

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.

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### 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.

## REPORT OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The Annual General Meeting of The Bird Banders' Association of Australia was held in the Hallstrom Theatre, Australian Museum, College Street, Sydney. at 1.30 P.M. on Saturday, 15th February, 1964.

Business included the following items

Reports: The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were presented (see p.            and p.            )

Constitution: Amendments to the Constitution included an increase in officers to provide for three vice-presidents and an hon. assistant secretary.

The name of the journal was changed to "The Australian Bird Bander".

Election of Officers: The following officers were elected for the ensuing year,

President	S. G. Lane
Vice Presidents	S. J. Wilson
	C. B. Campion
	(one vacant)
Hon. Secretary	B. S. Carter
Hon. Asst. Secretary	H. Battam
Hon. Editor	A. M. Gwynn
Hon. Asst. Editor	H. J. DeS. Disney
Hon. Treasurer	R. G. Lonnon.

Appointment of Auditor: Mr. G. T. Bush was re-appointed auditor.

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THE BIRD BANDERS'

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

EXPENDITURE

Cost of Publication and Distribution of THE BIRD BANDER:			
Publication	55	9	1
Distribution	<u>34</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>9</u>
			90 7 10
Subscription to Nature Conservation Council of N.S.W.			1 0 0
Bank Fees			5 2
Sundries			14 9
Excess of Income over Expenditure			84 9 10
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			<u>£176 17 7</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT

LIABILITIES

Subscriptions Paid in Advance			34 3 9
Accumulation Account:			
Balance as at 1.1.63	13	7	11
Excess of Income over Expenditure 1963	<u>84</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>
			97 17 9
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			<u>£132 1 6</u>

ACCUMULATION

Balance Carried Forward to 1964			97 17 9
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			<u>£97 17 9</u>

Audited and found correct.

G. T. Bush, Hon. Auditor.

ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

YEAR ENDED 31st. DECEMBER, 1963.

INCOME

Subscriptions	169	0	0
Sales of "The Bird Bander"	4	3	9
Donations	1	13	3
Bank Interest	2	0	7

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£176 17 7

31st. DECEMBER, 1963

ASSETS.

Cash at Bank	75	14	11
Advance to Mist Net Service	50	0	0
Stock on Hand:			
Envelopes	2	5	0
Copies of The Bird Bander	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>
Petty Cash in Hands of Hon.Treasurer			7

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£132 1 6

ACCOUNT.

Balance Brought Forward from 1962	13	7	11
Excess of Income over Expenditure, 1963	84	9	10

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£97 17 9

R. G. Logan,  
Hon. Treasurer.

Subscriptions: Subscriptions for 1964 were set as follows:

Full and Associate Members	£1/0/0
Junior Members	10/0

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General Business: Mr. W. B. Hitchcock spoke of a proposed nest record scheme which it is hoped will be introduced on a large scale in Australia.

Attendance: 31 adults and 13 juniors attended.

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### SCIENTIFIC MEETING.

A Scientific Meeting followed the Annual General Meeting. "The First Ten Years of The Australian Bird Banding Scheme" was the subject of a paper presented by Mr. W. B. Hitchcock, Secretary of the Scheme. This paper will be published in the next issue.

Mr. S. J. Wilson spoke briefly on Cuckoos of the genus Chalcites with particular reference to the difficulty in classifying correctly the shining, Golden and Horsfield Bronze Cuckoos. A display of skins from the Museum was kindly arranged by Mr. Disney and several colour slides of the three species were shown. Mr. Wilson then presented a series of excellent colour slides of a wide range of Honeyeaters with an appropriate commentary. Slides of banding locations and habitat at Lake George, N.S.W., and of the Canberra Native Botanical Gardens were also shown.

Mr. Ron Mellor screened slides of recent wader trapping with a rocket-net at Botany Bay. Close-up shots showed some of the waders and terns caught during the operation.