# RECOVERY ROUND-UP

This section is prepared with the co-operation of the Secretary, Australian Bird and Bat Banding Scheme. 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 in part without the 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).

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

Hon. Asst. Editor.

The following abbreviations appear in this issue:

ABBBS — Australian Bird and Bat Banding Scheme. NPWLS, SA — National Parks and Wildlife Service, South Australia.

SSG (BOAT) — Shorebird Study Group of the Bird Observers Association of Tasmania.

VWSG - Victorian Wader Study Group.

# Little Penguin Eudyptula minor

(a) 190-16902. Adult banded by P. Dann on Phillip Island, Vic. on 28 Nov. 82. Found dead (for several days) at Badger Box Beach, King Island, Bass Strait, Tas. by D. Whitchurch on 2 Oct. 84, 200 km SW.

(b) 190-18100. Adult banded by P. Dann on Gabo Island, Vic. on 9 Jan. 83. Found dead at Portarlington, Vic. on 3 July 84. 455 km WSW.

# Wandering Albatross Diomedea exulans

(a) 140-33494. Banded by J. D. Gibson off Wollongong, NSW (34°24′S., 151°00′E.) on 12 Aug. 78. Recaptured as male (at nest) on Marion Island (46°54′S., 37°45′E.) on 17 Dec. 84, over 6 years 4 months after banding, 8 700 km SW.

(b) 140-37693. Banded by J. D. Gibson off Bellambi, NSW (34°22'S., 150°56'E.) on 17 Aug. 60. Recaptured five times, the first four within 10 km of banding place and the last occasion on Marion Island (46°54'S., 37°45'E.) on 26 Nov. 84, over 24 years 3 months after banding. 8 700 km SW.

#### Shy Albatross Diomedea cauta

(a) 140-45878. Nestling banded by N. P. Brothers on Albatross Island, Tas. on 31 Dec. 80. Found dead near Eastern View, Vic. on 18 June 84. 220 km NNW.

(b) 280-03632. Nestling banded by N. P. Brothers Mewstone, Tas. (43°44′S., 146°23′E.) on 10 Mar. 84. Recovered sick (later died) at Huisklip, Tsitsikama River mouth, Eastern Cape, South Africa (34°08′S., 24°26′E.) on 11 Nov. 84. 9 800 km W.

(c) 280-03933. Nestling banded by N. P. Brothers on Albatross Island, Tas. on 1 Apr. 84. Found dead at Shallow Inlet, Waratah Bay, Vic. on 8 May 84, 220

km NE.

## Wedge-tailed Shearwater Puffinus pacificus

(a) 160-87961. Nestling banded by P. J. Fullagar on Montagu Island, NSW on 1 Apr. 73. Found "dead on beach with 19 other similar birds" on Beecroft Peninsula, NSW on 1 Nov. 84, over 11 years 7 months after banding. 160 km NNE.

(b) 161-16866. Adult banded by S. G. Lane on Bird Island, NSW on 27 Dec. 71. Found dead at Whale Beach, NSW on 1 Dec. 84, over 12 years 11 months

after banding. 50 km SSW.

## Short-tailed Shearwater Puffinus tenuirostris

160-75936. Nestling banded by G. E. Gayner on Griffith Island, Port Fairy, Vic. (38°23'S., 142°14'E.) on 24 Apr. 82. "Two feet and some breast feathers found" on Middleton Island, Alaska (59°29'N., 146°28'W.) on 30 July 83. 12 655 km NNE. (This is the longest recorded movement for this species).

## White-faced Storm-Petrel Pelagodroma marina

(a) 050-34531. Nestling banded by A. Middleton on Mud Islands, Port Phillip Bay, Vic. on 31 Jan. 65. Recovered "dead approximately two months" at banding place by P. Menkhorst on 26 Nov. 84, over 19 years 9 months after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species).

(b) 050-41882. Nestling banded by J. R. Wheeler on South Channel Island, Port Phillip Bay, Vic. on 8 Jan. 74. Found dead near Point Lonsdale, Vic. on 20 Oct. 84, over 10 years 9 months after banding. 20 km

WNW.

#### Australasian Gannet Morus serrator

(a) 130-60090. Runner banded by J. R. Wheeler at Lawrence Rocks, Portland, Vic. on 26 Dec. 66. Found dead at Levy's Point, Warrnambool, Vic. on 5 Dec. 84, over 17 years 11 months after banding. 70 km E.

(b) 130-66613. Adult banded by V. H. Yeoman at Lawrence Rocks, Portland, Vic. on 26 Dec. 71. Found dead between Merricks Beach and Balnarring Beach, near Balnarring, Vic. on 30 Oct. 84, over 12 years 10 months after banding. 300 km E.

