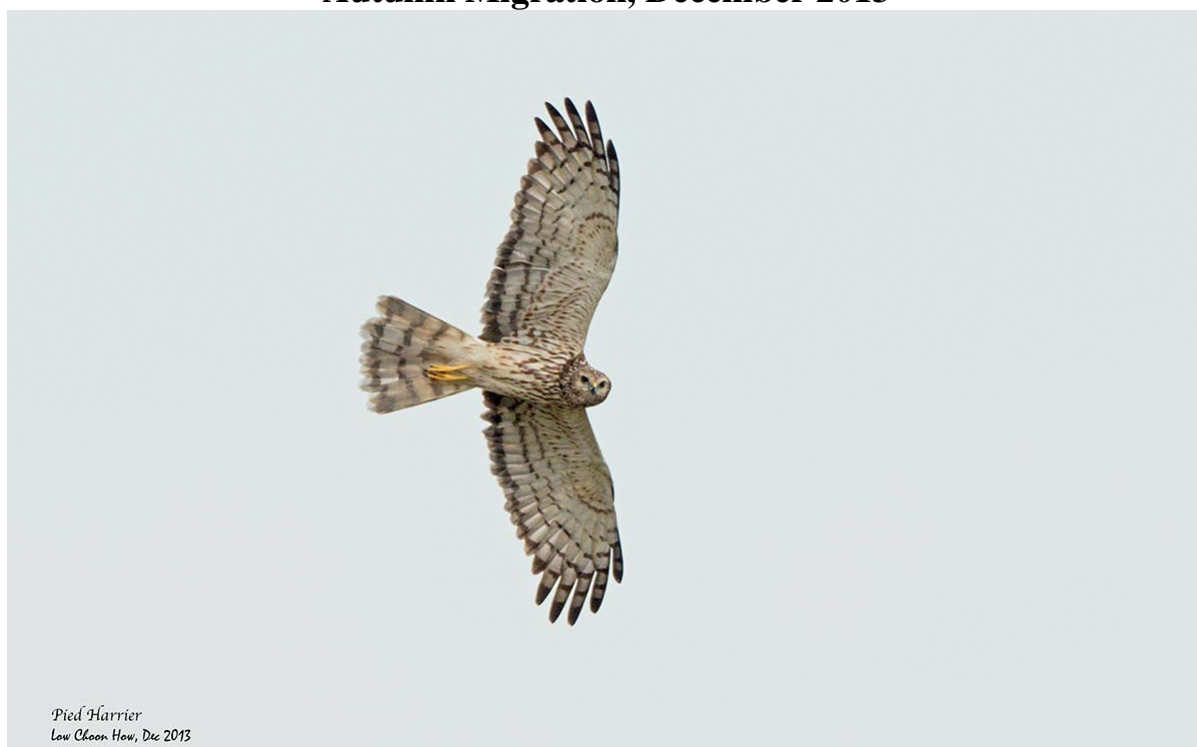


Singapore Raptor Report Autumn Migration, December 2013



Pied Harrier
Low Choon How, Dec 2013

Pied Harrier, female, Tanah Merah grasslands, 271213, by Low Choon How.

Summary for migrant species:

In December, 79 raptors of 10 migrant species were recorded. The top two were the usual suspects - the **Black Baza** with 34 birds and the **Oriental Honey Buzzard** with 15 birds. The 3rd spot went to the **Jerdon's Baza** with 7 birds - 4 were photographed at Lorong Halus and another 3 photographed at Turut Track. The single female **Pied Harrier** photographed at Tanah Merah grasslands on the 27th was the first for the season. Another unidentified harrier was also seen at the same locality. It was also good that 2 **Booted Eagles** had returned to their regular wintering ground at Seletar North Link. The single **Common Buzzard** was recorded at Lorong Halus instead of Changi, the regular spot. Six **Japanese Sparrowhawks**, five **Ospreys**, four **Peregrine Falcons** and three **Chinese Sparrowhawks** completed the line-up for this month's migrant raptors.

Table 1

S/N	Species	No.	S/N	Species	No.
1	Osprey	5		<i>Residents / Sedentary Species</i>	
2	Jerdon's Baza	7	11	Black-winged Kite	7
3	Black Baza	34	12	Brahminy Kite	18
4	Oriental Honey Buzzard	15	13	White-bellied Sea Eagle	10
5	Pied Harrier	1	14	Grey-headed Fish Eagle	4
6	Chinese Sparrowhawk	3	15	Changeable Hawk-eagle	5
7	Japanese Sparrowhawk	6			
8	Common Buzzard	1		<i>Unidentified</i>	
9	Booted Eagle	3	16	Unidentified Accipiters	3
10	Peregrine Falcon	4	17	Unidentified Raptors	1
Total for Migrants		79	Grand Total		127

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