

« RECOVERY ROUND-UP »

The recoveries in this section are only a selection of the thousands received each year by the Australian Bird-banding Scheme; they are not a complete list and should not be analysed in full or in part without the prior consent of the banders concerned. Longevity and distance records refer to the ABBS 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).

Recovery or longevity items may be submitted directly to me where-upon their merits for inclusion will be considered.
—Hon Editor.

The following abbreviations appear in this issue:

ABBS — Australian Bird-banding Scheme.

ANARE — Australian National Antarctic Research Expeditions.

PSG — Penguin Study Group.

VWSG — Victorian Wader Study Group.

Little Penguin *Eudyptula minor*

- (a) 190-00829. Nestling banded by H. Battam on Big Island, Five Islands, NSW on 16 Nov. 68. Recaptured at banding place by S. G. Lane on 22 Dec. 79, over 11 years 1 month after banding.
- (b) 190-04530. Nestling banded by H. Battam on Big Island, Five Islands, NSW on 15 Nov. 75. Recaptured (adult incubating eggs) at banding place on 22 Dec. 79, over 4 years 1 month after banding.
- (c) 190-04631. Nestling banded by H. Battam on Big Island, Five Islands, NSW on 15 Nov. 75. Recaptured by S. G. Lane (adult incubating eggs) at banding place on 22 Dec. 79, over 4 years 1 month after banding.
- (d) 190-10368. Nestling banded by PSG near Summerland Reserve, Phillip Island Vic. on 3 Mar. 79. Found dead at Port Macdonnell, SA on 29 Apr. 79. 400 km E.

Light-mantled Sooty Albatross

Phoebastria palpebrata

- 121-11028. Nestling banded by ANARE on Macquarie Island. (54°45'S., 158°35'E.) on 11 Mar. 79. Recaptured near North Cape, Rangaunu Bay, New Zealand, (34°50'S., 173°11'E.) on 25 July 79. 2 500 km NNE. (This is the longest movement recorded for the species).

Southern Giant-Petrel *Macronectes giganteus*

- 130-50062. Banded by H. Battam off Malabar, NSW (33°50'S., 151°20'E.) on 15 Aug. 70. Recaptured on Litchfield Island, Antarctica (64°46'S., 64°03'W.) on 19 Jan. 79, over 8 years 5 months after banding. 8 700 km SSE.

Northern Giant-Petrel *Macronectes halli*

- 131-26443. Nestling banded by ANARE on Macquarie Island, (54°45'S., 158°35'E.) on 1 Jan. 76. Found dying at Wellington Harbour, New Zealand (41°16'S., 174°52'E.) on 11 Dec. 79. 1 900 km NE.

Wedge-tailed Shearwater *Puffinus pacificus*

- (a) 160-03240. Adult banded by N. M. Swanson on Mutton Bird Island, NSW on 1 Dec. 69. Recaptured three times at banding place, the last occasion by S. G. Lane on 28 Nov. 79, over 9 years 11 months after banding.
- (b) 160-17630. Adult banded by S. G. Lane on Mutton Bird Island, Coff's Harbour, NSW on 13 Dec. 66. Found dead on Windang Beach, NSW on 5 Jan. 80, over 13 years after banding. 540 km SSW.
- (c) 160-37382. Adult banded by H. Battam on Mutton Bird Island, NSW on 30 Nov. 69. Recaptured at banding place by S. G. Lane on 26 Nov. 79, over 9 years 11 months after banding.
- (d) 160-43565. Adult banded by H. Battam on Mutton Bird Island, NSW on 2 Dec. 69. Recaptured at banding place by S. G. Lane on 28 Nov. 79, over 9 years 11 months after banding.
- (e) 160-43626. Adult banded by H. Battam on Big Island, Five Islands, NSW on 14 Dec. 68. Recaptured at banding place by S. G. Lane on 22 Dec. 79, over 11 years after banding.

