

RECOVERY ROUND-UP

The following list comprises all those recoveries of particular interest which have been brought to our notice since publication of our last issue. It includes a few older records not previously published, and three records of birds banded overseas and recovered in Australia.

We are also pleased to be able to include three recoveries of birds wearing bands of the Tasmanian Animals and Birds Protection Board.

1. Wedge-tailed Shearwater (Puffinus pacificus): 160-31788.
Banded on 10.11.62 on Five Is., N.S.W., by H. Battam.
Found dead at Primbee, N.S.W., 3 miles W.S.W. on 1.1.64,
14 months later.
2. Short-tailed Shearwater (Puffinus tenuirostris):
(a) 14826 (+) Banded as fledgling in burrow in March,
1952, by Dr. D. L. Serventy on Little Dog Is., Furneaux
Group, Tas.
Found dead at Cudmirrah, N.S.W., on 23.11.63 by Mr. G.
Bevan, 390 miles N.N.E., 11 years 8 months after banding.
(b) 160-03971 Banded as juvenile on 30.3.61 by F. J. Noonan
on Phillip Is., Vic.
Found dead 50 miles East of Hachijō, Japan, on 20.5.61.
two months after banding, 5,000 miles North.
(c) 160-04058 Banded as juvenile on 30.3.61 by D. J. Noonan
on Phillip Is., Vic.
Found dead 40 miles East of Mikura Is., Japan, on 27.5.61,
two months after banding, 5,150 miles North.

(+) Tasmanian Animals and Birds Protection Board band.
3. Fleshy-footed Shearwater (Puffinus carneipes)
(a) 160-86685 Banded as adult on 15.9.63 on Lord Howe
Is., by J. McKean.
Found dead at Port Macquarie, N.S.W., 365 miles West on
3.1.64.
(b) 160-50230 Banded as adult on 8.2.63 on Lord Howe Is.,
by J. McKean.
Caught in fishing net 3 miles off Cape Kamui, Hokkaido,
Japan, on 21.7.63, 5,300 miles N.N.W., five months after
banding.
4. Giant Petrel (Macronectes giganteus):
568-01172 (★) Banded on 2.2.62 on Bird Is., South Georgia.
Found Dead (desiccated remains) at Pipers Heads, North
Coast of Tasmania, on 20.10.62 by Mr. Franklin, 6,400
miles W.N.W.
(★) United States Antarctic Research Programme (U.S.A.R.P.) Band.

5. Black-browed Albatross (Diomedea melanophris):
 568-08979 (★) Banded on 18.2.62 on Bird Is., South
 Georgia.
 Found dead (decaying remains) at Badger Head, North
 Coast of Tasmania on 17.9.62 by Mr. Burge, 6,400 miles
 W.N.W.
- (★) United States Antarctic Research Programme (U.S.A.R.P.) Band.
6. Pied Cormorant (Phalacrocorax varius):
 (a) 130-28461 Banded on 2.8.63 as nestling at Shag Is.,
 Shoalwater Bay, W.A., by J.R. Ford.
 Found dead at Singleton Beach, W.A., 5 months later on
 23.12.63 24 miles N.N.E.
 (b) 130-26953 Banded on 5.5.62 as juvenile at Port Gawler
 S.A., by M. Waterman. Tangled with fishing line (band re-
 turned) on 30.10.63 at Robe, S.A., 187 miles S.S.E. 18
 months after banding.
- There are also five Pied Cormorant recoveries, at
 distances of up to 94 miles from banding place, of birds
 banded at Price, S.A., by Max Waterman in 1963. We hope
 to have a report on that season's activities from him in
 due course.
7. Black Swan (Cygnus atratus):
 (a) 0-00288 (+) Banded as adult female on 30.11.61 at
 Watson's Bay, Moulting Lagoon, Tas.
 Found injured by Mr. J. Drummond at Cowra, N.S.W., on
 31.8.63, 580 miles North. Bird being cared for by finder
 and will be released with band when fit.
 (b) 0-00019 (+) Banded as adult male on 11.8.62 at
 Watson's Bay, Moulting Lagoon, Tas.
 Found dead at Corowa, N.S.W., on 10.6.63 440 miles N.N.W.
 This bird fouled a transmission line and caused a local
 blackout for almost three hours.
- (+) Tasmanian Animals and Birds Protection Board band.
8. Wedge-tailed Eagle (Aquila audax): 150-00105
 Banded as nestling on 27.11.61 at Mystic Park, Vic.,
 by D.G. Dent.
 Shot at Minyip, Vic., in June, 1963, 90 miles S.W.
9. Osprey (Pandion halieatus): 130-13719
 Banded as nestling on 2.11.61 at Rottnest Is., W.A.
 by D.L. Serventy.
 Found dead at Lancelin, W.A., on 2.11.63, 70 miles North.
10. Eastern Silvereye (Zosterops lateralis): 010-71578
 Banded by S.J. Wilson at Narrabundah, A.C.T., as adult

on 12.8.63.

Recovered dead at Captains Flat, N.S.W., 26 miles S.E.
on 5.10.63 by Masters John and Allan Teer. Band returned to C.S.I.R.O.

11. Eastern Spinebill (Acanthorhynchus tenuirostris):
(a) 010-58446 Banded by S.G.Lane in juvenal plumage at Lane Cove, N.S.W., on 22.11.63.
Retrapped (in mist net) by bander still in juvenal plumage on 31.12.63 at North Ryde, N.S.W., 2 miles N.W.
(released with band).

(b) 010-06604 Banded by S.G.Lane as adult (F) at Lane Cove, N.S.W., on 23.9.59. Retrapped 13.9.62 at banding place.
Found dead by Mrs. V. Johnson at Lane Cove (½ mile from banding place) on 10.12.63, over 50 months after banding.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

We have now come to the end of a very successful year, a year which has seen Volume 1 of The Bird Bander completed in seven parts.

There have been 51 major articles from 28 contributors; 25 of these articles concerned 12 species of birds while 26 were of a general nature.

In Recovery Round-Up 48 different species have been recorded.

MEMBERSHIP

As at December 31st, 1963 Membership totalled 229, of which:

- 116 were full members (licenced banders)
- 72 were associate members
- 41 were junior members.

The Committee is grateful to those members who have helped in the preparation of The Bird Bander and particularly to Mr. Harry Battam who has been largely responsible for the circulation of the Magazine to members.

It could almost be said that without the efforts of Miss Madge Stoney there would be no Bird Bander; Miss Stoney had typed all the stencils for all the seven issues as well as helping out in many other ways.

B. S. Carter,
Hon. Secretary.