015)

201139	2M	28.09.2005	27.03.2006	Mellieha	6 months
<i>ditto</i>			24.11.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 2 months
<i>ditto</i>			29.11.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 2 months
<i>ditto</i>			28.10.2009	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years 1 month
<i>ditto</i>			26.10.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years 1 month

(201139 was retrapped at the same place on several other occasions from 2006 to 2010)

216091	2M	21.10.2006	06.04.2007	Rabat	6 months
<i>ditto</i>			04.11.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year
<i>ditto</i>			01.05.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years 6 months
216386	2F	13.09.2006	24.11.2007	Salina	1 year 3 months
<i>ditto</i>			26.11.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 3 months
<i>ditto</i>			18.02.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 5 months

(216386 was retrapped at the same place on several other occasions from 2006 to 2010)

220769	2F	22.09.2007	07.09.2008	Rabat	1 year
<i>ditto</i>			17.03.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years 6 months
222215	3F	22.06.2007	07.10.2007	Ghadira NR	4 months
<i>ditto</i>			19.11.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 5 months
<i>ditto</i>			02.06.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years
<i>ditto</i>			05.05.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years
<i>ditto</i>			13.07.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	6 years

(222215 was retrapped at the same place on several other occasions from 2007 to 2013)

222229	3M	14.07.2007	15.12.2007	Ghadira NR	5 months
<i>ditto</i>			11.04.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	9 months
<i>ditto</i>			19.10.2009	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 3 months
<i>ditto</i>			12.09.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 2 months
<i>ditto</i>			30.05.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 10 months
<i>ditto</i>			30.05.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years 10 months
<i>ditto</i>			17.11.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	6 years 4 months
<i>ditto</i>			16.02.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	6 years 7 months

(222229 was retrapped at the same place on several other occasions from 2007 to 2014)

232131	2F	02.12.2011	30.09.2012	Buskett	1 year 3 months
<i>ditto</i>			08.01.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years

238482	3F	18.09.2011	17.03.2012	Buskett	6 months
<i>ditto</i>			29.08.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	11 months
<i>ditto</i>			13.09.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year
<i>ditto</i>			27.10.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 1 month
<i>ditto</i>			16.02.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 5 months
<i>ditto</i>			17.08.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 11 months
240171	4F	28.06.2009	25.11.2009	Salina	5 months
<i>ditto</i>			29.07.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 1 month
<i>ditto</i>			05.08.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 2 months

Sardinian Warbler *Sylvia melanocephala*

195329	1	20.04.2007	24.02.2008	Tarġa Gap, Mosta	10 months
<i>ditto</i>			22.11.2009	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 7 months
<i>ditto</i>			17.04.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years
<i>ditto</i>			13.02.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 10 months
<i>ditto</i>			12.02.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years 10 months
<i>ditto</i>			30.03.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	6 years 11 months
195400	4F	10.02.2008	30.01.2011	Buskett	3 years
197707	3JM	13.07.2005	21.02.2006	Simar NR	7 months
<i>ditto</i>			13.04.2006	<i>ibidem</i>	9 months
<i>ditto</i>			20.11.2006	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 4 months
<i>ditto</i>			18.01.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 6 months
<i>ditto</i>			22.02.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 7 months
<i>ditto</i>			21.04.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 9 months
<i>ditto</i>			21.01.2009	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 6 months
<i>ditto</i>			27.03.2009	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 8 months
<i>ditto</i>			29.04.2009	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 9 months
<i>ditto</i>			11.06.2009	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 11 months
<i>ditto</i>			25.06.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years 11 months
<i>ditto</i>			08.07.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years
<i>ditto</i>			03.10.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years 3 months
<i>ditto</i>			21.04.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years 9 months
<i>ditto</i>			25.11.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	6 years 4 months
<i>ditto</i>			18.04.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	6 years 9 months
<i>ditto</i>			27.06.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	6 years 11 months
<i>ditto</i>			04.12.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	7 years 4 months
<i>ditto</i>			05.12.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	7 years 4 months
<i>ditto</i>			24.12.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	8 years 5 months
197883	5F	13.04.2006	08.04.2007	Simar NR	1 year
<i>ditto</i>			16.06.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 2 months
<i>ditto</i>			20.10.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 6 months
<i>ditto</i>			27.05.2009	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 1 month
<i>ditto</i>			01.07.2009	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 3 months
<i>ditto</i>			18.09.2009	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 5 months
200855	3M	21.08.2005	03.10.2005	Rabat	2 months
<i>ditto</i>			17.10.2005	<i>ibidem</i>	2 months
<i>ditto</i>			06.11.2005	<i>ibidem</i>	3 months
<i>ditto</i>			14.02.2006	<i>ibidem</i>	6 months
<i>ditto</i>			05.03.2006	<i>ibidem</i>	7 months
<i>ditto</i>			08.09.2006	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year
<i>ditto</i>			14.01.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 5 months
<i>ditto</i>			21.04.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 8 months
<i>ditto</i>			25.04.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 8 months
<i>ditto</i>			27.01.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 5 months
203341	3F	21.08.2005	10.08.2006	Buskett	1 year
<i>ditto</i>			18.06.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 10 months
<i>ditto</i>			06.10.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 2 months
<i>ditto</i>			10.07.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years 11 months
<i>ditto</i>			18.09.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	6 years 1 month
205483	3J	08.06.2005	04.07.2005	Għadira NR	1 month
<i>ditto</i>			26.08.2005	<i>ibidem</i>	2 months
<i>ditto</i>			08.10.2005	<i>ibidem</i>	4 months
<i>ditto</i>			06.01.2006	<i>ibidem</i>	7 months
<i>ditto</i>			02.05.2006	<i>ibidem</i>	11 months
<i>ditto</i>			16.05.2006	<i>ibidem</i>	11 months
<i>ditto</i>			21.08.2006	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 2 months
<i>ditto</i>			18.04.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 10 months
<i>ditto</i>			20.01.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 7 months
<i>ditto</i>			05.03.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 9 months
<i>ditto</i>			06.05.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 11 months
<i>ditto</i>			01.07.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years
<i>ditto</i>			28.09.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 3 months
<i>ditto</i>			22.12.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 6 months
<i>ditto</i>			24.02.2009	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 8 months
<i>ditto</i>			12.05.2009	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 11 months

<i>ditto</i>			03.12.2009	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years 6 months
<i>ditto</i>			16.03.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years 9 months
<i>ditto</i>			10.06.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years
209298	4M	31.03.2006	08.01.2007	Simar NR	10 months
<i>ditto</i>			21.03.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year
<i>ditto</i>			18.04.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years
<i>ditto</i>			21.04.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years
<i>ditto</i>			02.04.2009	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years
<i>ditto</i>			03.06.2009	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 2 months
<i>ditto</i>			01.07.2009	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 3 months
<i>ditto</i>			09.03.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years
<i>ditto</i>			20.06.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years 3 months
<i>ditto</i>			04.01.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years
<i>ditto</i>			21.02.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years
<i>ditto</i>			17.04.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	6 years
<i>ditto</i>			29.04.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	6 years
<i>ditto</i>			30.07.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	6 years 4 months
<i>ditto</i>			19.03.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	7 years
<i>ditto</i>			03.05.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	7 years 1 month
209506	3M	21.09.2005	11.03.2006	Saqqajja, Rabat	6 months
<i>ditto</i>			29.07.2006	<i>ibidem</i>	10 months
<i>ditto</i>			29.10.2006	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 1 month
<i>ditto</i>			13.05.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 7 months
<i>ditto</i>			07.06.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 8 months
<i>ditto</i>			07.05.2009	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 8 months
<i>ditto</i>			13.02.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years 5 months
<i>ditto</i>			24.03.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years 6 months
<i>ditto</i>			08.05.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years 8 months
<i>ditto</i>			11.02.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	6 years 5 months
<i>ditto</i>			18.03.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	6 years 6 months
<i>ditto</i>			01.04.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	6 years 6 months
<i>ditto</i>			29.04.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	6 years 7 months
<i>ditto</i>			28.04.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	7 years 7 months
<i>ditto</i>			15.09.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	8 years
<i>ditto</i>			08.06.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	8 years 8 months
211665	5M	25.04.2009	04.02.2010	Ta' Gajdoru,	9 months
<i>ditto</i>			12.05.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years
<i>ditto</i>			31.03.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 10 months
213892	3JF	27.05.2006	25.04.2008	Ghadira NR	1 year 11 months
<i>ditto</i>			23.06.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years 11 months
214630	4M	23.04.2006	04.05.2009	Comino	3 years
<i>ditto</i>			08.05.2009	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years
<i>ditto</i>			06.05.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years
<i>ditto</i>			15.04.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years
<i>ditto</i>			24.04.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years
222245	3J	03.08.2007	31.05.2012	Ghadira NR	4 years 9 months
<i>ditto</i>			07.03.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years 7 months
<i>ditto</i>			13.03.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years 7 months
Zitting Cisticola <i>Cisticola juncidis</i>					
11P119	3	04.07.2011	05.10.2012	Simar NR	1 year 3 months
<i>ditto</i>			23.10.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 3 months
13P415	4M	24.04.2012	05.08.2012	Salina	3 months 10 days
<i>ditto</i>			04.04.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years
<i>ditto</i>			22.11.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 7 months
13P426	1F	01.05.2012	04.01.2014	Salina	1 year 7 months
13P453	4F	31.08.2012	31.05.2013	Salina	8 months
<i>ditto</i>			25.04.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 7 months
16P301	3F	02.08.2013	23.08.2013	Chadwick Lakes	21 days
<i>ditto</i>			07.07.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	11 months
16P307	4	02.08.2013	02.07.2015	Chadwick Lakes	1 year 11 months
21P031	4F	17.11.2013	23.05.2015	Salina	1 year 5 months
22P829	4M	22.10.2012	19.11.2012	Simar NR	1 month
<i>ditto</i>			05.04.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	6 months
<i>ditto</i>			12.11.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 1 month
<i>ditto</i>			16.05.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 6 months
Blue Rock Thrush <i>Monticola solitarius</i>					
CC2126	5M	22.10.2003	17.04.2004	Comino	6 months
<i>ditto</i>			29.04.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 5 months
CC2240	3	25.09.2005	17.09.2006	Rabat	1 year
CC2902	5M	16.04.2007	06.05.2009	Comino	1 year 11 months
CC3305	4F	10.05.2007	26.04.2010	Comino	2 years 10 months
CC3062	3M	18.10.2005	05.05.2009	Comino	3 years 6 months
<i>ditto</i>			18.04.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years 5 months

