TABLE 1 LOWER LOUGH MACNEAN

| DATE    | SITE AND GRID REFERENCE         | NUMBER OF | REENLAND WHI | TE-FRONTED | GEESE | COMMENTS  |
|---------|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------|------------|-------|---|
|         |                                 | TOTAL     | ADULT        | JUVENILE   | ?     |   |
| 07/1/94 | Cushrush Island - H119 377      | 60        | -            | -          | -     | Feeding in tight flock, in open grassland   |
| 10/1/94 | Cushrush Island - H120 377      | 58        |              | -          | _     | Feeding along shore of Island in Juncus; more GWF probably present, but obscured. At dusk started to bunch up on N side of Island. Apparently no movement after dark so assume slipped into lough to roost. |
| 11/1/94 | Field near Gortatole - H117 369 | 27        | -            | _          | -     | Some geese preening in Lough and rest feeding in juncus on lough shore, at edge of improved open grass field  |
| 11/1/94 | Cushrush Island - H 119 379     | 60        | -            | <b>-</b>   | -     | Grazing in open grass-<br>land. At dusk bunched<br>up into a tight flock<br>and moved to the S edge<br>of the Island. Roosted<br>on lough?  |

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|         |                                 | TOTAL       | ADULT        | JUVENILE   | ?     |   |
| 23/1/94 | Lower Lough Macnean Area        | 0           | -            | -          | -     | Sheep have just been put on Island. Perhaps disturbed from area. Possibly hidden.   |
| 24/1/94 | Cushrush Island - H119 378      | 61          | -            | -          | -     | Grazing in tight flock in open grass  |
| 02/2/94 | Field near Gortatole - H118 369 | 61          | 16           | 3          | 42    | Grazing/resting in open grass field, very settled.  |
| 02/2/94 | Cushrush Island - H119 377      | 61          | 51           | 3          | 7     | Grazing in open grass. At dusk, tight flock formed on N side of Island, there were a few goose calls after dusk; assume went into Lough |
| 09/2/94 | Field near Gortatole - H118 369 | 58          | -            | -          | -     | Grazing in open grass<br>field  |

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|         |                                 | TOTAL       | ADULT                                   | JUVENILE  | ٠.    |  |
| 09/2/94 | Cushrush Island - H119 376      | 61          | 20                                      | t         | 41    | Grazing in open grass. At dusk, took off and flew 200 yds to the N of the Island and landed in the Lough               |
| 14/2/94 | Field near Gortatole - H118 369 | 56          | 27                                      | 1         | 28    | Very unsettled, very vigilant, constantly moving in & out of dips grazing in tight flock. Probably more birds present. |
| 21/2/94 | Cushrush Island - H119 377      | 61          | 24                                      | 2         | 35    | Grazing in open grass-<br>land   |
| 22/2/94 | Field near Gortatole - H118 369 | 58/<br>62   |   | l         | 1     | Taking shelter in the hollows in the field, due to blizzard  |
| 25/2/94 | Field near Gortatole - H118 369 | 62          | 59                                      | m         | ı     | Grazing in open<br>improved grass field  |

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|         |  | TOTAL     | ADULT         | JUVENILE   | ?          |  |
| 03/3/94 | Field near Gortatole - H117 369                                  | 61        | 57            | 2          | 2          | Grazing in open<br>improved grass field.<br>One neck band read A4X   |
| 09/3/94 | Field near Gortatole - H118 369<br>to Cushrush Island - H120 376 | 61        | <b></b>       | -          | -          | Were grazing in field. Disturbed by farmer and activity at Gortatole, flew to Cushrush Island and began feeding in and out of Juncus.          |
| 11/3/94 | Cushrush Island - H119 377                                       | 60        | -             | -          | · <b>-</b> | Estimate only. Grazing in open grass on N side of Island.  |
| 13/3/94 | Field near Gortatole - H118 369                                  | 60        | -             | _          | -          | Partial count as on arrival birds disturbed by minibus and flew high to the West, heading towards Upper Macnean. Not relocated on Lower Lough. |

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|---------|----------------------------|-------------|---|------------|-------|--|
|         |                            | TOTAL       | ADULT                                   | JUVENILE   | ۰.    |  |
| 11/3/94 | Cushrush Island - H118 377 | 32          | ı                                       | t          | t     | Partial count, as birds grazing in hollow between 2 hills.   |
| 28/3/94 | Cushrush Island - H119 377 | ន           | ı                                       | 1          | I     | Emerged from Juncus to feed in open grassland. Very spread out and relaxed. Some probably still in Juncus. |

