

# Three Owls Newsletter

## Spring 2026

Report by Nigel Fowler

We look back over the past year in this issue to see how the Sanctuary has fared, and look at some of the up's and down's of the birds in our care, and how we are best able to assist not only those brought to us, but also wild birds which use our nature reserves for food, nesting and habitat – whether on a temporary or permanent basis.

### January

As the bells were chiming and the (thankfully fewer) fireworks bangs were receding, I put pen to paper to welcome you all to the New Year. Although we were at that time in the spell of wet weather, we had a cold snap forecast, and I reminded people that we must ensure that birds were fed and watered ... reminding folk that while birds do eat nuts, we must never feed them salted nuts as this can kill them as other than seabirds, salt cannot be expelled from a birds' body and builds up to a toxic level.

My 'Winters Dawn' photo taken in the Home Reserve showed a view we could have been expecting later that week.



We had a lovely start to New Year's Day, by way of Julie; one of the runners from two of the local running groups who had collectively raised **£81.66** towards our work with the wild birds.

I had to apologise for my rather bleary eyes, having been called out at 12.15am that day as the river in Rochdale Centre was a few inches from topping the wall and putting some of my employers' properties at risk of flooding.

Hence, as the fireworks were starting to die down, I was busy sandbagging the properties under flood risk.

By mid-January, the weather had turned bitterly cold, and with both day and night frosts the wild birds were having a real struggle. I received numerous calls regarding owls both starving and frozen to death. I wrote an article for the website as I needed to get the information as far and wide as possible very quickly, and know that the site has a huge following online;

"I have just taken yet another call on the Helpline in regard to an owl in an exposed location not moving, though still alive.

These are often tawny owls; native to the UK and if in good health able to survive a few days without food if the weather is fair ... but every life has its breaking point.

These birds may not have eaten for several days due to the very cold wintery weather we have experienced over the past week. While the mice, rats and voles can create tunnels in the snow to get around and feed, it is much more difficult for owls living above the snow to locate [and then catch] them. Each failed attempt to do so, robs the bird of vital energy, whilst they still have to keep their bodies warm and functioning. Without flight, they cannot hunt.

Calls are coming in thick and fast now from all over the country...indeed another has come in while I am typing this. These birds need your help, and need you to get them to a rescue as soon as possible. By the time they are grounded, they are very weak and close to starvation. Please use the link at the top of the website page to locate your nearest wildlife rescue centre, and be guided by the instructions they give you.

The bird can be gently picked up by dropping a towel over it, and transferred into a box which has a towel on the floor to prevent it sliding around. Keeping it in the dark will also stop it panicking as you travel. Don't forget air holes in the box!

If you put your fingertips under its wings, it's body temperature should feel slightly warmer than you do, thus you can regulate if it needs assistance to warm up; such as a hot water bottle wrapped in a towel underneath the box.

Contact us or the Sanctuary you are taking it to as regards any food, as each bird is different depending on circumstances, but remember NEVER feed cat food to any wild bird - it can be lethal to them."

## February

David welcomed Edward from the Civil Service back to Three Owls Wood again this year, and between them they put right the damage which Storm Eowyn had caused last month, as well as planting 200 wild garlic plants and numerous new young trees.



At the start of the month we received a call from a new supporter in Oldham; offering a large quantity of bird seed.

I was humbled and very appreciative to find a huge amount which we carefully stowed in the boot of the car - and it has VERY much been appreciated by ALL the birds on the Home Reserve. We have a couple of weeks' of food to go before we need to purchase afresh again, but of the vast species we have seen tucking in, I can record the following have been noted;

Blackbird, Robin, Greenfinch, Goldfinch, Bullfinch, Chaffinch, Nuthatch, Wren, Starling, Great Tit, Blue Tit, Coal Tit, Long-tailed Tit, Pied Wagtail, Dunnock, House Sparrow, Fieldfare, Song Thrush, Mistle Thrush, Jay, Jackdaw, Magpie, Carrion Crow, Raven, Wood Pigeon, Collared Dove, Feral Pigeon, Stock Dove.

