

Slavonian Grebe *Podiceps auratus*. **SV**

(Breeds Greenland, Iceland, Scotland, northwestern Norway to Western China. Winters Iceland, Norway, British Isles towards the Mediterranean, the Black and Caspian Seas).

Unpublished records:

1989

Armagh

One: Ellis's Gut, Lough Neagh, Lurgan, 26th February (Oscar Campbell).

1993

Londonderry

Up to four: Myroe Levels, Lough Foyle, 27th January to 23rd February (Dave Allen *et al.*).

One: Magilligan Point, Lough Foyle, 21st February (Philip West *et al.*).

1994

Antrim

Two: Magheramourne Spit, Larne Lough, 2nd January (Davy Hunter, P. Allen).

One: Carnlough Bay, Carnlough, 20th March (Stephen Foster).

1995

Down

One: Belfast Harbour Estate, Belfast, 25th to 26th November (Jim Whitla).

Londonderry

One: Ballykelly, Lough Foyle, County Londonderry, 2nd November (Matthew Tickner).

1996

Down

One: Rostrevor Bay, Carlingford Lough, Rostrevor, 29th to 31st December (K. O'Kane, Joe Devlin).

Londonderry

One: Castlerock, 17th January (Geoff Campbell).

1997

Armagh

One: Derrywarragh Island, Maghery, Lough Neagh, 8th May (Ken Perry).

Down

One: Ellis Gut, Lough Neagh, Lurgan, 26th February (Oscar Campbell).

1998

Armagh

One: Reedy Flats, Lough Neagh, Derrytrasna, 3rd May to 17th July (Dennis Doherty, David Knight *et al.*).

Down

One: Boomers Reservoir, Lisburn, 12th to 17th January (Dave Hadrick, Ted Rolston).

One: Ballyhenry Bay, Strangford Lough, Portaferry, 9th November (C. Bell, Jim Whitla).

Two: Barr's Bay, Strangford Lough, Newtownards, 25th October (C. Bell).

One: Coalpit Bay, Briggs Rocks, Groomsport, 28th to 29th November (Ivan Quail).

One: Kircubbin Bay, Strangford Lough, Kircubbin, 30th November (C. Bell, Jim Whitla).

Two: Newtownards Sailing Club, Strangford Lough, Newtownards, 6th December (Willie McDowell, Dennis Weir).

Londonderry

One: Longfield Point, Eglington, Lough Foyle, 30th October (Oscar Campbell, Dennis Doherty).

1999

Down

Two: Kircubbin Bay, Kircubbin, Strangford Lough, 7th November (Drew Brown *et al.*).

2001

Down

Three: Kircubbin Bay, Strangford Lough, Kircubbin, 21st January (Jim Whitla).

Up to three: Herring Bay, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 14th October to 16th December (R. Milliken).

Five: Peggy's Island, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 9th November (Hugh Thurgate).

One: Ann's Point, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 18th November (Anthony McGeehan).

Four: Cadew Point, Strangford Lough, 16th December (N. McCutcheon).

2002

Down

One: Kircubbin, Strangford Lough, 6th January (Dennis Weir, Willie McDowell *et al.*).

One: The Gasworks, Strangford Lough, 28th December (Oscar Campbell, Kerry Leonard).

2003

Antrim

Two: Loughshore Park, Belfast Lough, Whiteabbey, 2nd March (Gerard McGeehan).

One: North Foreshore Lagoon, Dargan, Belfast, 19th November (John O'Boyle).

Down

Three: The Gasworks, Greyabbey, Strangford Lough, 2nd January (Clive Mellon).

Londonderry

One: Carrickhugh, Lough Foyle, 16th October (Matthew Tickner, Brad Robson).

Antrim

2005

Armagh

One: Craigavon Balancing Lakes, Lurgan, 30th December into 2006 (Oscar Campbell *et al.*).

Down

38: Greyabbey, Strangford Lough. Up to 22, 13th January to 29th March and up to 16 birds 22nd October to 27th December (Dave Allen, Clive Mellon, Joe Lamont, Richard Weyl *et al.*).

Six: Kircubbin, Strangford Lough. Up to three, 22nd January to 29th March and up to three 24th to 27th December (Joe Lamont, Richard Weyl *et al.*).

