

# 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:

NSW NPWS — New South Wales National Parks and Wildlife Service.

NSW WSG — New South Wales Wader Study Group.

VWSG — Victorian Wader Study Group.

## King Penguin *Aptenodytes patagonicus*

260-00755. Nestling banded by K. Green on Heard Island (53°08'S, 73°43'E) on 12 Nov. 92. Recaptured, released alive with band, on Iles Kerguelen, South Indian Ocean (49°20'S, 70°15'E) on 27 Jan. 93, 486 km NNW.

## Little Penguin *Eudyptula minor*

190-55793. Adult (1+) banded by Taronga Zoo on Lion Island, Pittwater, NSW on 16 July 90. Recaptured dead at Budgewoi Beach, NSW by A. K. Morris on 22 Feb. 94, 42 km NNE.

## Wandering Albatross *Diomedea exulans*

(a) 140-26315. Banded by H. Battam off Malabar, NSW (33°58'S, 151°20'E) on 18 Oct. 69. Recaptured, on nest, released alive with band on Antipodes Island, New Zealand (49°40'S, 178°48'E) on 2 Mar. 94, over 24 years 4 months after banding, 2 841 km SE.

(b) 140-37916. Banded by D. Gibson off Austinmer, NSW (34°18'S, 150°58'E) on 10 Aug. 69. Recaptured, released alive with band on Adams Islands, Auckland Islands, New Zealand (50°55'S, 166°00'E) on 9 Feb. 94, over 24 years 5 months after banding, 2 210 km SSE.

(c) BS4762\*. Banded on Ile de L'est Crozets, Indian Ocean (46°25'S, 52°12'E) on 1 Dec. 71. Recaptured (released alive with band) at sea off Bellambi, NSW (34°20'S, 151°00'E) by H. Battam on 6 Sep. 93, over 21 years 9 months after banding, 7 921 km SSE.

\*French Banding Scheme band.

## Yellow-nosed Albatross

### *Diomedea chlororhynchos*

(a) CF18299\*. Nestling banded on Ile Amsterdam, Indian Ocean (37°50'S, 77°51'E) on 1 Apr. 82. Recaptured at sea off Wollongong, NSW (34°36'S, 151°18'E) by H. Battam on 13 June 94, over 12 years 2 months after banding, 6 421 km ESE.

(b) CF34518\*. Nestling banded on Ile Amsterdam, Indian Ocean (37°50'S, 77°51'E) on 29 Mar. 93. Recaptured due south of Kangaroo Island, SA (36°34'S, 137°46'E) by M. H. Waterman on 19 Apr. 94, 5 213 km ESE.

\*French banding scheme band

## Short-tailed Shearwater *Puffinus tenuirostris*

161-03556/50648\*. Nestling banded by D. L. Serventy on Fisher Island, Bass Strait, Tas. in Mar. 57. Recaptured (male) at banding place during most successive breeding seasons since first breeding in Nov. 63, the last occasion on 12 Dec. 94, over 37 years 9 months after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species).

\*Tasmanian Animals and Birds Protection Board Band

## Australasian Gannet *Morus serrator*

(a) M56901\*. Juvenile banded on White Island, Bay of Plenty, New Zealand (37°31'S, 177°12'E) on 30 Jan. 94. Recovered dead near mouth of Manning River (31°59'S, 152°34'E) on 1 Apr. 94, 2 325 km W.

(b) M56986\*. Juvenile banded on White Island, Bay of Plenty, New Zealand (37°31'S, 177°12'E) on 30 Jan. 94. Recovered dead at Emerald Beach, NSW (30°10'S, 153°11'E) on 14 Mar. 94, 2 355 km WNW.

## Masked Booby *Sula dactylatra*

131-84343. Nestling banded by O. R. Evans on Philip Island, Norfolk Island (29°07'S, 167° 57'E) on 3 Dec. 93. Recovered dead at Pourina, New Caledonia (20°30'S, 164°30'E) on 6 June 94, 1 019 km NNW.

## Red-tailed Tropicbird *Phaethon rubricauda*

(a) 091-03717. Adult (1+) banded by B. R. King on Raine Island, Qld on 7 Nov. 79. Recaptured at banding place by D. A. Milton on 6 Dec. 93, over 14 years after banding. (This is the longest elapsed time recorded for this species).

(b) 200-00261. Adult (1+) banded by B. R. King on Raine Island, Qld on 9 June 81. Recaptured at banding place by D. A. Milton on 6 Dec. 93, over 12 years, 5 months after banding.

**Intermediate Egret** *Egretta intermedia*

101–10456. Nestling banded by G. R. Cam at Wilgara/Sandy Camp, Macquarie Marshes, NSW (30°55'S, 147°44'E) on 8 Jan. 94. Recaptured, released alive with band, at Laloki Research Station, near Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea (09°20'S, 147°15'E) on 27 May 94. 2 400 km N.

**Cattle Egret** *Ardeola ibis*

101–13328. Nestling banded by D. J. Geering at Bundaberg, Qld on 6 Jan. 94. Recovered dead at Buckenbowra, NSW on 25 June 94. 1 222 km S.