CC3268	1	13.10.2010	27.10.2011	Comino	1 year
<i>ditto</i>			05.05.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 6 months
CC3311	3F	26.08.2008	15.04.2010	Comino	1 year 7 months
CC6080	3F	26.10.2009	27.10.2011	Comino	2 years
CC6197	3F	01.11.2012	13.05.2015	Comino	2 years 5 months
CC6336	3F	10.10.2013	16.10.2013	Comino	6 days
<i>ditto</i>			29.03.2015	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 4 months
CC6632	4M	04.10.2014	29.09.2015	Mgarr ix-Xini, Gz.	1 year
Spanish Sparrow <i>Passer hispaniolensis</i>					
B21 452	3M	11.10.1999	28.02.2000	Għadira NR	4 months
<i>ditto</i>			11.05.2004	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years 7 months
<i>ditto</i>			05.05.2005	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years 7 months
<i>ditto</i>			04.05.2006	<i>ibidem</i>	6 years 7 months
B17042	3J	25.05.2009	25.05.2011	Simar NR	2 years
<i>ditto</i>			07.05.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years
<i>ditto</i>			28.02.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 9 months
B23887	4M	15.05.2006	19.04.2012	Simar NR	6 years
B23923	4M	11.05.2005	10.04.2008	Simar NR	3 years
<i>ditto</i>			08.10.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 5 months
<i>ditto</i>			24.05.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years
B24376	4M	19.03.2006	11.04.2010	Żebbuġ, Mlt	4 years
B24885	4M	05.06.2007	07.12.2007	Għadira NR	6 months
<i>ditto</i>			28.02.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years 8 months
B26480	4M	13.02.2011	24.03.2012	Tarġa Gap, Mosta	1 year 1 month
<i>ditto</i>			08.05.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 3 months
B26868	4F	26.04.2008	01.06.2012	Simar NR	4 years 2 months
B27629	3M	16.07.2005	02.07.2012	Għadira NR	7 years
B27736	3M	07.05.2006	28.04.2007	Għadira NR	11 months
<i>ditto</i>			05.11.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 6 months
<i>ditto</i>			06.05.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years
<i>ditto</i>			15.03.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years 10 months
B27762	3M	07.06.2006	12.03.2012	Għadira NR	5 years 9 months
B27878	2M	08.09.2008	26.12.2009	Għadira NR	1 year 3 months
<i>ditto</i>			19.02.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years 5 months
B28475	3JM	13.07.2005	03.03.2006	Għadira NR	8 months
<i>ditto</i>			31.01.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 6 months
<i>ditto</i>			28.05.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	1 years 10 months
<i>ditto</i>			29.03.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 8 months
<i>ditto</i>			31.05.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	6 years 10 months
Tree Sparrow <i>Passer montanus</i>					
197877	4	05.04.2006	01.05.2006	Simar NR	25 days
<i>ditto</i>			06.04.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year
229747	4F	27.06.2009	18.07.2010	Buskett	11 months
B30485	3	03.09.2008	12.09.2010	Rabat	2 years
B30547	3	08.08.2012	28.07.2013	Buskett	11 months
B30851	4F	15.04.2006	18.04.2007	Rabat	1 year
B30917	4F	28.05.2006	12.05.2007	Rabat	1 year
<i>ditto</i>			17.06.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year
B30967	4M	07.06.2006	06.08.2006	Rabat	2 months
<i>ditto</i>			01.05.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	11 months
B30983	4M	10.06.2006	15.07.2006	Rabat	34 days
<i>ditto</i>			13.12.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 6 months
<i>ditto</i>			14.06.2009	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years
<i>ditto</i>			09.04.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years 9 months
<i>ditto</i>			15.05.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years 10 months
B31938	4F	01.07.2006	12.05.2007	Rabat	9 months
B31957	4F	01.07.2006	27.05.2007	Rabat	9 months
<i>ditto</i>			26.04.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 8 months
B33006	4M	06.08.2006	19.04.2009	Rabat	2 years 7 months
B33025	3	19.08.2006	02.11.2007	Rabat	1 year 2 months
<i>ditto</i>			19.09.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years 1 month
B33068	2	12.10.2006	24.04.2008	Rabat	1 year 5 months
B34403	4F	13.05.2007	14.06.2009	Rabat	1 year 11 months
B35717	4	24.03.2011	10.05.2013	Rabat	2 years 2 months
B35746	4	23.04.2011	16.02.2014	Rabat	2 years 9 months
B35756	4M	23.04.2011	31.05.2014	Rabat	3 years 1 month
B35791	4M	15.05.2011	22.06.2014	Rabat	3 years 1 month
B36017	3	12.10.2008	19.09.2010	Rabat	2 years 1 month
B36020	3	26.10.2008	12.09.2010	Rabat	2 years 1 month
B36140	2	29.11.2008	17.04.2011	Rabat	2 years 3 months
B36574	4F	06.05.2010	19.05.2013	Rabat	3 years

BREEDING VISITORS

Black-winged Stilt *Himantopus himantopus*
DB78904 1 17.06.2013

06.07.2014 Ghadira NR 1 year 1 month

Little Ringed Plover *Charadrius dubius*

NT56150 4 14.05.2003 18.05.2008 Ghadira NR 5 years
 NT56224 3J 19.07.2004 13.09.2005 Ghadira NR 1 year 2 months
 NT56258 4 29.07.2005 09.07.2007 Ghadira NR 2 years
 ditto 18.07.2007 *ibidem* 2 years
 ditto 22.07.2007 *ibidem* 2 years
 ditto 29.04.2008 *ibidem* 2 years 9 months
 ditto 14.05.2008 *ibidem* 2 years 10 months
 NT56330 4 21.07.2012 13.08.2013 Ghadira NR 1 year 1 month

Common Swift *Apus apus*

SB88350 4 08.06.2009 16.06.2009 Mdina 8 days
 ditto 25.06.2009 *ibidem* 17 days
 ditto 29.04.2010 *ibidem* 10 months
 SB88414 4 20.06.2009 09.07.2009 Mdina 19 days
 ditto 14.06.2010 *ibidem* 1 year
 SB88423 4 07.07.2009 06.05.2010 Mdina 10 months
 SS0368 4 05.07.2014 05.06.2015 Mosta 11 months
 SS0370 4 05.07.2014 17.07.2015 Mosta 1 year

Short-toed Lark *Calandrella brachydactyla*

215549 4 06.05.2006 19.04.2014 Comino 7 years 11 months

Reed Warbler *Acrocephalus scirpaceus*

155299 3F 10.07.1999 14.05.2002 Simar NR 2 years 10 months
 ditto 20.06.2002 *ibidem* 2 years 11 months
 ditto 09.08.2002 *ibidem* 3 years 1 month
 ditto 01.05.2006 *ibidem* 6 years 10 months
 164236 4M 15.05.2001 25.04.2002 Simar NR 11 months
 ditto 15.04.2002 *ibidem* 11 months
 ditto 01.06.2005 *ibidem* 4 years
 ditto 05.07.2005 *ibidem* 4 years 2 months
 ditto 08.07.2005 *ibidem* 4 years 2 months
 ditto 18.07.2005 *ibidem* 4 years 2 months
 ditto 24.05.2006 *ibidem* 5 years
 ditto 04.07.2006 *ibidem* 5 years 1 month
 164276 4M 25.05.2001 01.05.2006 Simar NR 5 years
 ditto 20.06.2007 *ibidem* 6 years
 ditto 07.07.2008 *ibidem* 7 years 1 month
 ditto 09.05.2009 *ibidem* 8 years
 166372 4F 02.05.2006 12.05.2006 Simar NR 10 days
 ditto 16.05.2006 *ibidem* 14 days
 ditto 05.06.2006 *ibidem* 1 month
 ditto 09.05.2008 *ibidem* 2 years
 ditto 21.05.2008 *ibidem* 2 years
 ditto 28.07.2008 *ibidem* 2 years 2 months
 ditto 18.05.2009 *ibidem* 3 years
 ditto 26.05.2009 *ibidem* 3 years
 ditto 21.06.2010 *ibidem* 4 years 1 month
 ditto 01.06.2015 *ibidem* 9 years 1 month
 166606 1 19.06.2006 07.09.2006 Simar NR 3 months
 ditto 14.06.2007 *ibidem* 1 year
 236131 3 25.06.2008 02.07.2008 Simar NR 7 days
 ditto 02.06.2010 *ibidem* 2 years
 ditto 08.06.2010 *ibidem* 2 years
 ditto 05.07.2010 *ibidem* 2 years
 240203 4 09.08.2009 05.08.2012 Salina 3 years
 244707 3 18.09.2010 02.09.2012 Ghadira NR 2 years
 ditto 29.08.2013 *ibidem* 3 years
 246244 4 16.06.2010 05.07.2010 Simar NR 1 month
 ditto 26.06.2012 *ibidem* 2 years
 ditto 04.06.2013 *ibidem* 3 years
 ditto 17.07.2013 *ibidem* 3 years
 246880 3J 05.07.2011 11.07.2011 Simar NR 6 days
 ditto 14.08.2012 *ibidem* 1 year
 ditto 05.07.2013 *ibidem* 2 years
 246883 4F 11.07.2011 22.08.2013 Simar NR 2 years 1 month
 ditto 28.05.2014 *ibidem* 2 years 10 months
 246889 4 28.07.2011 09.07.2015 Simar NR 4 years

