

Red Squirrel Sightings – December 2019



Dunkirk (Reagill) – photo by Jacqui Ashton-Taylor

General –

The number of sightings/reports remains fairly low this month, but those that have been reported are all described as being in good health.

There would appear to be a steady increase in the number of visits that they are making into people's gardens.

No reports of greys and/or S/Pox cases.

Road Deaths – No Reports

Cat Attacks - none reported

Greys shot this year in parish = 4 (and x1 road death)

Reds with S/pox shot this year in parish = 4

Maulds Meaburn

General – slow and steady in terms of any sightings with the most activity around the south end of the village.

Actual number of different squirrels seen (whether more than two) is uncertain at present time

Green Ends – 3rd + 5th + 27th – visits each day, first two by different squirrels.

Lyvennet Bank – still taking from the feeder, can be every day or will go 4-5 days with nothing taken.

Occasional sightings in Flass Wood behind.

Flass - Sightings during the month around the 'tunnel' – but see Orchard Wood below

Orchard Wood – found an 'old' feeder in the wood at the start of the month full of rotting seed.

Cleaned and disinfected (2nd) and just a few monkey nuts put in.

12th - First signs of the nuts having been taken along with first sighting of a red in the wood.

Occasional sightings thereafter

Rowans+Heron View – occasional sightings during the month.

Includes Boxing Day and then a different red a.m. 28th

Other Sightings:

14th – 9 a.m. – on approach road to Flass (at point where the roads diverges).

26th – 1 Thwaites Cottages – Boxing Day on feeder



Thwaites Cottages – photo by Pete Button

Crosby Ravensworth

Church – Still none of the nuts in the feeder at the front of the church have been taken.

However, still the case that the monkey nuts that I put on the branches of three different trees at the rear of the church can be gone within the hour!

CastleHowe Scar - “I had expected our squirrels to move on when my Father went and stopped feeding the birds. They used to raid the window feeder in spectacular manner. But no and there is a pair, both with really dark tails. In summer, the one had a blond tail. They eat the Beech mast , staying down for ages then they scoot up to their dray when the dogs rampage.”
Alex.

Hopper Hill / Wood

NO REPORTS

Harberwain

NO REPORTS

Reagill

Dunkirk – regular visits



Kings Meaburn / Littlebeck

No Reports

Morland

No reports

Newby

No Reports