

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:

ABBBS – Australian Bird and Bat Banding Schemes

WBRG - The Wild Bird Rehabilitation Group

Black Swan *Cygnus atratus*

350-02755 (plus Readable Band r+w XCL). Immature (1) female banded by J.T. Coleman at Lake Hugh Muntz, Mermaid Waters, Qld on 8 Dec. 2007. Readable band sighted in field, number on standard band inferred at Western Treatment Plant, Vic on 24 March 2013, over 5 years 3 months after banding. 1371 km SSW.

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

Black-browed Albatross *Thalassarche melanophrys*

CF45697*. Adult (1+) banded on Kerguelen Island, Terres australes et Antarctiques, France (49°21'00"S 70°13'00"E) on 5 Nov. 2010. Recovered dead at Narrawong Beach near Portland, Vic. (38°15'30"S 141°42'43"E) by G. Cooper on 15 Aug. 2012. 5646 km ESE

*French Banding Scheme band

Shy Albatross *Thalassarche cauta*

(a) 280-01731. Nestling banded by N.P. Brothers on Albatross Island, Tas. on 31 March 1982. Recovered dead at Salmon Rocks, Flinders Island, Tas. by J. Smith on 10 Dec. 2012, over 30 years 8 months after banding. 286 km E.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

(b) 280-02049. Nestling banded by N.P. Brothers on Albatross Island, Tas. on 28 March 1983. Recovered dead at Fisherman's Beach, Torquay, Vic. on 19 Nov. 2012, over 29 years, 7 months after banding. 232 km N

(c) 280-11314. Nestling banded by N.P. Brothers on Albatross Island, Tas. on 1 May 1987. Recovered dead at Garie Beach, Royal National Park, NSW on 18 Nov. 2012, over 25 years, 6 months after banding. 894 km NE.

Northern Giant-Petrel *Macronectes halli*

(a) 131-45312. Nestling banded by the Antarctic Division at Handspike Point, Macquarie Island, Tas. on 7 Jan. 1982. Recovered dead at Nuggets Beach, Macquarie Island, Tas. by K. Smith on 18 Sep. 2012, over 30 years 8 months after banding. 4 km ESE

(b) 1456249*. Immature (1) banded on Bird Island, South Georgia, Antarctica (54°00'S 38°02'W) on 7 March 2012. Recovered injured, later died at Stockton Beach, NSW (32°47'00"S 152°01'00"E) by N. Russell on 28 May 2012. 10 314 km S

*British Trust for Ornithology band

Wedge-tailed Shearwater *Ardenna pacifica*

(a) 162-17371. Adult (5+) banded by S.G. Lane on Muttonbird Island, Coffs Harbour, NSW on 14 Dec. 1993. Recaptured, (breeding, incubating egg), released alive with band on 20 Dec. 2012, over 19 years after banding.

(b) 162-26612. Nestling banded by S.G. Lane on Muttonbird Island, Coffs Harbour, NSW on 5 April. 1995. Recaptured, (breeding, incubating egg), released alive with band on 1 Jan. 2013, over 17 years, 8 months after banding.

Australasian Gannet *Morus serrator*

131-64896. Nestling banded by F.I. Norman at Popes Eye off Queenscliff, Port Philip Bay, Vic. on 19 Jan. 1989. Recovered dead at Point Danger, Portland, Vic. by A. Govanstone on 16 Sep. 2012, over 23 years, 7 months after banding. 266 km W.

Buff-banded Rail *Gallirallus philippensis*

083-25739. Immature (1) banded by J.T. Coleman at Chandler, Qld. on 28 Jan. 2013. Recovered sick (currently in care) at The Lake, North Buderim, Qld. on 25 Feb. 2013. 95 km N

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

Common Noddy *Anous stolidus*

062-36913. Nestling banded by J.N. Dunlop on Lancelin Island, WA on 8 Jan. 1996. Recaptured, released alive with two bands at banding place on 5 Nov. 2011, over 15 years, 9 months after banding.

(The bird was also banded with ABBBS band no. 063-49447.)

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Black Noddy *Anous minutus*

062-25369. Juvenile banded by M.V. Preker on Heron Island, Qld. on 15 Jan. 1993. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place by C.A. Devney on 19 Dec. 2006, over 13 years, 11 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Bridled Tern *Onychoprion anaethetus*

(a) 061-23362. Adult (2+) banded by J.N. Dunlop on Penguin Island, WA (32°18'20"S 115°41'27"E) on 1 Nov. 1986. Recovered sick, later died at Tukuran Zamboanga del Sur, Philippines (07°51'N 123°35'E) on 20 June 1991. 4541 km N.

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

061-23469. Nestling banded by J.N. Dunlop on Penguin Island, WA on 7 Feb. 1987. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place on 27 Dec. 2011, over 24 years, 10 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Striated Pardalote *Pardalotus striatus*

019-06147. Immature (1) banded by W. Rutherford at Heardsman Lake, Perth, WA on 2 Feb. 2008. Recaptured, released alive with band three times the last occasion by L. Dadour on 16 Feb. 2013, over 5 years after banding.

Australian Raven *Corvus coronoides*

100-99804. Immature (1) rehabilitated bird banded by the WBRG at Birkshire Park, NSW on 4 Aug. 1990. Recovered sick or injured by A. Caruana on 3 Feb. 2013, the bird is alive and currently in care at Blacktown, NSW over 22 years, 5 months after banding. 18 km ESE.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)