247028	4M	19.06.2009	19.05.2010	Simar NR	11 months
<i>ditto</i>			23.06.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years
<i>ditto</i>			04.06.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years
278778	3F	10.07.2013	15.07.2014	Simar NR	1 year
<i>ditto</i>			20.05.2015	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 10 months

WINTER VISITORS

Water Rail *Rallus aquaticus*

DB78764	5F	12.03.2007	10.04.2008	Simar NR	1 year 1 month
<i>ditto</i>			05.11.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 8 months
<i>ditto</i>			01.12.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 9 months
DB78769	4F	16.10.2008	21.03.2010	Simar NR	1 year 5 months
EE00811	4F	27.10.2008	19.10.2009	Simar NR	1 year
EE00986	4M	27.11.2007	27.03.2013	Ghadira NR	5 years 4 months
EE02470	3M	31.10.2014	25.03.2015	Ghadira NR	5 months
			10.10.2015	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year

Common Chiffchaff *Phylloscopus collybita*

10P250	3	29.11.2010	02.03.2011	Simar NR	3 months
<i>ditto</i>			28.02.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 3 months
10P279	2	29.11.2010	30.11.2010	Simar NR	1 day
<i>ditto</i>			22.11.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years
<i>ditto</i>			14.02.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 3 months
10P637	6	05.01.2011	12.03.2013	Simar NR	2 years 2 months
<i>ditto</i>			27.03.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 2 months
10P743	2	27.12.2010	02.02.2013	Ghadira NR	2 years 2 months
10P787	5	10.03.2011	12.01.2014	Ghadira NR	2 years 9 months
11P163	3	19.10.2011	07.02.2014	Simar NR	2 years 4 months
<i>ditto</i>			27.03.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 5 months
11P253	3	04.11.2011	21.03.2012	Simar NR	4 months
<i>ditto</i>			12.03.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 4 months
12P457	3	15.11.2011	11.02.2012	Ghadira NR	3 months
<i>ditto</i>			07.03.2015	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 4 months
12P603	3	21.11.2011	18.01.2012	Ghadira NR	2 months
<i>ditto</i>			02.02.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 3 months
14P370	3	17.11.2012	19.03.2013	Ghadira NR	4 months
<i>ditto</i>			05.02.2015	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 2 months
14P406	3	22.11.2012	08.02.2014	Ghadira NR	1 year 2 months
<i>ditto</i>			19.02.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 2 months
<i>ditto</i>			21.02.2015	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 3 months
14P464	4	17.12.2012	07.01.2013	Ghadira NR	21 days
<i>ditto</i>			27.01.2015	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 1 month
14P486	3	22.12.2012	29.12.2012	Ghadira NR	7 days
<i>ditto</i>			19.01.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	28 days
<i>ditto</i>			23.02.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 2 months
<i>ditto</i>			06.03.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 3 months
<i>ditto</i>			10.01.2015	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 1 month

Blackcap *Sylvia atricapilla*

215792	3F	12.12.2006	30.12.2006	Buskett	18 days
<i>ditto</i>			29.12.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year
216077	3F	15.10.2006	01.04.2013	Rabat	6 years 5 months
218644	2F	11.11.2006	29.03.2008	Ghadira NR	1 year 3 months
218769	3M	07.12.2006	09.12.2008	Ghadira NR	2 years
218814	5	23.01.2007	23.03.2012	Ghadira NR	5 years 2 months
218878	5M	14.03.2007	03.10.2008	Ghadira NR	1 year 7 months
<i>ditto</i>			24.03.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years
221535	5M	04.01.2006	01.02.2006	Buskett	1 month
<i>ditto</i>			14.01.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year
<i>ditto</i>			23.03.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	8 years 2 months
224094	3F	01.11.2007	21.10.2012	Buskett	5 years
225227	2M	08.12.2006	18.01.2007	Buskett	1 month
<i>ditto</i>			28.01.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	1 month 20 days
<i>ditto</i>			11.03.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years 3 months
225334	2M	26.12.2006	06.12.2008	Saqqajja, Rabat	20 days
<i>ditto</i>			31.10.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years 10 months
<i>ditto</i>			14.11.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years 11 months
<i>ditto</i>			30.11.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	7 years
225503	4M	01.01.2007	24.01.2010	Buskett	3 years
226854	4F	27.12.2007	24.02.2008	Saqqajja, Rabat	2 months
<i>ditto</i>			09.01.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years
229561	5M	20.01.2008	20.12.2015	Buskett	7 years
230196	5M	10.01.2008	20.03.2008	Ghadira NR	2 months
<i>ditto</i>			24.03.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years
230626	4F	04.01.2009	29.12.2010	Buskett	1 year 11 months

<i>ditto</i>			12.11.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 10 months
232110	3M	24.11.2011	30.01.2014	Buskett	2 years 11 months
235340	5M	28.02.2009	18.03.2012	Saqqajja, Rabat	3 years
235349	5F	14.03.2009	20.02.2011	Saqqajja, Rabat	2 years
<i>ditto</i>			24.03.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years
235433	5F	11.04.2009	29.01.2011	Saqqajja, Rabat	2 years
<i>ditto</i>			03.02.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years
236514	3M	24.12.2008	27.02.2009	Simar NR	2 months
<i>ditto</i>			12.01.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 1 month
<i>ditto</i>			30.03.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 2 months
236534	5M	25.02.2009	14.02.2011	Simar NR	2 years
237493	5M	24.03.2009	16.02.2013	Ghadira NR	4 years
237520	6M	27.03.2009	27.03.2012	Ghadira NR	3 years
238300	2F	28.10.2009	17.10.2011	Mellieha	2 years
238642	4	02.04.2010	24.03.2012	Buskett	2 years
241762	4F	26.03.2010	06.03.2014	Ghadira NR	4 years
245430	3M	24.10.2010	04.11.2012	Rabat	2 years
245983	4F	06.02.2011	20.02.2011	Saqqajja, Rabat	14 days
<i>ditto</i>			23.03.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years
247355	2F	09.11.2009	18.02.2010	Simar NR	3 months
<i>ditto</i>			08.03.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	4 months
<i>ditto</i>			07.04.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	5 months
<i>ditto</i>			23.03.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 3 months
249175	5F	17.01.2010	01.04.2013	Rabat	3 years
<i>ditto</i>			19.03.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years
<i>ditto</i>			11.04.2015	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years
249437	3F	22.10.2009	30.01.2010	Saqqajja, Rabat	3 months
<i>ditto</i>			10.03.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 5 months
<i>ditto</i>			28.01.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 3 months
249627	3M	26.11.2009	14.11.2010	Saqqajja, Rabat	1 year
<i>ditto</i>			03.02.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 2 months
251173	3M	13.11.2010	27.03.2013	Ghadira NR	2 years 4 months
<i>ditto</i>			03.04.2015	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years 5 months
251239	3F	27.12.2010	30.03.2011	Ghadira NR	3 months
<i>ditto</i>			25.02.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 2 months
<i>ditto</i>			30.03.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 3 months
256490	3M	10.11.2011	20.03.2014	Ghadira NR	2 years 4 months
<i>ditto</i>			04.11.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years
Song Thrush <i>Turdus philomelos</i>					
CC2676	3	06.11.2012	31.12.2013	Simar NR	11 months
Robin <i>Erithacus rubecula</i>					
190365	6	18.01.2007	06.02.2008	Buskett	1 year
193720	3	07.11.2007	09.11.2008	Salina	1 year
194744	3	05.11.2004	15.03.2006	Ghadira NR	
<i>ditto</i>	6		03.02.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	5 years 3 months
(retrapped annually between 2006-2009)					
203521	5	28.01.2007	06.02.2008	Buskett	11 months
203541	5	03.03.2007	20.01.2008	Buskett	10 months
207498	4	18.11.2006	06.02.2008	Buskett	1 year 2 months
209269	5	14.01.2006	01.02.2007	Buskett	1 year
211452	4	07.12.2007	01.11.2008	Ta' Gajdoru	11 months
<i>ditto</i>			18.10.2009	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 10 months
212822	3	01.11.2006	28.10.2009	Mellieha	3 years
(retrapped also in 2007 and 2008)					
212856	3	02.12.2006	27.10.2007	Mellieha	10 months
212872	3	04.12.2006	19.11.2007	Mellieha	11 months
213274	5	21.03.2006	26.03.2007	Ghadira NR	1 year
<i>ditto</i>			26.04.2007	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 1 month
216901	4	21.10.2006	10.03.2011	Saqqajja, Rabat	4 years 4 months
(retrapped in 2008 and 2010)					
218057	3	04.10.2006	06.03.2008	Ghadira NR	1 year 5 months
(retrapped many times in 2006 and 2007)					
218065	3	06.10.2006	02.11.2007	Ghadira NR	1 year 1 month
<i>ditto</i>			22.02.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 4 months
218501	3	01.11.2006	17.12.2007	Ghadira NR	1 year 1 month
<i>ditto</i>			27.10.2008	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 11 months
225201	3	07.12.2006	20.11.2009	Buskett	3 years 1 month
(retrapped also in 2007 and 2008)					
229069	3	24.11.2007	08.11.2008	Mellieha	1 year
229111	3	27.09.2008	15.10.2012	Mellieha	4 years
232433	4	22.10.2011	26.11.2013	Tarġa Gap, Mosta	1 year 11 months
234953	3	28.10.2008	26.10.2009	Comino	1 year
<i>ditto</i>			22.03.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 5 months

