

RECOVERY ROUND-UP

This section is prepared with the co-operation of the Secretary, Australian Bird and Bat Banding Schemes, Australian Nature Conservation Agency. The recoveries are only a selection of the thousands received each year; they are not a complete list and should not be analysed in full or part without prior consent of the banders concerned. Longevity and distance records refer to the ABBBS unless otherwise stated. The distance is the shortest distance in kilometres along the direct line joining the place of banding and recovery; the compass direction refers to the same direct line. (There is no implication regarding the distance flown or the route followed by the bird). Where available ABBBS age codes have been included in the banding data.

Recovery or longevity items may be submitted directly to me whereupon their merits for inclusion will be considered.

Hon. Editor

The following abbreviations appear in this issue:

- AWSG — Australasian Wader Study Group
 SOSSA — Southern Ocean Seabird Study Association
 SSG-BOAT — The Shorebird Study Group — BOAT (Tas.)
 VWWSG — Victorian Wader Study Group.
 WBRG — The Wild Bird Rehabilitation Group (NSW)

Malleefowl *Leipoa ocellata*

131-56128. Adult (1+) banded by D. M. Priddel near Narriah Trig, NSW on 17 Oct. 1991. Recaptured at banding place on 8 Dec. 1996, over 5 years 1 month after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Southern Giant-Petrel *Macronectes giganteus*

(a) A28-6*. Nestling banded at Cape Geddes, Laurie Island, South Orkney Island, Antarctica (60°46'S, 44°42'W) on 14 Apr. 1999. Recaptured (exhausted, released alive with band) at Burns Beach, WA (31°43'S, 115°43'E) on 14 July 1999, 3 months after banding. 9 v576 km SSE.

* Argentine Banding Scheme band.

(b) 132-02597. Nestling banded by N. P. Brothers on Macquarie Island, Tas. (54°30'S, 158°55'E) on 22 Feb. 1999. Recovered dead at Waipua Cove, Northland, New Zealand (36°02'S, 174°30'E) on 29 May 1999. 2 376 km NNE.

(c) 132-02894. Nestling banded by N. P. Brothers on Macquarie Island, Tas. (54°30'S, 158°55'E) on 23 Feb. 1999. Recovered dead on the Gambier Islands, South Pacific Ocean (23°10'S, 135°00'W) on 1 June 1999. 6 397 km ENE.

(d) 132-03918. Nestling banded by N. P. Brothers on Macquarie Island, Tas. (54°30'S, 158°55'E) on 1 Mar. 1999. Recovered sick (rehabilitated and released alive with band) at Mount Maunganui, New Zealand (37°39'S, 176°11'E) on 14 June 1999. 2 285 km NE.

Northern Giant-Petrel *Macronectes halli*

CF35145*. Nestling banded at Pointe Basse, Possession Island, Crozet Islands (46°25'S, 51°45'E) on 17 Jan. 1998. Recaptured near Double Island Point, Cooloolool National Park, Qld. (26°02'S, 153°08'E) on 1 July 1999. 8 751 km ESE.

* French Banding Scheme band.

Wandering Albatross *Diomedea exulans*

CF6194*. Adult (1+) banded at Pointe Basse, Possession Island, Crozet Islands (46°25'S, 51°45'E) on 1 Mar. 1969. Recovered dead on South Stradbroke Island, Qld. (27°50'S, 153°26'E) on 30 June 1999, over 30 years 3 months after banding. (Specimen and band at Queensland Museum.)

*French Banding Scheme band.

Gibson's Albatross *Diomedea gibsoni*

R42658*. Adult (1+) banded on Adams Islands, Auckland Islands, New Zealand (50°54'S, 166°00'E) on 11 Feb. 1991. Recaptured (released alive with band) by SOSSA at sea off Bellambi, NSW (34°20'S, 151°00'E) on 8 July 1999, over 8 years 4 months after banding. 2 204 km NW.

(This is the oldest and longest movement recorded for the species.)

*New Zealand Banding Scheme band.

Black-browed Albatross *Thalassarche melanophrys*

131-85964. Adult (1+) banded by SOSS at sea east of Wollongong, NSW (34°25'S, 151°00'E) on 10 Aug. 1996. Recovered dead (tangled in fishing gear) at sea 70 miles south-west of Punta Lavapie, Chile (38°00'S, 74°30'W) in Jan. 1999. 10 692 km SSE.

(This is the longest movement recorded for the species.)

