

# RECOVERY ROUND-UP

This section is prepared with the co-operation of the Secretary, Australian Bird and Bat Banding Schemes, Australian National Parks and Wildlife Service. 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:

BBL — Bird Banding Laboratory (USA) band.  
BTO — British Trust for Ornithology band.  
NSWWSG — New South Wales Wader Study Group.  
NZBS — New Zealand Banding Scheme band.  
PSG — Penguin Study Group.

## Little Penguin *Eudyptula minor*

- (a) 190-04190. Nestling banded by PSG on Phillip Island, Vic. on 14 Dec. 74. Recovered, later died at Williamstown Naval Dockyards, Vic. on 24 Jan. 92, over 17 years 1 month after banding. 75 km NW.
- (b) 190-34040. Adult (1+) banded by M. H. Waterman on Penguin Island, Beachport, SA on 8 Aug. 87. Recaptured at Spectacle Island, Frederick Henry Bay, Tas. by W. C. Wakefield on 13 July 91. 877 km SE.
- (c) 190-41919. Nestling banded by H. Battam on Big Island, Five Islands, NSW on 21 Feb. 88. Recaptured at Spectacle Island, Frederick Henry Bay, Tas. by W. C. Wakefield on 29 June 91. 976 km SSW.

## Wandering Albatross *Diomedea exulans*

- (a) 140-25801. Adult (1+) banded by S. G. Lane at sea off Malabar, NSW (33°58'S, 151°16'E) on 25 June 66. Recaptured on Adams Island, Auckland Islands, New Zealand (50°55'S, 166°00'E) on 16 Feb. 91, over 24 years 7 months after banding. 2 229 km SSE.
- (b) 140-25876. Adult (1+) banded by S. G. Lane at sea off Malabar, NSW (33°58'S, 151°16'E) on 20 Sep. 69. Recaptured on Adams Island, Auckland Islands, New Zealand (50°55'S, 166°00'E) on 12 Feb. 91, over 21 years 4 months after banding. 2 229 km SSE.

- (c) 140-33277. Adult (1+) banded by D. Gibson at sea off Wollongong, NSW (34°24'S, 151°00'E) on 15 Sep. 79. Recaptured on Adams Island, Auckland Island, New Zealand (50°55'S, 166°00'E) on 19 Feb. 91, over 11 years 5 months after banding. 2 199 km SSE.
- (d) 140-34714. Adult (1+) banded by H. Battam at sea off Bellambi, NSW (34°20'S, 151°00'E) on 3 July 77. Recaptured on Adams Island, Auckland Islands, New Zealand (50°55'S, 166°00'E) on 16 Feb. 91, over 13 years 7 months after banding. 2 205 km SSE.
- (e) 140-37448. Adult (1+) banded by S. G. Lane at sea off Bellambi, NSW (34°20'S, 151°00'E) on 31 July 77. Recaptured on Adams Island, Auckland Islands, New Zealand (50°55'S, 166°00'E) on 12 Feb. 91, over 13 years 6 months after banding. 2 205 km SSE.
- (f) 140-37994. Adult (1+) banded by D. Gibson at sea off Austinmer, NSW (34°18'S, 150°58'E) on 28 June 70. Recaptured on Adams Island, Auckland Islands, New Zealand (50°55'S, 166°00'E) on 7 Feb. 91, over 20 years 7 months after banding. 2 210 km SSE.

## Black-browed Albatross *Diomedea melanophrys*

- 120-64536. Adult (1+) banded by A. F. C. Lashmar at Eastern Cove, Kangaroo Island, SA (35°46'S, 137°51'E) on 3 May 81. Recovered dead at sea at the Kerguelen Shelf, Indian Ocean (48°40'S, 68°38'E) in Oct. 91, over 10 years 4 months after banding. 5 672 km SW.

## Shy Albatross *Diomedea cauta*

- 140-45942. Adult (1+) banded by N. P. Brothers on Albatross Island, Tas. on 2 Jan. 81. Recovered dead at Canunda National Park, near Millicent, SA on 16 Feb. 92, over 11 years 1 month after banding. 483 km WNW.

## Southern Giant-Petrel *Macronectes giganteus*

- (a) 5155409\*. Nestling banded on Signy Island, South Orkney, Antarctica (60°43'S, 45°36'W) on 22 Feb. 89. Recaptured at sea off Port McDonnell, SA (38°00'S, 140°48'E) on 8 July 92. 9 021 km S.
- (b) 77801103†. Nestling banded at Palmer Station, Anvers Island, Antarctica (64°40'S, 63°50'W) on 15 Feb. 90. Recovered dead at Doggarup Beach, Black Head, WA (34°45'S, 115°57'E) on 15 Dec. 90. 8 958 km S.
- (c) 1230444\*. Nestling banded on Bird Island, South Georgia, Atlantic Ocean (54°00'S, 38°02'W) on 22 Feb. 89. Recovered dead at sea c. 300 [nautical] miles off Tasmania (45°00'S, 141°00'E) on 1 July 91. 9 004 km S.

\*BTO band, †BBL band.

**Wedge-tailed Shearwater** *Puffinus pacificus*

- (a) 161-31462. Banded by S. G. Lane on Muttonbird Island, Coffs Harbour, NSW on 4 Dec. 75. Recaptured at banding place on 30 Sep. 92, over 15 years 9 months after banding. (Original band replaced by 162-17100).
- (b) 162-23999. Nestling banded by S. G. Lane on Muttonbird Island, Coffs Harbour, NSW (30°18'S, 153°09'E) on 25 Apr. 91. Recaptured (released alive) near Tandag, Mindanao, Philippine (09°05'N, 126°32'E) on 31 May 92. 5 220 km NW.