#### Cattle Egret Ardeola ibis

100-39681. Nestling banded by J. Willows near Grafton, NSW on 29 Dec. 81. Found dead near Taree, NSW in Aug. 83, 252 km S.

## Rufous Night Heron Nycticorax caledonicus

110-89164. Juvenile banded by B. R. King on Raine Island, Great Barrier Reef, Old (11°36'S., 144°01'E.) on 8 April 84. Shot at Kinomere Village, Papua New Guinea (7°35'S., 144°37'E.). Finder's letter received 5 June 84. 450 km N.

#### Magpie Goose Anseranas semipalmata

130-10516. Female banded by D. G. Tulloch at Beatrice Hill, NT on 18 Dec. 59. Shot near banding place on 7 Oct. 84, over 24 years 10 months after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species.)

# Pacific Black Duck Anas superciliosa

- (a) 110-12214. Adult female banded by S. Briggs at Barrenbox Swamp, NSW on 24 Feb. 84. Shot at Wakool, NSW on 11 May 84. 200 km SW.
- (b) 110-55435. Immature male banded by NPWS, SA at Bool Lagoon, SA on 18 Feb. 84. Shot at Pt Sturt, SA on 15 June 84. 138 km NW.
- (c) 110-86004. Adult male banded by P. J. Fullagar at Gungahlin, A.C.T. on 7 June 82. Shot near Wodonga, Vic. on 10 Mar. 84, 217 km WSW.

# Whistling Kite Haliastur sphenurus

110-90322. Adult banded by A. Hertog at Kings Swamp, NT on 9 Sept .78. Found dead at Winnellie, NT on 1 Jan. 85, over 6 years 3 months after banding. 18 km W.

# Brown Goshawk Accipiter fasciatus

100-83219. Immature female banded by T. Aumann at Macclesfield, Vic. on 28 Jan. 83. "Found in dam" at Gembrook, Vic. on 18 Sept. 84. 12 km NW.

# Wedge-tailed Eagle Aquila cudax

150-27647. Nestling banded by N. J. Favaloro at Mt Camel, Vic. on 10 Oct. 77. Found dead at Mt Wombat, near Euroa, Vic. in Oct. 83, 6 years after banding. 70 km ESE. (This is the oldest recorded for for this species.)

# Australian Kestrel Falco cenchroides

082-44579. Banded by J. W. Hardy at Richmond, NSW on 28 Dec. 82. "Found dead on road" at North Richmond, NSW about 1 June 84. 3 km WNW.

# Pied Oystercatcher Haematopus longirostris

100-81172. Adult banded by VWSG at The Spit, Werribee, Vic. on 28 Apr. 79. Found dead on Swan Island, Vic. on 7 Sept. 84, over 5 years 4 months after banding. 26 km NNE.

#### **Double-banded Plover** Charadrius bicinctus

040-92778. Banded by S. G. Lane at Stockton, NSW (32°56'S., 151°47'E.) on 12 Apr. 80. Recaptured (breeding) at McCaulay River, New Zealand (43°43'S., 170°34'E.) by R. J. Pierce on 19 Nov. 84. 2 000 km SE. (This is the longest recorded movement for this species.)

# Sharp-tailed Sandpiper Calidris acuminata

051-11062. Banded by S. G. Lane at Stockton, near Newcastle, NSW on 21 Mar. 81. Recaptured at Queenscliff, Vic. by VWSG on 26 Feb. 84 and 27 Jan. 85. 890 km SW.

## Red-necked Stint Calidris ruficollis

- (a) 032-10052. Juvenile banded by VWSG at Werribee, Vic. on 13 Apr. 79. Recaptured at Little Boomer, Blackman Bay, Tas. twice, the last occasion by SSG (BOAT) on 27 Nov. 83. 605 km SSE.
- (b) 032-26374. Adult banded by VWSG at Werribee, Vic. on 9 Nov. 80. Recaptured at Ralphs Bay West, Tas. by SSG (BOAT) on 18 Mar. 84, 620 km SSE.
- (c) 032-33570. Juvenile banded by VWSG at Inverloch, Anderson's Inlet, Vic. on 15 Nov. 81. Recaptured at Ralphs Bay West, Tas. by SSG (BOAT) on 18 Mar. 84. 500 km SSE.

- (d) 032-35634. Banded by VWSG at Werribee, Vic. on 2 Oct. 82. Recaptured at Ralphs Bay West, Tas. by SSG (BOAT) on 18 Mar. 84, 620 km SSE.
- (e) 032-35890. Adult banded by VWSG at Werribee, Vic. on 3 Oct. 82. Recaptured at Pipeclay Lagoon, Tas. by SSG (BOAT) on 18 Dec. 83, 610 km SSE.
- (f) 032-38867. Juvenile banded by VWSG at Barry Beach, Corner Inlet, Vic. on 9 Jan. 83. Recaptured at Ralphs Bay West, Tas. by SSG (BOAT) on 18 Mar. 84. 490 km SSE.