One: Dundrum Inner Bay, Newcastle, 7th November (Leonard Charles).

Londonderry

Three: Culmore Point, Lough Foyle, Culmore, 13th January (Davy Hunter *et al.*).

One: Ballykelly, Lough Foyle, 23rd January (W. Mulligan).

Up to 13: Myroe, Lough Foyle. Up to 11, 4th January to 18th March with two on 21st October (Matthew Tickner, Anthony McGeehan).

Nine: Between Carrickhugh and Ballykelly, Lough Foyle, 21st November (Matthew Tickner).

Six: "Lough Foyle", 8th December (Matthew Tickner).

2006

Armagh

One: Craigavon Balancing Lakes, Lurgan, from 2005 remained to 3rd January (Oscar Campbell *et al.*).

One: Adult winter. Oxford Island NNR, Lurgan, 10th to 17th September (M. Phillips).

Down

25: Greyabbey Bay South, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey. Up to 20, 14th January to 19th March and up to five, 16th October to 26th December (Richard Weyl, J Whitla *et al.*).

Up to two: Kircubbin, Strangford Lough, 4th January to 5th February (Joe Lamont *et al.*).

Londonderry

Eight: Myroe Levels, Lough Foyle. Four 18th February and four 26th September (C. Stewart).

Two: Bann Estuary, Coleraine, 29th September with one remaining to 18th October (H. Dick *et al.*).

2007

Antrim

One: Seapark, Belfast Lough, 20th January (Gerard McGeehan).

One: Fisherman's Quay, Belfast Lough, Carrickfergus, 21st January (Neil Warnock).

One: Glynn, Larne Lough, 3rd February (Neil Warnock).

One: Whiteabbey Shoreline, Belfast Lough, 20th December (Gerard McGeehan).

Londonderry

One: Bann Estuary, Coleraine, 16th January to 11th March (Jeff Larkin *et al.*).

One: Longfield Point, Lough Foyle, Eglington, 21st January (Garry Wilkinson *et al.*).

Seven: Myroe Levels, Lough Foyle. Four 22nd March and three 28th September to 16th November (Matthew Tickner, Brad Robson *et al.*).

One: Lough Beg, 4th August (Eddie Franklin).

11: Observed between Ballykelly and Myroe, Lough Foyle, 15th November (Matthew Tickner, Brad Robson).

Down

23 Greyabbey Bay South, Strangford Lough, Up to 18, 3rd February to 25th March and up to five, 24th October to 27th December (Richard Weyl *et al.*).

One: Newtownards Sailing Club, Strangford Lough, Newtownards, 18th February (Derek Charles).

One: North Rocks, Strangford Lough, 18th October (Hugh Thurgate).

Two: Herring Bay, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 11th November (Neal Warnock).

One: Ann's Point, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 9th December (Dot Blakely).

2008**Down**

One: Millin Bay, Outer Ards Peninsula, 1st January (Keith Bennett).

One: Gasworks Bay, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 13th January (Keith Bennett).

Five: Kircubbin Strangford Lough. One, 13th to 20th January, four 13th December with three remaining to 30th December (Keith Bennett, Richard Weyl *et al.*).

One: Barr Hall Bay, Strangford Lough, Portaferry, 24th February to 29th March (Richard Weyl).

Five: "Strangford Lough", between Greyabbey and Kircubbin, 9th March (James Robinson).

Five: Newtownards Sailing Club, Strangford Lough, Newtownards. Two 17th March and up to three, 1st to 16th November (Richard Weyl).

Up to ten: Greyabbey Bay South, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 28th September to 30th December (Richard Weyl).

One: Ballykinler, 30th December (Andrew Crory).

Londonderry

Seven: Myroe Levels, Lough Foyle, 25th September (Derek Charles).

2009**Antrim**

One: Larne Lough, 18th February (Flightline).

Two: Belfast Lough. One at Hazelbank on 8th November, with two at nearby Macedon Point on the 10th November (Paul McCullough *et al.*).

Down

Up to 28: Greyabbey Bay, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 2nd January to 12th April (Derek Charles *et al.*).

Three: Newtownards Sailing Club, Strangford Lough, Newtownards, 3rd January (Flightline).

Six: Herring Bay, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 24th January (Flightline).

