

## **Crane** *Grus grus* (1, 5, 5). **RV**

(Breeds Russia, Germany, Poland, Greece, Romania, Denmark Czech Republic, Estonia and Scandinavia. Winters Portugal, Spain, France, Sudan, Ethiopia, Tunisia, Eritrea, Turkey, northern Israel, Iraq, Iran, Indian subcontinent, Burma, Vietnam, Thailand and eastern China).

### **Published records:**

#### **1882**

One: Male. Shot. Near Killyleagh, County Down, 10th May. *Kennedy, Ruttledge & Scroope* 1954.

#### **1958**

One: Shot. Lough Beg NNR, County Londonderry, about the 24th July (Hill Dick, A.J. Tree). *Ruttledge* 1959.

#### **1977**

One: Boardmills, County Down, 16th November (J. McMurray). *Preston* 1980.

#### **1985**

One: Boa Island, Lower Lough Erne, Letterkeen, County Fermanagh, 8th July, was apparently still in the area until late summer (R.J. Hanna, D.P. McAllister). *NIBRC* 1987.

#### **1997**

Two: South west corner, Lough Beg NNR, County Londonderry, 20th April (Davy Hunter, Gerard McGeehan). *Milne & O'Sullivan* 1999. Not published by NIBA / NIBRC.

#### **2000**

One: In flight. Glenwherry River, Larne, County Antrim, 9th May, photographed (T. Barry). *NIBA* 2002.

#### **2005**

One: Portmore Lough RSPB Reserve, Aghagallon, County Antrim, 23rd to 24th April, photographed. *Milne & McAdams* 2009.

One: Oxford Island NNR, Lurgan, County Armagh, 25th April. *Milne & McAdams* 2009.

One: Manoo, County Fermanagh, 7th September. *NIBA* 2008a. Not published in Irish Bird Report.

#### **2006**

Two: Church Island, Lough Beg NNR, County Londonderry. One adult, 28th July to 4th September, with a second adult found on the 5th August, both birds remained to the 4th of September (Derek Charles, Davy Hunter, David Steele *et al.*). *NIBA* 2008b.

*Irish Birds* 8: 395-416. Milne, P. & McAdams, D.G. 2008b. *Irish Rare Bird Report* 2006, published: Two: Adults. 28th July to 4th September, this is incorrect.