My thanks to the **Merlin Bird ID** phone app from the Cornell Lab of Ornithology; which I have used extensively this past year to help identify birds elsewhere on the reserve which I could hear but not see to identify - it's well worth a download to see what's flying/hopping around your own garden!

## March

I can hardly believe it is so long, but it was 30 years today (5 March 1995) when the sanctuary's founder; Mrs Eileen Watkinson MBE passed away.

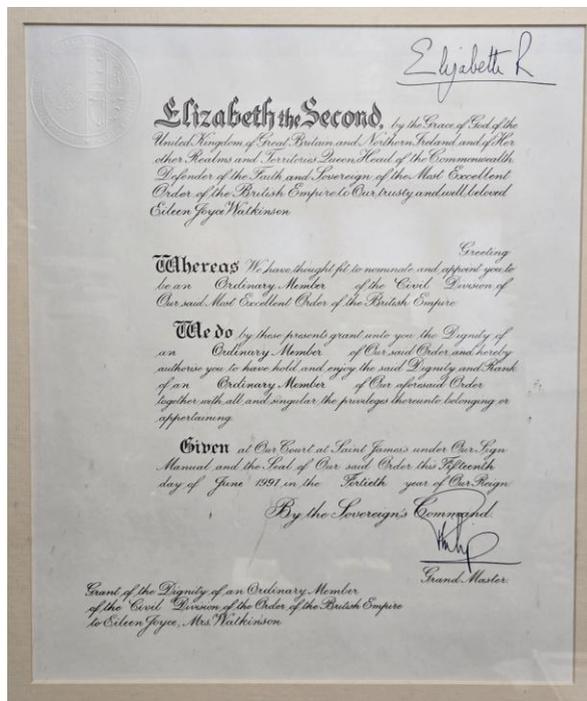
Renowned for her work with the birds, people would travel far and wide to bring birds to Three Owls, knowing that whatever the issue, she would do her very best to get it back to the wild, and if it couldn't but could have a good quality of life, then it was assured a home for life at the Sanctuary - whether in a large aviary, walking free throughout the grounds, or (as many did), enjoying life during the day on our well-stocked nature reserve, then having the 'option' of coming back into the security of the sanctuary grounds at night.

All three of the Trustees worked alongside Mrs Watkinson; Dr David Unwin from 1973, myself from 1978, and Stewart Jennings from 1979. It was her choice to place the continuation of Three Owls into our hands, and I think she would have been pleased with our achievements over the past 30 years in not only keeping the charity going through difficult times, but also expanding

now from not just the one 'Home Reserve' at Rochdale, but now a network of reserves throughout the north-west of England, each catering for different species of bird and helping wildlife in general to flourish in those areas. The Helpline continues to give advice on request, and the website attracts around 300,000 visitors each year. Our two hospitals are as busy as ever saving wild birds lives, and we now have the opportunity to assist other sanctuaries directly either through the grant scheme or by giving hands-on advice, training, and relocation of wild birds for release.

The photo attached to this report shows her recognition by the Queen and Prince Philip back in June 1991, when she was awarded the MBE for her work with the birds. This was an honour she shared with us all at Three Owls, and it still hangs proudly in our office.

She is buried here at the Home Reserve, where she can oversee much of our ongoing work, and in the next few weeks all our reserves will come alive once more with new growth, followed not far behind with the sounds of birdsong as another new season of little lives comes along.



# April

This month I highlighted a common issue affecting birds in the towns and cities of the UK; birds with thread/cotton/hair wrapped around their legs and toes;

We often see pigeons hobbling around our villages, towns and cities - but have you ever wondered just why they sometimes struggle so much?

It can be a hard life being 'feathered wombles', walking the streets and picking up any scraps that 'us humans' have cast aside. As some people can be such messy creatures, it is not surprising that such birds who spend so much time amongst us, do get cotton, twine, even hair, wrapped around their little legs and toes. Unless this is removed quickly, it can sink deep into the flesh, cutting off circulation and often rendering the bird with painful feet and toes causing it to hobble along. In the most severe of cases, the bird can lose toes or even feet, and may on occasion lose its life due to infection getting into an open wound that is in constant contact with a dirty floor.

