

Wildlife Research in Canberra. I was able to benefit from Dave's unstinting encouragement. It was Dave's encouragement of inexperienced banders that energised the scheme and gave so many young would-be ornithologists their professional or amateur start.

Whilst I was a bird bander, it was through Dave's contributions through Canberra Ornithologist Group (COG) that I really got to know him. I knew Dave in the earliest years of COG (then an RAOU Branch). Dave was in Macquarie Island when COG was formed in 1964 but he became actively involved in 1967. I joined in 1970. The fledgling club started a journal in 1968, the Canberra Bird Notes (CBN) and Dave was its first editor. Ten years later, I was editor and as always found Dave's advice and encouragement sound and freely given.

Last year, in Dave's eightieth year, COG celebrated its 50th anniversary. There were a lot of different activities and one was the production of an anniversary edition of the CBN. Dave wrote a history of the Canberra RAOU Branch for the 1964-2014 CBN 50th anniversary issue. This contribution is a wonderful legacy to Dave's attention to detail, word craft and meticulous record keeping. The article and the issue are

significant historic records in the life of Canberra and its birds in the second half of the 20th century.

For me, Dave was the passionate ornithologist, bird recorder, editor, bird club companion and eager sharer of information with young people. Many younger amateur and professional ornithologists today are the better for his long-term unselfish support.

Life is lived in many parts, and while here I have addressed Dave's professional contribution, I recognise that Dave's greatest pride was his family. I acknowledge Dave's life partner the late Shirley, their daughter Robin, grand children Anton and Marissa and son-in-law Frank.

Dave loved words. I hope these words do credit to a life well-lived.

It is a mark of Dave's life-long passion that his family elected to have donations in respect of Dave's passing be made to the Canberra Birds Conservation Fund

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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.  
SOSSA - Southern Ocean Seabird Study Group.  
VWSG - Victorian Wader Study Group.

### Common Bronzewing *Phaps chalcoptera*

090-48745. Adult (1+) female banded by R. P. Allen at Dixon Property, 15 km SW of Grenfell, NSW on 9 Mar. 2003. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place on 14 Mar. 2009, over 6 years after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

### Peaceful Dove *Geopelia striata*

062-20460. Adult (2+) banded by the Broome Bird Observatory at Coconut Well, 10 km N of Broome, WA on 4 Oct. 1992. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place four times the last occasion on 4 Jun. 2011, over 18 years 8 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

### Wonga Pigeon *Leucosarcia picata*

100-31304. Immature (1) banded by G. J. Logan at Townsend near Maclean, NSW on 28 Aug. 1998. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place on 4 Aug. 2008, over 9 years, 11 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

### Great-winged Petrel *Pterodroma macroptera*

083-15132. Adult (1+) banded by SOSSA at sea off Tomakin, NSW (35° 50' 00"S 150° 15' 00"E) on 9 Feb 2003. Recaptured, released alive with band on East Island, New Island, New Zealand (37° 41' 00"S 178° 35' 00"E) on 8 Apr. 2011, over 8 years, 2 months after banding. 2523 km E.

(This is the longest movement recorded for the species.)

### Eastern Osprey *Pandion cristatus*

280-14940, plus coloured metal band LBlue. Nestling, male banded by G. P. Clancy south of the Broadwater, Clarence River, NSW on 1 Nov. 2001. Band number read in field (bird not trapped) at Ulladulla, NSW on 8 Apr. 2016, over 14 years, 5 months after banding. 701 km SSW.

**Beach Stone-curlew** *Esacus magnirostris*

111-02559. Nestling, male banded by G. P. Clancy at Red Rock Estuary, NSW on 24 Nov. 2009. Band number read in field (bird not trapped) eleven times the last occasion at Sandon Estuary south of Brooms Head, NSW on 22 Mar. 2016, over 6 years, 3 months after banding. 35 km N.

**Black-winged Stilt** *Himantopus himantopus*

072-55113. Immature (1) banded by AWSG at Beaches Crab Creek Road, Roebuck Bay, Broome, WA on 28 May 1994. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place on 21 Feb. 2016, over 21 years, 8 months after banding.

(This is the longest movement recorded for the species)

**Greater Sand Plover** *Charadrius leschenaultii*

051-85866. Immature (1) banded by AWSG at Beaches Crab Creek Road, Roebuck Bay, Broome, WA on 23 Mar. 1996. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place on 25 Feb. 2016, over 19 years, 11 months after banding.