(retrapped also in 2009)					
236287	3	15.10.2008	03.11.2010	Simar NR	2 years
237964	4	27.04.2009	09.05.2009	Għadira NR	11 days
<i>ditto</i>	6		17.06.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 1 month
238258	3	20.10.2009	28.11.2009	Mellieħa	1 month
<i>ditto</i>			24.12.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 2 months
238775	3	31.10.2010	29.12.2012	Buskett	2 years 2 months
<i>ditto</i>			10.11.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 1 month
239032	3	30.10.2008	29.10.2010	Comino	2 years
241573	3	13.11.2009	20.12.2011	Għadira NR	2 years
(retrapped 4 times also in 2010)					
242715	3	16.11.2010	15.10.2012	Mellieħa	2 years
<i>ditto</i>	4		30.10.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years
243538	4	13.09.2012	11.06.2014	Buskett	1 year 9 months
246392	3	27.10.2010	11.09.2012	Simar NR	2 years
(retrapped 7 times in 2011-2012)					
245424	3	29.10.2010	11.03.2013	Simar NR	2 years 5 months
(retrapped 14 times in 2010-2012)					
246466	3	08.11.2010	03.10.2014	Simar NR	4 years
(retrapped 5 times in 2011-2013)					
249601	3	15.11.2009	03.12.2011	Saqqajja, Rabat	2 years
(retrapped 3 times in 2009 and and 2011)					
253124	3	02.12.2012	16.12.2012	Buskett	14 days
<i>ditto</i>			17.11.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	11 months
255012	3	06.11.2011	05.01.2014	Saqqajja, Rabat	2 years 2 months
(retrapped 4 times in 2011-2013)					
255029	3	09.11.2011	14.03.2015	Salina	3 years 3 months
(retrapped 6 times in 2011, 2014 and 2015)					
256270	3	10.11.2011	17.11.2012	Għadira NR	1 year
<i>ditto</i>			24.11.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year
<i>ditto</i>			12.11.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years
256451	3	26.11.2011	28.10.2013	Għadira NR	2 years
<i>ditto</i>			10.11.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years
<i>ditto</i>			05.12.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years
258367	5	25.01.2012	13.03.2013	Simar NR	1 year 2 months
<i>ditto</i>			12.09.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 9 months
<i>ditto</i>			04.05.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 4 months
266967	3	04.11.2012	21.02.2015	Rabat	2 years 3 months
(retrapped 5 times in 2012-2014)					
269025	3	23.10.2012	24.11.2012	Comino	1 month
<i>ditto</i>			20.03.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 5 months
278409	6	16.06.2013	07.12.2013	Wied Għollieqa	6 months
<i>ditto</i>			28.09.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 3 months
<i>ditto</i>			05.10.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 4 months
<i>ditto</i>			17.07.2015	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 1 month
278960	3	21.10.2013	23.10.2013	Simar NR	2 days
<i>ditto</i>			17.02.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	4 months
<i>ditto</i>			12.01.2015	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 2 months
279405	3	07.11.2013	03.11.2014	Rabat	1 year
<i>ditto</i>			21.02.2016	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 2 months
286863	3	30.10.2014	10.11.2014	Simar NR	11 days
<i>ditto</i>			09.02.2016	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 3 months
293186	3	15.11.2014	18.11.2015	Salina	1 year
<i>ditto</i>			03.12.2016	<i>ibidem</i>	2 year 1 month
Black Redstart <i>Phoenicurus ochrurus</i>					
226855	3	27.12.2007	06.12.2008	Saqqajja, Rabat	1 year
246581	5	28.02.2011	30.11.2012	Simar NR	1 year 9 months
255779	3	27.11.2011	03.11.2012	Saqqajja, Rabat	1 year
255888	6	28.01.2012	17.03.2013	Saqqajja, Rabat	1 year 2 months
279463	3	23.11.2013	01.02.2015	Żebbuġ, Mlt	1 year 2 months
Common Stonechat <i>Saxicola torquata</i>					
253323	4F	13.02.2011	18.02.2012	Buskett	1 year
Dunnoek <i>Punella modularis</i>					
212556	3	31.10.2005	30.11.2006	Mellieħa	1 year 1 month
218741	3	28.11.2006	03.02.2010	Għadira NR	3 years 2 months
Grey Wagtail <i>Motacilla cinerea</i>					
220950	3M	25.11.2007	17.01.2010	Rabat	2 years 2 months
252307	3	13.11.2011	17.02.2013	Rabat	1 year 3 months

Meadow Pipit *Anthus pratensis*

194889	5	18.02.2005	07.01.2006	Għadira NR	11 months
			15.02.2006	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year
230153	3	07.12.2007	28.02.2011	Għadira NR	3 years 2 months
			05.03.2011	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 2 months
231048	4	10.03.2008	25.02.2009	Għadira NR	11 months
			16.03.2009	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year
			23.02.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year
246600	5	10.03.2011	14.03.2012	Simar NR	1 year
260052	6	18.02.2012	22.03.2014	Tarġa Gap, Mosta	2 years 1 month
271281	5	11.02.2013	07.02.2014	Simar NR	1 year

MIGRANTS**Common Sandpiper** *Actitis hypoleucos*

BV2457	4	21.07.2006	10.07.2008	Għadira NR	2 years
			15.07.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years
BV3205	3	09.07.2009	15.07.2012	Għadira NR	3 years
			25.07.2015	<i>ibidem</i>	6 years
BV3207	3	21.07.2009	23.07.2011	Għadira NR	2 years
BV3756	3	14.11.2012	17.08.2013	Għadira NR	9 months
			04.09.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 11 months
			10.09.2014	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year 11 months

Wryneck *Jynx torquilla*

(sometimes this species over-winter in the Maltese Islands)

B32642	2	05.10.2009	11.10.2009	Għadira NR	6 days
<i>ditto</i>			30.10.2010	<i>ibidem</i>	1 year
<i>ditto</i>			02.01.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	2 years 2 months
<i>ditto</i>			27.12.2012	<i>ibidem</i>	3 years 2 months
<i>ditto</i>			25.02.2013	<i>ibidem</i>	4 years 4 months
B40190	5	24.04.2014	26.04.2015	Comino	1 year

LESSER CRESTED TERN *THALASSEUS BENGALENSIS* PROJECT – LIBYA 2006-2012

The breeding population of the Lesser Crested Tern *Thalasseus bengalensis emigratus* is found exclusively in Libya, on the two coastal islands of Gara and Elba and at one wetland on the mainland coast in Benghazi. A ringing programme was conducted from 2006–2012 to improve knowledge of the species' migration to wintering quarters in West Africa. A total of 1,354 nestlings were ringed using BirdLife Malta metal rings and colour rings provided by ISPRA (Italy). Of these, 64 were recovered along their flyway and in their wintering range, representing 6.9% of birds ringed with both colour and metal rings. The list below presents 48 interesting recoveries.

The project was initiated by the Libyan Environment General Authority in coordination with the Regional Activity Centre for Specially Protected Areas set up by the Mediterranean Action Plan (UNEP) and involved participants from BirdLife Malta, the Istituto Superiore per la Protezione e la Ricerca Ambientale (Italy), the Biological Station of the Tour du Valat (France), Les Amis des Oiseaux (Tunisia), and Al Fateh University (Libya). The participants from BirdLife Malta (Joe Sultana and John J. Borg) also trained their Libyan counterparts in bird ringing.

RECOVERIES OF LESSER CRESTED TERNS RINGED IN LIBYA. ALL RECOVERIES WERE OBSERVED UNLESS STATED OTHERWISE

W0448	1	08.08.2007	Jezirat Al Alba 32.13'N; 23.16'E, Al Qardbah
White BN		13.07.2012	Sebkhat Jeliana, 32.05'N; 20.03'E Benghazi, Libya
W0467	1	04.04.2008	Sebkhat Jeliana, 32.05'N; 20.03'E, Benghazi
White DD		23.05.2015	Al Mallahah, 32.53'N; 13.17'E Tripoli, Libya
W0499	1	05.08.2008	Jezirat Garah, 30.47'N; 19.54'E, Ajdabija
Black AA		17.07.2012	Sebkhat Jeliana, 32.05'N; 20.03'E Benghazi, Libya

