



## 2015 Autumn Season 3<sup>rd</sup> field trip launched on 7<sup>th</sup> Nov

Our third trip of this season saw highlights of a Short-eared Owl, Pallid Harrier (male), a mixed flock of Carduelines at Sınırüstü and a respectable number of Ferruginous Duck at Geçitkale Reservoir. Thanks to Nick Pegler letting us know the reservoir still held water, with that information we were able to make a point of visiting a site we otherwise might have missed out. In total we saw recorded over 60 species.

### **Geçitkale Reservoir and Surrounding Area:**

Stonechat ~10, Sardinian Warbler 2, Pochard 10, Ferruginous Duck 79, Shoveller 2, Teal 2, Bonelli's Eagle (pair overhead), Little Grebe ~30, Coot many 10s, Kestrel 1, Black Redstart 1 (female).

### **Sınırüstü Reservoir:**

Greenfinch, Serin, Chaffinch, Linnet all in a mixed flock, Common Sandpiper, Green Sandpiper, Little Grebe ~20, Teal 3, Shoveller 2, White Wagtail, Skylark (heard).

### **Silverbeach Wetland:**

Cormorant 1, Spectacled Warbler pair, Stonechat, Kestrel, Robin heard, White Wagtail.

### **Glapsides Wetland:**

Grey Plover 1, Kentish Plover 11, Slender-billed Gull 1, Audouin's Gull 3, Yellow-legged Gull ~6, Black-headed Gull ~6, Shag 2.

### **Palm Beach Lagoons and Rocky Shore:**

Grey Wagtail 1, Grey Heron 1, Kingfisher 1, Kestrel 1, Little Egret 2, Curlew 1.

### **Ayluga Wetland:**

Spur-winged Plover ~70, Cormorant 7, Teal ~20, Cattle Egret 1, Black-headed Gull ~30, Chaffinch (heard), Grey Heron 7, Great White Egret 2, Little Egret 3, Meadow Pipit heard, Little Grebe, Coot, Moorhen.

### **Çayönü - Köprülü Road:**

Short Eared Owl - Perched close to the road, took flight when mobbed by Hooded Crow and flew high and was watched for a minute or two.

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*Lefke Dam group photo by Gavin Croucher*

**Köprülü/Kukla Wetland:**

Greenshank ~10, Marsh Harrier >8, White Pelican 4, Green Sandpiper 10s, Little Egret ~10, White-winged Tern 1 (seen taking an interest in our specially built tern raft), Teal 10, Gadwall 8, Black-tailed Godwit 1, Glossy Ibis 1, Starling ~20, Redshank 3, Red-throated Pipit heard, Pallid Harrier (male) 1, Spotted Redshank 8, Great White Egret 1, Black Francolin, Ringed Plover ~10, Kentish Plover ~15, Little Stint 1, Shoveller ~50, Snipe (heard), Corn Bunting ~20, Whiskered Tern 4 (came in at dusk), Coot ~1000, Jackdaw ~50 (came in to roost in eucalyptus).

**Mağusa Road İnönü Turning:**

Peregrine 1

**Attendees:** Olkan and Adil Ergüler, Helen May, Dindy Drury, Angela Brooks, Christina Hessenberg, Gavin Croucher, Abraham & Gabriella Heinemann, Gabrielle, Judy Hurst, Dave and Julie Todd, Pete and Elaine Hillyard, Mike & Shelly Smith, Kurşat & Ece Aker, Emel, Neil Avery, Bill Clark, Robin Snape.