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# **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. NZWSG — New Zealand Wader Study Group. PSG — Penguin Study Group. VWSG — Victorian Wader Study Group.

# Little Penguin Eudyptula minor

- (a) 190–13370. Nestling banded by PSG at Penguin Parade, Phillip Island, Vic. on 5 Dec. 80. Recovered dead (tangled in fishing gear) at Port Phillip Bay, Vic. on 4 June 95, over 14 years 5 months after banding. 67 km NW.
- (b) 190–17141. Nestling banded by PSG on Phillip Island, Vic. on 5 Dec. 82. Recovered dead at Rye Beach, Vic. on 23 July 95, over 12 years 7 months after banding. 30 km WNW.
- (c) 190–66252. Immature (1) banded by Taronga Zoo on Lion Island, Broken Bay, NSW on 11 Nov. 94. Recovered dead at Discovery Bay, Vic. on 20 July 95. 1 050 km WSW.

#### Wandering Albatross Diomedea exulans

140–37346. Banded by S. G. Lane off Malabar, NSW (33°58'S, 151°16'E) on 19 Aug. 72. Recaptured, released alive with band, on Adams Island, Auckland Islands, New Zealand (50°55'S, 166°00'E) on 9 Feb. 94, over 21 years 5 months after banding.

CF4972\*. Adult (1+) banded on Iles Kerguelen, South Indian Ocean (49°20'S, 70°15'E) on 7 Jan. 66. Recovered dead at Sandy Bay, Tas. (40°57'S, 147°19'E) on 26 Dec. 94, over 28 years 11 months after banding. 5 848 km ESE.

\*French Banding Scheme band.

## Southern Giant-Petrel Macronectes giganteus

81 806549\*. Nestling banded at Admiralty Bay, King George Island, Antarctica (62°01′S, 58°03′W) on 20 Feb. 95. Recovered dead at Singleton Beach, South of Rockingham, WA (32°27′S, 115°45′E) on 10 July 95. 9 494 km S.

\*USA Banding Scheme band.

## Flesh-footed Shearwater Puffinus carneipes

161–60320. Banded "First year or older" by B. Thompson at Neds Beach, Lord Howe Island on 23 Nov. 78. Recaptured at banding place by S. G. Lane on 8 Apr. 94, over 15 years 4 months after banding.

## Australian Pelican Pelecanus conspicillatus

170–02569. Adult (1+) banded by J. A. K. Lane at the Chimneys, Peel Inlet, WA on 7 Sep. 78. Recovered dead at Coongie Lake, SA on 6 June 95, over 16 years 8 months after banding. 2 417 km E.

#### Australasian Gannet Morus serrator

- (a) M53350\*. Juvenile banded on White Island, Bay of Plenty, New Zealand (37°31'S, 177°12'E) on 23 Jan. 92. Recovered dead at Rheban Beach, Tas. (42°38'S, 147°56'E) on 4 June 94. 2 540 km WSW.
- (b) M59341\*. Juvenile banded on White Island, Bay of Plenty, New Zealand (37°31'S, 177°12'E) on 10 Feb. 95. Recovered dead on North Stradbroke Island, Qld (27°35'S, 153°28'E) on 28 Apr. 95. 2 473 km WNW.
- (c) M59423\*. Juvenile banded on White Island, Bay of Plenty, New Zealand (37°31'S, 177°12'E) on 10 Feb. 95. Recovered dead at St Helens, Tas. (42°20'S, 148°15'E) on 10 Mar. 95. 2 513 km WSW.
- (d) M60424\*. Juvenile banded on White Island, Bay of Plenty, New Zealand (37°31'S, 177°12'E) on 18 Feb. 95. Recovered dead between Beachport and Southend, SA (37°32'S, 140°05'E) on 6 Apr. 95. 3 251 km WSW.
- (e) 131–80910. Nestling banded by C. G. Cooper on Lawrence Rocks, Portland, Vic. on 14 Jan. 94. Recovered dead south of Grey, WA on 16 Nov. 94. 2 567 km W.

\*New Zealand Banding Scheme band.

#### Masked Booby Sula dactylatra

131–84505. Nestling banded by O. R. Evans on Philip Island, Norfolk Island (29°07'S, 167°57'E) on 1 Mar. 95. Recaptured, released alive with band, at Yakit Village, Tanna, Vanuatu (19°30'S, 169°18'E) on 20 July 95. 1 078 km N.

