

Checklist of the Birds of Cuskinny Nature Reserve

(List compiled from records from Cuskinny starting in the mid-1970s)

Key

Status: C=Common, UN=Uncommon, Sc=Scarce, R=Rare

Best Time: AY=All Year, Sp=Spring, Su=Summer, A=Autumn, W=Winter.

Breeding Status: N=Non-Breeding, B=Breeding, RB=Rare Breeding,
FB=Feral Breeding, EB=Formerly Bred.

Species	Scientific Name	Status	Best Time	Breeding
GEESE, SWANS & DUCKS				
Brent Goose	<i>Branta bernicla</i>	UC	W,S	N
Canada Goose	<i>Branta canadensis</i>	F	AY	N
Barnacle Goose	<i>Branta leucopsis</i>	R	W	N
Greylag Goose	<i>Anser anser</i>	F	W	N
Mute Swan	<i>Cygnus olor</i>	C	AY	B
Shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>	C	W,S	B
Gadwall	<i>Anas strepera</i>	UC	W,S	N
Wigeon	<i>Anas penelope</i>	C	W	N
American Wigeon	<i>Anas americana</i>	R	W	N
Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	C	AY	B
Shoveler	<i>Anas clypeata</i>	R	W	N
Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>	R	W	N
Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>	C	W,S	N
Green-winged Teal	<i>Anas carolinensis</i>	R	W	N
Pochard	<i>Aythya ferina</i>	R	W	N
Ring-necked Duck	<i>Aythya collaris</i>	R	W	N
Tufted Duck	<i>Aythya fuligula</i>	UC	W	N
Scaup	<i>Aythya marila</i>	R	W,S	N
Surf Scoter	<i>Melanitta perspicillata</i>	R	W	N
Velvet Scoter	<i>Melanitta fusca</i>	R	W	N
Common Scoter	<i>Melanitta nigra</i>	R	W	N
Long-tailed Duck	<i>Clangula hyemalis</i>	R	W,S	N
Goldeneye	<i>Bucephala clangula</i>	R	W,S	N
Red-breasted Merganser	<i>Mergus serrator</i>	Sc	W,S	N

DIVERS				
Red-throated Diver	<i>Gavia stellata</i>	Sc	W,S	N
Black-throated Diver	<i>Gavia arctica</i>	R	W	N
Great Northern Diver	<i>Gavia immer</i>	Sc	W	N
White-billed Diver	<i>Gavia adamsii</i>	R	W	N

PETRELS & SHEARWATERS				
Leach's Storm-petrel	<i>Oceanodroma leucorhoa</i>	R	W	N
Fulmar	<i>Fulmarus glacialis</i>	Sc	S,Su,A	N
Manx Shearwater	<i>Puffinus puffinus</i>	R	A	N

GREBES				
Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>	C	AY	B
Red-necked Grebe	<i>Podiceps grisegena</i>	R	W	N
Slavonian Grebe	<i>Podiceps auritus</i>	R	W,S	N
Great Crested Grebe	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>	Sc	W,S	N
Black-necked Grebe	<i>Podiceps nigricollis</i>	R	W	N

IBISES & HERONS				
Glossy Ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	R	Sp,A,W	N
Black-crowned Night Heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	R	Sp	N
Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	C	AY	B
Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	UC	A,W,S	N

GANNETS				
Gannet	<i>Morus bassanus</i>	Sc	Su,A,W	N

SHAGS & CORMORANTS				
Shag	<i>Phalacrocorax aristotelis</i>	C	AY	N
Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	C	AY	N

BIRDS OF PREY				
Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	R	S,Su,A	N
Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>	UC	AY	B
Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>	R	A	N
Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>	C	AY	N
Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	UC	AY	N
Merlin	<i>Falco columbarius</i>	Sc	S,A,W	N
Peregrine	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	UC	S,A,W	N
Barn Owl	<i>Tyto alba</i>	R	AY	N
Long-eared Owl	<i>Asio otus</i>	R	AY	N

PHEASANTS & RAILS				

Pheasant	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>	C	AY	B
Water Rail	<i>Rallus aquaticus</i>	UC	AY	B
Corncrake	<i>Crex crex</i>	R	S,Su	EB
Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	C	AY	B
Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>	UC	AY	RB

WADERS				
Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>	C	A,W,S	N
Lapwing	<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>	R	W	N
Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis apricaria</i>	R	W	N
Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>	R	A,W,S	N
Woodcock	<i>Scolopax rusticola</i>	R	W	N
Jack Snipe	<i>Lymnocyptes minimus</i>	R	W,S	N
Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>	C	W	N
Black-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa limosa islandica</i>	R	A,W,S	N
Bar-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>	R	W	N
Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>	C	S	N
Curlew	<i>Numenius arquata</i>	UC	W	N
Spotted Redshank	<i>Tringa erythropus</i>	R	A	N
Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>	C	A,W,S	N
Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	Sc	A,W,S	N
Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>	R	A	N
Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>	R	A	N
Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	UC	A,W,S	N
Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	C	A,W,S	N
Knot	<i>Calidris canutus</i>	R	W,S	N
Dunlin	<i>Calidris alpina</i>	R	A,W,S	N
Grey Phalarope	<i>Phalaropus fulicarius</i>	R	Su,A	N
GULLS				
Kittiwake	<i>Rissa tridactyla</i>	Sc	A,W,S	N
Sabine's Gull	<i>Xemi sabini</i>	R	A	N
Black-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus ridibundus</i>	C	A,W,S	N
Little Gull	<i>Hydrocoloeus minutus</i>	R	A,W	N
Laughing Gull	<i>Leucophaeus atricilla</i>	R	W	N
Mediterranean Gull	<i>Ichthyaetus melanocephalus</i>	UC	W,S	N
Common Gull	<i>Larus canus</i>	C	W	N
Ring-billed Gull	<i>Larus delawarensis</i>	R	W,S	N
Great Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus marinus</i>	C	A,W,S	N
Glaucous Gull	<i>Larus hyperboreus</i>	Sc	W,S	N
Iceland Gull	<i>Larus glaucoides</i>	Sc	W,S	N
Herring Gull	<i>Larus argentatus</i>	C	A,W,S	N
American Herring Gull	<i>Larus smithsonianus</i>			
Yellow-legged Gull	<i>Larus michahellis</i>	R	W	N

