Report of Birdwatching Group 2 Belvide Resevoir 11th October 2017

Again an unpromising forecast turned out to be mostly rain free. The six of us got a bit wet on the way back to the car park. The trails are now mostly re-laid, the contractors were just doing some final hardcore laying.

Despite much looking we failed to see the Little Stint or the Ringed Plovers noted on the board. We did see a Bar Headed Goose which was a bit of a first although an escapee from somewhere.

We saw 34 species on the day:

Mute Swan Cygnus olor
Canada Goose Branta canadensis
Greylag Goose Anser anser

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Bar Head Goose

Gadwall Anas strepera
Mallard Anas platyrhynchos
Common Pochard Aythya ferina
Tufted Duck Aythya fuligula
Great Crested Grebe Podiceps cristatus
Grey Heron Ardea cinerea

Cormorant Phalacrocorax carbo Moorhen Gallinula chloropus

Coot Fulica atra

Northern Lapwing Vanellus vanellus

Black-headed Gull Chroicocephalus ridibundus

Woodpigeon Columba palumbus

MagpiePica picaCarrion CrowCorvus coroneGreat TitParus major

Blue Tit Cyanistes caeruleus
Coal Tit Periparus ater
Willow Tit Poecile montana

Wren Troglodytes troglodytes

Sitta europaea Nuthatch Starling Sturnus vulgaris **Dunnock** Prunella modularis Chaffinch Fringilla coelebs Pheasant Phasianus colchicus **Great Spotted Woodpecker** Dendrocopos major **Eurasian Wigeon** Anas penelope **Tree Sparrow** Passer montanus **Reed Bunting** Emberiza schoeniclus

Northern Shoveler Anas clypeata Pied Wagtail *Motacilla alba*