

Foster's Tern *Sterna forsteri* (0, 2, 4).

(Breeds North America, winters south to Caribbean and northern Central America).

1983

One: Bann Estuary, Coleraine, County Londonderry, 3rd - 5th December (Davy Hunter *et al.*). *NIBRC* 1987.

1984

One: Groomsport, County Down, 19th - 20th March (Anthony McGeehan *et al.*). *NIBRC* 1987.

One: Quoile Pondage NNR, County Down, 13th April - 1st June (R.J. Bleakley *et al.*). *NIBRC* 1987.

1990

One: Adult. Brigg's Rocks, Groomsport, County Down, 11th February. *NIBA* 1992. Not published in Irish Bird Report.

1991

One: Cloghy Rocks, County Down, 6th January. *NIBA* 1993.

One: Adult. Outer Ards peninsula between Millisle and Ballywalter, County Down, 12th January to 8th March (Anthony McGeehan *et al.*). Photos *Irish Birding News* 1: 3, p.88 and *British Birds* 84: 326.

1992

One: Drumfad Bay, Ballywalter Road, Millisle, County Down, 6th January - 8th March (Anthony McGeehan *et al.*). *NIBA* 1993.

One: Adult. Ballyferris / Millisle / Ballywalter, County Down, 8th November into 1993 (Anthony McGeehan *et al.*). *NIBA* 1993.

1993

One: Adult. Ballyferris / Millisle / Ballywalter, County Down, from 1992 remained to 23rd February (Anthony McGeehan *et al.*). *NIBA* 1994.

2003

One: Bann Estuary, Coleraine, County Londonderry, 22nd April - 4th May (Jeff Larkin, Laurence Morgan *et al.*). *NIBA* 2006.

One: Dundrum Inner Bay, Newcastle, County Down, 7th May (A. Cowie, N. Willis).

Irish Birds 8: 373-394. Milne, P. & McAdams, D.G. 2008a. Irish Rare Bird Report 2005,

2004

One: Adult. Watched for 15 minutes, Killyleagh Harbour, Killyleagh, Strangford Lough, County Down, 7th February (Joe Lamont, Ivan Quail), same Tully Hill Bay, Strangford, County Down, 8th February (Walter Veale *et al.*), same Cloghy Rocks Nature Reserve, Strangford, County Down, 8th February (Richard Weyl, Wilton Farrelly) same Kilclief Bay, Kilclief Village, Strangford, County Down, 17th March (Richard Weyl), same Briggs Rocks, Groomsport, County Down, 27th - 28th March (Richard Weyl *et al.*) and finally at Cockle Island, Groomsport, County Down on 28th March (Clive Mellon, Dave Allen *et al.*). Presumed same returned to Ballyholme Bay, Bangor, County Down, 7th November and the bird was observed at Strangford Narrows, Portaferry 5th December into 2005 (James Robinson *et al.*). *NIBA* 2006a. Note changes to *NIBA* 2006a.

However, *Irish Birds* 8: 373-394. Milne, P. & McAdams, D.G. 2008a. Irish Rare Bird Report 2005, have published the above records as follows:

Adult, Strangford Lough, 7th February - 17th March; adult, 5th December into 2005.

Adult, Belfast Lough, 27th and 28th March; adult 7th November.

2005

One: Adult. Tully Hill Bay, Strangford Lough, County Down, 2nd January (Richard Weyl). *Milne & McAdams 2009.*

One: Adult. Kilclief Bay, Strangford Lough, County Down, 13th January (Clive Mellon, Dave Allen, Ivor McDonald, Richard Weyl). *Milne & McAdams 2009.*

2006

One: Adult summer. Belfast Lough RSPB Reserve, Belfast Harbour Estate, Belfast, County Down, 2nd July, photographed (Anthony McGeehan). *Milne & McAdams 2009.*

2008

One: Adult winter. Killyleagh Harbour, Strangford Lough, County Down, 24th February - 10th May. On the later date the bird was almost in summer plumage (Jeff Larkin *et al.*). *Fahy 2010.*



Adult winter. Killyleagh Harbour, Strangford Lough, County Down, 26th February 2008. Photo courtesy of Geoff Campbell.



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Killyleagh Harbour, Strangford Lough, County Down, 26th February 2008. Photo courtesy of Derek Charles.



Adult summer. Killyleagh Harbour, Strangford Lough, County Down, 10th May 2008. Photos courtesy of Derek Charles.



Above. Adult summer. Killyleagh Harbour, Strangford Lough, County Down, 10th May 2008. Photos courtesy of Derek Charles.