**Heysham Lane/Firecrest Woodland: Sightings and Nests**

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| FOXES | There was a fox-hole on Branch Hill (not this year until seen in November). (Crows and Magpies raid rubbish bags, not the foxes.) |
| SMALL MAMMALS |  |
| BUZZARD | Two people saw, same day |
| KESTREL | Many times every year scouting along the line. |
| BATS  | Under overhang bricks. June/July. Usually at dusk, fly close to building, 6 at a time. This year nothing (not living here). |
| OWLS: TAWNYLITTLE Young ..... out.  | All year every night(heard)- different higher pitch, possibly young tawny owl? nesting in the alley |
| SWALLOWS | Masses every year. Come along the alley harvesting the air of insects. Reported to RSPB June 2009Several days at a time, then don't see for a few days, then return. |
| SWIFTS |
| WRENS | Nests in Holly. Protected from Jays. All nesting places are going in No 17 Branch Hill and Firecrest |
| ROBINS |
| BLACKBIRDS | Year long |
| SONG THRUSH | Spring and summer every year. Sits on tall, aerials, fights for/with blackbird. |
| FIELDFARE | Winter, snow on ground, 2-3 years ago, came for berries, sat on an aerial, flew into shrubbery. |
| GARDEN WARBLER | Heard x 1 in Spring. |
| WOOD WARBLER |  |
| BLACKCAPS | Yearly spring and summer. |
| PIED FLYCATCHER | ? That size. Sitting on roof. |
| MARSH TIT | All the time, especially in spring, nest twice a year in all the gardens where protected from the jays. |
| BLUE TIT |
| GREAT TIT |
| LONGTAILED TIT |
| TREECREEPER | Climbing up Scot's pine trunk. |
| STARLING | Most years in winter (not last year, and not yet (November 2015). Small flocks. |
| PAROKEETS | Fly over from the Heath in formation (pigeons fly at the formation, break it up and sabotage!) |
| SPARROWS (House) | Odd one, most years, Twitter around the houses, visit, not staying, pecking at clipping, stones. |
| JAYS | Always here, high trees, high building. |
| MAGPIES |
| CROWS | Sit on roof. |
| JACKDAWS | April to July visit (come from somewhere else) most years. |
| GREEN WOODPECKER | Flying in trees, pecking on the lawn, nesting on the lawn under the trees. |
| GREAT SPOTTED WOODPECKER | In trees, foraging, seen and heard every day except late autumn and winter. |
| CUCKOO | (heard) 2008, one off |
| GOLDCRESTS | Related to Firecrests ('Firecrest' named after). Nesting in driveway by Savoy Court, but not since shrubs grubbed up. |
| CHAFFINCH | Every year, spring and summer, where tits nest! |
| BULLFINCH |
| GREENFINCH |
| YELLOWHAMMER | See X1 flying |
| WOODPIGEON |  |
| COLLARED DOVE |  |
| 2x MALLARD DUCKS  | Male & female in my window box! |