

Surf Scoter *Melanitta perspicillata* (1, 12, 1). **RV**

(Breeds almost exclusively in Northern Canada and Alaska. Winters from the Aleutian Islands in the north to Baja Peninsula in Mexico in the south).

Published records:

1846

One: Male. Shot. Ballyholme, County Down, 9th September (Snowden Corken). *Deane* 1954.

1983

One: Adult male. Castle Archdale, Lisnarick, County Fermanagh, 7th June in the company of one Velvet Scoter and Common Scoters (Anthony McGeehan *et al.*). *NIBRC* 1987.

Two: Dundrum Bay, Newcastle, County Down. One, adult male, 18th to 19th November with a female or immature on 19th November (Richard.J. Ellis, Anthony McGeehan *et al.*). *NIBRC* 1987.

1984

Four: Dundrum Bay, Newcastle, County Down. One, adult male, and three females 9th November (R.J. Ellis, J. Whatmough, Brian Nelson, Anthony McGeehan *et al.*). *NIBRC* 1987.

1985

One: Male. Dundrum Bay, Newcastle, County Down, 2nd November (Anthony McGeehan). *Preston* 1986. Not in NIBA / NIBARC reports.

1987

Three: One male, one female and one immature. Dundrum Bay, Newcastle, County Down, 17th February (Stuart McKee). *NIBA* 1992.

Two: Males. Goat Island, Lower Lough Erne, Derrygonnelly, County Fermanagh, 28th May (Joe Magee, Clive Mellon). *NIBA* 1992.

One: Male. Owl Island, Lower Lough Erne, Derrygonnelly, County Fermanagh, 17th June (Joe Magee). *NIBA* 1992.

1988

Three: Dundrum Bay, Newcastle, County Down. One, female 18th January with two males, 30th October to 13th November (Richard.J. Ellis, Joe Whatmough *et al.*). *NIBA* 1992.

One: Probably a first summer male. Oxford Island NNR, Lurgan, County Armagh, 20th March (Garry Armstrong *et al.*).

1989

One: Immature male. Rostrevor, Carlingford Lough, County Down, 12th to 19th November, probably present since 11th November (Dennis Doherty, George Gordon, S.H. Craig, Jim Morrison, Des Mouncey *et al.*). *NIBA* 1992.

1990

Two: Dundrum Bay, Newcastle, County Down. One, male 5th January with two males, 30th November to 19th December. (Hugh Thurgate *et al.*). *NIBA* 1992.

One: Male. Tyrella Beach, Tyrella, Downpatrick, County Down, 16th to 18th December (Hugh Thurgate *et al.*). *NIBA* 1992.

1992

One: Male. Dundrum Bay, Newcastle, County Down, 13th January (Hugh Thurgate). *NIBA* 1993.

1998

One: Juvenile. Carnlough and Red Bay, County Antrim, 13th to 28th November (R.D. Steele)". *NIBA* 2000.

2000

One: Immature male. Rostrevor Bay, Rostrevor, Carlingford Lough, County Down, from 8th to 15th October (Joe Devlin *et al.*). *NIBA* 2002.