## Brown Goshawk Accipiter fasciatus

100–86453. Immature (1) female banded by D. J. Baker-Gabb at Woori Yallock, Vic. on 27 Mar. 84. Recovered sick (rehabilitated and later released alive with band) at Gruyere, Vic. on 30 July 95, over 11 years 4 months after banding. 5 km SSW.

## Bar-tailed Godwit Limosa lapponica

- (a) 071–85364. Immature (1) banded by AWSG at Roebuck Bay, Broome, WA (18°00'S, 122°22'E) on 4 Apr. 88. Recovered dead on Chongming Island, Shanghai, China (31°28'N, 121°27'E) on 17 Apr. 92. 5 500 km N.
- (b) 071–86531. Adult (2+) female banded by AWSG at 80 miles Beach, WA (19°15′S, 121°20′E) on 4 Apr. 90. Recovered dead at east end of Chongming Island, Shanghai, China (31°30′N, 121°52′E) on 15 Apr. 90. 5 642 km N.

#### Red Knot Calidris canutus

- (a) C31161\*. Adult (2+) banded at south-east Kaipara Harbour, New Zealand (36°34'S, 174°26'E) on 28 Feb. 87. Recovered dead at Miao-Gang, Yangtze River Estuary, Shanghai, China (30°52'N, 121°52'E) in Apr. 94, over 7 years 1 month after banding. 9 281 km NW.
- (b) 051–15348. Immature (1) banded by VWSG at Werribee Sewerage Farm, Vic. (38°05'S, 144°31'E) on 18 Jan. 87. Recaptured, released alive with band by NZWSG at south-east Kaipara Harbour, New Zealand (36°34'S, 174°26'E) on 18 Dec. 94, over 7 years 11 months after banding. 2 639 km E.
- (c) 051–18455. Immature (1) banded by VWSG on Swan Island, Queenscliff, Vic. (38°15'S, 144°40'E) on 5 Jan. 86. Recaptured, released alive with band at Nakdong Estuary, Korea (35°08'N, 128°54'E) on 16 Apr. 92, over 6 years 3 months after banding. 8 318 km NNW.
- (d) 051–31296. Adult (2+) banded by P. V. Driscoll on Bishop Island, mouth of Brisbane River, Qld (27°21'S, 153°10'E) on 21 Oct. 90. Recaptured, released alive with band by NZWSG at south-east Kaipara Harbour, New Zealand (36°34'S, 174°26'E) on 7 Mar. 93. 2 245 km ESE.
- (e) 051–56717. Banded by J. J. Thompson at mouth of Brisbane River, Qld (27°22'S, 153°10'E) on 21 Oct. 90. Recaptured, released alive with band by NZWSG at south-east Kaipara Harbour, New Zealand (36°34'S, 174°26'E) on 7 Mar. 93. 2 244 km ESE.
- (f) 051–56759. Adult (1+) banded by P. V. Driscoll at Nudgee Beach, Brisbane, Qld (27°20'S, 153°05°E) on 26 Oct. 92. Recovered dead at Miao-Gang, Yangtze River Estuary, Shanghai, China (30°52'N, 121°52'E) in Apr. 94. 7 268 km NNW.

\*New Zealand Banding Scheme band.

#### Great Knot Calidris tenuirostris

- (a) 061–39743. Adult (2+) banded by WAWSG near Broome, WA (17°58'S, 122°16'E) on 1 Apr. 82. Recovered dead at the east end of Chongming Island, Shanghai, China (31°30'N, 121°52'E) on 21 Apr. 91, over 9 years after banding. 5 499 km N.
- (b) 061–39785. Adult (2) banded by WAWSG at Roebuck Bay, WA (18°04'S, 122°19'E) on 4 Sep. 82. Recovered dead on Chongming Island, Shanghai, China (31°28'N, 121°27'E) in Apr. 90, over 7 years 6 months after banding, 5 507 km N.
- (c) 061–41608. Adult (3+) banded by WAWSG at 80 Mile Beach, WA (19°15'S, 121°23'E) on 31 Oct. 83. Recovered dead at the east end of Chongming Island, Shanghai, China (31°30'N, 121°52'E) on 21 Apr. 91, over 7 years 5 months after banding. 5 642 km N.
- (d) 061–45131. Adult (3+) banded by V. W. Smith at Princess Royal Harbour, Albany, WA (35°05′S, 117°53′E) on 3 Sept. 94. Recovered dead at Miao-Gang, Yangtze River Estuary, Shanghai, China (30°52°N, 121°52′E) on 20 Apr. 95. 7 343 km N.
- (e) 061–69698. Immature (1) banded by AWSG at Roebuck Bay, WA (18°00'S, 122°22'E) on 25 Mar. 88. Recovered dead at the east end of Chongming Island, Shanghai, China (31°30'N, 121°52'E) on 30 Apr. 89. 5 503 km N.
- (f) 061–90273. Adult (2) banded by AWSG at 80 Mile Beach, WA (19°15'S, 121°20'E) on 7 Oct. 92. Recovered, taken for scientific study (specimen in Moscow Museum) at Balaganchik River (Anadyr District) NE Siberia (64°55'N, 168°35'E) on 12 July 95. 10 177 km NNE.

