



# WildWings

**Beidaihe & Happy Island,  
China**

**Spring migration on the  
East**

**Asian Flyway**

1st– 20th MAY 2016

**SPECIES LIST**

**BIRDS - 273 Species, a record year!**

**Little Grebe** *Tachybaptus ruficollis spp orientalis* - Observed almost daily from the 02/05/16 with a maximum count of 05 on 19/05/16

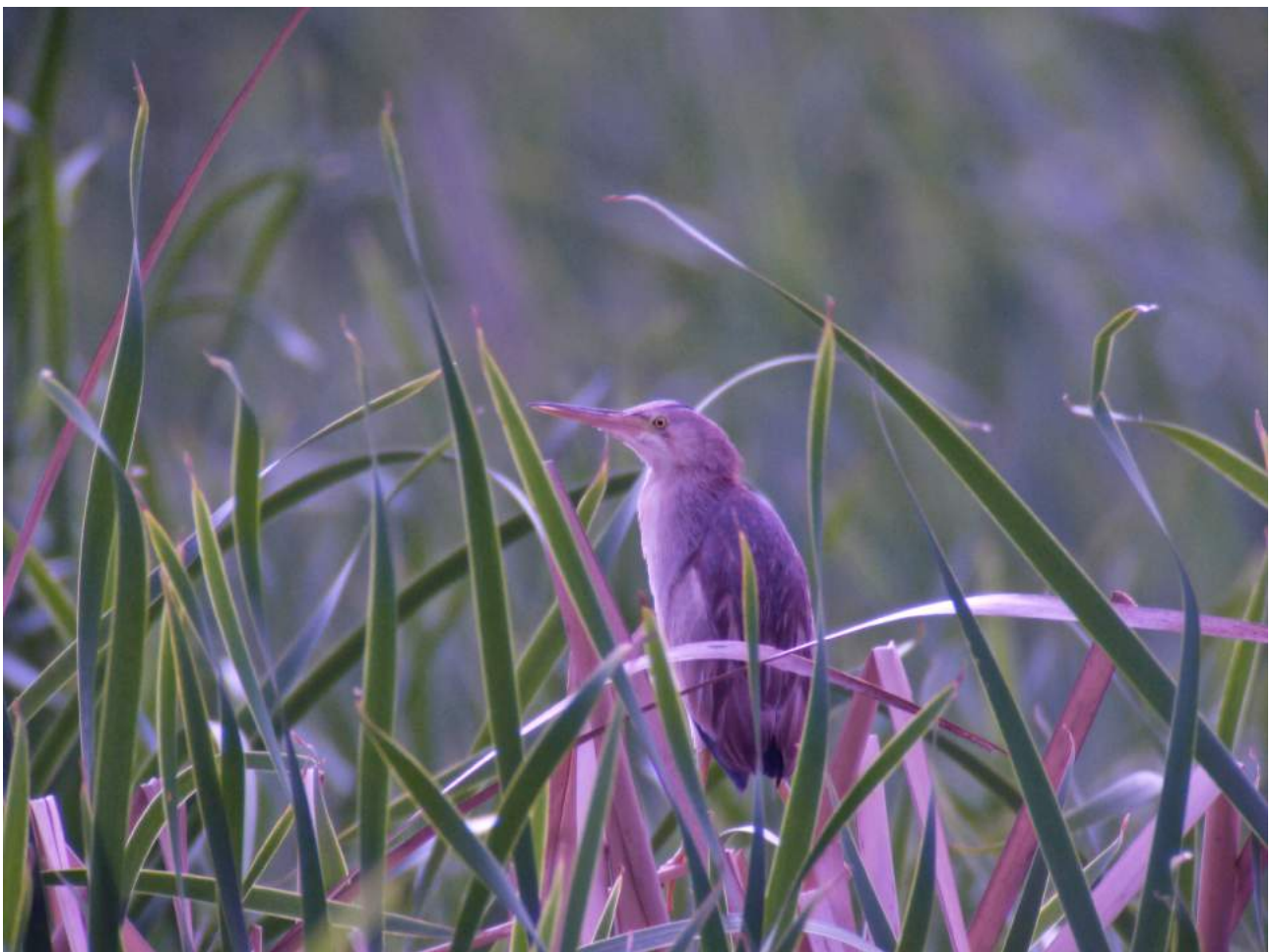
**Great Crested Grebe** *Podiceps cristatus* - Observed throughout the period often off the Sandflats and Lighthouse Point, Beidaihe. 41 on 03/05/16 the highest count.

**Black-necked Grebe** *Podiceps nigricollis* - 41 bird-days with 12 birds off Beidaihe on 03/05/16 and again 05/05/16

**Great Cormorant** *Phalacrocorax carbo* - 10 birds between 06/05/16 and 13/05/16

**Eurasian Bittern** *Botaurus stellaris* - 1 on Happy Island between 09-13/05/16

**Yellow Bittern** *Ixobrychus sinensis* - 6 at the reservoir Beidaihe on the 15/05/16 and 4 there 19/05/16



**Yellow Bittern - Mark Andrews**

**Shrenck's Bittern** *Ixobrychus eurhythmus* – A female Happy island 18/05/16 , a male 19/05/16 and two male Stone River 20/05/16

**Black-crowned Night Heron** *Nycticorax nycticorax* - A species recorded daily throughout the trip with maximum counts of around 25 birds in the Beidaihe area and 300+ on Happy Island where the species has now colonised after moving from the mainland.

**Striated Heron** *Butoroides striatus* – 19 bird-days only from 04/05/16 – 18/05/16 with 10+ on 04/05/16

**Eastern Cattle Egret** *Bulbulcus (ibis) coromandus* – At least 100 birds in the heronry at Happy Island 10/05/16 and observed subsequent days.

**Chinese Pond Heron** *Ardeola bacchus* -196 bird-days were noted this year between the 01/05/16 and 20/05/16 with maximum counts of 20+ at the reservoir, Beidaihe on the 05/05/16 and 70+ on Happy Island on the 10/05/16.

**Chinese (Swinhoe's) Egret** *Egretta eulophotes* 2 Beidaihe 03/05/16, 2 Beidaihe 07/05/16, 4 Happy Island 10/05/16 , 3 Happy island 19/05/16.

