

White Stork (*Ciconia ciconia*).

In 1977, following seven 'stork-like' birds gliding SW over Worth on May 21st, at least two were seen regularly from the end of May to early June. One flew NW into Pegwell and two flew N over Worth on Sept 21st 1981, singles were seen on Worth on May 24th and June 12th 1982, flying S on July 24th 1984 and NW on Sep 25th 1988, remaining for a few days near Cottington. An immature believed to have escaped from Whipsnade Zoo was recorded in Nov/Dec 1990 and after a long gap there were seven sightings from Apr 7th to June 5th 2001, mostly from Pegwell, where there were also singles on June 12th 2002 and Apr 8th and May 14/15th 2004. 2005 brought singles on the Estate on Apr 30th and May 1st and two on Worth June 8th and one alighted in Pegwell car park on Sep 18th 2010 before being chased off by a dog. One was seen on May 11th 2011.