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Red-throated Diver (*Gavia stellata*).

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
14/02/2002	42	Killala Bay.	DS	High Count
16/12/2002	39	Claggan, Blacksod Bay.	DS	High Count

Great Northern Diver (*Gavia immer*).

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
20/01 - 15/02/02	1	Lough Conn	CC	Inland
09/05/2002	96	Blacksod Bay, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	High Count

Great Crested Grebe (*Podiceps cristatus*).

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
05/05/2002	1	Carrowmore Lake.	DS	
16/09/2002	10	Lough Conn	CC	Peak count
20/12/2002	3	Lough Cullin.	DS	

Slavonian Grebe (*Podiceps auritus*).

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
16/12/2002	22	Claggan, Blacksod Bay.	DS, TM <i>et al.</i>	Peak count.

Little Grebe (*Tachybaptus ruficollis*).

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
16/10/2002	9	Termoncarragh Lake, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	Peak Count

Fulmar (*Fulmarus glacialis*).

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
23/02/2002	8	Kilcummin Head.	DS	Blue phase.

Great Shearwater (*Puffinus gravis*). (15)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
11/08/2002	2	Kilcummin Head.	DS	
14/08/2002	3	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	
29/08/2002	6	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	
30/08/2002	3	Kilcummin Head.	DS	
07/09/2002	1	Kilcummin Head.	DS	

Sooty Shearwater (*Puffinus griseus*). (2442)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
11/08/2002	11	Kilcummin Head.	DS	
11/08/2002	7	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	
13/08/2002	4	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	
14/08/2002	9	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	
15/08/2002	23	Kilcummin Head.	DS	
18/08/2002	1	Downpatrick Head	TM	
26/08/2002	10	c. 10km North of Erris Head	TM	At sea
29/08/2002	54	Kilcummin Head.	DS	
29/08/2002	246	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	
30/08/2002	1203	Kilcummin Head.	DS	
05/09/2002	64	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	
06/09/2002	106	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	
07/09/2002	679	Kilcummin Head.	DS	
03/10/2002	25	Inishkea North, Inishkea Islands	TM	

Balearic Shearwater (*Puffinus mauretanicus*). (2)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
29/08/2002	1	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	
03/10/2002	1	Inishkea North, Inishkea Islands	TM	

Storm-petrel (*Hydrobates pelagicus*). (237)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
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17/06/2002	4	Blacksod Point, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	
11/08/2002	20	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula..	DS	
11/08/2002	50	Kilcummin Head.	DS	
15/08/2002	59	Kilcummin Head.	DS	
22/08/2002	1	Inishkea North	TM	
26/08/2002	6	c. 10km North of Erris Head	TM	At sea
29/08/2002	70	Kilcummin Head.	DS	
30/08/2002	13	Kilcummin Head.	DS	
30/08/2002	13	Annagh Head, Mullet peninsula	TM	
27/10/2002	1	Kilcummin Head.	DS	

Leach's Petrel (*Oceanodroma leucorhoa*). (110)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
30/08/2002	5	Kilcummin Head.	DS	
07/09/2002	105	Kilcummin Head.	DS	

Little Egret (*Egretta garzetta*). (1)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
14/02 - 19/02/02	1	Killala Bay.	JK, DS, TM	

Whooper Swan (*Cygnus cygnus*).

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
19/10/2002	347	Termoncarragh Lake, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	

Pink-footed Goose (*Anser brachyrhynchus*). (1)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
29/10 - 05/11/02	1	Termoncarragh Lake, Mullet Peninsula.	TM	

Gargany (*Anas querquedula*). (1)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
03/05/2002	1	Termoncarragh Lake, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	

Eider (*Somateria mollissima*). (3)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
14/03/2002	2	Blacksod Point, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	
22/08/02	1	Rusheen Island, Inishkea Islands.	TM	

Long-tailed Duck (*Clangula hyemalis*). (41)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
08/01/2002	1	Claggan Island Causeway, Blacksod Bay.	TM	
07/02 - 25/03/02	4	Blacksod Point, Mullet Peninsula.	DS, TM.	
14/02/02	2	Killala Bay.	DS	
13/12/02 to 2003	34	Belderra, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	

Common Scoter (*Melanitta nigra*).