**Little Egret** *Egretta garzetta* - 100+ bird-days were recorded between the 02/05/16 and 20/05/16 with a maximum count of 30+ birds in Beidaihe on 15/05/16.

This total excludes the 150+ birds that have taken up residence in the heronry on Happy Island and were observed frequently during our stay on the island.

**Intermediate Egret** *Ardea intermedia* - One near Laoting 09/05/16

**Eastern Great Egret** *Ardea(alba) modestus* – Regularly encountered between the 02/05/16 and 20/05/16 with maximum counts of 13 on Sandflats Beidaihe on 02/05/16 and 207 Happy island 9-10/05/16.

**Grey Heron** *Ardea cinerea* -. Birds were recorded at Beidaihe and on Happy Island throughout the period with a maximum count of 25 birds on the 03/05/16.

**Purple Heron** *Ardea purpurea* - 17 birds between 02/05/16 and 15/05/16

**Eurasian Spoonbill** *Platalea leucorodia* – 2 observed Beidaihe sandflats 07-08/05/16 and 2 distantly Happy Island 10/05/16. One on 12-13/05/16 with the following species.

**Black-faced Spoonbill** *Platalea minor* - 1 on 12/05/16 and probably again 13/05/16

**Common Shelduck** *Tadoma tadoma* – 10 Beidaihe on 02/05/16, 1 03/05/16. 1 on 07/05/16, 17 on 09/05/16. 200+ Happy Island on 14/05/16 and 2 Beidaihe 16/05/16.

**Mandarin Duck** *Aix galericulata* - Female, Stone River 04/05/16

**Common Teal** *Anas crecca* - 10+ Stone River, Qinhuangdao 02/05/16, Female Beidaihe 03/05/16, 8 Stone River 06/05/16.

**Mallard** *Anas platyrhynchos* - Small numbers recorded throughout.

**Spot-billed Duck** *Anas poecilorhyncha* - Regularly recorded at the reservoir area Beidaihe throughout the period and at least 50 birds counted on Happy Island on the 12/05/14.

**Falcated Duck** *Mareca falcata* – 6 males at Stone River, Qinhuangdao on 06/05/16.

**Garganey** *Mareca strepera* - 2 Stone River, Qinhuangdao on 02/05/16. 1 Beidaihe 03/05/16 and 12 Stone River, Qinhuangdao on 06/05/16.

**White-winged Scoter** *Melanitta fusca stejnegeri* – 2 Stone River, Qinhuangdao on 02/05/16. 20 Beidaihe 07/05/16, 1 Beidaihe 08/05/16 and 5 Beidaihe 09/05/16

**Common Goldeneye** *Bucephala clangula* - 1 off the sandflats, Beidaihe on the 03/05/16.

**Red-breasted Merganser** *Mergus serrator* - 1 passed Lighthouse Point on the 05/05/16. 11 Beidaihe 06/05/16, 9 Beidaihe 07/05/16, 2 Happy Island on 09/05/16 and 10 Happy island 10/05/16.

**Oriental Honey-buzzard** *Pernis ptilorhyncus* – Female Happy Island 10/05/16, Male Happy Island 11/05/16 and 8 Happy Island 13/05/16.

**Eastern Marsh Harrier** *Circus spilonotus* – 1 Beidaihe 03/05/16, 1 Stone River 06/05/16, Pair Happy Island 10-13/05/16.

**Northern Harrier** *Circus cyaneus* - 1 Stone River, Qinhuangdao on 06/05/16.

**Pied Harrier** *Circus melanoleucos* – 3 females 02/05/16, female Beidaihe 05/05/16, female Happy Island 10/05/16, female Beidaihe 15/05/16.

**Japanese Sparrowhawk** *Accipiter gularis* – 10 birds recorded between 02/05/16 and 13/05/16 with 4 Beidaihe on 05/05/16.

**Eurasian Sparrowhawk** *Accipiter nisus* – 13 birds between 01/05/16 and 17/05/16 with 3 Happy Island on 12/05/16 and 3 Beidaihe 17/05/16.

**Chinese Sparrowhawk** *Accipiter soloensis* – Male, Beidaihe 05/05/16 and Male, Happy Island 12/05/16.

A number of unidentified accipiter species noted throughout.

**Grey-faced Buzzard** *Butastur indicus* – Four Xinlong River 04/05/16, 1 Happy Island 10/05/16, 3 Happy Island 11/05/16 and 1 Happy Island 12/05/16.

**Eastern Buzzard** *Buteo japonicus*– 1 Xinlong River 04/05/16.

**Common Kestrel** *Falco tinnunculus* – 17 birds between 01/05/16 and 16/05/16.

**Amur Falcon** *Falco amurensis* – A maximum of only 46 birds this year between 01/05/16 and 20/05/16. Peak counts of 9 on 12/05/16 and 12 on 14/05/16 Happy Island. Two birds were displaying at the wetlands, Beidaihe from 07/05/16

**Eurasian Hobby** *Falco subbuteo* – 85 bird-days between 01/05/16 and 19/05/16 with 18 birds on 08/05/16.

**Peregrine Falcon** *Falco peregrinus* – 1 Stone River 02/05/16, 1 Beidaihe 03/05/16, 2 Xinlong 04/05/16, 1 Beidaihe, 1 stone River 06/05/16. 1 'Shaheen' Happy island 12/05/16, 1 happy island 13/05/16.

**Japanese Quail** *Coturnix japonica* – 73 bird-days between 02/05/16 and 16/05/16 with a maximum counts of 20+ Stone River on various dates.

**Koklass Pheasant** *Pucrasia macrolopha* – A male showed all too briefly at Old Peak after a long period of persuasion on 17/05/16.

**Common Pheasant** *Phasianus colchicus* – recorded almost daily.

**Brown-cheeked Rail** *Rallus indicus* – Heard Beidaihe 03/05/16, 1 showed very well Happy Island 12-13/05/16 and again 18-19/05/16, heard Beidaihe 15/05/16.



**Brown-cheeked Rail - Neil Bowman**

**Baillon's Crake** *Porzana pusilla* – 2 Stone River 08/05/16, 1 Happy Island 11/05/16, 1 Happy Island 18/05/16, 2 Happy Island 19/05/16, 2 Stone River 20/05/16.