# Silver Gull Larus novaehollandiae

- (a) 081-00500. Runner banded by L. E. Wall at Sorell, Tas. on 3 Jan. 65. Found dead at Richmond, Tas. on 6 July 83, over 18 years 6 months after banding. 12 km WNW.
- (b) 081-83191. Runner banded by W. T. Sweeney on Big Island, Five Islands, off Port Kembla, NSW on 6 Nov. 82. Found dead at Bonna Point, Botany Bay, NSW on 8 Oct. 84. 60 km NE.
- (c) 081-86533. Nestling banded by D. G. Nicholls on Mud Islands, Port Phillip Bay, Vic. on 28 Oct. 83. Found dead at St. Helens Football Ground, Tas. on 28 June 84, 465 km SE.

# Pacific Gull Larus pacificus

- (a) 110-90470. Runner banded by B. Robertson on Shell-back Island, Wilson's Promontory, Vic. on 30 Dec.
  83. Recovered injured at Lakes Entrance, Vic. on 23 Nov. 84, 195 km NE.
- (b) 110-90490. Runner banded by B. Robertson on Kanowna Island, Vic. on 6 Jan. 84. Recovered "partly decomposed" at Somers, Western Port, Vic. on approximately 20 Oct. 84. 130 km NW.

## Whiskered Tern Chlidonias hybridus

050-83776. Adult banded by K. Shureliff at ICI Saltfields, SA on 15 Feb. 80. Found dead at Killanoola, 20 km SSW of Bool Lagoon Game Reserve, SA on 6 Jan. 85, 340 km SE.

#### Little Tern Sterna albifrons

040-94425. Runner banded by J. Vincent at Lakes Entrance, Vic. on 21 Jan. 79. Recovered (nesting) near banding place on 15 Jan. 85, over 5 years 11 months after banding.

#### Fairy Tern Sterna nereis

- (a) 040-28419. Nestling banded by J. R. Wheeler at Queenscliff, Vic. on 7 Jan. 76. Recaptured by VWSG at banding place on 26 June 83, over 7 years 6 months after banding.
- (b) 040-28437. Nestling banded by J. R. Wheeler at Mooslap, Vic. on 10 Jan. 76. Recaptured by VWSG at Queenscliff, Vic. on 26 June 83, over 7 years 5 months after banding. 25 km SE.
- (c) 040-68666. Nestling banded by VWSG at Werribee, Vic. on 19 Jan. 82. Recaptured by VWSG at Queenscliff, Vic. on 26 June 83. 25 km SSE.
- (d) 040-68680. Nestling banded by VWSG at Werribee, Vic. on 19 Jan. 82. Recaptured by VWSG at Queenscliff, Vic. on 26 June, 83. 25 km SSE.

## Crested Tern Sterna bergii

(a) 071-02028. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Penguin Island, Beachport, SA on 23 Dec. 67. "Hit by car" at Frankston, Vic. on 9 Sept. 84, over 16 years 8 months after banding, 450 km ESE.

- (b) 071-07513. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Stonywell Island, The Coorong, SA on 29 Dec. 68. Found dead in bush (about 10-14 days) on West Island, SA by J. B. Paton on 4 Jan. 84, over 15 years after banding. 90 km WNW.
- (c) 071-25297. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Stonywell Island, The Coorong, SA on 3 Dec. 83. Found dead at Georgetown, Tas. on 30 Aug. 84. 860 km SE.
- (d) 071-26081. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Stonywell Island, The Coorong, SA on 7 Dec. 74. Found dead (for a week or more) at Burrill Lake, NSW on 28 Aug. 84, over 9 years 8 months after banding, 1 000 km E.
- (e) 071-31327. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Stonywell Island, The Coorong, SA on 16 Dec. 70. Recovered dead at Bawley Point, NSW about 10 Sept. 84, over 13 years 8 months after banding. 1 000 km E.
- (f) 071-54054. Runner banded by J. W. Hardy on Big Island, Five Islands, off Port Kembla, NSW on 19 Nov. 83. "Attacked by Osprey" (later died) at Boulder Beach, Lennox Head, NSW on 19 Aug. 84. 700 km NNE.

## Crested Pigeon Ocyphaps lophotes

080-83038. Banded by D. McIntosh at Youngs Crossing, Qld on 19 Aug. 84. "Trapped in fowl yard" at Narangba, Qld on 18 Sept. 84. 7 km N.