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
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20/08/2002	1400	Doolough, Blacksod Bay.	TM	High Count
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Velvet Scoter (*Melanitta fusca*). (1)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
20/08/2002	1	Doolough, Blacksod Bay.	TM	

Goosander (*Mergus merganser*). (2)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
25/01/2002	1	Bunaveela Loch, Nephin Mountains.	TM	
09/09/2002	1	Cartron Bay, Mullet peninsula.	TM	

Osprey (*Pandion haliaetus*). (1)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
06/09/2002	1	Lough Corrib, Mayo	DS	

Curlew Sandpiper (*Calidris ferruginea*) (19)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
02 & 03/09/2002	2	Annagh Beach, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
09/09 to 02/10/02	4	Leam Lough, Mullet Peninsula	TM, ED, DS	
09/09/2002	6	Annagh Beach, Mullet Peninsula	TM, ED, DS	
12/09/2002	5	Corragaun Lough, Carrigskeaun, Killadoon, Louisburgh	TM	
16/09/02	2	Doolough	EMcG	

Ruff (*Philomachus pugnax*). (18)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
07/06/2002	1	Annagh Marsh, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
03/08/2002	1	Leam Lough, Mullet Peninsula	TM	
14/08 - 24/08/02	1	Leam Lough, Mullet Peninsula	DS, TM	
09/09/2002	1	Annagh Beach, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
12/09/2002	5	Corragaun Lough, Carrigskeaun, Killadoon, Louisburgh	TM	
13/09/2002	1	Leam Lough, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
14/09/2002	1	Claggan, Blacksod Bay.	DS	
14 - 16/09/2002	3	Leam Lough, Mullet Peninsula	TM, DS	
17 - 18/09/2002	1	Annagh, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
26/09/2002	2	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
10 - 13/11/2002	1	Annagh, Mullet Peninsula	DS	

Spotted Redshank (*Tringa erythropus*). (1)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
2001 to 19/03/02	1	Killala	TM, JK, DS.	

Wood Sandpiper (*Tringa glareola*). (1)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
05/06/2002	1	Carne, Mullet peninsula	DS	

Grey Phalarope (*Phalaropus fulicarius*). (3)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
27/10/2002	2	Kilcummin Head	DS	
03/11/2002	1	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula	DS	

Arctic Skua (*Stercorarius parasiticus*). (51)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
23/05/2002	3	Termoncarragh Lake, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
25/05/2002	3	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
30/05/2002	2	Belmullet, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
23/06/2002	1	Tarmon, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
14/07/2002	1	Blacksod Bay, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
11/08/2002	6	Kilcummin Head, Mayo	DS	
15/08/2002	4	Kilcummin Head, Mayo	DS	
22/08/2002	1	Inishkea North	TM	
25/08/2002	1	Tarmon, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
26/08/2002	1	c. 10km North of Erris Head	TM	At sea
29/08/2002	1	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
29/08/2002	1	Kilcummin Head, Mayo	DS	
30/08/2002	5	Kilcummin Head, Mayo	DS	
30/08/2002	4	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula	TM	
31/08/2002	2	Cross Point Mullet peninsula	TM	
01/09/2002	3	Killala Bay	DS	
05/09/2002	3	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
06/09/2002	2	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
07/09/2002	4	Kilcummin Head, Mayo	DS	
27/09/2002	2	Ross point, Killala bay	JK	
03/11/2002	1	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula	DS	