An added risk is that if parent birds are nesting, these 'threads of despair' are often transferred to chicks in the nest; some of whom may find limbs so entangled that they are unable to fledge or walk properly when first leaving the nest. This tragic turn of events does claim a number of lives each year.

Hence, PLEASE do think of the wildlife around us when discarding rubbish - the loose thread on your coat may seem insignificant when pulled off, but for others it can cause life-changingly devastating impacts.

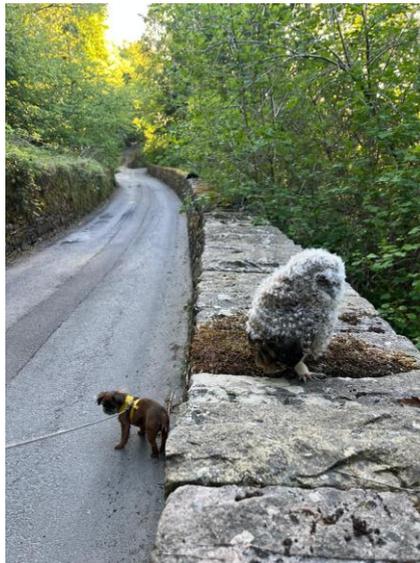


# May

By May we could see it was proving to be a real Owl Year with evening/weekend calls from around the country to report baby owls being sighted either on a wall, footpath, or alongside a road.

To have a fluffy owl on the floor at this time of year is very much the norm; they leave the nest around 3 weeks before they can fly, and are often found during the day fast asleep at the bottom of a tree. Sometimes they are sat up, other times lay down on their fronts like a fluffy slug. Only if they are lay on their back or covered in flies do they need medical attention. If they are in the roadway/bridleway and uninjured, please just move them to the base of a tree, or if safer, to the other side of the wall/fence adjacent to the road. Mum & Dad will be along later to find and feed them.

This particular tawny owlet was noticed sat on the wall alongside the lane. It's already approaching 8pm and their parents will be along very soon. While still quite fluffy, you can see the proper flight feathers forming on the wings, and it won't be long before he/she is taking to the air. In this case, there is no need to move, and the owl can be left where it is.



Also during May I was thrilled to make acquaintances with a company in Trafford (Manchester) who deals with animal foodstuffs which has damaged packaging in transit and cannot be returned to the original supplier.

This has made a HUGE difference, and as well as helping Three Owls directly, we have been able to share our good fortune with other sanctuaries, so that both Knoxwood Wildlife Rescue and Meltham Wildlife Rescue (both of which we work closely with) have also been able to benefit. You can see in the photo accompanying this report, a well-loaded trailer about to set forth to our most northerly sites, where Knoxwood look after not only our hospitals but also two of our nature reserves.

Although monetary donations are ALWAYS welcome at *any* time of the year; we are also **very** grateful for other donations too - helping us save time and money...which are always in short supply.



Receiving a call on the Helpline to say someone has found a poorly blackbird is sometimes not all that it seems - and we have to decipher if it IS a true blackbird, or simply a bird that is black in colour. Having access to WhatsApp for instant photo recognition has been a godsend, and this saves a great deal of time, as they say "a picture paints a thousand words".

This juvenile crow is definitely in need of assistance; he has poor plumage which is wet through, and with the whiteness showing through he clearly has a deficiency which is often caused by poor diet while in the nest. However, his eyes are nice and bright, and with the right care and a high red-meat rich diet, he will make great strides in the sanctuary and then return to the wild later in the year.



# June

This month got off to a good start with another payout from the [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk) website, following all your online shopping and insurance renewals through their portal.

Considering that this does not cost you a penny, but allocates commissions to our charity, then this can be a fun way to painlessly help out our charity via online giving.

If you have not yet registered, then please do so via;  
**<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/threeowls/>**

The total raised for Three Owls to date in this way is **£1637.58** (over £200 increase on this time last year)

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*June* has always been our busiest month for calls for assistance, and birds being brought in for care; however there's always a distinction to be drawn between a bird that cannot fly because it is injured, and one that cannot fly because it hasn't reached that stage of development yet.

