

Spoonbill *Platalea leucorodia* (3, 6, 3). **RV**

(Breeds northeast Africa, much of Europe and Asia across to Japan).

Published records:

Not known:

One: Shot. Ballydrain Lake, near Belfast, County Antrim, a few years prior to 1808. *Thompson* 1850.

1936

One: Killough, County Down, 24th May. *Workman* 1936.

1937

One: Lough Beg NNR, County Londonderry, 28th and or the 29th of October. *Deane* 1954.

1975

Two: Lough Beg NNR, County Londonderry, 25th May to 4th June (Tom Ennis *et al.*). *Preston* 1976.

1996

One: Adult. Lough Beg NNR, County Londonderry, 7th to 9th June (David Steele). *Milne & O'Sullivan* 1998.

1998

Two: Strand Lough, Killough, County Down. One, sub-adult observed 10th to 12th May with a juvenile recorded 12th to 14th October (Dave Allen, M. Stevenson *et al.*). *NIBA* 2000.

One: Juvenile. Seagahan Dam, Tassagh, Keady, County Armagh, 12th to 16th October (Joe Devlin, Clifford Sharpe *et al.*). *NIBA* 2000.

One: Juvenile. Ballycarry, Larne, County Antrim. Observed 15th to 17th October and 17th to 23rd November (Davy Hunter *et al.*). *NIBA* 2000.

One: Juvenile. Swan Island, Larne Lough, Larne, County Antrim, 18th to 19th October (Ian Enlander *et al.*). *NIBA* 2000.

One: Juvenile. Belfast Harbour Estate, Belfast, County Down, 25th to 30th October (Anthony McGeehan, Ed. O'Hara *et al.*). *NIBA* 2000.

1999

One: Adult. Swan Island, Larne Lough, Larne, County Antrim. Recorded 2nd to 4th September and 31st October (G. Hirons, Jeff Larkin *et al.*) *NIBA* 2001.

One: Adult. Ballycarry Bridge, Larne Lough, Larne, County Antrim. Observed 9th to 10th September and 6th November (Cameron Moore, Dennis Doherty *et al.*). *NIBA* 2001.

2001

One: Quoile Pondage NNR, Downpatrick, County Down, 27th June to 3rd July (Ian Jackson *et al.*). *NIBA* 2004.

2004

One: Adult. Quoile Pondage NNR, Downpatrick, County Down, 25th to 27th May (P. Hillis *et al.*). *Milne & McAdams* 2008a.

2007

One: Dundrum Inner Bay South, Newcastle, County Down, 6th to 10th June (Andrew Crory, R. Long, Craig Nash, D. Blakely *et al.*). *Milne & McAdams* 2009.

One: Quoile Pondage NNR, Downpatrick, County Down, 5th to 18th July (Andrew Crory, R. Long, Craig Nash, D. Blakely *et al.*). *Milne & McAdams* 2009.

One: Castle Espie, Comber, County Down, 12th to 13th July (Andrew Crory, R. Long, Craig Nash, D. Blakely *et al.*). *NIBA* 2008b. Not published in Irish Bird Report.