

Nest Recording at Greenham & Crookham Common

Nest Recording In 2011 the Greenham Common Nest Monitoring Group was setup to refurbish and check some of the boxes erected on Greenham & Crookham Common. In 2012 the nest monitoring group continued its work adding to the existing boxes. 77 Nest boxes were available and monitored on the common with 57 nest records submitted to the National Nest Record Scheme

The Peckmore Team monitored 17 boxes in Peckmore Copse

In the 2012 breeding season:

Blue Tit	occupied 5 boxes, 22 young fledged
Great Tit	occupied 3 boxes, 11 young fledged.
Nuthatch	occupied 1 box, no young fledged

The Sandford Team increased the number of boxes in Sandford Copse to 25

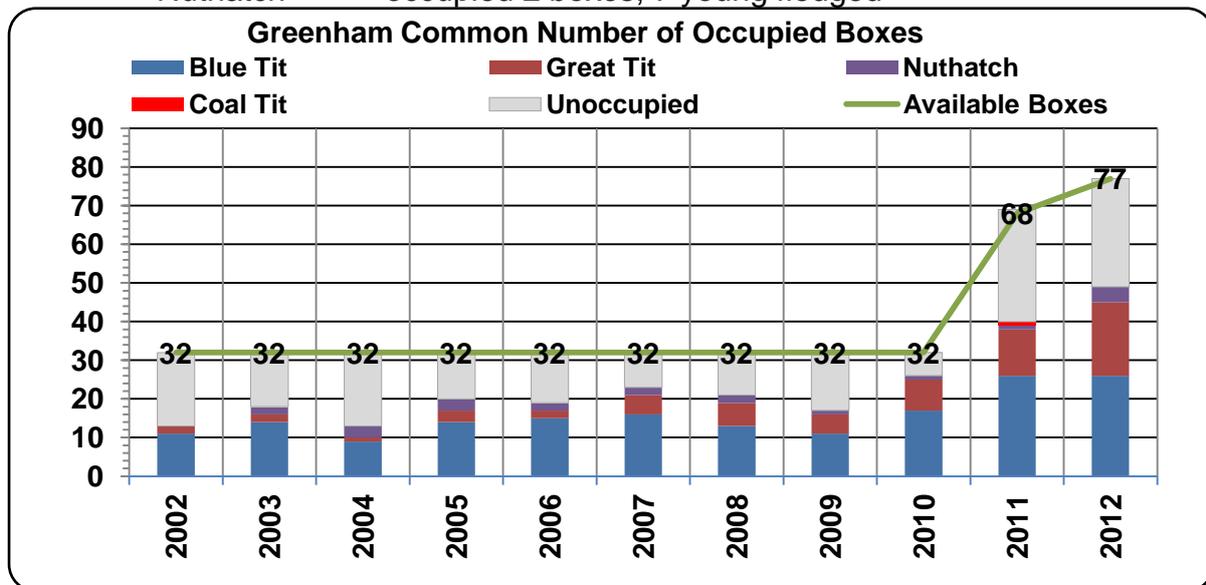
In the 2012 breeding season:

Blue Tit	occupied 7 boxes, 50 young fledged
Great Tit	occupied 4 box 16 young fledged.
Nuthatch	occupied 1 box 6 young fledged

Newbury Ringing Group since 2002 monitored 32 boxes in the Balshill Gully/Aldernbridge Gully Woodland. (Peaked Hill)

In the 2012 breeding season:

Blue Tit	occupied 14 boxes, 73 young fledged
Great Tit	occupied 12 boxes, 38 young fledged.
Nuthatch	occupied 2 boxes, 7 young fledged



Above is a chart showing species occupation and young fledge 2002 to 2012.

2012 with the heavy rains was a poor year with many failures mostly at egg stage this failure is masked by the increased number of boxes available since 2011.

In 2012 a new area was added by the Peckmore Team; Bowdown Woods where 38 more boxes were added to the scheme:

Blue Tit	occupied 11 boxes, 66 young fledged
Great Tit	occupied 11 boxes, 71 young fledged

Other species nest monitored on the common in 2012

Lapwing	4 nests monitored, 3 young probably fledged
Ringed Plover	3 nests monitored, 2 young fledged.
Little Ringed Plover	although several adults present no territories established
Nightjar	1 nest monitored, failed at egg stage
Woodlark	no nest found monitoring not carried out due to weather.

Nest recording is also carried out at Snelsmore Common and on the Bagnor Estate where an additional 99 boxes are monitored also an artificial Sand Martin bank had 55 of 107 holes occupied.