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Garden Bird Watch

Janet recently sent me these photographs of birds in her garden. Can you identify them?

If so you might be interested in joining the village garden bird watch, which takes place on the last week of each month. Members receive a monthly newsletter. Examples are usually available on the Sutton Poyntz website. We keep members posted about national initiatives such as the current British Trust for Ornithology's calling tawny owl survey.

We also have activities such as moth trapping. We monitor butterflies and other insects in our gardens as well as the local countryside. We are always interested to hear if you have a slow worm or frog in your garden. How often do badgers visit?

Garden bird watch usually takes place on the last week of each month, but always happy to receive lists a little early or late if you are away. We ask you to keep an eye on your garden during the week and provide a list, preferably on an excel form, which reduces the risk of me copying things wrongly or otherwise on a word form. These are emailed out each month, along with your monthly newsletter.

Currently we have around 15 active members and have had up to 25. Your details are only circulated within the group and are not published on the website.

Answers: grey wagtail, pied wagtail and green woodpecker