In truth, hardly any of these have been injured, but simply newly fledged birds who are in the flightless stage after leaving the nest. This stage for most birds completes in 4-8 days, though for owls it can take 3 weeks, and for ducks 7 weeks, swans and much larger birds even longer.

Even robins and wrens will be on the ground for the initial 3-4 days, only the tit and finch families tend to have it mastered by the end of the first day if they leave on a dry day at first light.

If you have a cat, it is your responsibility to keep it locked up if you have fledging birds in the locality. (Alas I did upset a caller this week by stating this to her!) If any predator discovers a nest, they will often keep returning until all the chicks have been taken. If we can help nature by minimising this risk, then the difference can be immense.

The photo accompanying this report was for a call received regarding an injured crow in the garden. The description of a bird flapping but not gaining height, was typical for a juvenile, and the photo showing its under-developed tail feather confirmed this - even though it is quite a big bird (big birds have

big babies!). The caller did keep me updated with it's progress, and sure enough some four days later it was flying well.



I received a video report asking for assistance early one morning from a family on holiday, who had awoken to a banging sound outside on the balcony.

Alas, it is becoming increasingly common for me to receive reports of injured/dead birds on glass balconies. The following photo shows a tawny owl desperately trying to escape its glass prison (this is a still from the actual video received).

In this instance, the occupants were able to follow my advice and lift the bird up with a towel, so that it could then fly off again. However in many cases the

bird simply exhausts itself, or damages limbs, or dies through being predated by others, or simply killed by the weather as there is no shelter in these glass prisons. Bird-strikes do also occur when the bird flies directly into the glass as it cannot see it - but as these birds very rarely survive the collision AND the fall to the floor, I very rarely hear about them at the time.

I don't know the answer, but the designers of these constructions need to be made aware of the negative impact it is having upon the birdlife around us.



Later in the year we also helped with the rescue of a young peregrine who had done similar in the centre of Manchester. Whilst it is known that *some* juvenile peregrines fare better to have an extended learning experience with their parents for hunting, we have previously been part of a trial to prove that aviary-reared young peregrines can successfully be re-introduced to the wild, and so opted for this bird to go to Knoxwood Wildlife Rescue and be released from our reserves there where it has no danger from such glass balconies and they can monitor its progress in the wild.

# July

On 19 July, John Thorpe once again undertook his annual bike ride from Manchester to Blackpool to raise funds for Three Owls. This was his 36<sup>th</sup> consecutive ride (35 of which were for Three Owls).

His pre-ride write-up is below, and you can read his extensive post-ride report and photos on our website;

“Hard to believe but it’s nearly that time again when, dripping with liniment and perspiration (not an edifying sight!), I cycle from Manchester to Blackpool in aid of Three Owls fund raising. This will be my 36<sup>th</sup> consecutive ride, and I am number 901 - that’s not the position I’ll probably finish in I should add in case anyone thinks I’m getting ideas above my station!

It will be an early start as always, and as always it’s an unpredictable and potentially life threatening undertaking. However carefully you ride, it only takes one idiot to ruin your day, and as always, my aim is to get there in one piece and back home in one piece, rather than several!

As always your support would be much appreciated. I make no financial gain from the ride, and all monies raised go to Three Owls to allow them to continue their work. This year I’ve tried something I haven’t done before, I’ve set up a Go Fund Me page to attract more sponsorship, so whichever way you choose to support my efforts, Three Owls benefits.”

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/raise-funds-for-the-three-owls-bird-sanctuary-and-reserve>

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*Finally*, I commented that this month that I had been using a different method of assistance this year via the Helpline. Around 80% of the calls are from the north of England where our reserves and hospitals are based, but not many callers were in the vicinity of the actual hospitals themselves.

I had devised a text-bundle of information of how to locate your nearest wildlife rescue centre, including suggestions for those in Cheshire / Greater Manchester / Lancashire / Yorkshire. The bundle goes on to provide links to

locate centres outside of these areas using the search facilities available from our own website.

Feedback has been very positive, as I was finding that while I could give a detailed response to any query coming in, people were struggling to recall this information once coming off the phone, and this way they then did have a written record (if on a mobile device).

