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

TThe following abbreviations appear in this issue:

ABBBS - Australian Bird and Bat Banding Schemes

AWSG - Australasian Wader Study Group.

SOSSA - Southern Oceans Seabird Study Association

Southern Giant-Petrel Macronectes giganteus

Readable Band : White + Black 'DDF'. Nestling male banded on Isla Arce, Patagonia, Argentina (45°00'S 65°50'W) on 29 March 2005. Recovered dead at Mary Cove, Rottnest Island, WA (32°01'S 115°29'E) on 3 June 2007. 11 447 km S.

Northern Giant-Petrel Macronectes halli

- 1405228*. Immature (1) banded on Bird Island, South Georgia, Antarctica (54°01'S 38°03'W) on 10 March 2006. Recovered dead north of Cervantes, WA (30°32'S 115°08'E) on 18 Nov. 2006. 10 263 km SSE.
- * British Trust for Ornithology Band

Wandering Albatross Diomedea exulans

- (a) BS18347*. Nestling banded on Kerguelen Islands, Terres Australes et Antarctiques, France (49°21'S 70°13'E) on 14 Oct. 1994. Recovered sick at Geographe Bay Beach, Busselton, WA (33°37'S 115°18'E) on 28 June 2007, rehabilitation attempted but bird died on 1 July 2007, over 12 years 8 months after banding. 4 066 km E.
- (b) BS24021*. Nestling banded on Kerguelen Islands, Terres Australes et Antarctiques, France (49°21'S 70°13'E) on 3 Oct. 2005. Recaptured, released alive with band by SOSSA at sea east of Wollongong, NSW (34°25'S 151°00'E) on 25 Aug. 2007. 6 560 km ESE.
- (c) BS24095*. Nestling banded on Kerguelen Islands, Terres Australes et Antarctiques, France (49°21'S 70°13'E) on 17 Oct. 2004. Recaptured, released alive with two bands by SOSSA at sea east of Wollongong, NSW (34°25'S 151°00'E) on 8 Sep. 2007. 6 560 km ESE.

(The bird was also banded with ABBBS band no. 140-50739.)

(d) BS24089*. Nestling banded on Kerguelen Islands, Terres Australes et Antarctiques, France (49°21'S 70°13'E) on 27 Oct. 2004. Recaptured, released alive with two bands by SOSSA at sea east of Wollongong, NSW (34°25'S 151°00'E) on 29 July 2007. 6 560 km ESE. (The bird was also banded with ABBBS band no. 140-50692.)

(e) BS26015*. Nestling banded on Kerguelen Islands, Terres Australes et Antarctiques, France (49°21'S 70°13'E) on 4 Oct. 2005. Recaptured, released alive with two bands by SOSSA at sea east of Wollongong, NSW (34°25'S 151°00'E) on 8 Sep. 2007. 6 560 km ESE.

(The bird was also banded with ABBBS band no. 140-50733.)

- * French Banding Scheme band.
- (f) 140-49661. Adult (1+) banded by M.H. Waterman at sea off the east coast of SA (36°30'S 138°00'E) on 15 Jan. 1996. Recaptured, released alive with band by SOSSA at sea east of Wollongong, NSW (34°25'S 151°00'E) on 8 Sep. 2007, over 11 years, 7 months after banding. 1 199 km E.

(Band replaced with ABBBS band no. 140-50731.)

Australian White Ibis Threskiornis molucca

120-11680. Immature (2-) female banded by A.J. Leishman at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Sydney, NSW on 18 July 1991. Band number read in field (bird not trapped) by J.M. Martin at Belrose Landfill, NSW on 24 Aug. 2007, over 16 years 1 month after banding. 15 km N.

Bar-tailed Godwit Limosa lapponica

082-43481. Adult (2) banded by AWSG at Beaches Crab Creek Road, Roebuck Bay, Broome, WA on 2 Sep. 1981. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place on 14 Oct. 2007, over 26 years 1 month after banding.

(Band replaced with ABBBS band no. 073-22967.)

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Terek Sandpiper Xenus cinereus

052-39335. Adult (2+) banded by AWSG on the shores of 80 Mile Beach, WA (19°15'S 121°20'E) on 23 Feb. 2005. Recovered dead, "shot for food on sport" at Srednekolymskiy District, Lake Saybalakh, Nalimskoe, Russia, (67°35'N 153°36'E) on 2 June 2005, 10 007 km N.

Grey-tailed Tattler Heteroscelus brevipes

061-33636. Adult (1+) banded by R.F. Harmer on Pelican Island, Hastings River, Port Macquarie, NSW (31°25'S 152°54'E) on 25 April 1987. Recaptured, released alive with band at Shiokawa Est Toyohashi, Aichi Pre. Japan (34°41'N 137°19'E) on 23 Aug. 2003, over 16 years, 3 months after banding. 7 527 km N.

Brown Skua (Lonnbergs) Catharacta antarctica lonnbergi

DZ22036. Nestling banded on Kerguelen Islands, Terres Australes et Antarctiques, France (49°21'S 70°13'E) on 1 Aug. 2003. Recaptured, released alive with 2 bands by SOSSA at sea east of Wollongong, NSW (34°25'S 151°00'E) on 8 Aug. 2007. 6 560 km ESE.

* French Banding Scheme band.

(The bird was also banded with ABBBS band no. 111-20070.)

White-browed Treecreeper Climacteris affinis

050-09553. Adult (2+) banded by K. Lowe at Weddin Mountains, near Grenfell, NSW on 5 Oct. 1986. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place nine times the last occasion by R.P. Allen on 22 Apr. 1995, over 8 years, 6 months after banding.

