

**August  
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Two sightings of Fox have been recorded this month although this is hardly a reflection of actual numbers, one was found behind the ringing room on the 3rd - perhaps he was looking for an easy meal! Grey Squirrel is another species not usually found so close to the observatory but one was recorded in the car park on the 17th.

During the monthly boat trip 30 Common Seals were seen in the estuary which is a record number for this event. A Water Vole was also sighted on the river bank and earlier on in the month 1 was seen on two consecutive days at Restharrow Scrape.

The highest number of Slow worms counted under the habitat boards this month is 14 and 6 Field mice under several different boards in the Waldershare Gully and Middle Field areas.

One unfortunate Pygmy Shrew was found dead in the Whitehouse.