Great Skua (*Catharacta skua*). (168)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
23/02/2002	2	Kilcummin Head, Mayo	DS	
21/07/2002	2	Downpatrick Head	DS	
22/07/2002	2	Creevagh Head	JK	
11/08/2002	3	Kilcummin Head, Mayo	DS	
11/08/2002	2	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
15/08/2002	5	Kilcummin Head, Mayo	DS	
18/08/2002	1	Downpatrick Head	TM	
26/08/2002	2	c. 10km North of Erris Head	TM	At sea
29/08/2002	16	Kilcummin Head, Mayo	DS	
29/08/2002	8	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
30/08/2002	24	Kilcummin Head, Mayo	DS	
30/08/2002	1	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula	TM	
05/09/2002	21	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
06/09/2002	4	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
07/09/2002	2	Blacksod Point, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
07/09/2002	67	Kilcummin Head, Mayo	DS	
27/10/2002	3	Kilcummin Head, Mayo	DS	
03/11/2002	3	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula	DS	

Pomarine Skua (*Stercorarius pomarinus*). (20)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
25/05/2002	1	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
11/08/2002	1	Kilcummin Head	DS	

11/08/2002	3	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
15/08/2002	1	Kilcummin Head	DS	
29/08/2002	3	Kilcummin Head	DS	
30/08/2002	4	Kilcummin Head	DS	
05/09/2002	6	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
07/09/2002	1	Kilcummin Head	DS	

Mediterranean Gull (*Larus melanocephalus*). (2)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
12/01- 17/02/02	1	Cross Lough & Annagh Beach, Mullet Peninsula	DS	1 st win
08/12/02 into '03	1	Belderra Beach, Mullet Peninsula	TM <i>et al.</i>	2 nd win

Little Gull (*Larus minutus*). (3)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
29/08/2002	1	Kilcummin Head, Mayo	DS	1 st win
27/10/2002	2	Kilcummin Head, Mayo	DS	1 st win's

Ring-billed Gull (*Larus delawarensis*) (9)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
12 - 24/02/2002	1	Annagh & Belderra, Mullet Peninsula	DS, TM.	1st winter
14/02/2002	2	Killala Bay	DS	Ad & 2 nd win
21/04/2002	1	Tarmon, Mullet Peninsula	DS	2nd winter
07/05 - 25/06/02	1	Annagh & Termoncarragh, Mullet Peninsula	DS, TM.	1st summer
09/05 - 03/06/02	1	Belderra & Cross, Mullet Peninsula	DS	2nd summer
03/06/2002	1	Termoncarragh Lake, Mullet Peninsula	DS	2nd summer
08/08/2002 into 2003	1	Annagh & Termoncarragh, Mullet Peninsula	DS, TM.	2nd winter
19/11/2002	1	Killala Bay.	DS	Adult

Iceland Gull (*Larus glaucooides*) (21)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
17 - 22/01/2002	1	Annagh, Belderra & Cross Beaches, Mullet peninsula.	DS, TM.	1st winter
19/01/2002	1	Annagh, Belderra & Cross Beaches, Mullet peninsula.	DS	2nd winter
19/01/2002	1	Ballina Rubbish Dump, Mayo	DS, TM.	2nd winter
19 - 30/01/2002	1	Annagh, Belderra & Cross Beaches, Mullet peninsula.	DS, TM.	3rd winter
31/01/2002	1	Annagh, Belderra & Cross Beaches, Mullet peninsula.	DS	1st winter
05/02/2002	1	Keel Strand, Achill Island	EMcG	
07/02/2002	1	Annagh, Belderra & Cross Beaches, Mullet peninsula.	DS, TM	Adult
08/02/2002	1	Annagh, Belderra & Cross Beaches, Mullet peninsula.	TM	3rd winter
12/02/2002	1	Annagh, Belderra & Cross Beaches, Mullet peninsula.	DS	2nd winter
12/02 - 03/03/02	1	Annagh, Belderra & Cross Beaches, Mullet peninsula.	DS, TM	1st winter