Short-tailed Shearwater *Puffinus tenuirostris*

- (a) 160-08305. Nestling banded by S. J. J. F. Davies on Tollgate Islands, NSW on 6 Apr. 59. Recaptured at banding place by H. Battam on 5 Dec. 79, over 20 years 8 months after banding. (This is the oldest recovery of this species in the ABBS; however, older birds have been reported—*Aust. Bird Bander* 8:61).
- (b) 161-24151. Adult banded by G. M. Bowker on Griffith Island, Port Fairy, Vic. on 31 Mar. 72. Found dead on Merewether Beach, Newcastle, NSW on 10 Nov. 79, over 8 years 7 months after banding. 1 060 km ENE.

White-faced Storm-Petrel *Pelagodroma marina*

- (a) 050-43299. Adult banded by H. Battam on Tollgate Islands, NSW on 22 Nov. 69. Recaptured at banding place (incubating egg) by S. G. Lane on 5 Dec. 79, over 10 years after banding.
- (b) 050-43308. Adult banded by H. Battam on Tollgate Islands, NSW on 22 Nov. 69. Recaptured at banding place by A. J. Leishman on 5 Dec. 79, over 10 years after banding.
- (c) 050-43317. Adult banded by H. Battam on Tollgate Islands, NSW on 22 Nov. 69. Recaptured at banding place on 5 Jan. 80, over 10 years 1 month after banding. (This is the oldest recovery recorded for the species).

Australian Pelican *Pelicanus conspicillatus*

170-02492. Banded by J. A. K. Lane at Emu Point, Oyster Harbour, near Albany, WA on 30 June 78. Recaptured at Augusta, WA on 15 Dec. 79. 269 km WNW.

Australasian Gannet *Morus serrator*

130-10048. Nestling banded by T. W. Prescott on Lawrence Rocks, Portland, Vic. on 26 Dec. 65. Found dead at Leighton, near Fremantle WA on 7 Oct. 79, over 13 years 9 months after banding. 2 480 km WNW.

Masked Booby *Sula dactylatra*

- (a) 130-15720. Adult banded by H. J. Disney on Philip Island, near Norfolk Island on 26 Nov. 68. Recaptured at banding place by P. D. Coyne on 8 Nov. 79, over 10 years 11 months after banding.
 (b) 131-34693. Nestling banded by B. Miller on Lord Howe Island, NSW on 16 Nov. 78. Recaptured at Newcastle, NSW on 21 Sept. 79. 720 km WSW.

Black-faced Shag *Leucocarbo fuscescens*

- (a) 130-37498. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman at Outer Harbour, SA on 1 July 79. Found dead near Penneshaw, Kangaroo Island, SA on 28 Oct. 79. 119 km SSW.
 (b) 131-11110. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman at Outer Harbour, SA on 3 July 71. Found dead near Largs Bay Jetty, SA on 7 Dec. 79, over 8 years 5 months after banding. 6 km S.
 (c) 131-11223. Nestling banded by H. M. Waterman at Outer Harbour, SA on 3 July 71. Found dead at Henley Beach, SA on 7 Oct. 79, over 8 years 3 months after banding. 16 km S.

Great Cormorant *Phalacrocorax carbo*

131-32355. Nestling banded by N. J. Favaloro at Lake Menindee, NSW on 11 Apr. 79. Found dead at Lakes Entrance, Vic. on 12 Oct. 79. 800 km SE.

Pied Cormorant *Phalacrocorax varius*

- (a) 131-31515. Nestling banded by N. J. Favaloro at Lake Menindee, NSW on 9 July 76. Found dead on Pomana Island, Lake Alexandrina, SA on 22 Oct. 79. 439 km SW.
 (b) 131-33651. Nestling banded by N. J. Favaloro at Lake Menindee, NSW on 11 Apr. 79. Found dead at Lake Alexandrina, SA on 7 Oct. 79. 439 km SW.

Magpie Goose *Anseranas semipalmata*

130-10156. Adult banded by H. J. Frith at Litchfield Creek, NT on 11 Dec. 57. Found shot at banding place on 18 Sept. 79, over 21 years 9 months after banding. (This is the oldest recovery recorded for the species).