One: South Rocks, Strangford Lough, 4th February (Hugh Thurgate).

Up to ten: Greyabbey Bay, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 19th September to 28th December (Keith Bennett).

One: Ann's Point, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 5th December (Flightline).

Londonderry

Three: Ballykelly, Lough Foyle, 26th January (Neal Warnock).

Up to 96: Myroe Levels, Lough Foyle. 31 observed on 18th March and up to 65 birds, 12th October to 18th December (Derek Charles *et al.*).

Two: Lough Beg NNR, 2nd to 4th December (David Steele).

17: Between Burnfoot Drain and the Roe Estuary, Lough Foyle, 18th December (Neal Warnock).

2010**Antrim**

Up to two: Macedon Point, Greenisland, Belfast Lough, 7th to 21st November (Gerard McGeehan *et al.*).

Down

22: Greyabbey / Kircubbin, Strangford Lough, 1st January to 10th April (Keith Bennett, Richard Weyl *et al.*).

One: Minerstown, 17th January (Flightline).

One: Monaghan Bank, Strangford Lough, Kircubbin, 2nd March (Keith Bennett).

Up to ten: Herring Bay, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 6th March to 11th April (Keith Bennett *et al.*).

Up to 34: Greyabbey Bay, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey. Up to 16 observed 13th March to 10th April and up to 18 birds, 19th September to 30th December (Keith Bennett, James Robinson *et al.*).

Three: The Gasworks, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 10th April (Flightline).

One: Newtownards Sailing Club, Strangford Lough, Newtownards, 30th October (Derek Charles, Walter Veale).

One: Kircubbin, Strangford Lough, 21st November to 29th December (James Robinson *et al.*).

One: Ann's Point, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 21st November (Richard Weyl).

One: Horse Island, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 28th November (Richard Weyl).

Londonderry

Three: Faughanvale, Lough Foyle, 23rd March (Flightline).

Up to 33: Myroe Levels, Lough Foyle. Six 16th February to 12th March and up to 27 observed 16th September to 31st October (Neal Warnock, Derek Charles *et al.*).

One: Longfield Point, Eglington, Lough Foyle, 24th to 31st October (Derek Charles *et al.*).

Up to 30: Ballykelly/ Roe Estuary, Lough Foyle, 15th to 31st December (Derek Charles *et al.*).

2011

Antrim

Breeding

Two: One adult and one juvenile. Portmore Lough RSPB Reserve, Aghagallon 10th to 21st August (Derek Charles, Oscar Campbell, Mark Killops *et al.*).

Note: Considering the size of the juvenile bird and the early date it seems probable that it bred locally.

One: Glynn, Larne Lough, 27th February (Stuart McKee).

Two: Whiteabbey, Belfast Lough. One 6th November, with two observed on the 7th of November (Paul McCullough *et al.*).

One: Bartins Bay, Lough Neagh, Aghagallon, 12th to 19th November (Derek Charles, Walter Veale *et al.*).

Armagh

One: Reedy Flats, Lough Neagh, Derrytrasna, 1st December (Joe Devlin).

Down

Up to 52: Greyabbey, Strangford Lough. Up to 42 recorded 1st January to 16th April and up to ten, 2nd October to 30th December (Keith Bennett, Derek Charles, Walter Veale, Majella Callaghan *et al.*).

Up to seven: Gransha Point, Strangford Lough, Kircubbin, 2nd January to 19th February (Richard Weyl).

One: The Gasworks, Strangford Lough, Newtownards, 8th January (Derek Charles).

Up to nine: Herring Bay, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey. Two 23rd January, and up to seven, 19th November to 16th December (Andrew Crory, Sean McCourt, Richard Weyl *et al.*).

Three: Horse Island, Strangford Lough, Kircubbin, 24th January (Richard Weyl).

Two: Monaghan Bank, Strangford Lough, Kircubbin, 30th January to 5th March (Keith Bennett).

One: Cranfield, Carlingford Lough, 7th February (Joe Devlin).

Up to three: Kircubbin, Strangford Lough, 17th February to 13th March (H. McCullough).

One: Kinnegar, Belfast Lough, 20th to 21st November (Ricky McQuillan, Ronald Surgenor).