22 - 24/02/2002	2	Annagh, Belderra & Cross Beaches, Mullet peninsula.	DS	2 Adult
22/03/2002	1	Belderra Strand, Mullet peninsula	TM	2nd winter
25/03/2002	1	Inishkea	DS	2nd winter
17/04/2002	1	Annagh, Belderra & Cross Beaches, Mullet peninsula.	DS	1st winter
21/04 - 10/05/02	1	Annagh, Belderra & Cross Beaches, Mullet peninsula.	DS, TM.	2nd winter
27/04/02	2	Portnafrankagh, Mullet Peninsula	TM	3 rd win, 2 nd win
10/05/2002	1	Annagh, Belderra & Cross Beaches, Mullet peninsula.	DS	1st summer
16/09/2002	1	Portnafrankagh, Mullet Peninsula.	TM	3 rd win
20/11/2002	1	Annagh, Belderra & Cross Beaches, Mullet peninsula.	DS	1st winter

Kumlien's Gull (*Larus glaucoides kumlieni*) (3)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
19/01/2002	1	Ballina Rubbish Dump, Mayo,	TM, DS.	Adult
19/01/2002	1	Ballina Rubbish Dump, Mayo,	DS	1st winter
02/03/2002	1	Belderra Beach, Mullet Peninsula	DS	1st winter

Glaucous Gull (*Larus hyperboreus*) (27)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
17 & 19/01/2002	1	Annagh, Belderra & Cross Beaches, Mullet peninsula.	DS, TM.	Adult
03/02/2002	3	Annagh, Belderra & Cross Beaches, Mullet peninsula.	DS	Ad & 2 1 st win
07/02/2002	1	Portacloy	TM	Ad. Win.
12 - 22/02/2002	8	Annagh, Belderra & Cross Beaches, Mullet peninsula.	DS, TM.	4 ad, 3 1 st win, 3 rd win
24/02/2002 - 02/03/2002	2	Annagh, Belderra & Cross Beaches, Mullet peninsula.	DS, TM.	Adults
03/03/2002 - 25/03/2002	7	Annagh, Belderra & Cross Beaches, Mullet peninsula.	DS, TM.	2 adult, 3 rd win, 2 nd win, 3 1 st win
31/03/2002	1	Annagh, Belderra & Cross Beaches, Mullet peninsula.	DS	2nd win
01/04/2002	1	Annagh, Belderra & Cross Beaches, Mullet peninsula.	DS	1 st win
19/04/2002	1	Cross Lough, Mullet peninsula.	TM	2 nd winter
27/04/2002	1	Annagh, Belderra & Cross Beaches, Mullet peninsula.	DS	3rd win
27/11/2002	1	Leam Lough, Mullet peninsula.	TM	1st winter

Sabine's Gull (*Larus sabini*). (6)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
14/08/2002	1	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
30/08/2002	3	Kilcummin Head, Mayo	DS	
03/11/2002	2	Annagh Head, Mullet Peninsula	DS	

Little Auk (*Alle alle*). (6)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
23/02/2002	6	Kilcummin Head	DS	

Collared Dove (*Streptopelia decaocto*).

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
09/07/2002	1	Inishkea South	TM	Offshore Rec

Short-eared Owl (*Asio flammeus*).

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
20/10/2002	2-3	Doughmakeown, Louisburg	per EMcG	

Yellow Wagtail (*Motacilla flava*).

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Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
12/10/2002	1	Erris Head, Mullet Peninsula	TM	

Black Redstart (*Phoenicurus ochruros*).

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Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
12/05/2002	1	Erris Head, Mullet Peninsula	DS, LA	1 st sum ♂

Whinchat (*Saxicola rubetra*).

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Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
15 - 17/09/2002	1	Cross Lough, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	
19/09/2002	1	Leam Lough, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	
19/09/2002	3	Carn Hill, Mullet Peninsula.	DS, TM.	