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# OTHER SITES VISITED NEAR LOWER LOUGH MACNEAN

| DATE    | SITE AND GRID REFERENCE                      | COMMENTS   |
|---------|--|--|
| 09/2/94 | Lough Ora & Ora More<br>HO6 42 & HO5 64 area | Historical records of GWF here, but lough two thirds surrounded by by plantation, and the bog area drained, over grazed and turfed. Now looks unsuitable for feeding.  |
| 28/3/94 | Upper Lough Macnean - H03 39                 | Drove round both sides, but very wooded around its shore, grazing is very rough, land very rocky. Unlikely to feed in this area, only places with potential were; Inishteige and Inishkeen Islands. Could be a potential alternative roost site. |
| 28/3/94 | Lattone Lough - H00 45                       | No suitable grazing around it and very close to the road, therefore unlikely to use this   |
| 28/3/94 | Dean's Lough - G98 45<br>Co Leitrim          | Unsuitable for feeding and possibly too small for roosting   |

TABLE 2 ANNAGHROE

| DATE    | SITE AND GRID REFERENCE                            | NUMBER OF G | REENLAND WHI | TE-FRONTED | GEESE | COMMENTS  |
|---------|--|-------------|--------------|------------|-------|---|
|         |  | TOTAL       | ADULT        | JUVENILE   | ?     |   |
| 09/1/94 | Annaghroe H73 44                                   | 0           |              |            |       | Flood gate had been tampered with, area completely dry                          |
| 09/1/94 | Kedew Loop Road H76 48 - H77 48<br>H77 49 - H76 49 | 0           |              |            |       | Area has potential, but has been drained recently. Still has some wetter areas. |
| 13/1/94 | Leek (Monaghan) H727 446                           | 60          |              |            |       | Approx count, took off as arrived. Were in improved grass field.                |
| 13/1/94 | Annaghroe H737 442                                 | 14          | 6            | 8          |       | Feeding in grass area next to a drain.  |
| 13/1/94 | Glaslough H72 41                                   | 0           | ·            |            |       | Recent reports of GWF roosting here, found no evidence. To be watched at dusk.  |
| 13/1/94 | Emy Lough H69 43                                   | 0           |              |            |       | Historic roost site, no evidence of recent use. To be watched at dusk.          |

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| DATE    | SITE AND GRID REFERENCE                            | NUMBER O | F GREENLAND V | HITE-FRONTED | GEESE | COMMENTS  |
|---------|--|----------|---------------|--------------|-------|---|
|         |  | TOTAL    | ADULT         | JUVENILE     | ?     |   |
| 22/1/94 | Annaghroe H73 44                                   | 0        |               |              |       | Annaghroe still quite dry.  |
| 22/1/94 | Leek H72 44  | 0        |               |              |       |   |
| 22/1/94 | Kedew Loop Road H76 48 - H77 48<br>H77 49 - H76 47 | 0        |               |              |       | Checked again, as could not find GWF in their usual area.   |
| 25/1/94 | Annaghroe H737 443                                 | 35       | 14            | 21           |       | Feeding in open improved grass.   |
| 25/1/94 | Bondville House H75 41 and H75 42                  | 0        |               |              |       | Reports of GWF in the past, none seen this yr possibly due to drainage work on river. Mr Aitken has heard the geese flying over his land this winter. |
| 02/2/94 | Annaghroe H73 44                                   | 0        |               |              |       | Obs: Keith Stanfield  |
| 03/2/94 | Annaghroe H73 44                                   | 0        |               |              |       | Obs: Keith Stanfield  |
| 04/2/94 | Annaghroe H73 44                                   | 9        |               |              |       | Obs: Keith Stanfield  |
| 04/2/94 | Annacramp Meadows H72 45                           | 0        |               |              |       |   |
| 04/2/94 | Leek H72 44  | 0        |               |              |       |   |

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|---------|-----------------------------------|-------------|--------------|------------|-------|--|
|         |                                   | TOTAL       | ADULT        | JUVENILE   | ?     |  |
| 04/2/94 | Bondville House H75 41 and H75 42 | 0           |              |            |       |  |
| 10/2/94 | Anacramp Meadows H723 456         | 92          |              |            |       | Grazing in large,<br>improved open grass<br>field.   |
| 10/2/94 | Annaghroe H73 44                  | 0           |              |            |       |  |
| 10/2/94 | Leek H72 44                       | 0           |              |            |       |  |
| 16/2/94 | Anacramp Meadows H723 456         | 60          | 44           | 13         | 3     | Grazing in large,<br>improved grass field.<br>Roost flight, initially<br>S then turn W over<br>Monmurry Lough. |
| 16/2/94 | Bondville House H75 41 and H75 42 | 0           |              |            |       |  |
| 16/2/94 | Annaghroe H73 44                  | 0           |              |            |       |  |
| 16/2/94 | Leek H72 44                       | 0           |              |            |       |  |
| 23/2/94 | Leek (Monaghan) H724 443          | 61          | 49           | 12         |       | Grazing in open, improved grass field.   |