# Eastern Yellow Robin Eopsaltria australis

C22-10491. Immature banded by T. H. Hughes at Cumberland State Forest, West Pennant Hills, NSW on 19 Jan. 78. Recaptured at banding place three times, the last occasion by J. W. Hardy on 22 Sept. 84, over 6 years 8 months after banding.

## Golden Whistler Pachycephala pectoralis

631-29391. Banded by T. H. Hughes at Cumberland State Forest, West Pennant Hills, NSW on 28 Feb. 76. Recaptured as adult female four times, the last occasion by D. Geering on 13 Jan. 85, over 8 years 10 months after banding.

#### Rufous Whistler Pachycephala rufiventris

- (a) 031-90007. Banded by S. G. Lane near Appin, NSW on 15 Dec. 73. Recaptured (adult female) at banding place four times, the last occasion by A. J. Leishman on 27 Oct. 84, over 10 years 10 months after banding.
- (b) 031-90053. Adult male banded by S. G. Lane near Appin, NSW on 28 Dec. 75. Recaptured at banding place by A. J. Leishman on 27 Oct. 84, 8 years 10 months after banding.

#### Little Shrike-thrush Colluricincla megarhyncha

040-66553. Adult banded by D. I. Smedley at Iluka, NSW on 29 Mar. 75. Recaptured at banding place four times, the last occasion by G. D. Bell on 30 Dec. 84, over 9 years 9 months after banding.

#### Grey Shrike-thrush Colluricincla harmonica

050-79804. Adult male banded by P. J. Thomas at Blue Gum Swamp Creek, Winmalee, NSW on 15 Apr. 79. Recaptured at banding place three times, the last occasion by W. T. Sweeney on 17 Feb. 85, over 5 years 10 months after banding.

## Rufous Fantail Rhipidura rufifrons

013-27641. Adult banded by P. J. Thomas at Blue Gum Swamp Creek, Winmalee, NSW on 26 Nov. 78. Recaptured at banding place six times, the last occasion by W. T. Sweeney on 17 Feb. 85, over 6 years 2 months after banding.

## White-throated Treecreeper

Climacteris leucophaea

031-23488. Banded by A. K. Morris at Munghorn Gap Nature Reserve, near Mudgee, NSW on 22 Oct. 74. Recaptured at banding place three times, the last occasion by G. D. Bell on 27 Jan. 84, over 9 years 8 months after banding.

## Red Wattlebird Anthochaera carunculata

070-55333. Adult banded by R. Zann at La Trobe University, Bundoora, Vic. on 21 Sept. 82. "Found dead (for a week or two) on roof of house" at Emerald, Vic. on 9 Oct. 84. 40 km SE.

## Lewin's Honeyeater Meliphaga lewinii

040-69015. Banded by S. G. Lane at Moonee, near Coffs Harbour, NSW on 7 May 83. Recaptured at Iluka, NSW by G. D. Bell on 30 Dec. 84. 108 km NNE. (This is the longest recorded movement for this species.)

#### Yellow-tufted Honeyeater

Lichenostomus melanops

031-55077. Immature banded by A. J. Leishman near Appin, NSW on 17 July 83. Recaptured at Lucas Heights, NSW by J. E. Martin on 9 Sept. 84. 21 km NE.

#### **New Holland Honeyeater**

Phylidonyris novaehollandiae

- (a) 031-35838. Banded by H. Ford at Hale Conservation Park, SA on 26 July 75. Recaptured at banding place by T. J. Bradley on 27 Dec. 83, over 8 years 5 months after banding.
- (b) 031-51134. Juvenile banded by P. J. Thomas at Blue Gum Swamp Creek, Winmalee, NSW on 7 Aug. 77. Recaptured at banding place five times, the last occasion by W. T. Sweeney on 17 Feb. 85, over 7 years 6 months after banding.
- (c) 031-72651. Banded by T. J. Bradley at Cromer Conservation Park, SA on 2 Oct. 82. Recaptured three times, the first at banding place on 9 Jan. 83, the second at Hale Conservation Park on 17 June 83 (12 km NW), the last occasion at banding place on 2 Oct. 83.
- (d) 031-76149. Banded by J. W. Hardy at Munghorn Gap Nature Reserve near Mudgee, NSW on 27 Jan. 85. Recaptured at Blue Gum Swamp Creek, Winmalee, NSW by W. T. Sweeney on 17 Feb. 85, 170 km SSE. (This is the longest recorded movement of this species).

#### Regent Bowerbird Sericulus chrysocephalus

061-06489. Female banded by G. P. Clancy at Iluka, NSW on 29 Oct. 78. Recaptured at banding place by G. D. Bell on 31 Dec. 84, over 6 years 2 months after banding.