W0503 White B53	1	04.08.2010 13.10.2013 18.01.2014 14.10.2014	Jezirat Garah, Ajdabija SouthJetty, Melilla 35.16°N; 02.55°W, Spain Cataboao Segundo 11.07°N; 15.17°E, Guinea-Bissau SouthJetty, Melilla 35.16°N; 02.55°W, Spain
W0515 White B65	1	04.08.2010 02.10.2010	Jezirat Garah, Ajdabija Almadraba Beach, Ceuta, 35.54°N; 05.22°W, Spain
W0525 White B75	1	04.08.2010 05.12.2014 15.01.2016	Jezirat Garah, Ajdabija Viera Island 11.01°N; 15.38°W, Guinea-Bissau João, Viera Island 10.02°N; 15.37°W, Guinea-Bissau
W0563 White C11	1	04.08.2010 04.05.2013	Jezirat Garah, Ajdabija Baie de Ngor, Dakar 14.45°N; 17.30°W, Senegal
W0570 White C19	1	04.08.2010 16.03.2015	Jezirat Garah, Ajdabija João, Viera Island, Guinea-Bissau
W0588 White C37	1 x	04.08.2010 03.06.2014	Jezirat Garah, Ajdabija Agadir, 30.25°N; 09.36°W, Morocco
W0600 White C50	1	04.08.2010 15.11.2013	Jezirat Garah, Ajdabija Tanji Beach, 13.21°N;16.47°W, Western Division, Gambia
W0604 White D04	1	04.08.2010 21.09.2010	Jezirat Garah, Ajdabija Almadraba Beach, Ceuta, 35.54°N; 05.22°W, Spain
W0609 White D09	1	04.08.2010 27.02.2015	Jezirat Garah, Ajdabija João, Viera Island, Guinea-Bissau
W0617 White D17,	1	04.08.2010 13.10.2010	Jezirat Garah, Ajdabija Embouchure Draa 28.40°N; 11.07°W Tan Tan, Morocco
W0621 White D21	1	04.08.2010 06.03.2011	Jezirat Garah, Ajdabija Baie de Ngor, Dakar, 14.45°N; 17.30°W, Senegal
W0624 White D24	1	04.08.2010 08.07.2012	Jezirat Garah, Ajdabija Montigio Beach, Chipiona Cadiz, 36.45°N, 06.24°W, Spain
W0637 White D38	1	04.08.2010 23.03.2015 30.03.2015	Jezirat Garah, Ajdabija João, Viera Island, Guinea-Bissau João, Viera Island, Guinea-Bissau
W0690 White C58	1	10.07.2012 29.09.2017	Sebkhat Jeliana, 32.05°N; 20.03°E, Benghazi Rhegaia Beach, Rhegaia 36,47°N, 03,20°E, Algeria
W0696 White C64	1	10.07.2012 19.09.2016	Sebkhat Jeliana, Benghazi Playa del Chorrillo, Ceuta 35.52°N; 05.19°W, Spain
W1015 White VB	1 x	04.08.2008 31.12.2008	Sebkhat Jeliana, Benghazi Turtle Islands, 07.38°N; 13.03°W, Sierra Leone
W1026 White VV	1	04.08.2008 27.02.2015	Sebkhat Jeliana, Benghazi João, Viera Island, Guinea-Bissau
W1029 White ZB	1	04.08.2008 22.01.2013 28.01.2013 01.12.2013	Sebkhat Jeliana, Benghazi Tanji Bird Reserve 13.26°N; 16.41°W Tanji Beach Tanji Beach Western Division, 13.21°N;16.47°W, Gambia
W1067 White PF	1	05.08.2008 01.02.2010	Jezirat Garah, Ajdabija Dakar, 14.39°N; 17.26°W, Senegal
W1069 White PJ	1	05.08.2008 31.10.2010	Jezirat Garah, Ajdabija Dakar, 14.39°N; 17.26°W, Senegal
W1090 White SZ		05.08.2008 13.01.2014	Jezirat Garah, Ajdabija Kamakauma coast, 30.47°N; 19.54°E, Guinea
W1145 Black FH		05.08.2008 02.10.2008	Jezirat Garah, Ajdabija Ceuta, Bahia Sur, 35.53°N; 05.19°W, Spain
W546 White B96	1 x	04.08.2010 25.10.2017	Jezirat Garah, Ajdabija Thyna salt pans 34.38°N; 10.43°E, Tunisia

W1363 White B15	1	04.08.2010 14.05.2014	Jezirat Garah, Ajdabija Palmarin, 14.01'N; 16.46'W, Senegal
W1376 White B29	1	04.08.2010 23.03.2015	Jezirat Garah, Ajdabija João, Viera Island, Guinea-Bissau
W1383 White B36	1	04.08.2010 18.03.2015	Jezirat Garah, Ajdabija Cavalos Island, 10.00'N. 15.42'W, Guinea-Bissau
W1387 White B40	1	04.08.2010 17.11.2016	Jezirat Garah, Ajdabija João Poilao Island 10.52'N; 15.43'W, Guinea-Bissau
W1411 White A29	1	10.07.2012 20.01.2017	Sebkhat Jeliana, Benghazi Ilha Bolama, 11.37'N; 15.40'W, Guinea-Bissau
W1418 White A36	1	10.07.2012 17.11.2016	Sebkhat Jeliana, Benghazi João Poilao Island, 10.52'N; 15.43'W, Guinea-Bissau
W1420 White A38	1	10.07.2012 17.11.2016	Sebkhat Jeliana, Benghazi João Poilao Island, Guinea-Bissau
W1423 White A41	1	10.07.2012 18.03.2015	Sebkhat Jeliana, Benghazi Cavalos Island, 10.00'N; 15.42'W, Guinea-Bissau
W1435 White A53	1	10.07.2012 26.01.2013	Sebkhat Jeliana, Benghazi Kartong, 13.04'N; 16.45'W, Libya
W1440 White A58	1	10.07.2012 25.11.2014	Sebkhat Jeliana, Benghazi Viera Island, 11.01'N; 15.38'W, Guinea-Bissau
W1481 White D66	1	24.07.2012 29.09.2012	Sebkhat Jeliana, Benghazi Los Lances beach Tarefa, Cadiz, 36.01'N; 05.36'W, Spain
W1519 White F03	1	24.07.2012 28.02.2015	Sebkhat Jeliana, Benghazi João, Viera Island, Guinea-Bissau
W1553 White F36	1	24.07.2012 28.02.2015	Sebkhat Jeliana, Benghazi João, Viera Island, Guinea-Bissau

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W0299 White BA	08.08.2007 19.07.2011	Jesiret Al Alba, Al Qardbah 4 years later
W0475 White DT	04.08.2008 13.07.2012	Sebkhat Jeliana, Benghazi 4 years later
W0481 White LD	04.08.2008 13.07.2012	Sebkhat Jeliana, Benghazi 4 years later,
W0483 White LH	04.08.2008 13.07.2012	Sebkhat Jeliana, Benghazi 4 years later
W0488 White LP	04.08.2008 22.07.2012	Sebkhat Jeliana, Benghazi 4 years later
W1014 White VA	04.08.2008 22.07.2012	Sebkhat Jeliana, Benghazi 4 years later
W1030 White ZC	04.08.2008 13.07.2012	Sebkhat Jeliana, Benghazi 4 years later
W1032 White ZF	04.08.2008 13.07.2012	Sebkhat Jeliana, Benghazi 4 years later
W1199 Blue BH	05.07.2009 17.07.2012	Sebkhat Jeliana, Benghazi 3 years later

MALTA RARITIES AND RECORDS COMMITTEE – MALTA

2ND REPORT

Introduction

This is the second report of the Malta Rarities and Records Committee (MRRC) covering the years 2011 to 2015. The first report, which covered the years 2000 to 2010, appeared in II-Merill (2010) pages 47-54. This report reviews six committee meetings which were held at the National Museum of Natural History on 03.02.2011, 02.02.2012, 07.11.2012, 20.02.2014, 29.01.2015 and 02.02.2016. Discussions and decisions on some of the submitted records were also carried out online between the officials and committee members when appropriate.

The members serving on the Committee were: Raymond Galea (Chairman), Edward Bonavia (Secretary), John J. Borg (representing the National Museum of Natural History), and Ian Balzan; Denis Cachia; Caldon Mercieca; and Joe Sultana as members. Raymond Vella also served as member from 2011-2013. The Committee sought the advice of international experts before taking a decision on some of the records.

During the Committee Meeting held on 20th of February 2014 it was decided that the official name for the Rarities Committee should be the Malta Rarities and Records Committee (MRRC). It was also decided that apart from discussing records of rarities, the MRRC should:

- (a) Keep and update regularly the official Bird Species list of Malta
- (b) Review any new or rare breeding records
- (c) Discuss records at sub-species level where possible
- (d) Take into account the deliberation of bird records in Malta

It was also agreed that the MRRC should function under the auspices of BirdLife Malta, while retaining a representative of the National Museum of Natural History as long as the member holding this post is well versed in birds and ornithology.

Regulations

The regulations which appeared in the first report were retained except for point seven which was replaced as follows:

The first three records of a rarity should be substantiated by photographs, video films or sound recordings. In exceptional cases, a field description by at least two experienced observers might suffice.

Species requiring a description by the Malta Rarities and Records Committee

Ideally all records of very scarce species should be submitted to the MRRC with a field description and, when available, with a photograph. Species which have been recorded less than 20 times in the Islands, require a description. However, there are some species listed below that, in spite of being recorded more than 20 times, still require a description to be officially accepted as these are very difficult to identify in the field.

The following is the updated list of species that require a description:

Bean Goose *Anser fabalis*
White-fronted Goose *Anser albifrons*
Red-breasted Goose *Branta ruficollis*
Ruddy Shelduck *Tadorna ferruginea*
Blue-winged Teal *Anas discors*
Marbled Duck *Marmaronetta angustirostris*
Red-crested Pochard *Netta rufina*
Tufted Duck *Aythya fuligula*
Greater Scaup *Aythya marila*
Common Scoter *Melanitta nigra*
Common Goldeneye *Bucephala clangula*
Smew *Mergellus albellus*
Goosander *Mergus merganser*
White-headed Duck *Oxyura leucocephala*
Red-throated Diver *Gavia stellata*
Sooty Shearwater *Puffinus griseus*