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|---------|-----------------------------------|-----------|--------------|-------------|-------|--|
|         |                                   | TOTAL     | ADULT        | JUVENILE    | 3     |  |
| 23/2/94 | Drumess Wood H74 46               | 0         |              |             |       | Keith Stanfield said<br>GWF used this area in<br>past, but no records<br>for this year.          |
| 23/2/94 | Bondville House H75 41 and H75 42 | 0         |              |             |       |  |
| 23/2/94 | Annacramp Meadows H72 45          | 0         |              |             |       |  |
| 23/2/94 | Annaghroe H73 44                  | 0         |              |             |       |  |
| 23/2/94 | Emy Lough H69 43                  | 0         |              |             |       | Checked shore for feathers - none found. Also listened at dusk, no geese came in.                |
| 23/2/94 | Glaslough H72 41                  |           |              |             |       | Listened at dusk, no geese came in.  |
| 01/3/94 | Leek (Monaghan) H716 442          | 90        |              |             |       | Approx count. As I arrived at vantage point they were flying from Leek direct towards Emy Lough. |
| 01/3/94 | Annaghroe H73 44                  | 0         |              |             |       |  |
| 01/3/94 | Annacramp Meadows H72 45          | 0         |              |             |       |  |

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|--------------------|---|----------|---------------|---------------|-------|---|
|                    |   | TOTAL    | ADULT         | JUVENILE      | ?     |   |
| 01/3/94            | Bondville House H75 41 and H75 42         | 0        |               |               |       |   |
| 10/3/94            | Lough na Heery H56 44                     |          |               |               |       | Lough on Slieve Beagh.  GWF feathers found on the shore. Potential roost lough. But no geese were heard at dusk.  |
| 14/3/94<br>14/3/94 | Annacramp Meadows H72 45 Annaghroe H73 44 | 80<br>46 | 52<br>32      | 26<br>13      | 2 2   | Found the Annaghroe GWFs first: Annacramp birds found later, by which time none at Annaghroe (Tot = 80). Grazing in open improved grass field in both sites. At dusk birds flew S then turned west over hill towards Monmurry Lough. This is the usual flight path. |
| 14/3/94            | Leek H72 44                               | 0        |               |               |       |   |
| 14/3/94            | Bondville House H75 41 and H75 42         | 0        |               |               |       |   |
| 14/3/94            | Drumess H74 46                            | 0        |               |               |       |   |

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|---------|---|-------------|--------------|------------|-------|--|
|         |   | TOTAL       | ADULT        | JUVENILE   | ?     |  |
| 23/3/94 | Leek H727 446<br>Annacramp Meadows H723 456 | 77-92       |              |            |       | Two distinct flocks of approx 43 and 48 at Leek. Both flew at same time and became partially mixed. Twenty-nine landed at Annacramp, the rest at Leek. |
| 23/3/94 | Emy Lough H69 43                            | 0           |              |            |       | Listening at roost time.   |
| 23/3/94 | Slieve Beagh, near Lough na<br>Heery H56 44 | 0           |              |            |       | Listening at roost time.   |
| 29/3/94 | Annaghroe H73 44                            | 0           |              |            |       | No GWF found in any of   |
| 29/3/94 | Leek H72 44                                 | 0           |              |            |       | these areas, which   |
| 29/3/94 | Annacramp Meadows H72 45                    | 0           |              |            |       | suggests there is  |
| 29/3/94 | Bondville House H75 41 H75 42               | 0           |              |            |       | another feeding site yet to be found.  |
| 29/3/94 | White Lough H70 52                          | 0           |              |            |       | Historic info on geese roosting here. No GWF arrived to roost.   |