Australasian Gannet *Morus serrator*

131-95053. Nestling banded by C. G. Cooper at Lawrence Rocks State Faunal Reserve, Portland, Vic. (38°25'S, 141°40'E) on 31 Jan. 1997. Recovered dead on the south-east coast of Mauritius Island (20°17'S, 57°33'E) on 27 Feb. 1997, 27 days after banding. 8 126 km WSW.

(This is the longest movement recorded for the species.)

Intermediate Egret *Ardea intermedia*

101-16318. Nestling banded by R. Jones at Bora Channel, Macquarie Marshes Nature Reserve, NSW on 16 Dec. 1998. Colour marking sighted in field (band number inferred) at Toonpan Lagoon, Townsville, Qld. on 18 Apr. 1999. 1 246 km N.

Straw-necked Ibis *Threskiornis spinicollis*

121-00627. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman at Mullin's Swamp near Millicent, SA on 16 Nov. 1974. Recovered dead south-east of Deniliquin, NSW on 1 June 1998, over 23 years 6 months after banding. 487 km ENE.

Bar-tailed Godwit *Limosa lapponica*

071-85863. Adult (1+) banded by AWWSG at Beaches Crab Creek Road, Roebuck Bay, Broome, WA (18°00'S, 122°22'E) on 27 Mar. 1990. Recovered (shot) on Mactan Island, Cebu, Philippines (10°18'N, 123°58'E) on 1 May 1999, over 9 years 1 month after banding. 3 151 km N.

Ruddy Turnstone *Arenaria interpres*

051-16179. Immature (1) banded by VWWSG on Swan Island, Queenscliff, Vic. on 30 June 1984. Recaptured (released alive with band) on Mud Island, Port Phillip Bay, Vic. on 20 Mar. 1999, over 14 years 8 months after banding. 8 km ESE.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Curlew Sandpiper *Calidris ferruginea*

041-98578. Adult (2+) banded by VWWSG at Werribee Sewerage Farm, Vic. (38°05'S, 144°31'E) on 27 Dec. 1998. Recovered dead at Ben Tre-App 150 km south-west of Siagon, Vietnam (11°55'N, 105°55'E) on 17 Apr. 1999. 6 856 km NW.

Pacific Gull *Larus pacificus*

110-97082. Adult (4+) banded by SSG-BOAT on Curlew Island, Tas. on 24 Nov. 1984. Recovered dead on South Bruny Island, Tas. on 18 Apr. 1999, over 14 years 4 months after banding. 1 km E.

Kelp Gull *Larus dominicanus*

- (a) 110-92730. Nestling banded by SSG-BOAT on Green Island, Tas. on 14 Dec. 1980. Recovered dead under Tasman Bridge, River Derwent, Tas. on 30 June 1999, over 18 years 6 months after banding. 39 km N.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

- (b) 110-92916. Nestling banded by SSG-BOAT on Green Island, Tas. on 9 Jan. 1982. Recovered dead on Bruny Island, Tas. on 15 Nov. 1998, over 16 years, 10 months after banding. 9 km ESE
- (c) 110-96041. Nestling banded by SSG-BOAT on Green Island, Tas. on 3 Jan. 1983. Recovered dead at Koomeela Bay, Tas. on 28 Dec. 1998, over 15 years 11 months after banding. 39 km N.

Crested Tern *Sterna bergii*

- (a) 070-53496. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Stoneywell Island, Coorong, SA on 6 Dec. 1979. Recovered dead at Lenox Head, NSW on 21 May 1999, over 19 years 5 months after banding. 1 544 km ENE.
- (b) 071-40141. Nestling banded by S. G. Lane on Broughton Island, NSW on 26 Nov. 1977. Recovered sick (later died) by WBRG at Kanwal, NSW on 12 Oct. 1998, over 20 years 10 months after banding. 107 km SW
- (c) 072-26623. Nestling banded by W. C. Wakefield on Spectacle Island, Frederick Henry Bay, Tas. on 26 Dec. 1992. Recaptured (released alive with band) at Patonga, NSW on 23 Mar. 1998, over 5 years 2 months after banding. 1 084 km NNE.

Little Tern *Sterna albifrons*

- 042-00608. Adult (2+) banded by VWSG on Albifrons Island, Ocean Grange Lakes National Park, Vic. (37°57'S, 147°47'E) on 13 Mar. 1999. Recaptured (released alive with band) at Jinnoshinden, Toyohashi City, Japan (34°44'N, 137°19'E) on 6 June 1999. 8 152 km N.