Londonderry

Up to 21: Myroe Levels, Lough Foyle. Up to 11 recorded 6th February to 10th April and up to ten, 1st October to 7th November (Derek Charles, Brad Robson *et al.*).

Two: Longfield Point, Lough Foyle, Eglington. One, summer plumage adult, 18th May and one 2nd November (Clive Mellon, Neal Warnock).

One: Magilligan, Lough Foyle, 22nd October (Ian Dickey).

One: Faughanvale, Lough Foyle, 18th November (Matthew Ticker).

2012

Antrim

One: Loughshore Park, Belfast Lough, Newtownabbey, 18th December (Gerard McGeehan).

Armagh

One: Ardmore Point, Lough Neagh, Derrytrasna, 14th October (Derek Charles).

Down

Up to 40: Greyabbey, Strangford Lough. Up to 36 observed 8th January to 1st April and up to 14, 22nd September to 21st December (Keith Bennett, Richard Weyl *et al.*).

Four: Gransha Point, Strangford Lough, Kircubbin, 13th January (Richard Weyl).

Two: Monaghan Bank, Strangford Lough, Kircubbin, 28th January (Richard Weyl).

Up to 20: Herring Bay, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 19th to 26th February (Andrew Crory, Richard Weyl).

Four: Chapel Bay, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey. Two 17th March and two 21st December (Richard Weyl).

Seven: Herring Bay, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 20th October (Derek Charles, Majella Callaghan, Walter Veale).

Londonderry

Up to 13: Lough Foyle, "general area". Up to 11 observed 6th February to 28th March with two on 8th October (Brad Robson, Matthew Tickner *et al.*).

Up to 60: Myroe Levels, Lough Foyle. 28 observed 11th February and up to 32 birds 24th October to 29th November (Neal Warnock, Richard Hoy, Theo Campbell, Christine Cassidy *et al.*)

Two: Magilligan, Lough Foyle, 12th February (Neal Warnock).

13: Faughanvale, Lough Foyle, 20th October (Theo Campbell).
One: Longfield, Lough Foyle, Eglington, 2nd November (Neal Warnock).

2013

Antrim

One: Waterfoot, 29th December (Neal Warnock).

Armagh

One: Emerson's Sandpit, Ardmore, Lough Neagh, 24th November (Ed O'Hara).

Down

Up to 54: Greyabbey, Strangford Lough. Up to 33, 1st January to 24th March and up to 21, 4th October to 24th November (Keith Bennett, Richard Weyl *et al.*).

Two: Big Rock Bay, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 1st January (Ed O'Hara).

One: Monaghan Bank, Strangford Lough, Kircubbin, 4th January (Keith Bennett).

Two: Whiterock, Strangford Lough, 20th January (Simon Morton).

One: Groomsport, 27th January (Simon Morton).

Four: Horse Island, Strangford Lough, Kircubbin, 15th February (Richard Weyl).

Four: Kircubbin, Strangford Lough. Three 2nd March with a single on 24th December (Keith Bennett, Chris Henry).

One: Rostrevor, Carlingford Lough, 10th March (Joe Devlin).

One: Pig Island, Strangford Lough, 14th August (Hugh Thurgate).

One: Greencastle, Carlingford Lough, 24th October (Joe Devlin).

Two: Islandhill, Strangford Lough, Comber, 4th November (Chris Murphy).

Two: Newtownards Sailing Club, Strangford Lough, Newtownards, 24th November (Richard Weyl).

One: Gransha Point, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 24th November (Richard Weyl).

Eight: Ann's Point, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 26th December (Wilton Farrelly).

Londonderry

Three: Bann Estuary, Coleraine. One, 3rd to 11th January with two on 17th October (Seamus Burns, Ciaran Burns, Hill Dick, Peter Robinson *et al.*).

Eight: Magilligan, Lough Foyle, 3rd March (Derek Charles, Majella Callaghan).

12: Balls Point, Bellarena, Lough Foyle, 3rd March (Derek Charles *et al.*).

Up to 82: Myroe Levels, Lough Foyle. Up to 35 3rd March to 1st April, two adult summers 19th May and up to 45 recorded 19th to 25th November (Derek Charles, Matthew Ticker, Brad Robson, Gareth Bareham *et al.*).

