

RINGING ON HOLT ISLAND 13th-14th DECEMBER 2018

The weather was cold and damp, there was some wind the first day and none the second. The Island is now much damper than it was following the summer draught.

The catch was good for the weather. Most interesting was a control Great Tit, ringed somewhere else and caught on the Island. Once we send the record in to the BTO we will find out where and when it was ringed. It was nice to catch two Goldcrests each weighing just over five grams. We also caught another Great Spotted Woodpecker, a young female.

We caught a Chaffinch with the worst lesions we have seen, its feet totally deformed and splayed out but it still seemed quite healthy.

There seems to be a fawn Muntjac on the Island judging by the droppings on the wooden bridge. There appeared to be a lot more black and grey squirrels.

Species	New Adults	New Juveniles	Re-trap Adults	Re-trap Juveniles	Total
Great Spotted Woodpecker		1			1
Wren		3	3		6
Dunnock			1	1	2
Goldcrest		1		1	2
Robin			2	2	4
Blackbird			2	1	3
Long tailed Tit			2		2
Blue Tit	1	1	2	9	13
Great Tit		4	3	9	16
Chaffinch	1				1
Total	2	10	15	23	50



Robin



Great Tit, with attitude



Great Tit, control

