

White Stork *Ciconia ciconia* (0, 7, 2). **RV**

(Breeds Iberian Peninsula, North Africa in the west, eastern and central Europe as well as parts of western Asia).

Published records:

1974

One: Lough Beg NNR, County Londonderry, 25th April (Gordon D'Arcy). *Preston 1975*.

One: Kinnegar, Holywood, County Down, 26th May (A. Thompson). *Preston 1976*.

Plumage features indicate this bird was different to the Lough Beg bird.

One: Ballykelly, County Londonderry, 14th May to mid-December. *Preston 1975*.

This individual was subsequently found dead under electricity wires in mid-December

1976

One: Parkmore, County Antrim, 9th May (K. O'Grady, S.M. O'Grady). *Preston 1978*.

One: Poyntzpass, County Armagh, 20th to 24th May (J. Devlin, J. Mackie *et al.*). *Preston 1978*.

One: Was present at a locality in County Armagh, 23rd May to mid-December. *AFNS Report 1975*.

1980

One: Fedney, Dromara, County Down, 6th June (Mr Meeke, Mrs. Meeke). *Preston 1982*

One: Seen flying over the main Belfast – Downpatrick road, three miles north of Downpatrick, County Down, 21st June (Dennis Weir, Anthony McGeehan, Gerrard McGeehan). *Preston 1982*.

1995

One: One mile south of Middletown, County Armagh, 19th April (C. McKernan). *NIBA 1997*.

One: Holywood, County Down, 19th April (per Clive Mellon). *NIBA 1997*.

2002

Two: Portavo Reservoir, Groomsport, County Down, 19th April (M. Richardson). *NIBA 2004*.

Two: Ballymacconnell Road, Bangor, County Down, 19th April (M. McMullan). *NIBA 2004*.