I thanked everyone for their very positive feedback to this change, and suggested that they feel free to recommend any tweaks they feel may be of further assistance.

## August

This was a busy month for us, and David kicked off the reports from our Meadow Reserve in Southport;

“Best year ever for butterflies here and it makes me so very happy! I like to think our work is paying off. Certainly planting Hemp Agrimony and Teasel is really appreciated. I am trying to spread nectar availability through the year. Today I counted 22 Red Admiral and 11 Peacock butterflies in just 20 minutes!”



A couple of weeks later I was organising a remote release...

I was at Three Owls Wood in Tarleton today, having collected three carriers-full of rehabilitated birds from Meltham Wildlife Rescue for release on this reserve.

Just as I placed the baskets on the ground, a small green frog jumped up from the floor onto the front of the carrier. To my surprise there was also a much larger toad nearby too....so, despite the drought, our amphibians are still thriving on this well-stocked nature.

The birds all took off safely, and populated many of the trees around the reserve.



Just a couple of days later, David was again reporting from our Meadow Reserve with;

“Two Barn Owls fledging right by the Meadow Reserve, HURRAH! Three Owls bought this special nest box for a local farmer This is the SECOND year running it has produced babies. I'm so happy as it makes all our habitat work worthwhile. Basically we need to produce a lot of field voles by careful land management.”



A final bit of good news for the month came again from [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk) to say; a further £32.24 has been added to the coffers this month, indeed, the organisation has paid out £1.8 million in donations this quarter alone, and Three Owls total currently stands at an amazing £1,650 to date.

## September

With the baby season now drawing to a close, we are back to the usual run-of-the-mill enquiries, and have had a fair number of vet-based queries too; so I decided to put something on the website that people could refer to long-term, rather than repeated similar calls;

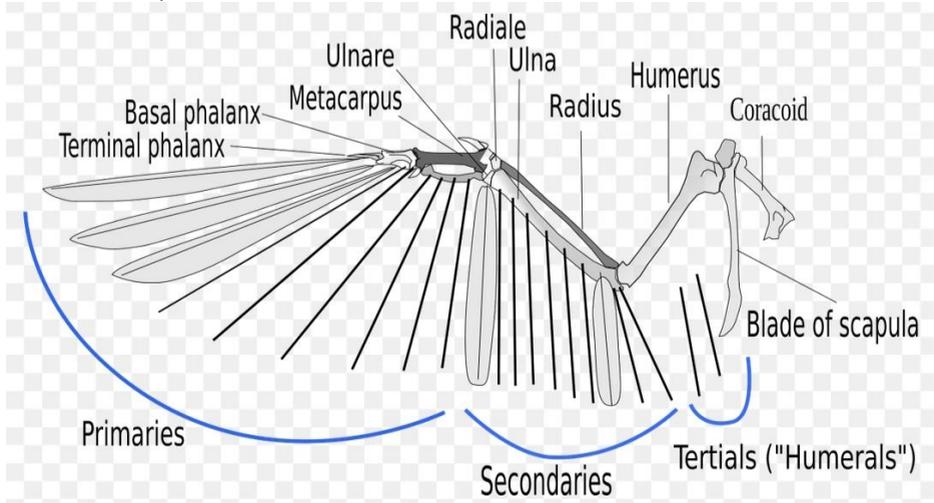
It's been a busy time this year helping out numerous vets around the country with their viability queries for numerous bird injuries.

As I have often said; "knowledge is best when shared", and none more-so than with knowing the viability of repair options when faced with a broken wing or leg.

I thought on this report I would share the chart I use (freely viewable on Wikipedia), which assists both vets and the various rescue centres to identify different bones in the wing, as some are easily fixable, and some sadly cannot be reconstructed.

Previously a rescue would contact me to say their vets had identified such a bone was broken, whereas the x-ray I requested would show a different bone. With us all now using the same reference picture, plus assisting the rescues on a 1-2-1 basis, we can greatly simplify diagnosis with an improved level of success.

I will share with you the next set of x-rays that come in, so you can see how the chart helps us.



It was only a couple of weeks before the next x-rays were received; this time for a kestrel which had suffered a collision on the road.