(Band replaced with ABBBS band no. 051-36934.)

Brown Treecreeper Climacteris picumnus

041-87132. Adult (1+) female banded by J. Nicholls at Weddin Mountains, near Grenfell, NSW on 26 Oct. 1996. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place ten times the last occasion by D. Saunders on 13 May 2006, over 9 years 6 months after banding.

(Band replaced with ABBBS band no. 042-19475.)

Yellow-throated Scrubwren Sericornis citreogularis

024-39663. Adult (1+) male banded by G. P. Clancy at Gibraltar Range National Park, NSW on 13 Nov. 1999. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place on 16 Nov. 2007, over 8 years after banding.

White-browed Scrubwren Sericornis frontalis

025-75359. Immature (1) female banded by G. Fry at Mount Annan Botanic Gardens, Campbelltown, NSW on 16 Sep. 2000. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place nine times, the last occasion by A.J. Leishman on 10 Nov. 2007, over 7 years 1 month after banding.

Yellow Thornbill Acanthiza nana

017-34936. Adult (1+) banded by A.J. Leishman at Weddin Mountains, near Grenfell, NSW on 29 Aug. 1994. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place by R.P. Allen on 6 Nov. 2004, over 10 years, 2 months after banding.

Blue-faced Honeyeater Entomyzon cyanotis

(a) 071-69800. Adult (2+) male banded by G. P. Clancy at Coutts Crossing, near Grafton, NSW on 11 Sep. 1996. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place twice, the last occasion on 10 Sep. 2007, 11 years after banding.

(Band replaced with ABBBS band no. 072-75901.)

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

(b) 071-98101. Adult (2+) banded by G. P. Clancy at Coutts Crossing, near Grafton, NSW on 24 July 1998. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place twice the last occasion on 10 Sep. 2007, over 9 years 1 month after banding.

Lewin's Honeyeater Meliphaga lewinii

041-79753. Adult female banded by L.W.C. Filewood at Blue Gum Swamp Creek, Blue Mountains National Park, Winmalee, NSW on 19 May 1999. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place four times, the last occasion by D. McKay on 28 Oct 2007, over 8 years 5 months after banding.

White-plumed Honeyeater Lichenostomus penicillatus

(a) 024-26731. Adult (2+) banded by R.P. Allen at Weddin Mountains, near Grenfell, NSW on 30 Sep. 1989. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place six times the last occasion by R.P. Allen on 22 June 2002, over 12 years, 9 months after banding.

(This bird also banded with ABBBS band no. 025-85162.)

(b) 025-69374. Adult (1+) banded by R. Jacobs at Burrendong Arboretum, near Wellington, NSW on 26 July 1997. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place six times, the last occasion by L.W. Filewood on 31 Nov. 2007, over 10 years, 4 months after banding.

Brown-headed Honeyeater Melithreptus brevirostris

024-54619. Adult (1+) banded by R.P. Allen at Wedden Mountains near Grenfell, NSW on 31 March 1996. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place five times the last occasion on 14 May 2006, over 10 years, 1 month after banding.

(The bird was also banded with ABBBS band no. 025-60198.)

Eastern Yellow Robin Eopsaltria australis

025-74133. Adult (1+) banded by D. McKay at Burrendong Arboretum, near Wellington, NSW on 21 Mar. 1998. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place three times, the last occasion by L.W. Filewood on 1 Dec. 2007, over 9 years, 8 months after banding.

Rufous Whistler Pachycephala rufiventris

- (a) 033-63888. Adult (2+) female banded by G. P. Clancy at Gibraltar Range National Park, NSW on 24 Nov. 1996. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place on 15 Nov. 2007, over 10 years, 11 months after banding.
- (b) 033-93621. Adult (2+) banded by D. Geering at Burrendong Arboretum, near Wellington, NSW on 26 Mar. 2000. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place by R. Jacobs on 2 Dec. 2007, over 7 years, 8 months after banding.

Little Shrike-thrush Colluricincla megarhyncha

041-53404. Adult (1+) banded by J.D.A. Grant at Warrawee, 12 km NE of Yungaburra, Qld. on 24 Jan. 1991. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place (found inside a man made structure) on 8 Aug. 2007, over 16 years 6 months after banding.

Grey Butcherbird Cracticus torquatus

061-32731. Adult (1+) banded by M.P. Hines at Stafford Heights, Brisbane, Qld. on 5 May 1987. Recovered dead, at West Chermside, Qld. on 30 June 2007, over 20 years 1 month after banding. 4 km ENE.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Satin Bowerbird Ptilonorhynchus violaceus

082-66862. Adult (1+) banded by S.G. Lane at Moonee near Coffs Harbour, NSW on 31 July 1988. Recovered dead at Moonee Beach north of Coffs Harbour, NSW on 8 Aug. 2007, over 19 years after banding. 3 km E.

Diamond Firetail Stagonopleura guttata

025-82826. Adult (1+) banded by S. Newbery at Weddin Mountains, near Grenfell, NSW on 13 March 1999. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place four times the last occasion by P. Ewin on 20 June 2004, over 5 years 3 months after banding.

Red-whiskered Bulbul Pycnonotus jocosus

041-84194. Adult (1+) banded by G. Fry at Mount Annan Botanic Gardens, Campbelltown, NSW on 16 Sep. 2000. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place by A.J. Leishman on 10 Nov. 2007, over 7 years 1 month after banding.