# Other Sites Visited Near Annaghroe

| DATE    | SITE AND GRID REFERENCE  | COMMENTS  |
|---------|--|---|
| 09/1/94 | Lough Enagh H75 46   | Locals said geese sometimes use it, but too close to road, popular fishing spot. Unsuitable.  |
| 09/1/94 | Creeve Lough H73 51  | Unsuitable for roosting, surrounded by trees, plus popular for fishing.   |
| 09/1/94 | Brantry Lough H74 53   | As above.   |
| 16/2/94 | Tynan Abbey H75 42 - H76 42<br>H75 41 - H76 43   | Reports of GWF flying into the estate. Unlikely geese feed here; only suitable fields found too close to main Caledon/Middletown road. Checked the lough and found no evidence of GWF; 3/4 surrounded by trees although 2 reports of hearing geese over the abbey at dusk. Unlikely but possible. |
| 23/2/94 | Back Lough H67 44  | Unlikely roost lough. Very close to houses and surrounded by trees.   |
| 23/2/94 | Grove Lough H67 42   | Unlikely roost lough. Too small.  |
| 23/2/94 | Tullylough H67 42  | Appeared as possible roost lough, although swans feeding nearby were later heard going to roost in Emy Lough.   |
| 01/3/94 | Slieve Beagh/Lough Bradan<br>H57 43  | Historic records of GWFs using Slieve Beagh, no suitable areas for feeding near, no feathers found round lough.   |
| 10/3/94 | Slieve Beagh - H 54 44, H55 43<br>H55 44, H56 43, H56 44, H57 43<br>H54 44, H58 43, H58 44, H58 44,<br>H57 45, H56 42, H55 43, H54 43, | These squares are partially or totally unsuitable for GWF feeding there are no bog pools, lots of heathers, conifer plantations and extensive peat cutting. Some of the loughs in these areas are suitable for roosting, such as Lough na Heery where goose feathers were found.                  |

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|---------|---|-------------|--------------|------------|-------|---|
|         |   | TOTAL       | ADULT        | JUVENILE   | 3     |   |
| 12/1/94 | Brownhall, Donegal, G94 69                        | 45          |              |            |       | Feeding in open grass-<br>land, took off when<br>noticed observer.  |
| 12/1/94 | Inishgoosk Island, Lough Derg,<br>Donegal, H07 74 | 0           |              |            |       | Historical records of birds on the Island. Unable to get a good view of it. Boat trip to be arranged.   |
| 12/1/94 | Meenaghmore Lough - G99 64                        | ?           |              |            |       | Small flock heard to go into roost in Meenaghmore Lough at dusk.  |
| 17/1/94 | Meenaghmore Lough - G99 64                        | ?           |              |            |       | Two flocks came in at dusk, first one came in across Tullynasidda Lough and the 2nd one came in from Mallybreen direction, both approx 6-10 birds |
| 31/1/94 | Tamur, Donegal, H034 684                          | 22          |              |            |       | Feeding in bog pools. Took off and landed near Lough Agnes bog  |

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|---------|----------------------------|----------|-------------|---------------|-------|---|
|         |                            | TOTAL    | ADULT       | JUVENILE      | ?     |   |
| 31/1/94 | Meenaghmore Lough - G99 64 | 48+      |             |               |       | Listening at roost<br>time, heard four flocks<br>flying in of; 6,<br>7, approx 20 + 12<br>birds. This is<br>obviously an important<br>roost site. |
| 08/2/94 | Derrynacrannog - G985 618  | 8        |             |               |       | Initially flying in an eastern direction, until level with me (approx 1 km away) when they doubled back and headed north                          |
| 17/2/94 | Meenaghmore Lough - G99 64 | 0        |             |               |       | Heard no GWF going into<br>roost, but the weather<br>was very bad, so may<br>have come in undetected  |
| 28/2/94 | Lough Rushen - H01 66      | 5        |             |               |       | Were flying in low over<br>Lough Rushen but rose<br>up and circled round<br>the Lough and headed<br>North towards Tamur<br>(HO3 67)               |

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| DATE    | SITE AND GRID REFERENCE    | NUMBER OF | GREENLAND W | COMMENTS |   |   |
|---------|----------------------------|-----------|-------------|----------|---|---|
|         |                            | TOTAL     | ADULT       | JUVENILE | ? |   |
| 12/3/94 | Meenaghmore Lough - G99 64 | 0         |             |          |   | No geese were heard going in to roost. Again the weather was very bad.  |
| 23/3/94 | Meenaghmore Lough G99 64   | 60-70     |             |          |   | Flew in to roost at Meenaghmore, in a single large flock, from the Brownhall direction. Unusual to get such a large flock coming in together. |
| 28/3/94 | Meenaghmore Lough - G99 64 | 0         |             |          |   | No GWF heard coming in to roost. Again weather very bad.  |
| 29/3/94 | Meenaghmore Lough - G99 64 | ?         |             |          |   | A flock of unknown size was heard flying in to roost after dark.  |