If you use the chart above, you can see that there is a break in the thinner of the two central bones; this is the radius and is usually a fairly simple repair. However, on this particular bird there is also a huge open fracture higher up on the humerus. Alas these are nearly always irreparable and so with other bodily damage the bird had sustained, we had to make the sad decision it was kindest to put the bird to sleep whilst it was under sedation. With

kestrels especially, they need to be able to hover in order to hunt, and thus need a perfect set of wings, whereas the majority of other birds such as a pigeon, corvid, gull or songbird can manage very well with a slightly dropped wing and just adapt their method of flight to suit.



## October

Alas Storm Amy brought with her quite a bit of destruction to our Home Reserve at Rochdale. Some of our trees which were due for winter maintenance couldn't make it through this storm, and have come crashing down on our boundary fence into the gardens next-door.

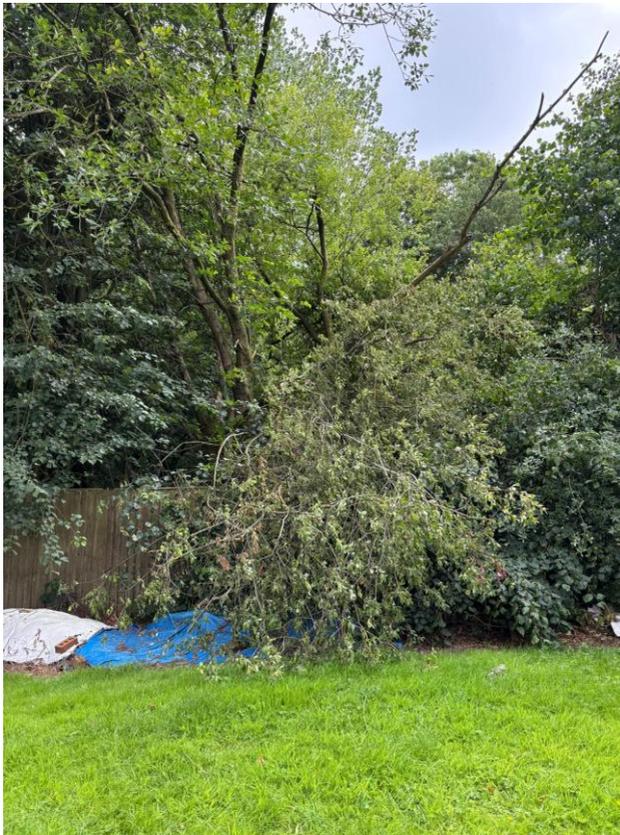
My pleas for assistance to local arborist's went largely unanswered - such is the quantity of work currently required, plus the fact that access onto the reserve is limited to footways or plant machinery.

Thankfully **Treelink** did finally come to our aid, and have now removed and made safe all those trees crossing the boundary line, and they will reattend over the winter for a much larger-scale works program to reduce numerous other trees which are damaged or in an unstable condition.

This has come about through several years of restricted access where, due to the herons' nesting, we only had an annual 6-week window of opportunity to

get machinery onsite and out again, without disturbing nesting and/or young birds growing up on the safety of this reserve; Many of the doves/pigeons would nest through until late October, with the young then taking a further 4-5 weeks to fledge and disperse. The herons would lay their eggs each January, with them usually hatching around Easter each year - so access was very restricted.

With the herons now having relocated to Queens Park and the Ravens moved-in, nesting seasons have a longer break between so there is a greater opportunity for works. I know where each pair of owls are nesting, so although those young may hatch out from Christmas Day onwards, we can ensure their own homes remain undisturbed.



I was pleased to write a report at the end of October, detailing how the work of Three Owls supported other wildlife rescues on three points of the compass...

“We have fared well this year with our new friends in Trafford, Manchester, who save up all the damaged sacks of food from their shipping contacts, then we will go down and collect; these food donations go on to save quite literally thousands of birds lives, through use on wildlife rescues in Rochdale, Meltham, and Wigton.