2014

Antrim

One: Selshan Harbour, Aghagallon, Lough Neagh, 18th January (Nigel Ireland).

One: Between Glenarm and Carnlough, 20th February (Colin Irwin).

One: Macedon Point, Belfast Lough, 28th February (David Nixon, Phillip MacAfee).

Two: Glynn Station, Larne Lough. One, in summer plumage, 6th April, with one 22nd November to 21st December (Gerard McGeehan, Shirley Dunlop, Cameron Moore *et al.*).

One: Sandy Bay, Lough Neagh, Aghalee, 13th October (Nigel Ireland).

Two: Greenisland, Belfast Lough, 9th November (David Stirling).

Armagh

One: Croaghan Hide, Oxford Island NNR, Lough Neagh, Lurgan, 9th to 10th March (Ciaran Burns *et al.*).

One: Reedy Flats, Lough Neagh, Derrytrasna, 25th October (Ethan Veale *et al.*).

Down

One: North Road, Belfast Lough, 2nd January (Stephen Drake).

One: Belfast Harbour Estate, Belfast Lough, Holywood, 3rd January (Richard Gray).

Up to 28: Greyabbey, Strangford Lough. Up to 20 observed 4th January to 30th March and up to eight 9th November to 28th December (Richard Weyl, Jeff Larkin *et al.*).

One: Newtownards Sailing Club, Strangford Lough, Newtownards, 16th February (Richard Weyl).

13: Herring Bay, Strangford Lough, Kircubbin, 16th February (Richard Weyl).

Up to seven: Kircubbin, Strangford Lough, 1st to 30th March (Richard Weyl *et al.*).

Two: Boretrees Island, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 16th December (Hugh Thurgate).

One: Rostrevor, Carlingford Lough, 9th November (Joe Devlin).

Two: Horse Island, Strangford Lough, Kircubbin, 28th November (Richard Weyl).

Londonderry

One: Bann Estuary, River Bann, Coleraine, 29th October (John Clarke).

Two: Myroe Levels, Lough Foyle, 29th October to 5th December (John Pyper, David Clarke *et al.*).

One: Longfield, Lough Foyle, Eglington, 30th September to 30th October (Matthew Ticker).

Tyrone

One: Lough Fea, Cookstown, 2nd February (Gerard McGeehan *et al.*).

2015

Antrim

One: Larne Harbour, Larne, 1st February (Gavin Ferguson *et al.*).

One: Macedon Point, Belfast Lough, Greenisland, 6th February (Stuart McKee).

Three: Glynn, Larne Lough. One 1st March, one 25th October, with two observed from the 14th to 15th November (Gerard McGeehan, Neal Warnock *et al.*).

Armagh

One: Oxford Island NNR, Lurgan, 19th November (Joe Devlin).

Down

Up to 60: Greyabbey Bay, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey. Up to 48 recorded 4th January to 5th April with up to 12 observed 19th September to 27th December (Richard Weyl *et al.*).

Up to six: Horse Island, Strangford Lough, Kircubbin. Up to five, 25th January to 22nd February with a single on 22nd November (Richard Weyl).

One: South Rocks, Strangford Lough, 4th February (Hugh Thurgate).

Seven: Newtownards Sailing Club, Strangford Lough, Newtownards, 5th April (Richard Weyl).

Five: Chapel Island, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 5th April (Richard Weyl).

One: Kircubbin, Strangford Lough, 22nd November (Richard Weyl).

One: Rostrevor Bay, Carlingford Lough, Rostrevor, 26th December (Derek Charles, Majella Callaghan).

Londonderry

One: Adult. Ballyronan, Lough Neagh, 3rd to 4th April (Ed O'Hara *et al.*).

Up to 41: Myroe Levels, Lough Foyle, 20th October to 1st November (Matthew Tickner, Gareth Bareham, Derek Charles, Majella Callaghan).

2016

Antrim

One or two: Glynn, Larne Lough. Singles on 7th March, 31st October and 10th December (Paul McCullough *et al.*).

Down

Up to 89: Greyabbey, Strangford Lough. Up to 84 recorded 2nd January to 25th March, the 84 individuals were observed on 13th March and up to five individuals, 2nd October to the 20th of November (Richard Weyl *et al.*).