# PETTIGOE PLATEAU - AREAS CHECKED FOR EVIDENCE OF FEEDING AND ROOSTING

| DATE    | SITE AND GRID REFERENCE   | COMMENTS   |
|---------|---|--|
| 17/1/94 | Tullylough - H023 657   | Bog pools in this area have signs of recent & older feeding  |
| 17/1/94 | Lough Rushen - H017 655   | Bog pools in this area have signs of recent & older feeding  |
| 17/1/94 | Between Lough Rushen &<br>Mallybreen Lough - H014 659                     | Bog pools in this area have signs of old feeding   |
| 17/1/94 | Mallybreen Lough - H01 66   | Found some old GWF feathers around the shore, possibly used as a roost Lough earlier in the season                             |
| 17/1/94 | Between Mallybreen Mountain &<br>Breen Lough - H010 664                   | Bog pools in this area have signs of recent feeding  |
| 17/1/94 | Between Mallybreen Lough &<br>Breen Lough - H011 662                      | Bog pools in this area have signs of recent & older feeding  |
| 17/1/94 | Breen Lough - H01 66  | At SW end of Lough evidence of very recent feeding. Possibly also used as a roost lough, but may be too small                  |
| 18/1/94 | Mallybreen area, Meenatully Hill<br>Lough Wee - HO1 65, G99 65,<br>G98 64 | No additional feeding sites from above.  |
| 31/1/94 | Lough Avely - H03 66<br>Tamur - H032 668 Donegal                          | Local farmer said the geese sometimes roost in this Lough and feed on the bog in the Tamur area - bog looked like good habitat |
| 07/2/94 | Pollintague Lough - G97 61  | Evidence of recent feeding at the SW end of the Lough  |
| 07/2/94 | Lough Nawalskey - G98 60  | Joe Magee heard reports of birds using Lough Nawalskey but found no evidence   |

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| DATE    | SITE AND GRID REFERENCE                                | COMMENTS   |
|---------|--|--|
| 07/2/94 | G98 60, G98 61, G97 61                                 | No evidence of feeding, whole area been extensively drained and turfed   |
| 08/2/94 | Derrintrig Lough - G99 61                              | To east badly over grazed. To the west of the Lough, extensive turfing up to lough shore   |
| 08/2/94 | G97 61, G98 61, G99 61                                 | Over grazing and extensive turfing   |
| 08/2/94 | G99 62   | Most of this square has been planted with conifers. Large drainage ditches are affecting the bog area surrounding the plantation |
| 08/2/94 | Croagh - G98 63  | Tussocky & overgrazed  |
| 08/2/94 | Lough Nacroagh - G98 62                                | No good bog pools around it. Area drying up  |
| 08/2/94 | Lough Nacroagh south to<br>Derrintry - G98 62 - G99 61 | Completely turfed  |
| 17/2/94 | Tullyvogy Lough - H02 63                               | To the east, the area is turfed. To the north and west area grazed and drained. Extensive heather coverage.                      |
| 17/2/94 | Longhill - HO2 64                                      | Over-grazed and dry  |
| 17/2/94 | Between Longhill & Black Hill<br>HO2 64                | No suitable feeding areas  |
| 17/2/94 | Tullymore Lough - H02 63,<br>Tullylough Beg H02 63     | No evidence of GWF in this area. Appears unsuitable.   |
| 22/2/94 | Croagh Beg - H00 63                                    | Evidence of recent feeding here  |

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| DATE    | SITE AND GRID REFERENCE                                    | COMMENTS   |
|---------|--|--|
| 22/2/94 | Tullywannia Lough - G99 63                                 | Lots of GWF feathers around the north end of the Lough. Also evidence of recent feeding at the south end of the Lough. |
| 22/2/94 | Rosscor Viaduct - H98 58                                   | Joe Magee had a report of GWFs here, but when checked out, they were greylags, with a couple of barnacle geese         |
| 28/2/94 | Tullylough - H021 658 & H017 656                           | Very recent evidence of feeding in these areas.  |
| 28/2/94 | Lough Rushen - HO1 66                                      | No evidence of GWF roosting here   |
| 28/2/04 | Between Lough Rushen - H01 66<br>& Mallybreen Lough H01 66 | Some evidence of recent feeding in the bog pools between these two Loughs  |
| 28/2/94 | Lough Vearty - G999 665                                    | Evidence of recent feeding in the bog pools in this area   |
| 28/2/94 | Mallybreen Mountain H005 656                               | Evidence of recent feeding in the bog pools in this area   |
| 15/3/94 | Tamur - HO3 67 Donegal                                     | Joe Magee had reports of extensive GWF activity in this area recently  |