Black Swan *Cygnus atratus*

140-34290. Immature banded by R. J. Thomas at Lake Wendouree, Ballarat, Vic. on 14 Jan. 74. Recaptured at Lake Guthridge, Sale, Vic. on 22 Sept. 79, over 5 years 8 months after banding. 300 km ESE.

Cape Barren Goose *Cereopsis novaehollandiae*

150-28966. Juvenile banded by R. B. Jenkins at Stickney, SA on 18 Sept. 79. Found dead near Sellicks Hill, SA on 10 Jan. 80. 213 km ESE.

Sharp-tailed Sandpiper *Calidris acuminata*

040-35197. Banded by F. W. C. van Gessel at Stockton, near Newcastle, NSW on 12 Jan. 74. Recaptured near banding place by A. J. Leishman on 16 Feb. 80, over 6 years 1 month after banding.

Red-necked Stint *Calidris ruficollis*

- (a) 032-12241. Banded by S. G. Lane at Stockton, near Newcastle, NSW on 22 Oct. 76. Recaptured by C. D. T. Minton at Lauderdale, Tas. on 24 Nov. 79. 1 200 km SSW.
 (b) 032-14781. Adult banded by VWSG near Werribee, Vic. on 6 Nov. 78. Recaptured by J. G. K. Harris at Pipe Clay Lagoon, near Lauderdale, Tas. on 22 Nov. 79. 610 km SSE.
 (c) 032-19340. Juvenile banded by VWSG near Werribee, Vic. on 13 Apr. 79. Recaptured at Yallock Creek, Westernport Bay, Vic. on 22 Dec. 79. 85 km ESE.

Curlew Sandpiper *Calidris ferrunginea*

- (a) 040-35192. Banded by F. W. C. van Gessel at Stockton, near Newcastle, NSW on 12 Jan. 74. Recaptured at Yallock Creek, Westernport Bay, Vic. on 22 Dec. 79, over 5 years 11 months after banding. 810 km SW.
 (b) 040-50640. Banded by S. G. Lane at Stockton, near Newcastle, NSW on 17 Feb. 73. Recaptured at banding place by A. J. Leishman on 16 Feb. 80, over 6 years 11 months after banding.
 (c) 040-91695. Banded by S. G. Lane at Stockton, near Newcastle, NSW on 11 Dec. 76. Recaptured by VWSG at Yallock Creek, Westernport Bay, Vic. on 22 Dec. 79. 810 km SW.
 (d) 040-95399. Juvenile banded by VWSG near Werribee, Vic. on 11 Mar. 79. Recaptured by F. W. C. van Gessel at Stockton, near Newcastle, NSW on 30 Nov. 79. 850 km NE.

Fairy Tern *Sterna nereis*

040-28370. Runner banded by J. R. Wheeler at Corio Bay, Geelong, Vic. on 28 Jan. 66. Recaptured at The Spit, Werribee, Vic. on 5 Feb. 78, over 12 years after banding. 13 km NE.

Crested Tern *Sterna bergii*

- (a) 070-57993. Runner banded by D. B. Mack at Beachport, SA on 28 Dec. 63. Found dead near Werribee, Vic. on 13 Dec. 79, over 15 years 11 months after banding. 410 km E.
 (b) 070-64267. Nestling banded by D. E. Barnes at Lipson Cove, SA on 19 Jan. 64. Recaptured at banding place on 9 Dec. 79, over 15 years 10 months after banding.

Black Noddy *Anous minutus*

061-05388. Adult banded by M. K. Tarburton at Vatu-i-Ra, Fiji (17°44'S., 178°29'E.) on 2 Oct. 75. Found dead on Castaway Island, Fiji (17°37'S., 177°15'E.) on 16 Oct. 79, over 4 years after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for the species).