**Swinhoe's Crake** *Coturniceps exquisitus* - 1 flushed briefly at Stone River could not be relocated 06/05/16.

**White-breasted Waterhen** *Amaurornis phoenicurus* - 1 Happy Island 11/05/16.

**Common Moorhen** *Gallinula chloropus* –Recorded throughout period at Beidaihe in small numbers in suitable habitat.

**Common Coot** *Fulica atra* - 1 at Stone River 20/05/16.

**Common Crane** *Grus grus* - Adult satellite tagged and bearing number N39, Stone River on both 06/05/16 and 08/05/16.

**Eurasian Oystercatcher** *Haematopus ostralegus* - At least 20 on Happy island on 10/05/16, smaller numbers on the following days.

**Black-winged Stilt** *Himantopus himantopus* – Observed throughout the period.

**Pied Avocet** *Recurvirostra avosetta* –At least 350+ Happy Island 14/05/16 was an unusually high count. Smaller numbers from 06-19/05/16.

**Oriental Pratincole** *Glareola maldivarum* – 10 Stone River 02/05/16, 5 Happy island 12/05/16.

**Little Ringed Plover** *Charadrius dubius* – 40 bird-days between 02/05/16 and 09/05/16.

**Long-billed Plover** *Charadrius placidus* – 7 Individuals Qinlong River on 04/05/16.

**Kentish Plover** *Charadrius alexandrinus* –Surprisingly only 1238 bird-days between 02/05/16 and 20/05/16 with highest count of 1000+ Nanpu 14/05/16.

**Lesser Sandplover** *Charadrius mongolus* – 236 bird-days between 02/05/16 and 14/05/16 with 100+ on 10/05/16 Happy Island and 100+ Nanpu 14/05/16.

**Greater Sandplover** *Charadrius leschenaultii* –6 Happy island 19/05/16.

**Pacific Golden Plover** *Pluvialis fulva* – 32 bird-days between 02/05/16 and 13/05/16.

**Grey Plover** *Pluvialis squatarola* – 1426 bird-days between 02/05/16 and 19/05/16 with 200 Happy Island on 11/05/16, 700 at Nanpu on 14/05/16 and 300 happy Island 19/05/16.

**Grey-headed Lapwing** *Vanellus cinereus* – 2 Stone River 06/05/16, 1 Happy Island 12/05/16 and 1 Beidaihe 15/05/16.

**Great Knot** *Calidris tenuirostris* – 20 Happy Island 20/05/16, 12 Happy island 12/05/16 and 800+ Nanpu 14/05/16.

**Red Knot** *Calidris canutus* – 3 beidaihe 02/05/16, 1 Stone River 06/05/16, 1 happy island 10/05/16, 90+ Nanpu 13/05/16 and 200+ Nanpu 14/05/16.

**Sanderling** *Calidris alba* - 3 Beidaihe 02/05/16, 5 Happy Island 12/05/16, 4 Nanpu 13/05/16, 12 Nanpu 14/05/16.

**Red-necked Stint** *Calidris ruficollis* – 362 bird-days between 02/05/16 and 14/05/16 with 250+ on 13/05/16 at Nanpu.

**Temminck's Stint** *Calidris temminckii* - 1 Stone River 06/05/16.

**Long-toed Stint** *Calidris subminuta* – 1 Beidaihe 03/05/16, 1 Stone River on 06/05/16.

**Sharp-tailed Sandpiper** *Calidris acuminata* – 153 birds observed between 02/05/16 and 14/05/16 with 29 in Laoting on 09/05/16 and 100+ Nanpu 14/05/16.

**Curlew Sandpiper** *Calidris ferruginea* – 356 birds observed between 05/05/16 and 14/05/16 with 147 in Laoting on 09/05/16 and 150+ Nanpu 14/05/16.



**Dunlin** *Calidris alpina* – A rather low 110 birds, with 60 Happy Island 10/05/16.

**Broad-billed Sandpiper** *Limicola falcinellus* – 1 Beidaihe 02/05/16.

**Common Snipe** *Gallinago gallinago* – 16 birds between 02/05/16 and 20/05/16

**Pintail Snipe** *Gallinago stenura* – 19 birds between 05/05/16 and 12/05/16

There were a number of snipe left unidentified due to the difficulty in separating Swinhoe's and Pintail Snipe.

**Asian Dowitcher** *Limnodromus semipalmatus* – 6+ Happy Island 10/05/16 and 1 Nanpu 14/05/16.

**Eurasian Woodcock** *Scolopax rusticola* - 1 Happy Island 11/05/16, 1 Beidaihe 16/05/16, 1 Happy Island 18/05/16.

**Black-tailed Godwit** *Limosa limosa* – 39 Laoting 09/05/16, 1 Happy Island 12/05/16 and 50 Nanpu 14/05/16.

**Bar-tailed Godwit** *Limosa lapponica* – 630 bird-days between 07/05/16 and 19/05/16 with 80+ Happy Island 10/05/16 and 300 Nanpu 14/05/16.

**Little Whimbrel** *Numenius minutus* – A group of about 70 birds passed through Stone River on 02/05/16 and 2 on Happy Island on the 11/05/16.

**Common Whimbrel** *Numenius phaeopus* – 537 bird-days between 01/05/16 and 18/05/16 with highs of 100+ on several dates.

**Eurasian Curlew** *Numenius arquata* – 129 bird-days between 02/05/16 and 20/05/16.

**Far-eastern Curlew** *Numenius madagascariensis* – 3 Beidaihe 03-05/05/16, 16 Happy Island 10/05/16, 1 Happy Island 12/05/16, 1 Beidaihe 15/05/16 and 20+ Happy Island 19/05/16.

**Spotted Redshank** *Tringa erythropus* – 116 Laoting on 09/05/16, 20+ Nanpu 13/05/16 and 300+ Nanpu 14/05/16.

**Common Redshank** *Tringa tetanus* – 75 bird-days between the 02/05/16 and 14/05/16 with 30 at Nanpu on the 14/05/16.

**Marsh Sandpiper** *Tringa stagnatilis* – 348 bird-days between 02/05/16 and 20/05/16 with 109 at Laoting 09/05/16 and 100+ Nanpu 14/05/16.

**Common Greenshank** *Tringa nebularia* – 296 bird-days between 02/05/16 and 19/05/16, 150 at Stone River on 06/05/16 the highest count.