Lesser Whitethroat (*Sylvia curruca*).

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Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
19/09/2002	1	Erris Head, Mullet Peninsula	TM	

Garden Warbler (*Sylvia borin*).

(3)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
20/09/2002	1	Tarmon, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
28/09/2002	1	Tarmon, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
13/10/2002	1	Tarmon, Mullet Peninsula	DS <i>et al</i>	

Yellow-browed Warbler (*Phylloscopus inornatus*).

(2)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
12 - 13/10/2002	1	Blacksod, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
12 - 13/10/2002	1	Erris Head, Mullet Peninsula	TM	

Wood Warbler (*Phylloscopus sibilatrix*).

(1)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
28 - 29/09/2002	1	Blacksod, Mullet Peninsula	DS, TM <i>et al</i>	

Chiffchaff (*Phylloscopus collybita*).

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
28/11/2002	1	Claggan, Ballycroy	EMcG	Winter

Pied Flycatcher (*Ficedula hypoleuca*). (11)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
14 - 15/09/2002	2	Tarmon, Mullet Peninsula	DS, TM	
20/09/2002	1	Blacksod, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
28/09/2002	2	Tarmon, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
02/10/2002	1	Blacksod, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
05/10/2002	1	Blacksod, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
06/10/2002	3	Tarmon - Blacksod, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
12 - 13/10/2002	1	Tarmon, Mullet Peninsula	DS	

Long-tailed Tit (*Aegithalos caudatus*)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
24/11/2002	4	Blacksod, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	Erris Record

"Nordic" Jackdaw (*Corvus monedula monedula*).

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
07/11/2002	1	Belmullet, Mullet Peninsula	DS	

Brambling (*Fringilla montifringilla*). (16)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
04/10/2002	1	Blacksod, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	
16/10/2002	1	Tarmon, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	
19/10/2002	2	Tarmon, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	
23/10/2002	4	Tarmon, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	
25/10/2002	2	Tarmon, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	
31/10/2002	6	Tarmon, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	

Twite (*Carduelis flavirostris*)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
13/01/2002	80	Termoncarragh Lake, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	High Count
17/11/2002	5	Carrigee, Inishkea Islands	TM	Offshore Record
17/11/2002	25	Carrigawilt, Inishkea Islands	TM	Offshore Record
17/11/2002	4	Keely Island, Duvillaun Islands	TM	Offshore Record

Crossbill (*Loxia curvirostra*).

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
18/04/2002	3	Srahduggan, Ballycroy	TM	
14/09/2002	1	Tarmon, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	
21/09/2002	2	Tarmon, Mullet Peninsula.	DS	

Lapland Bunting (*Calcarius lapponicus*) (11)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
18/09/2002	1	Annagh Beach, Mullet Peninsula	DS, TM	
21/09/2002	4	Erris Head, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
06/10/2002	2	Tarmon Hill, Mullet Peninsula	DS	
12/10/2002	3	Tarmon Hill, Mullet Peninsula	DS	

15/10/02	1	Annagh, Achill	EMcG	
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Snow Bunting (*Plectrophenax nivalis*). (8)

Date	No.	Location	Observers	Notes
12/02/2002	1	Scardaun Lough, Nephin Mts.	CC	
18/10/2002	2	Achill Island.	DS	
29/10/02	1	Keel, Achill	EMcG	
22/11/2002	4	Doorlel Creek, Ballycroy.	EMcG	
28/11/2002	3	Doorlel Creek, Ballycroy.	TM, EMcG	

In addition the following Rarities were recorded in Mayo in 2002.

Black-throated Diver, Cory's Shearwater, Wilson's Petrel, Canada Goose, American Black Duck, Ring-necked Duck, White-rumped Sandpiper, Buff-breasted Sandpiper, Long-billed Dowitcher, Long-tailed Skua, Forster's Tern, Snowy Owl, Melodious warbler, Rosy Starling and Ortolan Bunting.