

colour. The bird fed actively especially around blackthorn, flycatching and on the ground and it tolerated the presence of persons in the normal phylloscopus manner. In the hand the head, nape and back were seen to be grey-olive tinged green, head less so and lime green wash on rump much more pronounced. The darker brown tail feathers and considerably darker two central ones all had narrow lime green outer fringes, the outermost ones with a just discernable white edge, more noticeable at the rear of the tail. Wing feathers olive, bordered with lime green about 1 mm wide but 2-3 mm on tertials. Primaries as dark as tail.

The chin was white to buffish (faint) on upper breast, belly to undertail coverts silvery white, flanks buffish. Legs very deep brown, soles dull yellow, bill with dark brown upper mandible, lower horn; gape yellow. Measurements, bill to skull 10.5 mm, wing 64 mm, tarsus 19 mm, tail 49 mm, weight at 19.00 hours 10.0 grams.

Wing formula, 1st p.c. +5.5, 2nd -8, 3rd and 4th longest and emarginated, 5th -0.5 emarginated, 6th -3.5, 7th -6, 8th -9, 9th -10 mm. The bird was seen by M. and W. Rogers, I. G. and L. V. Black and J. Ogilvie.

M. ROGERS

Red-throated Pipit *Anthus cervinus*. 20th April, 1976.

During the morning of 20th April my wife and I together with J. High flushed a pipit two or three times in muddy juncus covered areas on airfield and it was walked for a few minutes before it flew off calling at a considerable height in a northerly direction.

A very pale mantled bird which was streaked considerably less than the mantle of a Meadow Pipit but considerably whiter underparts, heavily streaked black, and white unstreaked upper abdomen and vent. Soft parts as Meadow Pipit, legs a shade darker. No trace of red on head or neck but face more buff; outer tail feathers white. The carriage was more horizontal giving a more wagtail appearance. The call when flushed was a 'teeze' quite drawn out and more vibrant than Tree Pipit.

A very pale Red-throated Pipit compared with birds seen previously but the call, skulking behaviour and marked preference for marshy ground were diagnostic despite the early date.

M. ROGERS

Scarlet Rosefinch *Carpodacus erythrinus*. 1st and 11th June.

Warm chestnut brown back and tail with two very noticeable pale wing bars and darker streaks on upper breast, rest of breast beige white, whitish on belly. The bill was pale yellowish horn and the eye looked dark. The markings looked very similar to those of Spotted Flycatcher on the wings and the feathers had pale edges. The bird called several times, a single loud 'tch wee'. In size it was slightly larger than a House Sparrow and looked longer in the body.

L. V. BLACK

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Species	Full-grown	Pullus	Species	Full-grown	Pullus
Manx Shearwater	35		Sedge Warbler	9	
Storm Petrel	9		Blackcap	5	
Shag		2	Garden Warbler	5	
Greylag Goose	1		Whitethroat	19	