Torresian Imperial-Pigeon *Ducula spilorrhoa*

- (a) 100-14270. Nestling banded by F. Crome at Low Islets, Port Douglas, Qld (16°32'S., 145°29'E.) on 24 Nov. 72. Killed by inhabitants of Birwar Laut Village, Irian Jaya, Indonesia (5°32'S., 138°18'E.) about 10 Sept. 79. 1 300 km NW.

(b) 100-14275. Nestling banded by F. Crome at Low Islets, Port Douglas, Qld (16°32'S., 145°29'E.) on 24 Nov. 72. Killed by inhabitants of Birwar Laut Village, Irian Jaya, Indonesia (5°32'S., 138°18'E.) about 10 Sept. 79. 1 300 km NW. (These are the longest movements recorded for this species.)

Laughing Kookaburra *Dacelo novaeguineae*

090-38023. Adult banded by B. Baker at Hughes, ACT on 7 Aug. 71. Recaptured near banding place on 16 Jan. 80, over 8 years 5 months after banding.

Rufous Whistler *Pachycephala rufiventris*

(a) 030-91626. Adult male banded by S. G. Lane at Scheyville near Windsor, NSW on 16 Oct. 71. Recaptured at banding place six times, the last occasion by G. R. Cam on 12 Jan. 80, over 8 years 2 months after banding.

(b) 030-96501. Adult male banded by S. G. Lane at North Ryde, NSW on 10 Nov. 68. Recaptured at banding place three times, the last occasion on 9 Feb. 80, over 11 years 2 months after banding.

White-browed Scrubwren *Sericornis frontalis*

022-05903. Adult male banded by S. G. Lane at Scheyville near Windsor, NSW on 24 Nov. 73. Recaptured at banding place three times, the last occasion on 12 Jan. 80, over 6 years 1 month after banding.

Red Wattlebird *Anthochaera carunculata*

071-42693. Immature banded by D. Dorward at Burwood, Vic. on 22 Apr. 79. Recovered at Lower Plenty, Vic. on 21 Oct. 79. 12 km NNW.

White-checked Honeyeater *Phylidonyris nigra*

031-96818. Immature banded by T. H. Alley near Lennox Head, NSW on 5 July 79. Recaptured by J. Willows at Byron Bay, NSW on 17 Oct. 79. 17 km N.

Eastern Spinebill *Acanthorhynchus tenuirostris*

012-52017. Adult male banded by S. G. Lane at Lane Cove, NSW on 10 Nov. 73. Recaptured at banding place on 28 Jan. 80, over 6 years 2 months after banding.

House Sparrow *Passer domesticus*

031-38791. Banded by C. R. Jenkin at Blackwood, SA on 28 Dec. 74. Found dead near banding place on 14 Dec. 79, over 4 years 11 months after banding.

Common Starling *Sturnus vulgaris*

060-88195. Adult banded by C. R. Jenkin at Blackwood, SA on 26 Mar. 74. Found dead (decomposed) at Belair, SA on 4 Oct. 79, over 5 years 5 months after banding. 3 km NNE.

White-winged Chough

Corcorax melanorhamphos

090-03957. Banded by G. Massey at Cooma, NSW on 25 Aug. 74. Found dead near Berridale, NSW on 27 June 79. 10 km NW.

Pied Currawong *Strepera graculina*

090-27223. Banded by A. Marsland at Bogong, Vic. on 2 Oct. 78. Found shot at Rutherglen, Vic on 21 Oct. 79. 108 km NW.

Colour-banding of Pacific Gulls

A number of runner and free-flying Pacific Gulls *Larus pacificus*, have been banded near Flinders Island, Tasmania, and on the islands off Wilsons Promontory, Victoria. All birds have a CSIRO numbered metal band. Some birds have one colour band on the leg not holding the metal band while others have two colour bands on this leg and one colour band over the metal band. All bands were placed on the tarsus.

Information required is as follows:

date

locality

Colour of the leg band (s)

the leg the bands are on

Care should be exercised to confirm the identification of the gull as Kelp Gulls are being colour-banded by other workers.

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