Manx Shearwater *Puffinus puffinus*
Balearic Shearwater *Puffinus mauretanicus*
Leach's Storm-petrel *Oceanodroma leucorhoa*
Shag *Phalacrocorax aristotelis*
Pygmy Cormorant *Phalacrocorax pygmeus*
White Pelican *Pelecanus onocrotalus*
Western Reef Egret *Egretta gularis*
Red Kite *Milvus milvus*
White-tailed Eagle *Haliaeetus albicilla*
Griffon Vulture *Gyps fulvus*
Long-legged Buzzard *Buteo rufinus*
Rough-legged Buzzard *Buteo lagopus*
Golden Eagle *Aquila chrysaetos*
Eastern Imperial Eagle *Aquila heliaca*
Baillon's Crake *Zapornia pusilla*
Striped Crake *Aenigmatolimnas marginalis*
Allen's Gallinule *Porphyrio alleni*
Western Swamphen *Porphyrio porphyrio*
Red-knobbed Coot *Fulica cristata*
Demoiselle Crane *Grus virgo*
Little Bustard *Tetrax tetrax*
Houbara Bustard *Chlamydotis undulata*
Great Bustard *Otis tarda*
Pacific Golden Plover *Pluvialis fulva*
Spur-winged Lapwing *Vanellus spinosus*
Sociable Lapwing *Vanellus gregarius*
White-tailed Lapwing *Vanellus leucurus*
Caspian Plover *Anarhynchus asiaticus*
Greater Sand Plover *Anarhynchus leschenaultii*
Upland Sandpiper *Bartramia longicauda*
Slender-billed Curlew *Numenius tenuirostris*
Red Knot *Calidris canutus*
Broad-billed Sandpiper *Calidris falcinellus*
Purple Sandpiper *Calidris maritima*
Buff-breasted Sandpiper *Calidris subruficollis*
Pectoral Sandpiper *Calidris melanotos*
Red-necked Phalarope *Phalaropus lobatus*
Grey Phalarope *Phalaropus fulicarius*
Terek Sandpiper *Xenus cinereus*
Long-billed Dowitcher *Limnodromus scolopaceus*
Arctic Skua *Stercorarius parasiticus*
Long-tailed Skua *Stercorarius longicaudus*
Puffin *Fratercula arctica*
Razorbill *Alca torda*
Little Auk *Alle alle*
Common Guillemot *Uria aalge*
Lesser Crested Tern *Sterna bengalensis*
Arctic Tern *Sterna paradisaea*
Roseate Tern *Sterna dougallii*
Great Black-headed Gull *Larus ichthyaetus*
Glaucous Gull *Larus hyperboreus*
Herring Gull *Larus argentatus*
Black-bellied Sandgrouse *Pterocles orientalis*
Pin-tailed Sandgrouse *Pterocles alchata*
Laughing Dove *Streptopelia senegalensis*
Little Owl *Athene noctua*
Red-necked Nightjar *Caprimulgus ruficollis*
Egyptian Nightjar *Caprimulgus aegyptius*
White-throated Needletail *Hirundapus caudacutus*
White-rumped Swift *Apus caffer*
Little Swift *Apus affinis*
Blue-cheeked Bee-eater *Merops persicus*
American Kestrel *Falco sparverius*
Sooty Falcon *Falco concolor*
Lanner Falcon *Falco biarmicus*
Barbary Falcon *Falco pelegrinoides*
Red-eyed Vireo *Vireo olivaceus*
Isabelline Shrike *Lanius isabellinus*
Great Grey Shrike *Lanius excubitor*
Southern Grey Shrike *Lanius meridionalis*
Masked Shrike *Lanius nubicus*
Jackdaw *Corvus monedula*
Rook *Corvus frugilegus*
Carrion Crow *Corvus corone*
Hooded Crow *Corvus cornix*

Common Raven *Corvus corax*
 Blue Tit *Cyanistes caeruleus*
 Great Tit *Parus major*
 Hoopoe Lark *Alaemon alaudipes*
 Bar-tailed Desert Lark *Ammomanes cinctura*
 White-winged Lark *Alauda leucoptera*
 Crested Lark *Galerida cristata*
 Shore Lark *Eremophila alpestris*
 Temminck's Lark *Eremophila bilopha*
 Black Lark *Melanocorypha yeltoniensis*
 Dupont's Lark *Chersophilus duponti*
 Lesser Short-toed Lark *Alaudala rufescens*
 Greenish Warbler *Phylloscopus trochiloides*
 Arctic Warbler *Phylloscopus borealis*
 Pallas's Leaf Warbler *Phylloscopus proregulus*
 Radde's Warbler *Phylloscopus schwarzi*
 Dusky Warbler *Phylloscopus fuscatus*
 Iberian Chiffchaff *Phylloscopus ibericus*
 Mountain Chiffchaff *Phylloscopus sindianus*
 African Desert Warbler *Sylvia deserti*
 Barred Warbler *Sylvia nisoria*
 Western Orphean Warbler *Sylvia hortensis*
 Eastern Orphean Warbler *Sylvia crassirostris*
 Tristram's Warbler *Sylvia deserticola*
 Ménétries's Warbler *Sylvia mystacea*
 Rüppell's Warbler *Sylvia rueppelli*
 Marmora's Warbler *Sylvia sarda*
 Grasshopper Warbler *Locustella naevia*
 River Warbler *Locustella fluviatilis*
 Eastern Olivaceous Warbler *Iduna pallida*
 Western Olivaceous Warbler *Iduna opaca*
 Booted Warbler *Iduna caligata*
 Melodious Warbler *Hippolais polyglotta*
 Aquatic Warbler *Acrocephalus paludicola*
 Paddyfield Warbler *Acrocephalus agricola*
 Blyth's Reed Warbler *Acrocephalus dumetorum*
 Marsh Warbler *Acrocephalus palustris*
 Waxwing *Bombycilla garrulus*
 Wallcreeper *Tichodroma muraria*
 Spotless Starling *Sturnus unicolor*
 Rose-coloured Starling *Pastor roseus*
 Dipper *Cinclus cinclus*
 Siberian Thrush *Geokichla sibirica*
 Eyebrowed Thrush *Turdus obscurus*
 Thrush Nightingale *Luscinia luscinia*
 Siberian Rubythroat *Calliope calliope*
 Red-flanked Bluetail *Tarsiger cyanurus*
 Atlas Flycatcher *Ficedula speculigera*
 Moussier's Redstart *Phoenicurus moussieri*
 Desert Wheatear *Oenanthe deserti*
 Pied Wheatear *Oenanthe pleschanka*
 Black Wheatear *Oenanthe leucura*
 White-crowned Black Wheatear *Oenanthe leucopyga*
 Rock Sparrow *Petronia petronia*
 Snowfinch *Montifringilla nivalis*
 Citrine Wagtail *Motacilla citreola*
 Olive-backed Pipit *Anthus hodgsoni*
 Common Rosefinch *Erythrina erythrina*
 Bullfinch *Pyrrhula pyrrhula*
 Lesser Redpoll *Acanthis cabaret*
 Common Redpoll *Acanthis flammea*
 Snow Bunting *Plectrophenax nivalis*
 Lapland Bunting *Calcarius lapponicus*
 Rose-breasted Grosbeak *Pheucticus ludovicianus*
 White-throated Sparrow *Zonotrichia albicollis*
 Black-headed Bunting *Emberiza melanocephala*
 Rock Bunting *Emberiza cia*
 Cretzschmar's Bunting *Emberiza caesia*
 Gull Bunting *Emberiza cirius*
 Yellowhammer *Emberiza citrinella*
 Pine Bunting *Emberiza leucocephalos*
 Yellow-breasted Bunting *Emberiza aureola*
 Chestnut Bunting *Emberiza rutila*
 Little Bunting *Emberiza pusilla*
 Rustic Bunting *Emberiza rustica*

Category D species (i.e. species that there is reasonable doubt that they have ever occurred in a natural state) do not form part of the Malta list and therefore are not found in the above list.

It was decided that the following species in the previous bird list should be placed in **Category D** as it is impossible to ascertain whether these were genuine vagrants or escapees:

Egyptian Goose *Alopochen aegyptiaca* – 1 taken at Baħar lċ-Ċagħaq on the 11th of March 1914 reported by Despott in 1914 in a newspaper *Tribuna Sport*.

Bar-headed Goose *Anser indicus* – 1 shot in December 1993 at San Tumas reported by Sultana (2001) who stated that the species is indigenous to central Asia and introduced in live bird collections in Europe, where some became feral and started breeding in some countries, e.g. Germany.

Falcated Duck *Anas falcata* – an immature male shot at Birżebbuġa on the 10th of October 1979 reported by Alfred Vassallo in a short note in *II-Merill* No. 20.

Baikal Teal *Anas formosa* – 1 male shot at St. George's Bay, Birżebbuġa on the 16th of April 1912 Despott (1917), who added that it was with 2 other females. The male specimen was in Despott's collection, was seen by Russell Kennedy who reported it in a short note in *The Ibis*, stating that he was informed that it was taken in 1913. De Lucca (1969) reported its occurrence in 1910.

Eurasian Jay *Garrulus glandarius* – single at Żabbar on the 9th of May 1916 (Despott 1917). On the 1st of August 2013, Martin Austad and Nicholas Galea, observed a Eurasian Jay at Buskett. This bird was caught on the 27th of October 2013 and had a closed ring confirming that the bird was an escapee.

The Committee decided that the **Green Woodpecker** *Picus viridis* record should be **deleted from the official Malta Bird species list** after assessing the way it was reported by Despott (1917).

Regarding new species to the list of the Birds of Malta one should refer to the above amended regulation. The MRRC may also ask for a description of other species when it deems necessary.

Accepted Records

The following records have been discussed either during meetings of the MRRC or by discussions online. Nine species are new to the Malta Bird List. All records include the name of the observers.

Red Kite *Milvus milvus*: 1 on 18.11.2011 at Buskett (Ray Galea, Nicholas Galea); 1 on 14.09.2013 at Clapham Junction l/o Buskett (John J. Borg, Richard Cachia Zammit, Paul Portelli); 1 on 10.10.2013 at Buskett (Aron Tanti, Charles Galea Bonavia); 1 on 12.10.2013 at Buskett (Glenn Micallef, Joseph Dunlop); 1 on 29.09.2014 at Baħrija (Bob Hook et al).

Common Buzzard *Buteo buteo ssp. vulpinus* (Steppe Buzzard): 1 on 09.03.2013 at Ċumnija (Martin Austad, Nicholas Galea).