TABLE 4 LOUGH FOYLE

| DATE    | SITE AND GRID REFERENCE  | NUMBER OF | GREENLAND WHI | COMMENTS |   |  |
|---------|--|-----------|---------------|----------|---|--|
|         |  | TOTAL     | ADULT         | JUVENILE | ? |  |
| 16/1/94 | Myroe search area - C62 24 east<br>to C67 24 north to C67 29 west<br>to C63 29 | 0         |               |          |   | Searched whole area. Perhaps not here due to disturbance in area   |
| 19/1/94 | Myroe search area  | 0         |               |          |   |  |
| 20/1/94 | Myroe search area  | 0         |               |          |   |  |
| 20/1/94 | Longfield level to Black Brae<br>C54 23 to C49 23                              | 0         |               |          |   | Historic feeding sites   |
| 20/1/94 | Lough Fad & Lough Inn (Donegal)<br>C54 39 & C52 38                             | 0         |               |          |   | Historical sites. The area around these loughs is extensively turfed. The bog land between the loughs has some feeding potential. No GWF were heard coming into roost in Lough Fad |

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| DATE    | SITE AND GRID REFERENCE  | NUMBER OF | GREENLAND W | COMMENTS |   |   |
|---------|--|-----------|-------------|----------|---|---|
|         |  | TOTAL     | ADULT       | JUVENILE | 3 |   |
| 26/1/94 | Inch Levels Burn foot C36 23 Speenogue C34 22 Blanket Nook - C30 19 Big Isle C23 13        | 400       |             |          |   | Due to a good to a management agreement with a large farm on the Inch levels, the shooting has been brought under control, and the geese are able to feed freely. This has greatly benefited the GWF. It is felt that the Lough Foyle GWFs may spend the shooting season over in Donegal in the Inch level area along with resident Inch birds. |
| 27/1/94 | Myroe search area  | 0         |             |          |   |   |
| 06/2/94 | Myroe search area  | 0         |             |          |   |   |
| 06/2/94 | Longfield level to Black Brae<br>C54 23 to C49 23  | 0         |             |          |   |   |
| 06/2/94 | St Johnston search area - C35 09, C35 08 & C36 07 North to C36 10 & C37 10 South to C37 07 | 0         |             |          |   | Historic feeding site   |

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| DATE    | SITE AND GRID REFERENCE                       | NUMBER OF | REENLAND WH | COMMENTS |   |  |
|---------|---|-----------|-------------|----------|---|--|
|         |   | TOTAL     | ADULT       | JUVENILE | 3 |  |
| 13/2/94 | Myroe search site                             | 0         |             |          |   |  |
| 13/2/94 | St Johnston search site                       | 0         |             |          |   |  |
| 13/2/94 | The Grange - C35 06, C35 05<br>C36 06, C36 05 | 0         |             |          |   | Historical feeding site  |
| 16/2/94 | Myroe search site                             | 0         |             |          |   |  |
| 26/2/94 | Myroe search site                             | 0         |             |          |   |  |
| 05/3/94 | Myroe C633 289                                | 70        | ?           | 12       |   | Grazing in a stubble field. This is a minimum number of juveniles which had no barring. Very difficult to age due to the height of the stubble. Two neck banded birds present, but unable to read them |
| 05/3/94 | Grange search area                            | 0         |             |          |   |  |
| 05/3/94 | St Johnston search area                       | 0         |             |          |   |  |
| 05/3/94 | Longfield Levels to Black Brae search area    | 0         |             |          |   |  |

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| DATE    | SITE AND GRID REFERENCE                                       | NUMBER OF | GREENLAND WHI | GEESE    | COMMENTS |   |
|---------|---|-----------|---------------|----------|----------|---|
|         |   | TOTAL     | ADULT         | JUVENILE | ?        |   |
| 05/3/94 | Greysteel to Lough Foyle<br>C56 21 area                       | 0         |               |          |          | Suitable habitat  |
| 05/3/94 | Ballykelly to Lough Foyle<br>C62 24 - C63 24, C62 23 - C63 23 | 0         |               |          |          | Suitable habitat  |
| 06/3/94 | Myroe C633 289  | 70        |               |          |          | Grazing in same stubble field. Birds very vigilant, unsettled. Unable to read neck bands  |
| 08/3/94 | Myroe C633 289  | 70        | 47            | 23       |          | Grazing in same stubble field. Still unable to read neck bands  |
| 30/3/94 | Myroe C645 271  | 14        | 14            |          |          | Grazing in open improved grass field. At dusk took off towards Limavady, but lost sight of them within a minute in poor light. Birds didn't call. |