## Red-necked Stint Calidris ruficollis

(a) 033-76414. Immature (1) banded by VWSG at Barry Beach, Corner Inlet, Vic. (38°42'S, 46°23'E) on 18 May 91. Recaptured (released alive with band) at Ussuri Bay near Vladivostok, Russia (43°10'N, 132°30'E) on 30 July 94. 9 208 km N.

## Crested Tern Sterna bergii

- (a) 071–08624. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Rocky Island, Port Victoria, SA on 15 Jan. 69. Recaptured on Troubridge Island, Edithburgh, SA on 5 Dec. 94, over 25 years 10 months after banding. 81 km SSE.
- (b) 071–93552. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Troubridge Island, Edithburgh, SA on 17 Dec. 88. Recovered (band number read in field, bird not trapped) by W. C. Wakefield at Orielton Lagoon, Tasmania on 13 Feb. 94, over 5 years 1 month after banding. 1 196 km SE.

## Singing Honeyeater Lichenostomus virescens

- (a) 032–01118. Immature (1) banded by W. Klau 12 km SW of Kalgoorlie, WA on 4 Dec. 83. Recaptured by G. Barrett at Lake Douglas, WA on 17 Mar. 90, over 6 years 3 months after banding. 6 km W.
- (b) 032–09322. Adult (1+) banded by W. Klau at Parkeston, WA on 15 Jan. 85. Recovered dead at Kalgoorlie, WA on 9 Dec. 87. 4 km SW.
- (c) 033–57651. Adult (1+) banded by W. Klau at Barrys Dam, near Bruce, SA on 29 Jan. 91. Recaptured 13 km NE of Wilmington, SA on 28 Dec. 92. 12 km SE.
- (d) 033–49972. Adult (1+) banded by W. Klau near Bruce, SA on 15 May 90. Recaptured at banding place on 30 May 95, over 5 years after banding.

# Brown-headed Honeyeater

Melithreptus brevirostris

023–41414. Adult (1+) banded by W. Klau 12 km SW of Kalgoorlie, WA on 10 Jan. 86. Recaptured by G. Barrett at Lake Douglas, WA on 25 June 89. over 3 years 5 months after banding. 6 km W.

## House Sparrow Passer domesticus

- (a) 033–17230. Adult (1+) female banded by W. Klau near Wilmington, SA on 17 June 89. Recaptured at banding place five times, the last occasion on 25 Mar. 95, over 5 years 9 months after banding.
- (b) 033–03193. Adult (1+) male banded by W. Klau near Koolunga, SA on 31 Oct. 88. Recaptured at banding place twice, the last occasion on 6 Jan. 93, over 4 years 2 months after banding.
- (c) 033–17148. Adult (1+) female banded by W. Klau near Wilmington, SA on 22 Jan. 89. Recaptured at bandiing place four times, the last occasion on 18 Mar. 93, over 4 years 1 month after banding.

#### Regent Bowerbird Sericulus chrysocephalus

061–46577. Adult (7+) male (full plumage) banded by S. G. Lane at Moonee, NSW on 5 Oct. 85. Recaptured at banding place twice, the last occasion on 14 Oct. 95, over 10 years after banding.

## Green Catbird Ailuroedus crassirostris

081–85102. Adult banded by S. G. Lane at Moonee, NSW on 20 Oct. 84. Recaptured at banding place 57 times, the last occasion on 18 Nov. 95, over 11 years after banding.