

LAKE ELLESMERE WATERBIRD COUNT 9th FEBRUARY 2013

Average wind-affected lake level (8/2/13) was 0.51m and the lake was open to the sea, Weather (Christchurch Airport): at 9am foggy 15C SSW 11kmh. Fog lifting by late morning to passing clouds and a max temp of 27C at 3pm. Wind initially increasing to 17kmh but decreasing by 2pm to S 7kmh, turning E by 3pm and slowly strengthening. Air pressure 1019hPa initially, decreasing to 1017hPa

Species	Kaitorete Tip	Kaitorete Spit	Birdlings Flat A	Birdlings Flat B	Kaituna Lagoon	Halswell Flats B	Halswell Flats A	Osbornes	Eastern Greenpark	Embankment Road	Yarrrs Flat	Selwyn	Rennies Bay	Doyleston	Harts Creek	Lakeside	Taumutu	SPECIES TOTALS
Aus Crested Grebe					2													2
Black Shag	4	31	22	47	27	11	3		12		9	19	12		13	186		396
Pied Shag	1				8		19				3	12	25	16	8	38	29	159
Little Shag					1							17	2	1	5	2		28
Spotted Shag																	2	2
White Heron					2								1		1	1		5
White-faced Heron	2	3	10	1	2		4	4	2	2	5	8	10	2	14	17	13	99
Australasian Bittern								1										1
Royal Spoonbill		25	2	6	18	277		57	28		50	24	1	1	40	2		531
Mute Swan											1				5			6
Black Swan	30	808	182	126	1482	292	146	174	1579	1287	706	786	286	297	129	170	118	8598
Feral Goose	1												285	163	1	80		530
Canada Goose	11	263	246	264	2598	9	29	56	29	30	373	952	441	136		139		5576
Paradise Shelduck		50	46	2059	127	218	110	1	150	74	22	23	1190	25	40	28		4163
duck sp		92				640				167	870					173		1942
Mallard (& Grey Duck hybrids)	45	420	301	112	302	168	110	3	1552	655	111	17	3	18	1752	277	70	5916
Australasian Shoveler	1	1620	627	190	2041	390			55		163	49		1	13	19	4	5173
Grey Teal		2466	375	736	1782	1577	197		1197		447	1409	1888	292	13	671	52	13102
New Zealand Scaup								1		19					45	1	16	82
Australasian Harrier	1	3	4	6	8	3	2	8	4	6	4	1	4		7	4	2	67
Pukeko				30	22	16						6	1		25	14		114
Pied Oystercatcher	11	5											3			2	12	33
Pied Stilt	34	419	15	23	1278	31	2	47	6	108	246	530	136	83	33	586	149	3726
Black Stilt				2														2
Hybrid Stilt				1								2				1		4
Banded Dotterel	230	164	64		2	33		18	72	222	204	156	4			57	2	1228
Wrybill	41	37								1	1	349						429
Spur-winged Plover	8	25	19		4	4	1		9	8		6	24	27	9	47	6	197
Sharp-tailed Sandpiper												12						12
Red-necked Stint												34						34
Bar-tailed Godwit	30	192			36	68				27		83						436
Black-backed Gull	120	201	6	112	194	414		8	260	42	20	16	94	60	70	72	44	1733
Red-billed Gull	17	2					27	1	2						4		4	57
Black-billed Gull	1	106	2	158	28	15	69	1	115	1	63	6	33	16		48	167	829
Black-fronted Tern	5	31	4		1				1								4	46
White-fronted Tern	1	13															45	59
Caspian Tern	6	4	1	37		2	10	5	203		2	1	29		1	2	9	312
Gull-billed Tern		1									1							2
New Zealand Kingfisher					1							1		2				4
Site totals	600	6981	1926	3910	9966	4168	729	385	5276	2649	3301	4519	4472	1140	2228	2637	748	55635