

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:

SSG -BOAT – Shorebird Study Group – BOAT (Tas.)

VWSG - Victorian Wader Study Group.

Red-tailed Tropicbird *Phaethon rubricauda*

091-44032. Nestling banded by N.J. Cornelius on Raine Island, North Great Barrier Reef, Qld. on 28 Jun. 2002. Recaptured, released alive with band on Ashmore Reef, West Island, Timor Sea, WA on 13 Apr. 2013. 2292 km W.

Shy Albatross *Thalassarche cauta*

(a) 131-90524. Nestling banded by N.P. Brothers on Albatross Island, Tas. on 2 Apr. 1997. Recovered dead at Fisherman's Beach, Torquay, Vic. on 19 Nov. 2012, over 15 years, 7 months after banding. 232 km N.

(b) 280-00512. Nestling banded by N.P. Brothers on the Mewstone, Tas. on 15 Mar. 1982. Recovered dead at Inverloch Beach, Vic. by J. Berry on 12 Feb. 2013, over 30 years, 10 months after banding. 570 km N.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

(c) 280-01508. Nestling banded by N.P. Brothers on Albatross Island, Tas. on 31 Mar. 1982. Recovered dead at Burrill Beach, NSW on 17 Jan. 2013, over 30 years, 9 months after banding. 753 km NE.

(d) 280-07436. Nestling banded by N.P. Brothers on the Mewstone, Tas. on 24 Apr. 1985. Recovered dead at Mooreheads Beach, Bermagui, NSW on 11 Jan. 2013, over 27 years, 8 months after banding. 871 km NNE.

Lesser Frigatebird *Fregata ariel*

210-07172. Nestling banded by R.H. Clarke on Middle Island, Ashmore Reef, Timor Sea, WA on 10 Jul. 1989. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place on 14 Apr. 2013, over 23 years 9 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Australian Pied Oystercatcher *Haematopus longirostris*

100-84291. Adult (3+) male banded by SSG-BOAT at South Arm Neck, Tas. on 1 Aug. 1982. Recovered dead, found beachwashed, by A. McLachlan at Mortimer Bay, Tas. on 24 Sep. 2012, over 30 years 1 month after banding. 8km NNE.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Red-necked Avocet *Recurvirostra novaehollandiae*

083-22877 (plus engraved leg flag orange ABW). Juvenile banded by VWSG at Yallock Creek, Westernport, Vic. on 2 Jan. 2012. Leg flag recorded in a flock of 150 birds by A. Boyle at Roebuck Bay, Broome WA on 20 Jun. 2013, c. 3000 km NNW.

(This is a most unusual recovery and certainly the longest movement for the species)

Kelp Gull *Larus dominicanus*

111-12744. Nestling banded by W.C. Wakefield on Green Island, D'Entrecasteaux Channel, Tas. on 22 Dec. 1991. Band number read in field (bird not trapped) by J. Mure at the Old Pilot Station, Tinderbox, Tas. on 8 May 2013, over 21 years 4 months after banding. 17 km N.

Fuscous Honeyeater *Lichenostomus fuscus*

026-20626. Adult (2+) banded by W. Greenlees at South Grafton Water Reserve, NSW on 5 Jul 2004. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place twice by G. P. Clancy the later occasion on 26 May 2013, over 8 years 10 months after banding.

(The bird was also banded with band no. 026-94933.)

White-plumed Honeyeater *Lichenostomus penicillatus*

(a) 023-47819 Adult (2+) male banded by J. Hardy at Burrendong Arboretum, near Wellington, NSW on 1 May 1999. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place six times, last occasion by D. McKay on 15 Jun. 2013, over 14 years, 1 month after banding.

(b) 026-10498. Adult (1+) banded by C. Kinross at Burrendong Arboretum, near Wellington, NSW on 5 Jun. 2005. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place seven times, last occasion by P. Hanke on 16 Mar. 2013, over 7 years, 9 months after banding.

Noisy Miner *Manorina melanocephala*

62-52436. Adult (1+) banded by D. McKay at Burrendong Arboretum, near Wellington, NSW on 3 Sep. 2005. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place on 16 Mar. 2013, over 7 years, 6 months after banding.

Spiny-cheeked Honeyeater *Acanthagenys rufogularis*

051-23347. Immature (1) male banded by J. Hardy at Burrendong Arboretum, near Wellington, NSW on 21 Aug. 1999. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place twice, last occasion by D. McKay on 16 Mar. 2013, over 13 years, 7 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Golden Whistler *Pachycephala pectoralis*

034-37353. Immature (1) banded by A.J. Leishman at the Australian Native Botanic Gardens, Mount Annan, NSW on 14 May 2005. Recaptured, released live with band six times the last occasion by L. Peacock on 2 Jul. 2013, over 8 years, 1 month after banding.

Jacky Winter *Microeca fascians*

019-85401. Adult (1+) banded by P.J. Milbourn at Mulligans Flat, ACT on 25 Jul. 2010. Band number read in field (bird not trapped) by R. Eckermann at Campbell Park, near Triangular Dam, ACT on 6 Jul. 2013. 11 km S.

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

Red-browed Finch *Neochmia temporalis*

019-63153 Adult (1+) banded by D. McKay at Burrendong Arboretum, near Wellington, NSW on 1 Mar. 2008. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place three times, the last occasion by D. McKay on 15 Jun. 2013, over 5 years, 3 months after banding.