

Greenfinch (*Carduelis chloris*). Very few. One on 1st January, two on 17th April and one on 20th April were the only records.

Goldfinch (*Carduelis carduelis*). One was seen on 1st January, one on 22nd April and one on 14th October.

Linnet (*Acanthis cannabina*). Up to twelve during April and family parties in June and up to 60 were seen during September.

Redpoll (*Acanthis flammea*). A single bird was seen on 24th September.

Chaffinch (*Fringilla coelebs*). Only small numbers of up to ten in April, up to four in August and September and up to ten in October and November.

Brambling (*Fringilla montifringilla*). One at Stoneycroft on 5th April, two at Signals on 7th November and four at St. Helens on 12th November followed by ones and twos.

Yellowhammer (*Emberiza citrinella*). One at Stoneycroft on 29th April.

Red-headed Bunting (*Emberiza bruniceps*). One from 29th May to 4th June.

Ortolan Bunting (*Emberiza hortulana*). One on 8th August.

Reed Bunting (*Emberiza schoeniclus*). A pair nested in June.

Lapland Bunting (*Calcarius lapponicus*). One on 15th September, two on 19th, one on 20th and 21st, two on 22nd, and one on 24th September.

Snow Bunting (*Plectrophenax nivalis*). Singles on 15th April and 22nd October.

House Sparrow (*Passer domesticus*). Two on 7th April, two or three in June and up to six during September. A pair nested for the first time for ten years.

RECOVERIES OF RINGED BIRDS 1971

Species	Ring No.	Age and Date	Date and place of recovery	
Shag	105.2054	Pullus 3.7.67	Portloe, Cornwall	9.6.71
Mallard	GM 19.304	Adult F. 10.5.66	Lundy	ca. 24.6.71
Herring Gull	GM 19.160	Pullus 21.6.65	Braunton, Devon	ca. 23.6.71
Herring Gull	GM 19.438	Pullus 7.7.67	Lundy	ca. 18.10.70

THE NUMBER OF AUKS PRESENT IN JUNE 1971

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The count of auks this year has been concentrated in an area between Battery Point and St. James' Stone. The figures are as quoted below but it must be remembered they can only partially reflect the true situation since the count had to be carried out in a limited period. What is of particular interest is an apparent increase in the numbers of Razorbills and Guillemots in the area between Pyramid Rock and St. James' Stone, particularly the two gullies immediately to the South of Three-quarter Wall Gully. Could there be a movement from Battery where a decrease is shown? Generally there does seem to be more auks on the cliffs than last year.

The state of the Puffins gives some reason for slight optimism. More were counted this year than in the two previous seasons. A total of 113 were counted on and immediately around Lundy. The colonies in Jenny's Cove were more