One: Rostrevor Bay, Rostrevor, Carlingford Lough, 9th to 11th January (Joe Devlin *et al.*).

Up to 12: Newtownards Sailing Club, Strangford Lough, Newtownards, 16th January to 20th March (Richard Weyl).

Four: Bloodyburn Bay, Strangford Lough, Portaferry, 11th February (Hugh Thurgate).

Two: Horse Island, Strangford Lough, Kircubbin, 28th February (Richard Weyl).

Two: The Ragheries, Strangford Lough, 23rd November (Hugh Thurgate).

Two: Kilclief, Strangford, 7th December (Dick Hayden).

Londonderry

Up to 124: Myroe Levels, Lough Foyle. Up to 37 recorded 15th February to 6th March and up to 87 observed 21st September to 28th December. The high count of 87 individuals was on the 30th October. (Matthew Tickner, Gareth Bareham, Derek Charles *et al.*).

Five: Magilligan Point, Lough Foyle, 28th February (Richard Donaghey).

One: Lough Beg NNR, 1st November (David Steele).

2017

Antrim

Up to two: Glynn, Larne Lough, 3rd to 15th January (Neal Warnock *et al.*).

Up to two: Macedon Point, Belfast Lough, 19th to 23rd December (Stuart McKee *et al.*).

Down

Up to 66: Greyabbey Bay, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey. Up to 56 recorded, 7th January to 2nd April and up to ten observed 6th October to 19th November (Richard Weyl *et al.*).

Nine: Horse Island, Strangford Lough, Kircubbin, 20th January (Richard Weyl).

Up to eight: Newtownards Sailing Club, Strangford Lough, Newtownards. Up to seven recorded 18th February to 25th March with a single on 11th November (Richard Weyl, Derek Charles).

Up to ten: Chapel Island, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey, 5th to 25th March (Richard Weyl).

Four: Gransha Point, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey. Two, 5th March with two also on 19th November (Richard Weyl).

One: Kircubbin Yacht Club, Strangford Lough, Kircubbin, 23rd December (Garry Armstrong *et al.*).

Londonderry

Up to 42: Myroe Levels, Lough Foyle. A single bird on 20th January and up to 41 recorded 16th September to 19th November (Mike Savage, Derek Charles *et al.*).

Four: Ballykelly, Lough Foyle, 28th March (Coleraine RSPB Group).

2018

Antrim

Up to two: Macedon Point, Belfast Lough, 5th January to 17th February (Michael Latham *et al.*).

One: Swan Island, Larne Lough, 4th October (Neal Warnock).

Down

One: Ardglass Harbour, Ardglass, 4th January (Garry Wilkinson, Nigel Moore).

84: Greyabbey Bay, Strangford Lough, Greyabbey. Up to 72, 5th January to 15th April [the 72 individuals were counted on the 9th March], and up to 12, 28th October to 23rd December (Richard Weyl *et al.*).

Up to 16: Newtownards Sailing Club, Strangford Lough, Newtownards, 20th January to 9th March (Richard Weyl *et al.*).

Two: Mount Stewart, Strangford Lough, 20th January (Richard Weyl).

Up to six: Horse Island, Strangford Lough, Kircubbin, 21st January to 16th April (Richard Weyl).

Three: Kircubbin Yacht Club, Kircubbin, 18th February (Garry Armstrong *et al.*).

One: Belfast Harbour Estate, Belfast Lough, 7th April (Kevin Kirkham-Brown).

Three: Newtownards Sailing Club, Strangford Lough, Newtownards, 23rd December (Richard Weyl).

Londonderry

Lough Foyle:

84: Myroe Levels. Up to 19, 4th February to 15th April Two: Summer plumage adults 21st May and up to 63, 12th August to 28th December (Derek Charles *et al.*). The high count of 63 birds occurred on 25th November.

Up to five: Ballykelly, 25th August to 1st September (Derek Charles, Majella Callaghan).

Up to 13: Carrickhue, 25th November to 23rd December (Derek Charles).

Two: Longfield Point, Eglington, 16th December (Derek Charles).



Slavonian Grebe *Podiceps auritus*,
Magilligan, Lough Foyle, 22nd October 2011. Photo courtesy of Ian Dickey.

