

LUNDY'S "TOP TWENTY"

BIRDS RINGED

1. Herring Gull	2,670	11. Sedge Warbler	481
2. Guillemot	2,479	12. Swallow	443
3. Willow Warbler	2,245	13. Meadow Pipit	440
4. Whitethroat	1,790	14. Chaffinch	425
5. Kittiwake	1,648	15. Spotted Flycatcher	343
6. Blackbird	1,115	16. Robin	276
7. Razorbill	1,106	17. Linnet	255
8. Shag	963	18. Song Thrush	244
9. Starling	705	19. Manx Shearwater	240
10. Chiffchaff	622	20. Pied Flycatcher	216

SUMMARY OF BIRD RINGING

<i>Species</i>	1947 to 1965	1966	<i>Total</i>
Little Grebe ..	1		1
Storm Petrel ..	1		1
Manx Shearwater	239	1	240
Fulmar	65	5	70
Comorant	46		46
Shag	944	19	963
Mallard	32	4	36
Buzzard	7		7
Sparrow Hawk	2		2
Peregrine	6		6
Kestrel	3	3	6
Water Rail	11	3	14
Corncrake	3		3
Oystercatcher ..	22	3	25
Lapwing	98	8	106
Ringed Plover ..	1		1
*Dotterel		1	1
Turnstone	2		2
Snipe	8	4	12
Jack Snipe	1	5	6
Woodcock	3		3
Curlew	10	8	18
*Whimbrel		6	6
Wood Sandpiper ..	1		1
Greenshank	1	1	2
*Least Sandpiper ..	3		3
Little Stint	3		3
Dunlin	32	9	41
*Semi-palmated Sandpiper		1	1
Buff-breasted Sandpiper	1		1
Great Black-backed Gull	88		88
Lesser Black-backed Gull	55		56
Herring Gull	2,627	43	2,670
Kittiwake	1,526	122	1,648
Razorbill	1,096	10	1,106
Guillemot	2,451	28	2,479
Puffin	8		8
Stock Dove	1		1
Wood Pigeon	4		4
Turtle Dove	1		1
Cuckoo	21	3	24

Long-eared Owl ..	1	1	2
Short-eared Owl ..	1	1	2
Nightjar	1		1
Swift	1		1
Great Spotted Woodpecker	2		2
Wryneck	6	1	7
Skylark	76	3	79
Swallow	436	7	443
House Martin ..	12	1	13
Sand Martin ..	36		36
Raven	22		22
*Carrion Crow ..		2	2
Great Tit	18		18
Blue Tit	84		84
Coal Tit	5	4	9
Tree Creeper ..	1		1
Wren	164	28	192
Fieldfare	7	2	9
Song Thrush ..	231	13	244
Redwing	92	3	95
Ring Ouzel ..	14	2	16
Blackbird	1,020	95	1,115
American Robin ..	1		1
Wheatear	104	2	106
Stonechat	50	1	51
Whinchat	39	3	42
Redstart	74	19	93
Black Redstart ..	27		27
Nightingale ..	1	1	2
Bluethroat ..	2		2
Robin	252	24	276
Grasshopper Warbler	64	19	83
Reed Warbler ..	11	1	12
Marsh Warbler ..	1		1
Aquatic Warbler ..	1		1
Sedge Warbler ..	432	49	481
Melodious Warbler	5		5
Icterine Warbler ..	5		5
Blackcap	58	55	113
Garden Warbler ..	52	10	62
Whitethroat ..	1,695	95	1,790
Lesser Whitethroat	9		9
Sardinian Warbler ..	1		1
Willow Warbler ..	1,962	183	2,145
Chiffchaff	488	134	622
Wood Warbler ..	3	1	4
Arctic Warbler ..	1		1
Yellow-browed Warbler	1		1
Greenish Warbler ..	1		1
Myrtle Warbler ..	1		1
Yellowthroat ..	1		1
Goldcrest	89	43	132
Firecrest	9	1	10
Spotted Flycatcher	309	34	343
Pied Flycatcher ..	156	60	216
Red-breasted Flycatcher	1		1
Dunnock	94	24	118
Meadow Pipit ..	424	16	440
Tree Pipit	14		14

Red-throated Pipit	1		1
Rock Pipit ..	5		5
Pied-white Wagtail	61		61
Yellow Wagtail ..	3		3
Red-backed Shrike	4		4
*Woodchat Shrike		1	1
Starling	694	11	705
Greenfinch	36	6	42
Goldfinch	19	1	20
Siskin	4		4
Baltimore Oriole ..	1		1
Linnet	239	16	255
Redpoll	2		2
Bullfinch	1		1
Scarlet Grosbeak	1	1	2
Crossbill	15	2	17
Chaffinch	361	64	425
Brambling	10	1	11
*Rufous-sided Towhee		1	1
Yellow Hammer ..	1		1
Ortolan Bunting ..	2		2
Little Bunting ..	1		1
*Reed Bunting ..		1	1
Lapland Bunting ..	3		3
*Snow Bunting ..		1	1
House Sparrow ..	1		1
Tree Sparrow ..	5		5
TOTAL	19,559	1,334	20,893

*Additions to the Ringing List.

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EXPEDITION TO LUNDY BY THE 14th ROYAL SIGNAL REGIMENT

Members of the Society may think it a little strange for an article on Amateur Radio to appear in the Annual Report, but after reading the following account, written by Major E. M. Fox of the Royal Signals, will realise that the results of the visit were of such great interest as to attract even the most enthusiastic reader.

ARMY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB SIGNALS FROM LUNDY

After nearly eight months of detailed planning, with the inevitable few false starts that were encountered in persuading the authorities that our journey was really necessary, we started on our mission. It was concise, we were assigned to set up an amateur radio station on the island of Lundy. Appropriately the exercise was named "LUNDY GANNET."

A party of eight members of our radio club, from the 14th Signal Regiment, set out from Bampton in Oxfordshire, on 18th September, 1965. This party, complete with a mound of stores and technical equipment, sufficient to be self contained, boarded their vehicles and started the 160 mile road journey to Bideford. During the journey the mobile radio was operated, mainly to add interest, and contact was made with several places on the Continent and U.S.A.

The crossing from Bideford to Lundy was scheduled for the Saturday, but owing to a force ten gale, the M.V. "Lundy Gannet" could not sail. The delay of twenty-four hours enabled us to consolidate and load our stores with ease. We also took advantage of the long rest.