

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.

VWSG — Victorian Wader Study Group.

Wandering Albatross *Diomedea exulans*

140–33110. Adult (10+) male banded by D. Gibson at sea off Bellambi, NSW on 12 July 1975. Recovered dead at Palm Beach, NSW on 1 Oct. 2004, over 29 years 2 months after banding. 94 km NNE.

Shy Albatross *Thalassarche cauta*

280–04151. Nestling banded by N. P. Brothers at Pedra Branca, Tas. on 12 Mar. 1984. Recovered dead at Main Beach, North Stradbroke Island, Qld. on 21 Oct. 2004, over 20 years 7 months after banding. 1 919 km NNE.

Masked Booby *Sula dactylatra*

131–25036. Nestling banded by P. Beaumont at Mutton Bird Point, Lord Howe Island, NSW on 1 Nov. 1981. Recovered dead at Waddy Point Beach, Fraser Island, Qld. on 21 Oct. 2004, over 22 years 11 months after banding. 922 km NW.

Terek Sandpiper *Xenus cinereus*

051–32397. Immature (1) banded by AWSG at Beaches Crab Creek Road, Roebuck Bay, Broome, WA on 24 Mar. 1988. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place on 25 Jan. 2004, over 15 years 10 months after banding.

Great Knot *Calidris tenuirostris*

062–75856. Immature (1) banded by AWSG at Beaches Crab Creek Road, Roebuck Bay, Broome, WA (18°00'S, 122°22'E) on 11 May 2002. Recovered dead (shot for food or sport) at Khabarovsk Region, Nicolaevsk District, Schastia Bay, Russia (53°27'N, 140°57'E) on 25 Aug. 2004. 8 140 km N.

Red Knot *Calidris canutus*

051–28231. Adult (2+) banded by AWSG at Beaches Crab Creek Road, Roebuck Bay, Broome, WA on 18 Apr. 1985. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place on 13 Feb. 2004, over 18 years 9 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Sanderling *Calidris alba*

042–16153. Adult (2) banded by AWSG at Coconut Well Beach, 15 km north of Broome, WA (17°50'S, 122°13'E) on 30 Oct. 2001. Recovered dead at Jiaozhouwan, Shandong Province, China (36°10'N, 120°15'E) on 6 May 2004. 6 007 km N.

Red-necked Stint *Calidris ruficollis*

(a) B324335*. Banded at Wetlands Haixing County, Hebei Province, China (38°41'N, 117°23'E) on 20 Aug. 2004. Recaptured, released alive with two bands at Barrallier Island, Westernport Bay, Vic. (38°16'S, 145°18'E) by VWSG on 6 Jan. 2005. 9 017 km SSE.

(Bird also banded with ABBBS band No. 036-17969)

(b) 036-08677. Immature (1) banded by VWSG at Yallock Creek near Kooweerup, Vic. (38°13'S, 145°28'E) on 5 Jan. 2003. Recaptured, released alive with band at Wetlands Haixing County, Hebei Province, China (38°41'N, 117°23'E) by M. Dcrong on 22 Aug. 2004. 9 017 km NNW.

* National Bird Banding Centre of China band.

Curlew Sandpiper *Calidris ferruginea*

041–95678. Adult (3+) banded by VWSG at Pelican Point, Carpenters Rocks, SA (37°55'S, 140°24'E) on 9 Nov. 1996. Recaptured, released alive with band at Wetlands Haixing County, Hebei Province, China (38°41'N, 117°23'E) by M. Derong on 22 Aug. 2004, over 7 years 9 months after banding. 8 835 km NNW.

Southern Boobook *Ninox novaeseelandiae*

101–03102. Adult (1+) male banded by G. R. Olsen at Aranda Bush, Bruce Ridge, Black Mountain, ACT on 2 Jan. 1993. Colour marking sighted in field, band number inferred at banding place on 19 Mar. 2004, over 11 years 2 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species).

Laughing Kookaburra *Dacelo novaeguineae*

091–06877. Adult (1+) female banded by J. W. Hardy at Cumberland State Forest, West Pennant Hills, NSW on 22 Oct. 1989. Recovered sick, (later died) at banding place on 21 Dec. 2004, over 15 years 1 month after banding.

Large-billed Scrubwren *Sericornis magnirostris*

016–30706. Adult (2+) male banded by G. P. Clancy at Dundarra Gully, Washpool National Park, NSW on 14 Nov. 1999. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place on 17 Feb. 2005, over 5 years 3 months after banding.

Striated Thornbill *Acanthiza lineata*

017–96611. Adult (1+) banded by G. Fry at Munghorn Gap Nature Reserve, NSW on 24 May 1998. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place four times, the last occasion by F. Matter on 30 Oct. 2004, over 6 years 5 months after banding.

White-plumed Honeyeater *Lichenostomus penicillatus*

023–44703. Adult (2+) banded by J. W. Hardy at Warraderry State Forest, NSW on 5 Oct. 1996. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place twice, the last occasion by G. R. Fry on 13 Dec. 2003, over 7 years 2 months after banding.

Brown Honeyeater *Lichmera indistincta*

026–22133. Adult (1+) banded by M. P. Hines at Point Lookout, North Stradbroke Island, Qld. on 23 Aug. 2004. Recovered dead, (hit window) at Burleigh Waters, Qld. on 18 Oct. 2004. 75 km S.

Eastern Spinebill *Acanthorhynchus tenuirostris*

017–11615. Adult (2) male banded by A. J. Leishman at Munghorn Gap Nature Reserve, NSW on 31 Dec. 1992. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place seven times, the last occasion by F. Matter on 13 Oct. 2004, over 11 years 10 months after banding.

Eastern Yellow Robin *Eopsaltria australis*

023-92399. Adult (1+) female banded by G. Cam at Munghorn Gap Nature Reserve, NSW on 2 Oct. 1996. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place twice, the last occasion by G. R. Fry on 25 Jan. 2004, over 7 years 3 months after banding.

Rufous Whistler *Pachycephala rufiventris*

034-48634. Adult (3+) male banded by A. J. Leishman at Munghorn Gap Nature Reserve, NSW on 5 Oct. 1996. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place three times, the last occasion by G. R. Fry on 13 Dec. 2003, over 7 years 2 months after banding.

Grey Shrike-thrush *Colluricincla harmonica*

051-33449. Adult (3+) male banded by G. P. Clancy at the Rangers Office, Gibraltar Range National Park, NSW on 13 Nov. 1999. Recaptured, released alive with band at banding place by P. J. Thomson on 15 Feb. 2005, over 5 years 2 months after banding.

Pied Currawong *Strepera graculina*

091-23153. Adult (1+) banded by A. J. Ley at Bellbird Rest Area, Washpool National Park, NSW on 23 Nov. 1996. Recorded at Coachwood Picnic Area Washpool National Park, NSW (bird not captured, band number read through binoculars) by C. Cassidy and H. Watson on 17 Feb. 2005, over 8 years 2 months after banding.