**Wedge-tailed Eagle** *Aquila audax*

150–29446. Adult (1+) female banded by P. R. Pain near Margaret River, WA on 11 Oct. 93. Recovered sick, later released with band, at Kalbarri, WA on 7 Dec. 93. 702 km N.

**Australian Hobby** *Falco longipennis*

082–51607. Adult (2+) female banded by P. R. Pain near Margaret River, WA on 30 July 93. Recovered dead south of Lake Grace, WA on 7 Aug. 93. 322 km ENE.

**Great Knot** *Calidris tenuirostris*

(a) 061–87275. Adult (1+) banded by P. V. Driscoll on Bishop Island, mouth of Brisbane River, Qld (27°21'S, 153°10'E) on 3 Mar. 91. Recovered dead (tangled in fishing gear) at Manila Bay, Philippines (14°30'N, 120°58'E) on 1 May 94. 5 805 km NW.

(b) 062–09539. Adult (1+) banded by P. V. Driscoll on Bishop Island, mouth of Brisbane River, Qld (27°21'S, 153°10'E) on 20 Mar. 93. Recovered dead (tangled in fishing gear) at Manila Bay, Philippines (14°30'N, 120°58'E) on 1 May 94. 5 805 km NW.

**Curlew Sandpiper** *Calidris ferruginea*

040–71883. Adult (1+) banded by F. W. C. van Gessel on Kooragang Island, Newcastle, NSW on 8 Nov. 80. Recaptured at banding place by D. J. Geering (NSW WSG) on 29 Nov. 94, over 14 years after banding.

**Little Tern** *Sterna albifrons*

(a) 040–91802. Adult (1+) banded by S. G. Lane on Kooragang Island, Newcastle NSW on 19 Mar. 77. Recaptured at banding place by D. J. Geering (NSW WSG) on 13 Nov. 94, over 17 years 6 months after banding.

(b) 040–92370. Runner banded by A. J. Leishman on Coniston Beach, Port Kembla, NSW on 23 Jan. 83. Recaptured (on nest) at Towra Point, NSW by NSW NPWS on 7 Dec. 94, over 11 years 11 months after banding. 57 km N.

**Crested Tern** *Sterna bergii*

(a) 071–09454. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Stoneywell Island, SA on 14 Dec. 69. Recovered (band number read in field, bird not trapped) by W. C. Wakefield on Spectacle Island, Frederick Henry Bay, Tas. on 13 Feb. 94, over 24 years 1 month after banding. 1 035 km SE.

**Peaceful Dove** *Geopelia placida*

051–34429. Adult (1+) banded by M. Clayton at Charcoal Tank Nature Reserve, West Wyalong, NSW on 10 Feb. 90. Recaptured at banding place three times, the last occasion on 16 Oct. 94, over 4 years 8 months after banding.

**Eastern Yellow Robin** *Eopsaltria australis*

023–26226. Adult (1+) banded by G. D. Bell at Munghorn Gap Nature Reserve, near Mudgee NSW on 26 Jan. 85. Recaptured at banding place eight times, the last occasion by R. Jacobs on 27 Jan. 95, over 10 years after banding.

**Grey Shrike-thrush** *Colluricincla harmonica*

050–19475. Adult (2+) male banded by M. Clayton at Charcoal Tank Nature Reserve, West Wyalong, NSW on 18 Jan. 87. Recaptured at banding place twice, the last occasion on 21 May 94, over 7 years 4 months after banding.

**Willie Wagtail** *Rhipidura leucophrys*

033–01205. Adult (1+) banded by N. Schrader at Charcoal Tank Nature Reserve, West Wyalong, NSW on 9 Dec. 89. Recaptured at banding place twice, the last occasion by M. Clayton on 17 Sep. 93, over 4 years 9 months after banding.

**Spiny-cheeked Honeyeater**  
*Acanthagenys rufogularis*

050–95430. Immature (2–) banded by K. W. Lowe at Charcoal Tank Nature Reserve, West Wyalong, NSW on 7 Sep. 86. Recaptured at banding place by M. Clayton on 16 Oct. 94, over 8 years 1 month after banding.

**White-plumed Honeyeater**  
*Lichenostomus penicillatus*

(a) 023–31454. Adult (2+) banded by K. W. Lowe at Charcoal Tank Nature Reserve, West Wyalong, NSW on 6 July 86. Recaptured at banding place 10 times, the last occasion by A. Heuchmer, on 9 Sep. 94, over 8 years 2 months after banding.

(b) 023–31460. Adult (2+) banded by K. W. Lowe at Charcoal Tank Nature Reserve, West Wyalong, NSW on 6 July 86. Recaptured at banding place 18 times, the last occasion by J. Dale, on 9 Sep. 94, over 8 years 2 months after banding.

**Mistletoebird** *Dicaeum hirundinaceum*

015–55684. Adult banded at Munghorn Gap Nature Reserve, near Mudgee, NSW on 26 Nov. 88. Recaptured at banding place four times, the last occasion by R. Jacobs on 28 Jan. 95, over 6 years 2 months after banding.