**Green Sandpiper** *Tringa ochropus* – 71 bird-days between 03/05/16 and 19/05/16.

**Wood Sandpiper** *Tringa glareola* – 41 bird-days between 02/05/16 and 14/05/16.

**Grey-tailed Tattler** *Heteroscelus brevipes* – 2 Stone River on 02/05/16, 5 Stone River on 06/05/16, 6 Stone River 08/05/16, 1 Nanpu 14/05/16, 1 Happy Island 19/05/16, 1 Stone River 20/05/16.

**Terek Sandpiper** *Xenus cinereus* - 105 bird-days between 03/05/16 and 20/05/16 with 25+ on Happy Island 10/05/16 and 40+ on 19/05/16. Photo: Terek Sandpiper - Neil Bowman



**Common Sandpiper** *Actitis hypoleucos* – 109 bird-days between 02/05/16 and 20/05/16 with 27 at Lighthouse Point on both 05/05/16 and 20/05/16.

**Ruddy Turnstone** *Arenaria interpres* – 169 bird-days between 09/05/16 and 20/05/16 with 100+ Nanpu on 14/05/16.

**Relict Gull** *Larus relictus* – Adult and a 1<sup>st</sup> summer Nanpu on 14/05/16. Photo: Relict Gull - Mark Andrews



**Saunders' Gull** *Larus saundersi* – 1 Stone River 02/05/16, 9 Happy Island 10/05/16, 2 Happy Island 11/05/16, 3 Happy Island 12-13/05/16, 2 Happy Island 18/05/16 and 3 Happy Island 19/05/16.

**Black-headed Gull** *Larus ridibundus* – Commonly recorded, maximum count of 500+ Beidaihe 03/05/16.

**Black-tailed Gull** *Larus crassirostris* – 117 bird-days between 02/05/16 and 19/05/16.

**Heuglin's Gull** *Larus heuglini taimyrensis* – 9 Beidaihe 09/05/14, 1 Beidaihe 15/05/14, 1 Beidaihe 18/05/14.

**Kamchatka Gull** *Larus canus kamtschatschensis* - 2 Sandflats, Beidaihe 03/05/16

**Vega Gull** *Larus (argentatus/heuglini) vegae* – 1 Beidaihe 03/05/16.

**Mongolian Gull** *Larus mongolicus* – 8 Beidaihe 03/05/16, 30 Beidaihe 05/05/16, 2 Stone River 06/05/16, 1 Happy Island 09/05/16, 3 Happy island 20/05/16.

**Gull-billed Tern** *Gelochelidon nilotica* – 2 Beidaihe 05/05/16, 1 Stone River 08/05/16, Regularly recorded around Happy Island with 50+ birds on 13/05/14 and 19/05/16, similar numbers at Nanpu.

**Caspian Tern** *Sterna caspia* – 10 Laoting 09/05/16.

**Common Tern** *Sterna hirundo longipennis* – Regularly observed.

**Little Tern** *Sterna albifrons* - Regularly observed.

**Whiskered Tern** *Chlidonias hybridus* – 14 Beidaihe on 05/05/16, 10 Happy Island 12/05/16, 10 Nanpu 14/05/16, 1 Beidaihe 18/05/16.

**White-winged Black Tern** *Chlidonias leucopterus* – 18 Laoting 09/05/14, 100+ Happy Island 10/05/14, 6 Happy island 11/05/16, 200 Happy Island 12/05/16, 20 Happy Island, 75 Nanpu 13/05/16, 4000 Nanpu 14/05/16, 27 Happy Island 19/05/16

**Rock Dove/Feral Pigeon** *Columba livia* – Commonly recorded.

**Hill Pigeon** *Columba rupestris* – 8 at the Qinlong River on 04/05/16.

**Collared Dove** *Streptopelia decaocto* - 2 Beidaihe throughout.

**Oriental (Rufous) Turtle Dove** *Streptopelia orientalis* – Commonly recorded in Beidaihe in small numbers

**Spotted Dove** *Streptopelia chinensis* – Commonly recorded.

**Pallas's Sandgrouse** *Syrrhaptes paradoxus* - Male flew low overhead Happy Island 13/05/16

**Lesser Coucal** *Centropus bengalensis* - Remarkably, 1 Lighthouse Point, Beidaihe 05/05/16.

**Northern Hawk Cuckoo** *Hierococcyx sparverioides* – One calling at Old Peak 18/05/16.

**Large Hawk Cuckoo** *Hierococcyx sparverioides* – 1 Jiaoshan 08/05/16, 1 Happy Island 12/05/16, 4 Old Peak 17/05/16 and 1 Happy Island 20/05/16 .

**Indian Cuckoo** *Cuculus micropterus* – 1 Beidaihe 15/05/16, 1 H Beidaihe 16/05/16, 1 Happy Island 18-19/05/16, 1 Beijing 21/05/16



Indian Cuckoo - Neil Bowman

**Common Cuckoo** *Cuculus canorus* – 18 bird-days between 08/05/16 and 19/05/16 with at least 10 birds on Happy Island on 12/05/16.

**Oriental Cuckoo** *Cuculus saturatus* - 12 birds between 11/05/16 and 21/05/16 with at least 4 birds Old peak 17/05/16.

**Lesser Cuckoo** *Cuculus poliocephalus* – 1 on Happy Island 12/05/16.

Note that there were more than 20 Cuckoo sp noted but left unidentified.

**Oriental Scops Owl** *Otus sunia* – At least 2 birds calling regularly in Beidaihe between 01/05/16 and 06/05/16, 1 Magic Wood 09/05/16.

**Northern Brown Hawk Owl** *Ninox japonica* - 1 on Happy Island 12/05/16.

**Grey Nightjar** *Caprimulgus jotaka*– 1 Beidaihe 05/05/16, 2 Happy Island 12/05/16 and 1 Beidaihe 15/05/16.

**White-throated Needletail** *Hirundapus caudatus* – Only 1 and one lucky observer, Happy Island 10/05/16.

**Common Swift** *Apus apus* – Recorded daily with around 10+ birds present over Beidaihe most days. 60+ Happy Island on 12/05/16.

**Fork-tailed (Pacific) Swift** *Apus pacificus* – 184 birds between 12/05/16 and 20/05/16 with 147 over Happy Island on 12/05/16.