Lesser Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus fuscus</i>	C	A,W,S	N
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TERNS				
Sandwich Tern	<i>Thalasseus sandvicensis</i>	C	S,Su,A	N
Little Tern	<i>Sternula albifrons</i>	R	S,Su,A	N
Roseate Tern	<i>Sterna dougallii</i>	R	S,Su,A	N
Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>	C	S,Su,A	N
Arctic Tern	<i>Sterna paradisaea</i>	R	S,Su,A	N
Black Tern	<i>Chlidonias niger</i>	R	Su,A	N
Great Skua	<i>Stercorarius skua</i>	R	A	N
Arctic Skua	<i>Stercorarius parasiticus</i>	R	S,Su,A	N

AUKS				
Guillemot	<i>Uria aalge</i>	Sc	A,W,S	N
Razorbill	<i>Alca torda</i>	Sc	A,W,S	N
Black Guillemot	<i>Cephus grylle</i>	UC	A,W,S	N
Puffin	<i>Fratercula arctica</i>	R	Su,A	N

PIGEONS & DOVES				
Rock Dove/Feral Pigeon	<i>Columba livia</i>	Sc	AY	N
Stock Dove	<i>Columba oenas</i>	UC	AY	N
Woodpigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>	C	AY	B
Turtle Dove	<i>Streptopelia turtur</i>	R	Sp,A	N
Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	UC	AY	B

CUCKOOS, SWIFTS & KINGFISHERS				
Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>	R	S,Su,A	N
Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>	C	Su,A	N
Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>	UC	AY	Possible B

CROWS				
Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>	UC	AY	Possible B
Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>	C	AY	B
Chough	<i>Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax</i>	R	AY	N
Jackdaw	<i>Coloeus monedula</i>	C	AY	B
Rook	<i>Corvus frugilegus</i>	C	AY	B
Carrion Crow	<i>Corvus corone</i>	R	W	N
Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus cornix</i>	C	AY	B
Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>	UC	AY	Past B

WAXWINGS				
Waxwing	<i>Bombycilla garrulus</i>	R	W	N

TITS & LARKS				
Coal Tit	<i>Pariparus ater</i>	C	AY	B
Blue Tit	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>	C	AY	B
Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>	C	AY	B
Skylark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>	R	AY	N

MARTINS & SWALLOWS				
Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>	Sc	S,Su,A	N
Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	C	S,Su,A	N
House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>	C	S,Su,A	N

LONG-TAILED TITS				
Long-tailed Tit	<i>Aegithalos caudatus</i>	C	A,W,S	B

WARBLERS				
Willow Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>	C	S,Su,A	B
Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>	C	S,Su,A	B
Sedge Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>	UC	Su,A	B
Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>	R	Su,A	N
Grasshopper Warbler	<i>Locustella naevia</i>	R	Sp	N
Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>	C	AY	B
Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia communis</i>	Sc	S,Su,A	B

GOLDCRESTS & WRENS				
Goldcrest	<i>Regulus regulus</i>	C	AY	B
Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>	C	AY	B

TREECREEPERS				
Treecreeper	<i>Certhia familiaris</i>	UC	AY	B

STARLINGS				
Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	C	AY	B

THRUSHES & ALLIES				
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Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>	C	AY	B
Fieldfare	<i>Turdus pilaris</i>	Sc	W	N
Redwing	<i>Turdus iliacus</i>	UC	W	N
Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>	C	AY	B
Mistle Thrush	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>	UC	AY	UB
Spotted Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa striata</i>	R	Su,A	N
Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>	C	AY	B
Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>	R	A,W	N
Stonechat	<i>Saxicola rubicola</i>	UC	AY	B
Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>	R	S,Su,A	N

SPARROWS				
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	C	AY	B
Tree Sparrow	<i>Passer montanus</i>	R	W	N

ACCENTORS				
Dunnock	<i>Prunella modularis</i>	C	AY	B

WAGTAILS & PIPITS				
Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>	Sc	AY	N
Pied Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>	C	AY	N
Meadow Pipit	<i>Anthus pratensis</i>	Sc	AY	N
Water Pipit	<i>Anthus spinoletta</i>	R	Sp,A	N
Rock Pipit	<i>Anthus petrosus</i>	C	AY	B

FINCHES				
Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	C	AY	B
Brambling	<i>Fringilla montifringilla</i>	R	W	N
Bullfinch	<i>Pyrrhula pyrrhula</i>	UC	AY	B
Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>	C	AY	B
Linnet	<i>Linaria cannabina</i>	UC	AY	N
Redpoll	<i>Acanthis flammea</i>	UC	W	N
Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	C	AY	B
Siskin	<i>Spinus spinus</i>	UC	W	N

BUNTINGS				
Yellowhammer	<i>Emberiza citrinella</i>	R	AY	N
Reed Bunting	<i>Emberiza schoeniclus</i>	Sc	AY	B

Distinctive Races				
Kumliens Gull	<i>Larus glaucoides kumlieni</i>	R	W	N
Siberian Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus c. tristis</i>	R	W	N

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