**Short-tailed Shearwater** *Puffinus tenuirostris*

- (a) 160-99452. Adult (1+) banded by M. D. Gottsch at Cape Woolamai, Phillip Island, Vic. on 16 Mar. 68. Recovered dead at Woolamai Surf Beach, Vic. on 9 Jan. 92, over 23 years 9 months after banding. 5 km NW.
- (b) 161-06521. Nestling banded by G. M. Bowker on Griffiths Island, Port Fairy, Vic. on 30 Apr. 67. Recovered dead near banding place on 28 Jan. 92, over 24 years 8 months after banding. 2 km SE.

**White-faced Storm-Petrel** *Pelagodroma marina*

- 051-13130. Adult (1+) banded by B. I. Robertson on Little Chalky Island, Vic. on 24 Nov. 81. Recovered dead (collided with lighthouse) at base of Eddystone Light, Tas. on 11 Mar. 92, over 10 years 3 months after banding. 163 km S.

**Australasian Gannet** *Morus serrator*

- (a) 130-66226. Nestling banded by G. M. Bowker on Lawrence Rocks, Portland, Vic. on 2 Jan. 68. Recaptured at banding place by C. G. Cooper on 6 Feb. 92, over 24 years 1 month after banding.
- (b) 130-66471. Nestling banded by G. M. Bowker on Lawrence Rocks, Portland, Vic. on 31 Dec. 69. Recaptured at banding place by C. G. Cooper on 6 Feb. 92, over 22 years 1 month after banding. (Original band replaced by 131-77234.)
- (c) M50855\*. Juvenile banded on White Island, Bay of Plenty, New Zealand (37°31'S, 177°12'E) on 23 Jan. 91. Recovered dead on Stradbroke Island, Qld (27°51'S, 153°26'E) on 27 June 91. 2 460 km WNW.
- (d) M53325\*. Juvenile banded on White Island, Bay of Plenty, New Zealand (37°31'S, 177°12'E) on 23 Jan. 92. Recovered dead at Sussex Inlet, NSW (35°12'S, 150°35'E) on 26 Mar. 92. 2 389 km W.

\*NZBS band.

**Brown Booby** *Sula leucogaster*

- 121-32052. Nestling banded by H. Heatwole on Frigate Cay, Swain Reefs, Great Barrier Reef, Qld (21°44'S, 152°25'E) on 11 Jan. 90. Recovered dead on Koil Island, Wewak, Sepik Province, Papua New Guinea (03°21'N, 144°08'E) on 27 Apr. 91. 2 930 km NNW.

**Black-faced Shag** *Leucocarbo fuscescens*

- 131-20340. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Rocky Island, Port Victoria, SA on 7 July 73. Recovered dead on Shag Island, Fishermans Bay, SA on 23 Jan. 92, over 18 years 6 months after banding. 111 km NNE.

**Red-tailed Tropicbird** *Phaethon rubricauda*

- (a) 090-42068. Adult (1+) banded by M. K. Tarburton on Norfolk Island, South Pacific on 17 Dec. 79. Recaptured at banding place by B. T. Scotney on 7 Dec. 91, over 11 years 11 months after banding. (Original band replaced by 200-13733).
- (b) 091-06963. Adult (1+) banded by R. Rose at Cascade Bay, Norfolk Island, South Pacific on 6 Jan. 81. Recaptured near banding place by B. T. Scotney on 29 Dec. 91, over 10 years 11 months after banding.
- (c) 091-07871. Adult (1+) banded by R. Rose at Cascade Bay, Norfolk Island on 3 Feb. 82. Recaptured near banding place by B. T. Scotney on 12 Dec. 91, over 9 years 10 months after banding.

**Pacific Gull** *Larus pacificus*

- 110-87490. Nestling banded by J. G. K. Harris on Green Island, Tas. on 22 Dec. 79. Recovered dead at South Arm, Tas. on 17 May 92, over 12 years 4 months after banding. 21 km NNE.

**Caspian Tern** *Hydroprogne caspia*

- 091-08930. Adult banded by W. C. Wakefield on Green Island, Tas. on 31 Dec. 87. Colour marking sighted in field by NSWWSG at mouth of Hastings River, NSW on 1 Mar. 92, over 4 years 2 months after banding. 1 400 km NNE

**Crested Tern** *Sterna bergii*

- (a) 071-06321. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Baudin Rocks, Robe, SA on 18 Jan. 70. Recovered dead at Sunderland Bay, Phillip Island, Vic. on 29 Mar. 92, over 22 years 2 months after banding. 511 km ESE.
- (b) 071-07182. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Stoneywell Island, Coorong, SA on 14 Dec. 68. Recaptured at Barry Beach, Corner Inlet, Vic. by VWWSG on 6 June 92, over 23 years 5 months after banding. 681 km ESE.
- (c) 071-16197. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Stoneywell Island, Coorong, SA on 28 Dec. 70. Recaptured at Werribee Sewerage Farm, Vic. by VWWSG on 3 May 92, over 21 years 4 months after banding. 505 km ESE.
- (d) 072-23214. Nestling banded by VWWSG on Mud Islands, Port Phillip Bay, Vic. on 14 Dec. 91. Recovered dead at Noosa Heads, Qld on 13 July 92. 1 535 km NE.