**Black-capped Kingfisher** *Halcyon pileata* – 1 Happy Island 12/05/16, 1 Beidaihe 15/05/16, 1 Laoting 18/05/16, 1 happy Island 19/05/16 and 1 Beidaihe 20/05/14.

**Common Kingfisher** *Alcedo atthis* – Small numbers throughout period.

**Crested Kingfisher** *Megaceryle lugubris* - 2 Qinlong River 04/05/16

**Dollarbird** *Eurystomus orientalis* – 1 Beidaihe 15/05/16, 1 Beidaihe 18/05/16 and 5 Happy Island 19/05/16.

**Eurasian Hoopoe** *Upupa epops* - Breeding bird Beidaihe with several nests found with young from 01/05/16 also observed in small numbers throughout.



**Eurasian Hoopoe** - Neil Bowman

**Eurasian Wryneck** *Jynx torquilla* – 8 birds between 01/05/16 and 12/05/16

**Grey-headed Woodpecker** *Picus canus* – Common resident

**Great Spotted Woodpecker** *Dendrocopos major* – Common resident

**Rufous-bellied Woodpecker** *Dendrocopos hyperythrus* – 16 bird-days between the 01/05/16 and 18/05/16 with at least 3 birds on Happy Island 12/05/16.

**Grey-capped (Pygmy) Woodpecker** *Dendrocopos canicapillus* – Resident but often elusive resident at Beidaihe.

**Greater Short-toed Lark** *Calandrella brachydactyla* – 2 on 10/05/16, 2 on 13/05/16 and 2 19/05/16 Happy Island.

**Asian Short-toed Lark** *Calandrella cheleensis* – 5 on 10/05/16, 8 on 13/05/16 and 4 on 19/05/16 Happy Island.

**Eurasian Skylark** *Alauda arvensis* - 20 Happy Island 10/05/16, 10 Happy Island 13/05/16 and 5 Beidaihe 15/05/16.

**Sand Martin** *Riparia riparia* – 23 birds between 02/05/16 and 13/05/16.

**Barn Swallow** *Hirundo rustica* - Common

**Red-rumped Swallow** *Hirundo daurica* - Common

**Common House Martin** *Delichon dasypus*. – 20 Happy Island 12/05/16.

**Richard's Pipit** *Anthus richardi* – 38 birds recorded between 02/05/16 and 14/05/16.

**Blyth's Pipit** *Anthus godlewskii* – 2 Stone River 06/05/16, 5 Happy Island 13/05/16.

**Olive-backed Pipit** *Anthus hodgsoni* – 274 bird-days between 01/05/16 and 20/05/16 with peaks of 50 + Beidaihe 03/05/16 and 50+ on Happy Island 12/05/16.

**Pechora Pipit** *Anthus gustavi* – 4 Stone River 02/05/16, 2 Stone River 06/05/16, 1 Beidaihe 15/05/16.

**Red-throated Pipit** *Anthus cervinus* – 19 birds between the 02/05/16 and 20/05/16.

**Buff-bellied Pipit** *Anthus rubescens japonicus* - 1 Beidaihe 05/05/16

**Forest Wagtail** *Dendronanthus indicus* – 1 Stone River 02/05/16, 2 Beidaihe 05/05/16 and at least 1 Happy Island 11-13/05/16



**Eastern Yellow Wagtail** *Motacilla tschutschensis* – 647 bird-days between 02/05/16 and 20/05/16. Peak days 200+ Stone River 06/05/16 and Happy Island on 12/05/16 with 200+ birds.

**Citrine Wagtail** *Motacilla citreola* – 2 Qinlong River 04/05/16, 3 Beidaihe 05/06/16, 1 Stone River 06/05/16 and 1 Happy Island 18/05/16

**Grey Wagtail** *Motacilla cinerea* – 9 birds recorded during period.

**White Wagtail** *Motacilla alba ocularis* – 90 birds recorded involving both *ocularis* and the resident *leucopsis* subspecies.

**Black-winged Cuckoo-shrike** *Coracina melaschistos* - 1 found freshly dead Beidaihe 04/05/16, 1 Beidaihe 05/05/16, 1 Laoting 09/05/16, 1 Happy Island 18/05/16.

**Ashy Minivet** *Pericrocotus divaricatus* – 60+ birds recorded between 02/05/16 and 18/05/16.

**Chinese Bulbul** *Pycnonotus sinensis* – Commonly recorded at Beidaihe and always hard to decide resident from passage birds but 100+ Beidaihe 08- 09/05/16.

**Japanese Waxwing** *Bombycilla japonica* – Heard Beidaihe 05/05/16, 1 Happy Island 09/05/16. heard Happy Island on 10 & 12/05/16

**Wren** *Troglodytes troglodytes* – 1 Old Peak 17/05/16.

**Rufous-tailed Robin** *Luscinia sibilans* – Only 23 birds this year between 05/05/16 and 20/05/16. Peak days 6 Happy Island 12/05/16 and 6 Happy Island 19/05/16

**Siberian Blue Robin** *Luscinia cyane* – Only 37 birds this year between 03/05/16 and 20/05/16. Peak days 8 Happy Island 12/05/16 and 9 Happy Island 19/05/16

**Siberian Rubythroat** *Luscinia calliope* – Only 32 birds this year between 01/05/16 and 20/05/16. Peak day 10 birds Beidaihe 05/05/16.

**Red-flanked Bluetail** *Tarsiger cyanurus* – Male Beidaihe 03/05/16, 5 beidaihe 05/05/16, 1 Stone River 06/05/16, 1 Happy Island 13/05/16, 1 Beidaihe 15/05/16, 1 Happy island 18-19/05/16

**Bluethroat** *Luscinia svecica* – 17 birds between 01/05/16 and 14/05/16.

**Daurian Redstart** *Phoenicurus frontalis* - Male Qinlong River 04/05/16, Pair Beidaihe 05/05/16, 2 male Stone River 06/05/16, female Beidaihe 08/05/16, at least 8 birds Old peak 16-17/05/16.

**Siberian Stonechat** *Saxicola maura stejnegeri* – 873 bird-days between 02/05/16 and 20/05/16 with a peak of 200+ Happy Island 12/05/16.