TABLE 5 UPPER LOUGH ERNE

| DATE    | SITE AND GRID REFERENCE              | NUMBER OF | REENLAND WHI | COMMENTS |   |  |
|---------|--------------------------------------|-----------|--------------|----------|---|--|
|         | ·                                    | TOTAL     | ADULT        | JUVENILE | ? |  |
| 12/2/94 | Rossgad Bridge - H34 31              | 33        |              |          |   | Report received from birdwatchers.   |
| 18/2/94 | Eonish Island, Co Cavan - H33 08     | 59        | 57           | 2        |   | Grazing in open, improved, grassland. Very relaxed   |
| 18/2/94 | Glasshouse Lake - H27 06<br>Co Cavan | 0         |              |          |   | Michael Hackett OPW Ranger, has seen a flock of 28 here periodically. Possibly same flock as on Upper Lough Erne |
| 19/2/94 | Bunnahola Island - H31 33            | 6         |              |          |   | Information received from birdwatchers   |
| 21/2/94 | Bunnahola Island - H334 336          | 5         | 2            | 3        |   | Initally two adults standing guard while juveniles slept. Then all five grazing in open improved grass field     |

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| DATE    | SITE AND GRID REFERENCE      | NUMBER OF | NUMBER OF GREENLAND WHITE-FRONTED GEESE |          |   | COMMENTS   |
|---------|------------------------------|-----------|---|----------|---|--|
|         |                              | TOTAL     | ADULT                                   | JUVENILE | ? |  |
| 21/2/94 | Ross Lough area - H34 33     | 0         |   |          |   | Historical records                                       |
| 21/2/94 | Colebrooke Esturary - H33 31 | 0         |   |          |   | Historical records                                       |
| 21/2/94 | Inishroosk area - H31 32     | 0         |   |          |   | Historical records                                       |
| 21/2/94 | Lusty Beg area - H26 34      | 0         |   |          |   | Historical records                                       |
| 24/2/94 | Bunnahola Island - H334 336  | 5         | 2                                       | 3        |   | Grazing in open improved grassland in tight family flock |
| 24/2/94 | Cam - H26 32                 | 0         |   |          |   | Historic records   |
| 24/2/94 | Lusty Beg - H26 34           | 0         |   |          |   | Historic records   |
| 24/2/94 | Inishmore Island - H27 35    | 0         |   |          |   | Historic records   |
| 24/2/94 | Inishroosk - H31 32          | 0         |   |          |   |  |
| 24/2/94 | Ross Lough - H34 32          | 0         |   |          |   |  |
| 24/2/94 | Kilmore Lough - H33 31       | 0         |   |          |   | Historic records   |
| 24/2/94 | Rossdoney - H24 35           | 0         |   |          |   | Historic records   |

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|  |   |                 |       | 0           | 42 9 3 <del>4</del>                 | 76/2/67  |
|  |   |                 |       | 0           | Inishroosk area - H31 32            | ₱6/ɛ/st  |
|  |   |                 |       | 0           | Bunnahola Island - H31 33           | ₱6/E/ST  |
|  |   |                 |       | o           | Coolbeg area - H31 34               | \$6/E/ST |
|  |   |                 |       | 0           | Inishmore - H27 35 & H27 36         | ₹6/8/ST  |
|  |   |                 |       | 0           | Lusty Beg -H26 33                   | ₹6/2/ST  |
| infested grass, in very<br>tight flock. Very<br>vigilant; possibly due<br>to helicopter buzzing<br>around. |   |                 |       |             |                                     |          |
| Feeding in Juncus  |   |                 |       | 32          | Inishcollan - H322 319              | ₹6/8/ST  |
|  |   |                 |       | 0           | Bunnahola Island - H31 33           | \$6/8/20 |
|  |   |                 |       | 0           | Lusty Beg - H26 34                  | \$6/E/ZO |
|  |   |                 |       | 0           | Kilmore Quay - H34 31               | \$6/8/20 |
|  |   |                 |       | 0           | реккλуомједус голду <b>-</b> HS3 36 | \$6/8/20 |
|  |   |                 |       | 0           | rondy perd - HS6 32                 | \$6/2/30 |
|  | 3                                       | <b>INVENILE</b> | TIUGA | JATOT       |                                     |          |
| СОММЕЙТЕ   | NUMBER OF GREENLAND WHITE-FRONTED GEESE |                 |       | иливек ов с | SITE AND GRID REFERENCE             | DATE     |

