

RINGING ON HOLT ISLAND 6th – 7th July 2023

The weather was hot and still which resulted in good conditions for catching large numbers, mainly of young Blue Tits. Three of the juvenile Great Tits were from Box 9 and a fourth from Box 27.

There are now juvenile Reed Warblers around, we were not able to get into the reed bed any more as the Bind weed and hops have grown up making it impenetrable. We also caught small numbers of juvenile Chiffchaffs. No Cetti's Warblers were heard this time.

It was nice to catch a small group of Goldfinches, the adults of which had been previously caught earlier this year. The Jackdaw was a juvenile and not very photogenic!

There are large numbers of Damselflies and a few Dragonflies. Meadow Brown butterflies are abundant as are the small Whites with a few Red Admirals and Commas. Ladybirds are abundant, particularly Seven Spots and Harlequins.

Species	New Adults	New Juveniles	Re-trap Adults	Re-trap Juveniles	Total
Wren		6			6
Dunnock		2	1	2	5
Sedge Warbler			1		1
Reed Warbler	1	5	6		12
Blackcap		1		1	2
Chiffchaff		4	1		5
Robin		5			5
Blackbird		1		3	4
Blue Tit		21	2	5	28
Great Tit		6	2	8	16
Goldfinch	2	1	2		5
Jackdaw		1			1
Total	3	53	15	19	90



Juvenile Jackdaw



Harlequin Ladybird



Early morning over Hemingford Meadow