**White-throated Rock Thrush** *Monticola gularis* – Male Beidaihe 15/05/16, at least 2 male and a female Happy island 19/05/16 and 3 Stone River 20/05/16.

**Red-bellied (Blue) Rock Thrush** *Monticola solitarius philippensis* – 13 birds between 04/05/16 and 19/05/16.

**White's Thrush** *Zoothera aurea* – 18 birds between 02/05/16 and 18/05/16 with a peak of 6 on 06/05/16

**Siberian Thrush** *Zoothera sibirica* – 12 birds between 05/05/16 and 19/05/16 with 3 males happy Island 12/05/16

**Eurasian Blackbird** *Turdus merula mandarinus* – Observed daily in Beidaihe with 3-4 seemingly resident birds.

**Grey-sided Thrush** *Turdus feae* – 7 birds between the 07/05/16 and 17/05/16 both on migration and on their breeding territories.

**Grey-backed Thrush** *Turdus hortulorum* – A tricky male between the 01-06/05/16 then two birds Beidaihe 07/05/16

**Pale Thrush** *Turdus pallidus* – 1 1st summer male Beidaihe  
7-8/05/16

**Eye-browed Thrush** *Turdus obscurus* – 67 bird-days between  
02/05/16 and 19/05/16.

**Dusky Thrush** *Turdus eunomus* – 2 Xinlong River 04/05/16, 1  
Beidaihe 07/05/16, 1 happy island 10/05/16

**Naumann's Thrush** *Turdus naumanni* – 1 Xinlong River 04/05/16,  
1 happy island 10/05/16.

**Red-throated Thrush** *Turdus ruficollis* - 1 Stone River 08/05/16

**Chinese Song Thrush** *Turdus mupinensis* – 16 bird-days  
recorded, with at least 3 Beidaihe 07/05/16.

**Zitting Cisticola (Fan-tailed Warbler)** *Cisticola juncidis* – Small  
numbers in suitable habitat throughout.

**Chinese Hill Warbler** *Rhopophilus pekinensis* – 2 Great Wall,  
Jiaoshan on 08/05/16 and 5 Big Wood, Laoting 09/05/16



**Chinese Hill Warbler - Neil Bowman**

**Asian Stub-tailed Warbler** *Urosphena squameiceps* – 2 singing plus one seen at Old Peak 16-17/05/16.

**Manchurian Bush Warbler** *Horornis borealis*– 4 Old Peak 16/05/16 with one heard the following day.

**Chinese Bush Warbler** *Locustella tacsanowskia* - One briefly, Beidaihe 18/05/16.

**Baikal Bush Warbler** *Locustella davidii* - 1 singing Happy Island 17-18/05/16 and 1 seen very well Beidaihe 20/05/16.



**Baikal Bush Warbler - Neil Bowman**

**Pallas's Grasshopper Warbler** *Locustella certhiola* – 1 Happy Island 11/05/16, 1 Beidaihe, 2 Happy Island 18/05/16, 3 Stone River 20/05/16.

**Lanceolated Warbler** *Locustella lanceolata* –4 Happy Island 11/05/16, 1+ Happy Island 12/05/16, 1 Beidaihe 17/05/16, 4Laoting,

1 Happy Island 18/05/16, 6 Happy Island 19/05/16 and 10+ Stone River 20/05/16.

**Japanese Swamp Warbler** *Locustella pryeri* - 1 singing Stone River 02/05/16 and 1 Happy Island 11/05/16.

**Black-browed Reed Warbler** *Acrocephalus bistrigiceps* – 66 bird-days between 12/05/16 and 20/05/16 with a peak of 25+ at Happy Island on 19/05/16.

**Blunt-winged Warbler** *Acrocephalus concinens* – A pair at Old Peak on 16/05/16.

**Oriental Great Reed Warbler** *Acrocephalus orientalis* – 22 bird-days between 08/05/16 and 03/05/16 with at least 7 birds on Happy Island on 18/05/16.

**Thick-billed Warbler** *Acrocephalus aedon* – 1 Happy island 14/05/16, 1 Beidaihe 17/05/16, 8 Beidaihe & 6 Happy Island 18/05/16, 3 Happy Island 19/05/16 and 3 Stone River 20/05/16.

**Grey-crowned Warbler** *Seicercus tephrocephalus* - 1 Friendship, Beidaihe 05/05/16

**Alstrom's Warbler** *Seicercus soror* - 1 Jinshan, Beidaihe seen and heard well 05/05/16 **Photo: Alstrom's Warbler - Neil Bowman**



**Claudia's Leaf Warbler** *Phylloscopus claudiae* – 14 Happy Island 12/05/16, 1 Happy island 13/05/16, 20+ Old peak 16-17/05/16, 4 Laoting & 4 Happy Island 18/05/16, 4 Happy Island 19/05/16.

**Eastern Crowned Warbler** *Phylloscopus coronatus* – 10 birds between 03/05/16 and 18/05/16 and again, birds holding territory on the lower slopes of Old peak 16/05/14.

**Pale-legged Leaf Warbler/Sakhalin Leaf Warbler** *Phylloscopus tenellipes/ borealoides* – Although very tricky to separate except in song, the call does offer some help. PLLW is the default species and although none were heard to sing and playback resulted in no response, I would class most records as Pale-legged. 27 birds were recorded between 05/05/16 & 20/05/16.

**Two-barred Greenish Warbler** *Phylloscopus trochiloides plumbeitarsus* - 20 bird-days between 08/05/16 and 20/05/16 with a peak of 10+ birds through Happy island on 12/05/16.

**Arctic Warbler** *Phylloscopus borealis* – As many as 70 birds observed between 07/05/16 and 20/05/16 with 40+ Happy Island on 19/05/16.

**Kamchatka Warbler** *Phylloscopus extramindus* - 1 Big Wood, observed at close range and responded well to playback.

**Pallas's Leaf Warbler** *Phylloscopus proregulus* –1037 bird-days between 01/05/16 and 20/05/16 with a peak of 500+ Happy Island on 12/05/16.

**Chinese Leaf Warbler** *Phylloscopus sichuanensis* – 2 Happy island 11/05/16, 4 Happy island 12/05/16, 10+ singing at Old peak on 16-17/05/16 and 1 Happy Island 18/05/16.