Long-Legged Buzzard *Buteo rufinus*: 1 on 17-18.04.2014 at Xagħra L-Ħamra and on 19.04.2014 at Comino (Raymond Galea, Edward Bonavia, Ian Balzan, Raymond Vella, Martin Austad, Nicholas Galea, Gilbert Haber, Charles Coleiro et al).

Booted Eagle *Aquila pennata*: 1 pale morph on 12.05.2011 at Comino (Ian Balzan, Gilbert Haber).

Eastern Imperial Eagle *Aquila heliaca*: 1 juv on 03.11.2015 at Buskett (Edward Bonavia, Raymond Galea, Charles Coleiro, Stephen Cilia) (**1st record for Malta**). From photographs of the bird it was carrying a tag from Austria. For further details a short paper on this bird will appear in the next issue of *II-Merill*.

Allen's Gallinule *Porphyrio alleni*: 1 adult found exhausted on 23.12.2011 at St. George's Bay (died the day after) (Raymond Galea); 1 adult observed and photographed on 29-31.12.2013 at Wied Ghollieqa (Nadja Tschovikov, Nicholas Galea, Martin Austad, Raymond Galea, Edward Bonavia, Charles Coleiro, David Attard, Stephen Cilia). This bird was reported present up to 12.01.2014.

Red Knot *Calidris canutus*: 1 juv (injured) on 02.09.2010 at Għadira (Raymond Galea); 1 adult at Għadira on 16.05.2013 (Alex Casha, Raymond Galea, Nicholas Galea, Edward Bonavia).

Buff-breasted Sandpiper *Tryngites subruficollis*: 1 trapped in Nov 2010 l/o Ғal Far (confiscated by police) released at Għadira on 22.04.2011 (Stanley Gatt, Denis Cachia).

Pectoral Sandpiper *Calidris melanotos*: 1 at Ghadira on 17.08.2013 (Raymond Galea, Aron Tanti, Charles Gauci, Victor Cilia).

Long-billed Dowitcher *Limnodromus scolopaceus*: 1 juv. observed and photographed from 05-25.10.2012 at Simar (Charles Coleiro, Nicholas Galea, Raymond Galea, Edward Bonavia, Raymond Vella, Ian Balzan, Martin Austad, Alex Casha, Anne Marie Austad *et al*) (**1st record for Malta**).

Arctic Skua *Stercorarius parasiticus*: 1 adult pale 23 miles NNE off Pembroke on 10.03.2013 (Ian Balzan); 1 adult pale 25 miles off Marsaskala on 23.07.2013 (Timmy Micallef); 1 adult pale at Għallis on 26.08.2013 (Edward Bonavia).

Common Gull *Larus canus*: 1 on 24.02.2011 at Marsa (Raymond Galea); 1 on 30.07.2011 at Salina (Raymond Galea).

Little Swift *Apus affinis*: 1 at Ghadira on 16.03.2013 (Raymond Galea, Nicholas Galea, Edward Bonavia, Aron Tanti).

Isabelline Shrike *Lanius isabellinus ssp. phoenicuroides* (Turkestan Shrike): 1 male observed and photographed at Comino on 20.04.2013 (Martin Austad, Nicholas Galea, Adin Vella, Anne Marie Austad) (**1st record for Malta**).

Southern Grey Shrike *Lanius meridionalis*: 1 on 02.05.2009 at Comino (Nicholas Galea, Steve Zammit Lupi).

Hooded Crow *Corvus cornix*: 1 on 06.05.2011 at Dwejra (M) (Raymond Galea, Charles Coleiro).

Blue Tit *Cyanistes caeruleus*: 1 on 09.12.2015 until 04.01.2016 at Buskett (Raymond Galea, Charles Coleiro, Edward Bonavia, Nicholas Galea *et al*). The bird was also ringed.

Great Tit *Parus major*: 1 ringed on 12.03.2011 at Simar (Joseph Mangion, Caldon Mercieca); 1 ringed on 26.01.2015 at Simar (Charles Coleiro, Edward Bonavia, Raymond Galea, Nicholas Galea, Raymond Vella, Thomas Hendry).

Hoopoe Lark *Alaemon alaudipes*: 1 on 08-13.04.2014 at Comino (Martin Austad, Nicholas Galea, Raymond Vella, Edward Bonavia, Charles Coleiro, Raymond Galea *et al*).

Bar-tailed Desert Lark *Ammomanes cinctura*: 1 on 11.11.2010 l/o Xlendi (Max Sharp).

Lesser Short-toed Lark *Calandrella rufescens*: 1 on 14.03.2012 at Xrobb L-Għaġin (Edward Bonavia); 1 on 01-02.04.2012 at l/o Fawwara (Edward Bonavia, Raymond Galea, Nicholas Galea).

Pallas's Leaf Warbler *Phylloscopus proregulus*: 1 ringed at Żurrieq on 21.04.2013 (Patrick Sammut).

Dusky Warbler *Phylloscopus fuscatus*: 1 at Simar on 08-13.11.2015 (Charles Coleiro, Edward Bonavia, Raymond Galea). The bird was also ringed.

Mountain Chiffchaff *Phylloscopus lorenzii*: 1 ringed and photographed on 17.11.2015 at Ghadira (Charles Gauci, David Attard, Raymond Vella) (**1st record for Malta**).

African Desert Warbler *Sylvia deserti*: 1 on 22-23.04.2010 at Miġra I-Ferħa (Edward Bonavia, Raymond Galea, Gilbert Haber, Nicholas Galea, Charles Coleiro *et al*).

Barred Warbler *Sylvia nisoria*: 1 ringed on 11.09.2014 at Żurrieq (Patrick Sammut).

Lesser Whitethroat *Sylvia curruca*: 1 on 07.02.2014 at Ċumnija (Martin Austad).

Western Orphean Warbler *Sylvia hortensis*: 1 male from 27.05.2010 to 06.06.2010 at Buskett (Charles Coleiro, Raymond Galea, Edward Bonavia, Nicholas Galea *et al*); 1 male from 03.06.2011 to 27.06.2011 at San Anton Gardens (Silvio Scicluna, Denis Cachia, Edward Bonavia, Martin Austad, Anne Marie Austad, Nicholas Galea, Adin Vella, Raymond Galea, David Attard); 1 male ringed on 16.04.2012 at Comino (retrapped on 20.04.2012) (John J. Borg, Nicholas Galea, Martin Austad, Mario V. Gauci).

Ménétries's Warbler *Sylvia mystacea* race *mystacea*: 1 ringed and photographed on 21.08.2011 at Saqqajja Rabat (Mario V. Gauci, Mark Gauci, Charles Galea Bonavia, Timmy Micallef) (**1st record for Malta**).

Rüppell's Warbler *Sylvia rueppelli*: 1 male on 12.03.2012 at Marsaskala (Michael Grima); 1-2 males on 13-15.03.2012 at Ħal Far (Denis Cachia, Edward Bonavia, Raymond Galea, Nicholas Galea, Adin Vella, Martin Austad).

Marmora's Warbler *Sylvia sarda*: 1 on 27-30.10.2010 at Comino (Raymond Galea, Victor Cilia, Edward Bonavia, Nicholas Galea). The bird was also ringed.

Grasshopper Warbler *Locustella naevia*: 1 ringed on 10.03.2011 at Salina (Mario V. Gauci, Raymond Galea, Nicholas Galea); 1 on 27.09.2011 at Għadira (Raymond Vella).

Western Olivaceous Warbler *Hippolais opaca*: 1 ringed on 01.05.2011 at Comino (Raymond Galea, Edward Bonavia, Nicholas Galea); 1 ringed on 03.05.2011 and retrapped on 05.05.2011 at Comino (Mike Beatley, John Grech, John Middleton); 1 ringed on 16.04.2012 at Comino (John J. Borg, Nicholas Galea, Martin Austad); 1 ringed at Għadira on 25.05.2013 (Raymond Galea, Nicholas Galea, Charles Gauci, Aron Tanti); 1 ringed on 02.05.2015 at Salina (Mario V. Gauci, Timmy Micallef, Charles Galea Bonavia).

Booted Warbler *Hippolais caligata*: 1 observed and photographed at Għadira on 17.08.2013 (Aron Tanti) (**1st record for Malta**).

Paddyfield Warbler *Acrocephalus agricola*: 1 at Simar from 30.10.2015 to 01.11.2015 (Charles Coleiro, Edward Bonavia, David Attard, Raymond Vella). The bird was also ringed.

Eyebrowed Thrush *Turdus obscurus*: 1 shot in first week of Nov 2015 at l/o Marsaskala (photos of freshly shot specimen presented through Joe Sultana).

Rufous-tailed Scrub Robin *Cercotrichas galactotes ssp galactotes*: 1 ringed on 06.05.2011 at Comino (Mike Beatley).

Red-flanked Bluetail *Tarsiger cyanurus*: 1 ringed and photographed at Buskett on 17.11.2013 (Joseph Mangion, Caldon Mercieca, Raymond Galea, Nicholas Galea) (**1st record for Malta**).

Semi-Collared Flycatcher *Ficedula semitorquata*: 1 male on 24.03.2012 at Chadwick Lakes (Stephen Cilia); 1 female ringed on 25.04.11 and retrapped on 27.04.11 at Simar (Charles Coleiro); 1 female ringed on 22.04.12 at Comino (John Attard Montalto, Mario V. Gauci).

Atlas Flycatcher *Ficedula speculigera*: 1 male ringed and photographed on 15.04.2012 at Comino (seen again and photographed on 18.04.2012) (John J. Borg, Jean Paul Farrugia, Nicholas Galea, Adin Vella, Joe Sultana) (**1st record for Malta**).