The photo below shows the storage trailer loaded with just two collections-worth - which were all fully distributed over the course of the weekend. Saving up foodstuffs in this way helps the rescues massively, and scarce funds can then be allocated elsewhere such as medicines, aviaries, and treatments ... plus providing a more varied diet of seeds which we may not usually have been able to afford - but the birds love and tuck into nevertheless. Thank you everyone!”



# November

I received a call from someone wanting identification of a brown bird eating a meal on their lawn. Expecting to be sent a photo of a female blackbird or possibly a young starling or thrush, I was surprised to see a sparrowhawk tucking into a pigeon!

I have included report in the newsletter (without photo) as it is simply nature taking place. Usually, if undisturbed the prey will be fully consumed and the predator then fed up for a day or two - thus saving the lives of others.

Very occasionally they will take a healthy bird, but this is not the norm, and they usually prey on the weak and elderly victims, thus keeping nature in balance and removing those most likely to spread disease within the flock. If the prey does escape, it rarely survives without medical support, as the wounds upon its back and neck are prone to infection.

If the sparrowhawk is starving or inexperienced, it may attack a young magpie or crow in desperation, but that is rare as should they become injured in the attack, then without flight and use of those special talons, it will be the sparrowhawk which starves to death as it needs to eat at least five times a week.

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*David also reported this month from the Three Owls Wood reserve;*

"I made a start on the winter wood work today at the Three Owls Wood. It's not possible to see what's going on in the growing season but on a frosty morning all is laid bare so I can see where the trees are too crowded, or where a more precious tree is overshadowed.

A good example are the lovely Yew trees, initially they needed the shelter of the wood, but now they are growing strongly more light is needed. During the morning I saw Buzzards, a Sparrow Hawk, Kestrels and this splendid Barn Owl. HURRAH

This is why we do this! Cheers, David."



## December

The month started off with very mild weather, and it was concerning to find that not many people had put their winter feeders out to help the birds through the winter. With the lack of flies and worms having gone to ground, the birds do need assistance to prepare in advance for and I stressed how it is important to keep up the feeding of the wild birds which live around us. While 'us humans' can turn up the thermostat or put another log on the fire, the birds need to eat more and regularly to keep their internal furnaces going; they have to eat to survive.

While 'natural' foods are usually best, when these are in short supply (insects are few, and worms have 'gone deep'), then the birds around us need a helping hand to make it through the winter.

For a general feed, 'wild bird seed' is readily available in the shops, as are fatballs. Sunflower hearts will bring a greater diversity of birds to your

feeders, and the specialist suppliers will be able to provide every seed your birds' desire.

Suet pellets/blocks are ideal for when the weather is cold snowy/icy/frosty. Also mealworms live is ideal, but you can also use dried soaked mealworms/calciworms too - always ensure there is fresh clean water to drink at all times...this may need replacing several times throughout the day if temperatures are below 0°C. A small rubber ball bobbing in the water can help stop it freezing ... DO NOT use salt or antifreeze (I kid you not – it has been done before with much suffering and fatal results).

Please be mindful to clean feeders and water bowls regularly, to prevent a build-up of damp food which could turn mouldy and risk the lives of the birds you are trying to save.

Thank you all for your assistance with this.



I wished everyone a very Merry Christmas, and thanked you all for your continued support throughout 2025; it has been very much appreciated. A

number of supporters felt unable to contribute this year due to their own circumstances, but remained stalwart with their support for Three Owls going forward. I fully understand how stretched some supporters' budgets have become with the current high cost of living.

Sadly we have lost a number of long-term supporters this year through bereavement, and we will remember them and their families and friends especially this Christmas. Their gifts and legacies help us to help the birds and wildlife around us - every penny received has been put to good use.

As ever, we can put any rooted Christmas Trees to use on the reserves, providing habitat for birds and wildlife for around 30-40 years. Some do live considerably longer, and I still walk amongst a copse of spruce trees planted by Three Owls' founder; Mrs Eileen Watkinson MBE back in 1979 - soon after I started helping at Three Owls, all those years ago.

Finally for the year, we were able to announce the final total raised for John Thorpe's sponsored Bike Ride from Manchester to Blackpool ... his final achievement was **£240** .... Well Done John!



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