Rainbow Lorikeet *Trichoglossus haematodus*

- 025-01987. Nestling banded by C. Cannon at Currumbin Sanctuary, Qld. on 4 Dec. 1978. Recaptured at banding place (released alive with band) on 28 June 1999, over 20 years 6 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Buff-rumped Thornbill *Acanthiza reguloides*

- 015-06318. Adult (1+) banded by D. R. Reid at Bradbury, SA on 9 Feb. 1986. Recaptured at banding place on 1 Jan. 1994, over 7 years 10 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Yellow Thornbill *Acanthiza nana*

- 014-93312. Adult (1+) banded by G. R. Fry at Mount Annan Botanic Garden, Campbelltown, NSW on 23 Aug. 1987. Recaptured at banding place twice the last occasion by A. Heuchmer on 2 Aug. 1999, over 11 years 11 months after banding. (Band No. 018-15274 was added to the left leg of this bird in addition to the original band on the right leg this band was excessively worn and very thin.)

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Southern Whiteface *Aphelocephala leucopsis*

- 020-49004. Adult (2+) banded by R. M. Gibbs at Bower, SA on 5 Oct. 1963. Recaptured at banding place by E. F. Boehm on 5 May 1972, over 8 years 7 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Noisy Miner *Manorina melanocephala*

- 061-80016. Adult (1+) banded by A. W. J. Fletcher at Clear Lagoon, Tas. on 15 Apr. 1989. Recovered dead (taken by cat) at Sandford near banding place on 10 June 1999, over 10 years 1 month after banding.

Long-billed Honeyeater *Melilestes mearghynchus*

- 040-71456. Adult (1+) banded by K. D. Bishop at Baiyer River, West Highlands Province, Papua New Guinea on 17 July 1977. Recaptured at banding place by R. D. Mackay on 23 Oct. 1984, over 7 years 3 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Dwarf Honeyeater *Oedistoma iliolophus*

- 010-14265. Adult (2+) banded by R. Schodde at Karema, Brown River, Papua New Guinea on 26 July 1962. Recaptured at banding place by E. Cleland on 16 Nov. 1969, over 7 years 3 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Brown Honeyeater *Lichmera indistincta*

- 016-39590. Adult (2) male banded by R. J. Brown at Middlesex Field Study Centre, Manjimup, WA on 16 Sep. 1995. Recaptured at Millbrook Nature Reserve WA by B. G. Collins on 22 Nov. 1996. 168 km ESE.

(This is the longest movement recorded for the species.)

Scarlet Honeyeater *Myzomela sanguinolenta*

- 016-92055. Immature (1) banded by S. J. M. Blaber south of Mount Cotton, Qld. on 3 Aug. 1982. Recaptured at banding place on 15 Aug. 1992, over 10 years after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

White-faced Robin *Tregellasia leucops*

- 016-38662. Adult (1+) banded by M. J. G. Hopkins 22 km east-north-east of Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea on 23 Apr. 1991. Recaptured at banding place by R. K. Hicks on 11 Oct. 1998, over 7 years 5 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Golden Whistler *Pachycephala pectoralis*

- 033-26093. Adult (3+) banded by G. P. Clancy at Skinners Creek, Moonee, Coffs Harbour, NSW on 29 Nov. 1989. Recovered dead (collided with moving road vehicle) west of Moonee, NSW on 19 June 1999, over 9 years 6 months after banding. 5 km W.

Grey Shrike-thrush *Colluricincla harmonica*

- 051-29580. Adult (1+) female banded by R. E. Corbould at Mildura Forest Reserve, Vic. on 13 Mar. 1988. Recaptured (found inside man made structure) at Mildura, Vic. on 1 June 1999, over 11 years 2 months after banding. 4 km SSE.

White-winged Chough *Corcorax melanorhamphos*

- 090-68874. Juvenile banded by A. Cockburn at the National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT on 24 Oct. 1986. Recovered (colour marking sighted in field, band No. inferred) at banding place on 26 May 1997, over 10 years 7 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Clamorous Reed-Warbler *Acrocephalus stentoreus*

- 033-03027. Adult (1+), banded by G. B. Winning at Shortland Wetlands Centre, Newcastle, NSW on 1 Nov. 1986. Recaptured at banding place by R. W. Reed on 1 Feb. 1993, over 6 years 3 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)