

## **Great White Egret** *Ardea alba* (0, 3, 20).

(Breeds southern England, Iberia, Italy, Eastern Europe, France, Greece, Holland, Belgium, Germany into western Asia).

### **1997**

One, Bann Estuary, Coleraine, County Londonderry observed on 8th October and 22nd November. It was also recorded at Black Glen, Castlerock, County Londonderry from 8th October - 29th November and day tripped to the Roe Estuary, Lough Foyle, County Londonderry on 23rd November (Seamus Doherty, Davy Hunter, Michael Clarke, Mervyn Guthrie *et al.*). *Charles and Crory* 2019.

### **1998**

One: Ballyrainey, Comber, County Down, 25th November (Mrs Cave), it was next observed at Castle Espie WWT, Comber, County Down, 30th November - 9th December (James Orr *et al.*) and also at Ballaystockart River, Comber River Estuary, Comber, County Down, 2nd - 5th December (Walter Veale *et al.*). *NIBA* 2000. Note changes to *NIBA* 2000.

### **1999**

One: Lough Beg NNR, County Londonderry, 7th June (M. Stevenson). *Charles and Crory* 2019.

### **2007**

One: Paddy's Dub, Lough Beg NNR, County Londonderry, 20th September into 2008 (David Steele *et al.*). *Milne & McAdams* 2009.

### **2008**

One: Paddy's Dub, Lough Beg NNR, County Londonderry, from 2007 stayed to 20th January (David Steele *et al.*). *Fahy* 2010.

### **2010**

One: Adult. Quoile Pondage NNR, Downpatrick, County Down, 21st - 24th August, photographed (Gary Wilkinson *et al.*). *Charles and Crory* 2019.

### **2011**

One: Adult, in breeding plumage. Paddy's Dub / Church Island, Lough Beg NNR, County Londonderry, 12th - 13th June, photographed (David Steele *et al.*). *Charles and Crory* 2019.

### **2014**

One: Mullagh, Lough Beg NNR, County Londonderry, 20th May (David Steele). *Charles and Crory* 2019.

One: In flight. Quoile Pondage NNR, Downpatrick, County Down, 10th September (Leonard Charles). *Charles and Crory* 2019.

One: Dundrum Bay, Newcastle, County Down, 18th September (John Lyons). *Charles and Crory* 2019.

One: Dundrum House, Dundrum NNR, Newcastle, County Down, 27th September (Andrew Crory). *Charles and Crory* 2019.

### **2015**

At least two: Lough Beg NNR, County Londonderry; one 18th - 20th April, one 16th June - 18th September with two in the South west corner / Church Island, 1st - 19th October with one remaining to 21st October photographed (Godfrey McRoberts, David Steele *et al.*). *Charles and Crory* 2019.

One: Cranroe, River Bann, Kilrea, County Londonderry, 5th - 7th June, photographed (Willie Wilson, Eddie Manthrope *et al.*). *Charles and Crory* 2019.

One: Blackstaff River, Dundrum, County Down, 13th June (Dan Bailie). *Charles and Crory* 2019.

Two: Roe Island, Strangford Lough, County Down; one bird on 8th October with two birds present on the 14th of October (Hugh Thurgate). *Charles and Crory* 2019.

One: Adult. Glynn and Ballycarry Bridge, Larne Lough, County Antrim, 25th October, photographed (Cameron Moore *et al.*). *Charles and Crory* 2019.



Two: Lough Beg NNR, County Londonderry, 5th October 2015. Photo Derek Charles.

## 2016

One: Castor Bay, Lough Neagh, Lurgan, County Armagh, 3rd September (Edward Lowry). *Charles and Crory 2019.*

One: Lowery Bay, Castle Caldwell, Lower Lough Erne, Leggs, County Fermanagh; 20th - 25th October and 3rd December, photographed (Amy Burns *et al.*). *Charles and Crory 2019.*

One: West end, Lower Lough Erne, County Fermanagh, 25th - 29th October (Brad Robson). *Charles and Crory 2019.*

One: Horse Island, Lower Lough Erne, Rossiagh, County Fermanagh, 5th November (Peter Taylor). *Charles and Crory 2019.*

One: Lough Gates, Lower Lough Erne, Enniskillen, County Fermanagh; 7th November and 1st December (*per* Brad Robson). *Charles and Crory 2019.*

One: Lower Lough Islands RSPB Reserve, Lower Lough Erne, Kesh, County Fermanagh, 24th November (Amy Burns). *Charles and Crory 2019.*

One: Inishmakill, Glenross Bay, Lower Lough Erne, County Fermanagh, 29th November - 3rd December, photographed (Brad Robson *et al.*). *Charles and Crory 2019.*

One: Lough Beg NNR, County Londonderry, 1st October (David Steele). *Charles and Crory 2019.*

One: Rosscorr, Lower Lough Erne, County Fermanagh, 1st December (Brad Robson). *Charles and Crory 2019.*

One: Ardilea, Newcastle, County Down, 11th December (Chris Henry). *Charles and Crory 2019.*

Two: Lower Lough Erne, County Fermanagh, 14th December (Fionnbarr Cross). *Charles and Crory 2019.*

One: Tully Bay, Lower Lough Erne, County Fermanagh, 26th December, photographed (Annette Elkin). *Charles and Crory 2019.*

## 2017

- One: Rosscorr, Lower Lough Erne, County Fermanagh, 4th January (Peter Taylor). *Charles and Crory* 2019.
- One: Drumgay Lough, Enniskillen, County Fermanagh, 12th January - 1st April (Brad Robson *et al.*). *Charles and Crory* 2019.
- One: White Island, Castle Archdale, County Fermanagh, 17th January (Amy Burns, Brad Robson). *Charles and Crory* 2019.
- Two: Castle Archdale, Lisnarick, County Fermanagh, 21st January (Annie Foggin, Brian Foggin). *Charles and Crory* 2019.
- One: Castle Caldwell, Lower Lough Erne Islands, Leggs, County Fermanagh, 27th January (Amy Burns, Fionbarr Cross). *Charles and Crory* 2019.
- One: Horse Island, Lower Lough Erne, County Fermanagh, 6th February (Alan Gallagher). *Charles and Crory* 2019.
- One: Lower Lough Erne, County Fermanagh, 24th February (Michael Stinson). *Charles and Crory* 2019.
- One: Dundrum Bay, Newcastle, County Down, 11th April (Dan Bailie). *Charles and Crory* 2019.
- Two: Lough Beg, Londonderry NNR, County Londonderry; singles at Paddy's Dub [adult] on 11th April (Derek Charles) and the western Shore from 11th November - 23rd December (David Steele *et al.*). *Charles and Crory* 2019.
- One: Ardmore, Lough Neagh, Derrytrasna, County Armagh, 26th October (Joe Devlin). *Charles and Crory* 2019.

## 2018

- Two: Lough Beg NNR, County Londonderry; one 15th January - 19th April and one on the western shore, 14th October - 28th December (David Steele *et al.*). *Charles and Crory* 2019.
- One: Lower Lough Islands RSPB Reserve, Lower Lough Erne, Kesh, County Fermanagh, 15th - 19th October (Peter Taylor, Fionbarr Cross). *Charles and Crory* 2019.
- One: Lower Lough Erne, County Fermanagh, 26th November (Peter Taylor, Fionbarr Cross). *Charles and Crory* 2019.