

Great White Egret *Ardea alba* (0, 2, 2). **RV**

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

Published records:

1997

One: Adult. Observed at various sites on the north coast [County Londonderry] from 8th October to 29th November. First reported at Bann Estuary on 8th October it was found again at Black Glen, Mussendun on 12th October. It remained faithful to this site until 29th November and recorded at Roe Estuary, Lough Foyle on one occasion (M. Guthrie, J. Malins, R.D. Steele). *NIBA* 1999.

1998

One: Ballyrainey / Comber Estuary, Strangford Lough, Comber, County Down, 25th November to 9th November (Mrs Cave *et al.*).

Found on 25th November at Ballyrainey, it was re-found on 30th November nearby at Comber River Estuary on 30th November, and remained faithful to this site to 9th December, roosting most nights at Castle Espie WWT, Comber. *NIBA* 2000.

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.