Moussier's Redstart *Phoenicurus moussieri*: 1 female from 13.12.2010 until at least 28.01.2011 at l/o Fawwara (Charles Coleiro, Edward Bonavia, Raymond Galea); same female from 08.11.2011 until 19.12.2011 at l/o Fawwara (Raymond Galea, Edward Bonavia, Charles Coleiro); 2 females ringed on 23.10.2011 at Comino (Raymond Galea, Nicholas Galea); 1 female from 27.12.2011 until at least 14.01.2012 at Miġra L-Ferħa (Raymond Galea, Edward Bonavia); 1 male at Miġra L-Ferħa on 6 dates from 14.11.2012 until 03.01.2013 (Charles Coleiro, Edward Bonavia, Raymond Galea, Aron Tanti).

Isabelline Wheatear *Oenanthe isabellina*: 1 at Dingli on 08.09.2010 (David Attard).

Desert Wheatear *Oenanthe deserti*: 1 male from 12-18.03.2011 at Tal-Bardan Gozo (Adin Vella); 3 (2M&1F) on 11.03.12 and 1 remaining till 12.03.12 at Miġra L-Ferħa (Charles Coleiro, Edward Bonavia, Raymond Galea, Nicholas Galea, Martin Austad); 1 male on 13.03.2012 at Ħal Far (Denis Cachia); 1 male on 14.03.2012 at Delimara (Edward Bonavia); 1 male on 23.03.2012 at Żebbuġ (M) (Charles Coleiro); 1 male on 19.03.2015 at Ċumnija (Robert Farrugia).

Citrine Wagtail *Motacilla citreola*: 1 juv. observed and photographed on 12.08.2012 and 15-16.08.2012 at Wied Il-Kbir Qormi (Stephen Cilia, Charles Coleiro, Edward Bonavia, Raymond Galea, Nicholas Galea) (**1st record for Malta**); 1 juv. on 10.09.2012 at Buskett (Charles Coleiro, Edward Bonavia, Raymond Galea, Nicholas Galea, Aron Tanti, Martin Austad *et al*); 1 juv. on 17.08.2013 (Raymond Galea, Victor Cilia), 3 juv. on 18.08.2013 (Denis Cachia), and 1 juv. on 20.08.2013 (Alex Casha), all at Għadira; 1 juv. on 23.08.2014 (Raymond Galea, David Attard) and 1 juv. on 26.08.2014 at Għadira (Aron Tanti) were possibly the same bird; 1 juv. on 18.09.2014 at Għadira (Raymond Vella).

Olive-backed Pipit *Anthus hodsgoni*: 1 ringed on 22.10.2011 at Mt. St. Joseph (Justin Vassallo); 1 ringed at Saqqajja Rabat on 10.11.2013 (Mario V. Gauci, Raymond Galea, Nicholas Galea, Charles Galea Bonavia); 1 ringed at Buskett on 20.11.2013 (John Attard Montalto); 1 at Buskett on 17.03.2013 (Stephen Cilia); 1 ringed on 23.11.2014 at Buskett (John Attard Montalto).

Common Rosefinch *Carpodacus erythrinus*: 1 ringed on 12.09.2013 at Għadira (Charles Gauci); 1 ringed on 01.10.2014 at Mgarr Ix-Xini (Adin Vella).

Cirl Bunting *Emberiza cirlus*: 1 trapped in Nov 2010 at Għarb (confiscated by police) released on 20.11.2010 (Joe Sultana); 1 male on 23.12.2014 at Taċ-Ċawl Rocks Gozo (Annalise Falzon); 1 male on 26-29.09.2015 at Mgarr Ix-Xini (Adin Vella, Gilbert Haber, Nicholas Galea, Stefan Azzopardi, Alex Casha).

Yellowhammer *Emberiza citronella*: 1 on 26.10.2007 at Comino (Raymond Galea, Gilbert Haber); 1 trapped on 15.11.2014 at San Lawrenz (G) (reported by Gilbert Haber).

Little Bunting *Emberiza pusilla*: 1 ringed on 01.11.2010 and seen again on 03.11.2010 at Għadira (Charles Gauci); 1 ringed on 18.10.2012 at Comino (Joe Sultana, Benjamin Metzger); 1 ringed on 21.10.2014 at Għadira (Charles Gauci, Nicholas Galea, Raymond Galea, Edward Bonavia, David Attard, Raymond Vella *et al*)

Rejected Records

The following records have been discussed during meetings of the MRRC and rejected as they were not felt to have had sufficient evidence to be accepted under the criteria of the AERC and the MRRC. In some cases, submissions with the descriptions were sent to experts abroad for their comment before a final decision was taken. The submitters and the reasons for refusals are not included in this report.

Sooty Shearwater *Puffinus griseus*: 1 on 18.07.2009 at Għallis.

Manx Shearwater *Puffinus puffinus*: 1 on 15.02.2005 at Qawra.

Lesser Crested Tern *Sterna bengalensis*: 1 on 11.01.2009 at Birżebbuġa.

Sabine's Gull *Xema sabini*: 2 specimens in private collections (Dec 2005 – off Wied Il-Għajn, and late Sept 2007 off Marsaxlokk).

Caspian Gull *Larus cachinnans*: 1 2nd cy at San Luċjan on 24.03 & 28.03.2008.

Egyptian Nightjar *Caprimulgus aegyptius*: 1 on 19.10.2009 at Rabat.

Iberian Chiffchaff *Phylloscopus ibericus*: 1 heard on 15.03.2011 at Simar; 1 at Rabat on 11.11.2012.

Rüppell's Warbler *Sylvia rueppelli*: 1 male on 16.03.2012 at Addolorata Cemetery.

Grasshopper Warbler *Locustella naevia*: 1 at Comino on 21.04.2008.

Olivaceous Warbler *Hippolais pallida/opaca*: 1 at Luqa Airport on 28.05.2012.

Rose-coloured Starling *Pastor roseus*: 1 at Saqqajja Rabat on 14.12.2014.

Semi-collared Flycatcher *Ficedula semitorquata*: 1 male on 15.05.2011 at Saqqajja Rabat; 1 female at Għadira from 30.09.2011 to 04.10.2011.

Siberian Stonechat *Saxicola maurus*: 1 male on 16.03.2012 at Comino.

Pending Records

The following is the only record which was submitted to the MRRC but was not yet discussed. This will be dealt with at the next meeting.

Caspian Gull *Larus cachinnans*: 1 2nd cy at Salina on 02.04.2015.

Records in the public domain

During these past five years, a number of rarities seen by the same observers have been in the public domain either in the press, online or in birding journals. During a Committee meeting it was decided that such records, although not officially submitted to the MRRC, will also be discussed. The following records were discussed:

Ruddy Shelduck *Tadorna ferruginea*: 1 female reported in the *Times of Malta* on the 25th of February 2015. Due to the fact that this species is regularly found in captivity, the Committee could not exclude the possibility of the bird being an escapee.

Dwarf Bittern *Ixobrychus sturmii*: 1 shot at Wied ix-Xoqqa, Birżebbuġa on 16.11.2010. Reported in *British Birds* 104: Aug 2011 pg. 469. Although the Committee confirms that the stuffed bird in the article is this species, there is no proof that the bird was taken in Malta (see note at the end of this report on the importation of skins and carcasses of birds).

Allen's Gallinule *Porphyrio alleni*: A pair breeding in Malta in July 2014. Reported in *Dutch Birding* 36: 327-330, 2014, in the *Times of Malta* on the 29th of October 2014 and in *British Birds* 108: Jan 2015. The Committee felt that such a landmark first breeding record for the Western Palearctic should be accompanied by some form of hard evidence such as photos or videos. It was noted that the only photos published with this article were of the adult Allen's Gallinule which was present at Wied Ghollieqa in Dec 2013 and Jan 2014.

Lesser Yellowlegs *Tringa flavipes*: 1 at Riviera Martinique on 22.05.2015 reported in *Dutch Birding* 37: 333, 2015. The Committee was not convinced that the photo published was actually taken in Malta.

Great Tit *Parus major*: 1 reported in the *Times of Malta* on the 25th of February 2015. The Committee was not convinced that the photo published was actually taken in Malta.

In the near future the MRRC will be discussing all records of rarities, which were not submitted to the MRRC, but were published in ornithological journals, books or on social media.

The following records appeared in social media and were **accepted** by the MRRC:

Herring Gull *Larus argentatus*: 1 on 31.12.2014 at Pt. St. Elmo (Michael Sammut).

Southern Grey Shrike *Lanius meridionalis*: 1 ssp *elegans* at Għajn Tuffieħa on 03.05.2013 (Michael Sammut).

Both birds were photographed.

Importation of skins and carcasses

An increasing number of hunters are organising hunting trips abroad and then are importing bird skins and carcasses for the large number of mounted bird collectors. Although a few of these hunters are being caught by the relevant authorities, the vast majority are not. In recent years, there has also been an increase in the importation of birds (both dead and alive) and some of these are claimed to be taken in Malta either to fetch more money from collectors or for prestige. Unfortunately some of these have even appeared in print.

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Sedge Warbler *Acrocephalus schoenobane* Details for the same ring number were printed twice (as AG88187 and 88187). The details of this recovery should read as follows:

AG 88187	3	02.08.2004	Saeftinghe, Sieperda, Zeeland, 51°21'N; 41°03'E Netherlands
	v	09.08.2005	Għadira Nature Reserve, Mellieħa, Malta 1,954km SE

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Pied Flycatcher *Ficedula hypoleuca* Details for the same ring number (4671299) were printed twice. There is only one recovery of Pied Flycatcher and it should read as follows:

4671299	3	13.09.2002	Stoa, Saint-Louise, Haut-Rhin, 47°36'N; 07°32'E France
	v	30.04.2005	Wied I-Aħmar, Comino, Malta 1,541km SE

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