**Yellow-browed Warbler** *Phylloscopus inornatus* –1758 bird-days between 01/05/16 and 20/05/16 with a peaks on 05/05/16 with 300+ birds in Beidaihe and 12/05/16 on Happy island with 500+.

**Hume's Leaf Warbler** *Phylloscopus humei mandellii* – 1 Happy island 09/05/16, 2 happy Island 11-12/05/16, 1 Happy Island 13/05/16 and at least 15+ singing Old peak 16-17/05/16.

**Radde's Warbler** *Phylloscopus schwarzi* – 109 bird-days between 01/05/16 and 20/05/16 with a peak of 30+ Beidaihe 05/05/16.

**Yellow-streaked Warbler** *Phylloscopus armandii* - 1 singing Great Wall 08/05/16 and 2 singing and observed Old Peak 17/05/16.

**Dusky Warbler** *Phylloscopus fuscatus* – 889 bird-days between 01/05/16 and 20/05/16 with peaks of 150+ Beidaihe 05/05/16 and 300 on Happy island 12/05/16.

**Tickell's Leaf-warbler** *Phylloscopus affinis* - 1 Lighthouse Point, Beidaihe, seen well, 05/05/16

**Siberian Chiffchaff** *Phylloscopus tristis* - 1 Beidaihe 05/05/16 and 1 Happy island 13/05/16

**Fujian Niltava** *Niltava davidi* - Female, Sandflats boardwalk, Beidaihe seen well 07/05/16.

**Blue and White Flycatcher** *Cyanoptila cyanomelana* – Adult male, Happy Island 09/05/16 Photo: Blue and White Flycatcher - Mark Andrews



**Dark-sided (Siberian) Flycatcher** *Muscicapa sibirica* – A maximum 51 birds between 11/05/16 and 20/05/16.

**Grey-streaked Flycatcher** *Muscicapa griseisticta* – 39 birds between 09/05/16 and 20/05/16 with a peak of 20 Happy Island area on 18/05/16.

**Asian Brown Flycatcher** *Muscicapa dauurica* (= *latirostris*) – 243 bird-days between 05/05/16 and 20/05/16 with 100+ Happy Island 19/05/16.

**Taiga Flycatcher** *Ficedula albicilla* – 328 bird-days between 01/05/16 and 20/05/16 with a peak of 100+ at various sites 08/05/16.

**Mugimaki Flycatcher** *Ficedula mugimaki* – 15 birds between 05/05/16 and 20/05/16.

**Yellow-rumped Flycatcher** *Ficedula zanthopygia* – 33 birds between 02/05/16 and 20/05/16.

**Elisae's (Chinese) Flycatcher** *Ficedula (narcissina) elisae* – 2 Beidaihe 07/05/16 and 1 Old Peak 17/05/16.

**Amur Paradise Flycatcher** *Terpsiphone incei* - Male, Temple Woods, Happy Island 12/05/16

**Vinous-throated Parrotbill** *Paradoxornis webbianus* – Regularly observed in groups of up to twenty birds in suitable habitat.

**Reed Parrotbill** *Paradoxornis heudei* - Perhaps the star bird of the trip for most. 6 birds near Nanpu on 14/05/16

**Père David's Laughing Thrush** *Garrulax davidi* – 4 Great Wall 08/05/16.

**Masked Laughing Thrush** *Garrulax perspicilatus* - 1 Lighthouse Point 02/05/16, a feral breeder in Beidaihe.

**Long-tailed Tit** *Aegithalos caudatus caudatus* - 2 Old Peak 17/05/16





**Reed Parrotbill- Neil Bowman**

**Silver-throated Tit** *Aegithalos glaucogularis* – Heard at Jiaoshan Great Wall 08/05/16 and 2 Old peak on 17/05/16.

**Willow Tit** *Poecile montanus* - 1 Beidaihe Friendship Hotel 02-03/05/16

**Marsh Tit** *Poecile palustris*– 10 birds between 03/05/16 and 18/05/16.

**Songar Tit** *Parus songarus* – 4 Old Peak 16-17/05/16.

**Yellow-bellied Tit** *Parus venustulus* – 2 Beidaihe 07/05/16 and 12+ Old peak 16-17/05/16.

**Japanese Tit** *Parus minor* – small numbers observed throughout period.

**Chinese Nuthatch** *Sitta villosa* – 1 Heard Beidaihe 06/05/16 and 12+ Old Peak 16-17/05/16.

**Chinese Penduline Tit** *Remiz consobrinus* – 853 + bird-days between 02/05/16 and 20/05/15 with 500+ Beidaihe 05/05/16.

**Chestnut-flanked White-eye** *Zosterops erythropleurus* –187 bird-days between 03/05/16 and 19/05/16 .

**Japanese White-eye** *Zosterops japonica* – 17 birds recorded between 03/05/16 and 15/05/16.

Note that 700+ White-eye's were not identified to specific species level.

**Black-naped Oriole** *Oriolis chinensis* – 56 bird-days between 05/05/16 and 20/05/16 with a peak of 20 on 12/05/16 on Happy Island/Big Wood.

**Tiger Shrike** *Lanius tigrinus* - 1, Stone River 20/05/16.

**Brown Shrike** *Lanius cristatus* – 547 + bird-days between 02/05/16 and 20/05/16 with a peak of 100+ Happy Island on 17/05/16.

**Black Drongo** *Dicrurus macrocercus* – 45+ bird-days between 05/05/16 and 20/05/16

**Ashy Drongo** *Dicrurus leucophaeus leucophaeus* - 1 Happy Island  
12+13/05/16

**Hair-crested (Spangled) Drongo** *Dicrurus hottentottus* – 2 Happy  
Island 12/05/16, 1 Old Peak 16/05/16, 1 Stone River 17/05/16, 2  
Happy Island 18/05/16 and 1 Happy Island 19/05/16.

