

Red-necked Phalarope

Phalaropus lobatus

Category A

Very rare vagrant

1 record

Breeds in Iceland, Fenno-Scandia and Russia, with a few (c.25) pairs in northern Scotland. Migrates extensively overland but winters at sea, off western South America, in the Arabian Sea and among the East Indies.

A rare spring and autumn migrant to Kent with 93 records to 2010. Of the dated records 82% occurred in autumn, with almost 80% of those being found in August and September.

The only Folkestone and Hythe record is as follows:

2009 Folkestone Pier, juvenile seen from a boat close inshore, 29th August (D. Featherbe)