

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.

Magpie Goose *Anseranas semipalmata*

- (a) 130-17463. Adult (2+) banded by R.E. Chatto at Woolner near Lake Finnis, NT on 8 Sep. 1995. Recovered dead at Acacia Gap Road, NT (taken to protect crops) on 27 Dec. 2014, over 19 years, 3 months after banding. 53 km SW.
- (b) 130-30614. Juvenile (J) banded by M.N. Maddock at the Wetlands Centre, Sandgate Road, Shortland, near Newcastle, NSW on 18 Jan. 1990. Band number read in field at banding place on 28 Dec. 2014, over 24 years, 11 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Northern Giant-Petrel *Macronectes halli*

131-33119. Nestling banded by The Antarctic Division at Eagle Point, Macquarie Island, Tas. on 15 Jan. 1977. Recovered dead near banding place on 23 Jun. 2011, over 34 years, 5 months after banding. 5 km ENE.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Australasian Gannet *Morus serrator*

- (a) 131-67197. Nestling banded by F.I. Norman on Popes Eye off Queenscliffe, Port Phillip, Vic. on 14 Dec. 1992. Recovered dead between Point Wilson and Kirk Point, North Corio Bay, Vic. on 21 Feb. 2015, over 22 years, 2 months after banding. 30 km NW.
- (b) 131-71438. Nestling banded by C.G. Cooper on Lawrence Rocks State Faunal Reserve, Portland, Vic. on 19 Dec. 1989. Recovered sick, at Bondi Beach, NSW (taken into care at Taronga Zoo, Sydney) on 6 Nov. 2014, over 24 years, 10 months after banding. 997 km NNE.

Ruddy Turnstone *Arenaria interpres*

051-96319. Adult (3+) banded by AWSG at Beaches Crab Creek Road, Roebuck Bay, Broome, WA on 29 Aug. 1998. Recovered or band number read in field five times, the last occasion by C.J. Hassell at Observatory Beach, Crab Creek Road, Broome, WA on 23 Dec. 2014, over 16 years, 3 months after banding. 26 km E.

Green Catbird *Ailuroedus crassirostris*

081-85102. Adult (2+) banded by S.G. Lane at Moonee near Coffs Harbour, NSW on 20 Oct. 1984. Recaptured, released alive with band one hundred and ninety two (192) times, the last occasion on 7 Sep. 1999, over 14 years 10 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

NOTE: Although this is not a recent record it has been included for the following reasons; it is the oldest record for the species as well as

having being retrapped 192 times. While this would at first appear to be a record in itself there is a record within the ABBBS Data Base for a Satin Bowerbird, Band No. 082-66849 also banded and retrapped by S.G. Lane on 236 occasions.

Extraction of this record along with its information on recapture times has only been possible due to improvements in the ABBBS database reporting functions. For many years it has been difficult to recognise and obtain records when they were entered electronically in bulk files into the database, especially where data were entered from paper copies by contractor's offsite.

Satin Bowerbird *Ptilonorhynchus violaceus*

082-49206. Adult (4+) banded by G. Borgia at Wallaby Creek, Urbenville, NSW on 5 Sep. 1985. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place five times the last occasion on 21 Sep. 2010, over 25 years after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Variiegated Fairy-wren *Malurus lamberti*

019-34216. Adult (2+) male banded by A.J. Leishman at the Australian Native Botanic Gardens, Mount Annan, NSW on 21 Dec. 2008. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place twice the last occasion on 9 Dec. 2014 over 5 years, 11 months after banding.

Eastern Spinebill *Acanthorhynchus tenuirostris*

019-35677. Adult (1+) male banded by D. McKay at Burrendong Arboretum, near Wellington, NSW on 5 May. 2007. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place twice the last occasion by J. W. Hardy on 21 Sep. 2014, over 7 years 4 months after banding.

White-plumed Honeyeater *Lichenostomus penicillatus*

025-98747. Adult (1+) male banded by L. W. Filewood at Burrendong Arboretum, near Wellington, NSW on 15 Feb. 2003. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place twice the last occasion by J.W. Farrell on 20 Sep. 2014, over 11 years 7 months after banding.

Olive-backed Oriole *Oriolus sagittatus*

062-93399. Immature (1) banded by A & A Leishman at Camden Airport, NSW on 26 Nov. 2007. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place twice, the last occasion on 17 Dec. 2014, over 7 years after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Magpie-lark *Grallina cyanoleuca*

061-51108. Adult (1+) male banded by R.D. Magrath at the Australian National University Campus, Canberra, ACT on 30 May 1995. Recovered dead at banding place on 18 July 2007, over 12 years, 1 month after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Crimson Finch *Neochmia phaeton*

026-25512. Adult (1+) female banded by S. Legge at Mornington Wildlife Sanctuary, WA on 16 Jul. 2004. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place ten times the last occasion on 29 Apr. 2010, over 5 years, 9 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Gouldian Finch *Erythrura gouldiae*

026-29148. Adult (1+) male banded by S. Legge at Mornington Wildlife Sanctuary, WA on 31 Dec. 2004. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place on 22 Jan. 2010, over 5 years after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)