**Black-tailed Godwit** *Limosa limosa*

072-81988. Adult (2+) banded by AWSG at Beaches Crab Creek Road, Roebuck Bay, Broome, WA on 18 Nov. 2002. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place on 24 Feb. 2016, over 13 years, 3 months after banding.

**Bar-tailed Godwit** *Limosa lapponica*

072-33180. Immature (1) banded by AWSG on the Shores of 80 Mile Beach, WA on 12 Mar. 1994. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place on 16 Feb. 2016, over 21 years, 11 months after banding.

**Eastern Curlew** *Numenius madagascariensis*

091-24367. Adult (3+) banded by AWSG at Beaches Crab Creek Road, Roebuck Bay, Broome, WA on 29 Oct. 2001. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place on 22 Feb. 2016, over 14 years, 3 months after banding.

**Great Knot** *Calidris tenuirostris*

(a) 062-33249. Adult (2+) banded by AWSG on the Shores of 80 Mile Beach, WA on 3 Apr. 1996. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place on 13 Feb. 2016, over 19 years, 10 months after banding.

(b) 062-33838. Adult (3+) banded by AWSG on the Shores of 80 Mile Beach, WA on 21 Aug. 1998. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place on 13 Feb. 2016, over 17 years, 5 months after banding.

**Curlew Sandpiper** *Calidris ferruginea*

041-92766. Adult (2) banded by AWSG at Beaches Crab Creek Road, Roebuck Bay, Broome, WA on 12 Aug. 1998. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place on 20 Feb. 2016, over 17 years, 6 months after banding.

**Little Tern** *Sternula albifrons*

042-73973 plus Leg Flag (plain colour): RD Orange. Banded by VWSG at Barry Beach, Corner Inlet, Vic. (38°42'00"S, 146°23'00"E) on 18 Mar. 2015. Band number read in field (bird not trapped) at Imazu, Yodoe, Yonago, Tottori Prefecture, Japan (35°28'00"N, 133°26'00"E) on 7 May 2016. 8352 km NNW.

**Crested Tern** *Thalasseus bergii*

071-95368. Nestling banded by the VWSG on Mud Island, Port Phillip Bay, Vic. on 17 Dec. 1988. Band number read in field (bird not trapped) twice the last occasion at Flat Rock, East Ballina by S. McBride on 10 Apr. 2016, over 27 years, 3 months after banding. 1330 km NE.

**Silver Gull** *Chroicocephalus novaehollandiae*

081-40538. Nestling banded by W. C. Wakefield on Spectacle Island, Frederick Henry Bay, Tas. on 19 Nov. 1989. Band number read in field (bird not trapped) at Salamanca Place, Hobart on 8 Jun. 2016, over 26 years, 6 months after banding. 22 km W..

**Brown Gerygone** *Gerygone mouki*

019-75276. Adult (1+) banded by A. & A. Leishman at Camden Airport, NSW on 9 Aug. 2010. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place three times, the last occasion on 25 Jun. 2016, over 5 years, 10 months after banding.

**Grey-headed Honeyeater** *Lichenostomus keartlandi*

025-54438. Adult banded by C. P. S. de Rebeira at Roberts Bore, Great Sandy Desert, WA, on 30 Jun. 2004. Recaptured, released alive with band at the banding place on 15 Jul. 2009, over 5 years after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

**Bell Miner** *Manorina melanophrys*

042-96991. Immature (1) banded by A & A Leishman at Camden Airport, NSW on 19 Apr. 2014. Recovered with injured wing at John Street, Camden, NSW on 17 Feb. 2016, bird taken into care, later died. 1.5 km ESE.

**Noisy Miner** *Manorina melanocephala*

062-98419. Adult (1+) banded by D. McKay at Burrendong Arboretum, near Wellington, NSW on 5 Dec. 2009. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place by C. Leon on 21 Nov. 2015, over 5 years and 11 months after banding.

**Western Wattlebird** *Anthochaera lunulata*

051-45751. Immature (1) Banded by T. G. D. Shannon at Yanchep National Park, WA on 4 Jun. 1989. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place on 26 Nov. 2000, over 11 years, 5 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

**Rufous-throated Honeyeater** *Conopophila rufogularis*

025-57045. Adult (1+) banded at the Broome Bird Observatory, 18 km E of Broome, WA on 6 Oct. 2000. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place on 7 Nov. 2012, over 12 years, 1 month after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

**Golden Whistler** *Pachycephala pectoralis*

035-26507. Adult (2+) female banded by A. & A. Leishman at Camden Airport, NSW on 18 Aug. 2008. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place five times, the last occasion on 25 Jun. 2016, over 7 years, 10 months after banding.