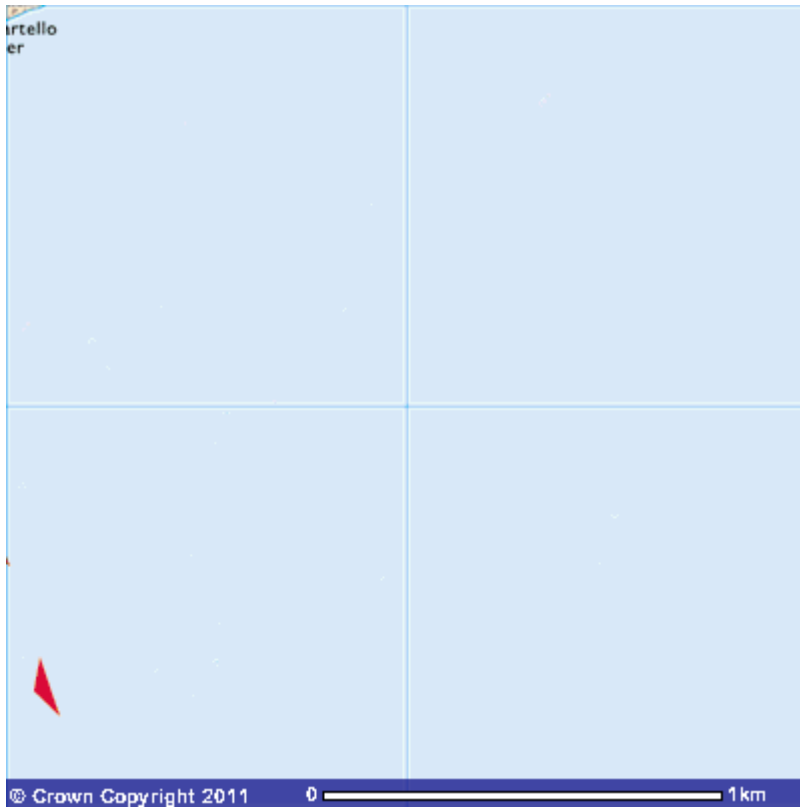


Folkestone and Hythe Birds

Tetrad Guide: TR13 R

(Hythe Beach and Hythe Bay)



The tetrad TR13 R is comprised almost entirely of sea, apart from a tiny stretch of shingle beach in the north-west corner. The fairly short bird list relates therefore primarily to species seen on seawatches or on the sea in the bay.

Highlights have included Goldeneye, Smew and Goosander, three species of Shearwater, Avocet and Glaucous Gull, among the more regular wildfowl, waders and seabirds.

Turnstone may be found occasionally on the shingle whilst the few passerine records mainly relate to overhead visual migration.

The non-avian list is extremely modest and lacking some of the more regular marine species.

The tetrad can be viewed from the seawall where there is free parking.



Looking south-east from Hythe Beach

Species Lists – Birds: 67 species

- Recorded in winter survey 2007-2012
- Recorded in breeding survey 2008-2012 – Confirmed breeding
- Recorded in breeding survey 2008-2012 – Probable breeding
- Recorded in breeding survey 2008-2012 – Possible breeding
- Recorded in breeding survey as a non-breeder or recorded outside of survey period
- ★ Rare migrant or vagrant (less than 50 area records)

| TR13 R - Bird List | Breeding | Wintering | Other |
|------------------------|----------|-----------|-------|
| Mute Swan | | | ● |
| Brent Goose | | ● | |
| Shelduck | | ● | |
| Wigeon | | ● | |
| Teal | | ● | |
| Mallard | | ● | |
| Shoveler | | | ● |
| Pochard | | ● | |
| Tufted Duck | | ● | |
| Eider | | | ● |
| Common Scoter | | ● | |
| Velvet Scoter | | | ● |
| ★ Goldeneye | | ● | |
| ★ Smew | | | ● |
| Red-breasted Merganser | | | ● |
| ★ Goosander | | ● | |
| Red-throated Diver | | ● | |
| Fulmar | | | ● |
| ★ Sooty Shearwater | | | ● |
| Manx Shearwater | | | ● |
| ★ Balearic Shearwater | | | ● |
| Gannet | | ● | |
| Cormorant | | ● | |
| Little Egret | | | ● |
| Grey Heron | | | ● |
| Great Crested Grebe | | ● | |
| Oystercatcher | | | ● |
| Avocet | | | ● |
| Lapwing | | | ● |
| Knot | | ● | |
| Sanderling | | ● | |
| Dunlin | | ● | |
| Snipe | | ● | |
| Bar-tailed Godwit | | ● | |
| Whimbrel | | | ● |
| Curlew | | | ● |

| TR13 R - Bird List | Breeding | Wintering | Other |
|----------------------------------|----------|-----------|-------|
| Common Sandpiper | | | ● |
| Redshank | | ● | |
| Turnstone | | ● | |
| Arctic Skua | | | ● |
| Great Skua | | | ● |
| Kittiwake | | ● | |
| Black-headed Gull | | ● | |
| Little Gull | | ● | |
| Mediterranean Gull | | ● | |
| Common Gull | | ● | |
| Lesser Black-backed Gull | | | ● |
| Herring Gull | | ● | |
| ★ Glaucous Gull | | | ● |
| Great Black-backed Gull | | ● | |
| Little Tern | | | ● |
| Sandwich Tern | | | ● |
| Common Tern | | | ● |
| Arctic Tern | | | ● |
| Guillemot | | ● | |
| Razorbill | | ● | |
| Feral Pigeon | | ● | |
| Swift | | | ● |
| Carrion Crow | | ● | |
| Sky Lark | | ● | |
| Sand Martin | | | ● |
| Swallow | | | ● |
| House Martin | | | ● |
| Yellow Wagtail | | | ● |
| Grey Wagtail | | | ● |
| Meadow Pipit | | | ● |
| Rock Pipit | | | ● |
| Total | | 34 | |
| Confirmed breeding | 0 | | |
| Probable breeding | 0 | | |
| Possible breeding | 0 | | |
| Total species recorded in tetrad | | | 67 |

Species Lists – Other Natural History

Cnidaria (Jellyfish, Sea Anemones, etc.): 1 species

| Common name | Scientific name | Last recorded |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Compass Jellyfish | <i>Chrysaora hysoscella</i> | 2014 |

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