**Eurasian Jay** *Garrulus glandarius* – 3 Old peak 16/05/16, 4 Old  
peak 17/05/16.

**Red-billed Blue Magpie** *Urocissa erythrorhyncha* – At least 20  
birds Beidaihe area throughout period

**Azure-winged Magpie** *Cyanopica cyana* – Only observed around  
Beijing Airport and surrounding area.

**Black-billed Magpie** *Pica pica* – Common throughout.

**Red-billed Chough** *Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax* – 12 birds Qinlong  
River 04/05/16.

**Large-billed Crow** *Corvus macrorhynchos* – 20+ birds observed.

**Daurian (Purple-backed) Starling** *Sturnus sturninus* – 1 Happy  
Island 10/05/16, 2 Happy Island 11/05/16, 32 Happy Island  
12/05/16, 11 Happy Island 13/05/16, 1 Nanpu 14/05/16, 3 Happy  
Island 18/05/16 and 1 Happy Island 19/05/16.

**White-cheeked Starling** *Sturnus cineraceus* – 01/05/16 Beijing, 2  
Qinlong River 04/05/16, 6 Stone River 08/05/16, 1 Nanpu 14/05/16.

**Red-billed Starling** *Spodiopsar cineraceus* - 1 Happy Island  
10/05/16

**Crested Myna** *Acridotheres cristatellus* – Regularly recorded with  
up to 6 birds in the Beidaihe area.

**Eurasian Tree Sparrow** *Passer montanus* – Common

**Brambling** *Fringilla montifringilla* – 167 between 09/05/16 and 16/05/16 with an astonishing 158 on 12/05/16 Happy Island.

**Oriental (Grey-capped) Greenfinch** *Carduelis sinica* - A fairly regularly recorded bird at Beidaihe in small numbers throughout.

**Eurasian Siskin** *Spinus spinus* - 1 Beidaihe 05/05/16.

**Red Crossbill** *Loxia curvirostra* - 1 Beidaihe 05/05/16.

**Common Rosefinch** *Carpodacus erythrinus* – 150 bird-days between the 06/05/16 and 20/05/16 with 115 on Happy Island on 12/05/16.

**Yellow-billed (Chinese) Grosbeak** *Eophona migratoria* – 22 bird-days between 02/05/16 and 18/05/16.

**Japanese Grosbeak** *Eophona personata* – Male Happy Island 10-11/05/16, 2 Happy Island 12/05/16, 1 Happy island 13/05/16, 1 Happy island 17-18/05/16. Photo - Neil Bowman



**Hawfinch** *Coccothraustes coccothraustes* - 1 Beidaihe 04/05/16, 6 Beidaihe 15/05/16, 1 Beidaihe 16/05/16.

**Black-faced Bunting** *Emberiza spodocephala* – 298 bird-days between 02/05/16 and 18/05/16 with a peak of 100+ Stone River 06/05/16.

**Godlewski's (Eastern Rock) Bunting** *Emberiza godlewskii* – 4 Qinlong River 04/05/16, Old peak 16/05/16 and 6 Old peak 17/05/16.

**Siberian Meadow Bunting** *Emberiza cioides* – 8 Qinlong River 04/05/16, 1 Old peak 16/05/16, 2 Old peak 17/05/16.

**Chestnut-eared (Grey-headed) Bunting** *Emberiza fucata* – 2 Stone River 05/05/16, 1 Beidaihe 05/05/16, 2 Stone River 06/05/16, 2 Happy Island 11/05/16, 1 Happy Island 12,05,16, 1 Happy Island 13/05/16, 1 Beidaihe 18/05/16, 2 Happy Island 19/05/16, 2 Stone River 20/05/16.

**Yellow-throated Bunting** *Emberiza elegans* – 4 Beidaihe 05/05/16, 1 Beidaihe 07/05/16, 1 Happy Island 11/05/16, 2 Happy Island 12/05/16, 2 Old peak 16/05/16, 2 Old peak 17/05/16 and 1 Big Wood, 1 Happy Island 18/05/16.

**Yellow-browed Bunting** *Emberiza chrysophrys* – 3 Beidaihe 07/05/16, 3 Big Wood, Laoting 09/05/16, 1 Happy island 10/05/16, 8 Happy Island 11/05/16.

**Tristram's Bunting** *Emberiza tristrami* – 27 bird-days between 04/05/16 and 19/05/16 with 4 Big Wood/Magic Wood 09/05/16 and 4 Happy Island 12/05/16.

**Little Bunting** *Emberiza pusilla* – 263 bird-days between 02/05/16 and 20/05/16 with peaks of 50+ at Stone River 02/05/16 and 06/05/16 and Happy Island 10/05/16.

**Chestnut Bunting** *Emberiza rutila* - Happy Island 3 on 10/05/16, 4 11/05/16, 6 on 12/05/16, 2 on 13/05/16, 6 on 18/05/16, 2 on 19/05/16 and 1 Stone River 20/05/16.

**Yellow-breasted Bunting** *Emberiza aureola* – 7 Stone River 06/05/16, 1 Happy Island 10/05/16, 2 Happy island 11/05/16, 1 Happy Island 12/05/16, 3 Nanpu 14/05/16, 7 Happy Island 18/05/16.

**Reed Bunting** *Emberiza schoeniclus* – 1 Stone River 06/05/16.

**Pallas's Reed Bunting** *Emberiza pallasii* – A minimum of 59 birds between 01/05/16 and 20/05/16 with 30+ Stone River on 02/05/16.

**Japanese Reed Bunting** *Emberiza yessoensis* – 6 Stone River 02/05/16, 4 Stone River 06/05/16, 2 Nanpu 14/05/16.

There were several hundred over-flying bunting species left unidentified.

## **Mammals**

**Amur Hedgehog** *Erinaceus amurensis* – 1 Stone River 02/05/16, 1+ Happy Island 11/05/16

**Tolai Hare** *Lepus tolai* - Fairly regularly seen throughout the trip.

**Muskrat** *Ondatra zibethicus* - 1 Beidaihe 08/05/16

**Pere David's Rock Squirrel** *Sciurotamias davidianus* – Observed in small numbers at Great Wall 06/05/16 and Old peak 16-17/05/16.

**Finless Porpoise** *Neophocaena phocaenoides* – 6+ on 07/05/16 and 4+ 09/05/16 from Lighthouse Point, Beidaihe.

## **Reptiles**

**Chinese Water Snake** *Enhydris chinensis* – 1 Happy Island 19/05/16.

**Tiger keelback (Oriental Tiger Snake)** *Rhabdophis tigrinus* – 1 Happy Island 11/05/16.

**Peking Gecko** *Gekko swinhonis* – Accommodation in Beidaihe and Happy Island had occupants.

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