

BURROW OCCUPANCY BY WEDGE-TAILED SHEARWATERS AND FLESH-FOOTED SHEARWATERS ON LORD HOWE ISLAND

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In January 2001 burrow occupancy for two species of Shearwater *Puffinus carneipes* and *Puffinus pacificus* was ascertained by using a burrowscope to inspect burrow contents at various sites on Lord Howe Island. Burrow occupancy (and burrow lengths) for *Puffinus carneipes* and *Puffinus pacificus* averaged 60 per cent (1.4 m) and 57 per cent (0.8 m) respectively. Neither burrow density nor the amounts of litter covering burrow entrances were good indicators of burrow occupancy.