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|  | 3                                       | JUVENILE | TIUGA | JATOT       |  |          |
|  |   |          |       | 0           | HS7 36<br>Lough Barry & Inishmore      | 56/E/6Z  |
|  |   |          |       | 0           | реккћуомједус голду <b>-</b> HS8 30    | 59/3/94  |
|  |   |          |       | 0           | Гоидр Бідр - НЗС ЗЗ                    | ₹6/£/6Z  |
|  |   |          |       | 0           | ркишјидуғ — Н33 3 <del>4</del>         | \$6/E/6Z |
|  |   |          |       | 0           | Bunnahola - H31 33                     | \$6/E/6Z |
|  |   |          |       | 0           | Inishroosk - H31 33                    | \$6/8/67 |
|  |   |          |       | 0           | Inishcollan - H32 33                   | \$6/8/67 |
| ·  |   |          |       | 0           | қттшоке Голду қе <sup>д</sup> – нзз зт | \$6/E/6Z |
| Local farmer said the GWF used grassy hollows on this island |   |          |       |             | Inishleague Island - H3O 32            | ₹6/£/6Z  |

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TABLE 6 HISTORIC & OTHER RECORDS

| DATE    | SITE AND GRID REFERENCE                                      | COMMENTS  |
|---------|--|---|
| 01/2/94 | Killeter Goose Lawn - HO8 82                                 | Bog in relatively good condition. But no evidence of any GWF's. The trees were planted around it about 1977 and the last report of GWF there was about 1982, so perhaps the geese moved away when the site became too enclosed. |
| 11/2/94 | Antrim Plateau, Moyarget Wood & Clare Wood - D05 38 & D06 41 | Last reported sighting of GWF in this area was two years ago. Area is extensively turfed and has new conifer plantations. Unlikely to be used by the geese now.   |
| 04/3/94 | Leitrim Hill & Crillys Hill<br>H21 80 & H21 79               | Habitat on the tops of the hills unsuitable. The wetter grass fields lower down have some feeding potential. The local farmer hadn't seen geese around for years  |
| 04/3/94 | Seegronan Hill - H19 77 & H19 78                             | No suitable feeding areas   |
| 04/3/94 | Carrickaholten area - H2O 76                                 | Received recent reports of birds in this area. But no feeding sites here. It is possible they may roost in one of the loughs, but no evidence of this was found.  |
| 04/3/94 | Essan - H11 78 & H12 78                                      | No suitable feeding areas   |
| 04/3/94 | Sturrin - H10 78   | No suitable feeding areas   |
| 04/3/94 | Crockarthur - H17 75 & H17 76                                | Area looked as if it had feeding potential, again possibly a bit dry. Worth a closer look.  |

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| DATE      | SITE AND GRID REFERENCE                         | COMMENTS   |
|-----------|---|--|
| 04/3/94   | Mullyfabeg area H11 79 & H12 79                 | Area looked as if it had feeding potential, again possibly a bit dry. Worth a closer look.   |
| 07/3/94   | Downpatrick Marshes                             | Checked along the Annacloy river from Downpatrick J47 45 to Killmore J44 50 and around Hollymount J46 43. No evidence of GWF's was found, but the habitat still has the potential for geese. No records since early 1980s. |
| 11/3/94   | Inishgoosk Island, Lough Derg<br>H07 74 Donegal | As the boat approached the Island, approx, 30 GWF (& 9 Greylags) took off from the Island. In the open grass areas of the Island there was extensive evidence of geese feeding. May associate with Pettigo birds.          |
| 11/3/94   | Parkhill Lough - H22 62                         | Last report of GWF roosting in this Lough was ten years ago. Were Canada geese here. No evidence of GWF's found, but worth a listen at dusk possibly   |
| 11/3/94   | Ross Lough H25 61                               | Last report of GWF roosting here was ten years ago. Since then the water table has been altered. Unlikely to be used.  |
| 18/3/94   | Ann's Point, Strangford Lough<br>J558 688       | Four GWF were seen here by Davy Andrews of National Trust.   |
| 22/3/94   | Lough Fea - H75 86                              | Reported sightings of GWF here at the beginning of season. No geese were heard coming in to roost  |
| 31/3/94 & | Ann's Point, Strangford Lough<br>J558 688       | Four GWF: 3 Adults, 1 juvenile, were seen by Davy Andrews of NT. They are different from the previous report.  |

NOTE: When a site was visited more than once in the same day, the highest count is given. If in different position or behaviour, then both records given