

# TE WAIHORA/LAKE ELLESMERE WETLAND BIRD COUNT 11 FEBRUARY 2017

Calm average lake level (10/2/2017) was 0.55m and the lake was closed to the sea. Weather (Christchurch Airport): Minimum 13 °C, maximum 22 °C, wind WSW < 5km/h to 12 noon, rising to 15km/h by 2pm, and a max of around 20km/h at 5pm

Species	Kaitorete Tip	Kaitorete Spit	Birdlings Flat A	Birdlings Flat B	Kaituna Lagoon	Halswell Flats B	Halswell Flats A	Osbornes	Eastern Greenpark	Eastern Greenpark 2	Embankment Road	Yans Flat	Selwyn	Renfries Bay	Doyleston	Harts Creek	Lakeside 1	Lakeside 2	Taumutu	SPECIES TOTALS 2017	Species group totals	SPECIES TOTALS 2016	Species group totals	SPECIES TOTALS 2015	Species group totals	SPECIES TOTALS 2014	Species group totals	SPECIES TOTALS 2013	Species group totals	Species groups
Aus Crested Grebe																				0	2	1	3	2						
Black Shag	9	31	12	19	4	1	13	2	5	8		1	2	8	14	5	45	1	66	246	341	339	615	396						
Pied Shag		2		1	1	8	2	1	1				7	23		29	5	13	119	212	187	137	240	159					Shags	
Little Shag						1		3			6	3		2		3				18	15	6	51	28						
Spotted Shag																			4	4	480	3	546	0	482	4	910	2	585	
White Heron																	1			1	0	4	3	5						
White-faced Heron	1	7		3	1		3	1							2	1			2	21	39	78	92	99					Hérons	
Australasian Bittern																				0	1	0	0	0	1					
Royal Spoonbill	14	31	4	51	4	97	112	70	2		7	70	90	52	15	35	50	1	15	720	742	656	696	689	771	871	966	531	636	
Mute Swan														4		1				5	6	9	14	6						
Black Swan	18	195	90	84	398	436	403	277	639	297	864	207	938	545	260	48	142	10	47	5898	7186	5528	7473	8598						
Feral Goose							19						26	302	57	2	101			507	206	291	443	530						
Canada Goose	12	205	716	1085	594	102	114		1		140	270	968	263	33	15	322	8		4848	4537	3312	3777	5576						
Cape Barren Goose													1							1	2	3								
Paradise Shelduck		15		587	453	607	274	187	33	135	59	10	805	5	219	32			2	3423	4085	4548		5148		4163		Waterfowl		
Chestnut-breasted shelduck																				0	1									
duck sp																				0	0	749	696	1942						
Mallard (& Grey Duck hybrids)	9	254	191	222	76		379	194		45			85	57	409	257	11	38		2227	1896	3610	5173	5916						
Australasian Shoveler	8	580		87	541	158	220	3	5		44	1	45	2	48		91		5	1838	2086	2070	5893	5173						
Grey Teal	216	903	80	53	1466	1806	1242	324	354	235	1628	1711	843	1351	156	3	409		52	12832	12565	13145	12504	13102						
grey teal/shoveler		694	349																	1043	80	2947	780							
New Zealand Scaup					6		2									111	40		28	187	32809	170	32820	70	36282	12	41913	82	45088	
Australasian Harrier	3	2	3	5	3	3	4	2	2	2	7	6	3	13	5	6	4	1	1	75	75	76	67	67						
Pukeko				6	16	1										4	2			29	87	90	97	114						
Variable Oystercatcher																				0	0	0	2							
Pied Oystercatcher	13			1						3		1								18	12	18	17	33						
Pied Stilt	25	290	25	66	387	271	157	5	75	207	69	225	149	143	83	90	526		28	2821	3261	4777	4959	3726						
Black Stilt																				0	2	2	2	2					NZ waders	
Hybrid Stilt				2																2	3	2	0	4						
Banded Dotterel	476	238	127	210		298	136		239	162	479	221	214	31						2831	1323	2325	1496	1228						
Wrybill	7	30								2	3	6	242	1						291	216	167	243	429						
Spur-winged Plover	16	60	23	9	10	27	14		8	1		6	18	55		4	5	3		259	6222	66	4883	169	7460	328	7047	197	5619	
Turnstone	7																			7	0	0	4	1						
Marsh Sandpiper (seen 12/2)					1															1										
Sharp-tailed Sandpiper				1																1	9	3	18	12						
Red-necked Stint		17		1							2	4	21							45	23	61	44	34						
Bar-tailed Godwit		6			5	36	15				15	92								182	224	189	120	436						
Pacific Golden Plover		15																		15	24	10	45	7					Arctic waders	
Red Knot		42																		42	44	40	44	9						
Curlew Sandpiper		3		1																4	3	9	18	2						
Pectoral Sandpiper				2									1							3	2	0	6	3						
Sanderling		1																		1	0	1	2							
Common Greenshank																				0	301	0	329	0	313	1	302		504	
Arctic Skua																				2										
Black-backed Gull	129	163	5	9	4	114	40	8	157	171	11	8	241	20	12	55	57	38	21	1263	878	812	691	1733						
Red-billed Gull		1				8	6	2	1				1			1			3	41	72	43	38	57						
Black-billed Gull	9	22	20	21		51	25	2	50	88	48		14	4	31	22				409	183	433	2359	829						
Black-fronted Tern	4		9									2		4						21	34	23	61	46					Gulls & terns	
White-winged black tern			1																	1										
White-fronted Tern	2		1																26	29	166	48	175	59						
Caspian Tern		21	1	13		2	7		33		5	6								91	115	113	386	405						
Gull-billed Tern																				0	1888	0	1392	2	1474	16	3726	7	3136	
New Zealand Kingfisher															2	1				3	1	10	6	4						
Welcome Swallow	19	63	8	9	19	29	50	3			5	11	11	35	11	5	10		15	303	759	899	127							
Site totals	997	3890	1666	2546	3985	4011	3261	728	1905	1171	3561	2958	3830	3759	764	1078	2134	89	519	42852	41590	47858	55164	55728						