

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 — Australian Wader Study Group.
 NSWNPSP — New South Wales National Parks and Wildlife Service Seabird Project.
 QWSG — Queensland Wader Study Group
 SOSSA — Southern Ocean Seabird Study Association.
 VWSG — Victorian Wader Study Group.

Black Swan *Cygnus atratus*

140–32775. Immature banded by R. J. Thomas at Lake Wendouree, Ballarat, Vic. on 31 Mar. 1975. Recovered dead near banding site on 22 June 1997, over 22 years 2 months after banding. 3 km WNW.

Southern Giant-Petrel *Macronectes giganteus*

- (a) 80*. Nestling banded at Cape Geddes, Laurie Island, South Orkney Islands, (60°41'S, 44°34'W) on 5 Apr. 1996. Recovered dead at Port Willunga Beach, SA (35°16'S, 138°28'E) on 30 Jun. 1996. 9 340 km S.
 (b) 169*. Nestling banded at Cape Geddes, Laurie Island, South Orkney Islands, (60°41'S, 44°34'W) on 6 Apr. 1997. Recovered dead at mouth of the Anglesea River, Vic. (38°25'S, 144°11'E) on 21 Jul. 1997. 8 965 km S.
 (c) 131–99547. Nestling male banded by N. P. Brothers on Macquarie Island, Tasmania (54°30'S, 158°55'E) on 14 Mar. 1997. Recaptured (released alive with band) at sea 22 miles off San Antonio, Chile (33°37'S, 72°05'W) on 6 Oct. 1997. 9 069 km SE.
 * Argentine Banding Scheme band.

Northern Giant-Petrel *Macronectes halli*

- (a) 131–89469. Nestling banded by N. P. Brothers on Macquarie Island, Tas. (54°00'S, 158°00'E) on 25 Jan. 1996. Recaptured (exhausted, rehabilitated and released alive with band) at Calloundra Beach, Qld (26°48'S, 153°08'E) on 13 Jul. 1997. 3 050 km N.
 (b) 131–96294. Nestling female banded by N. P. Brothers on Macquarie Island, Tas. (54°30'S, 158°55'E) on 9 Jan. 1997. Recaptured (released alive with band) at Constitucion, 360 km SW of Santiago, Chile (35°20'S, 72°25'W) on 20 Nov. 1997. 8 886 km SE.

Great-winged Petrel *Pterodroma macroptera*

El 88020*. Adult (1+) banded on Motuotau Island, New Zealand (37°38'S, 176°12'E) on 4 May 1995. Recaptured (released alive with band) by SOSSA at sea off Wollongong, NSW (34°23'S, 151°14'E) on 26 Oct. 1997. 2 267 km W. (This is the first recovery of this species in Australia).

* New Zealand Banding Scheme band.

Wedge-tailed Shearwater *Puffinus pacificus*

161–76780. Banded by S. G. Lane on Pelsaert Island, Abrolhos Group, WA (28°56'S, 113°58'E) on 22 Nov. 1982. Recaptured at banding place by C. A. Surman on 19 Nov. 1995, over 12 years 11 months after banding.

Short-tailed Shearwater *Puffinus tenuirostris*

162–27867. Adult (1+) banded by R. D. Wooller on Great Dog Island, Bass Strait, Tas. (40°15'S, 148°15'E) on 1 Nov. 1991. Recovered dead at Ilnik River, near Port Heiden, Alaska (53°30'N, 158°00'W) on 15 Sep. 1997, over 5 years 10 months after banding. 1 1621 km NNE.

Wandering Albatross *Diomedea exulans*

- (a) 140–25801. Banded by S. G. Lane off Malabar, NSW (33°58'S, 151°16'E) on 25 June 1966. Recaptured (released alive with band) on Adams Island, Auckland Islands, New Zealand (50°55'S, 166°00'E) on 16 Feb. 1991, 7 Feb. 1994 and again on 30 Jan. 1997, the latest occasion over 30 years 7 months after banding. 2 229 km SSE.
 (b) 140–25806. Adult (1+) banded by S. G. Lane of Malabar, NSW (33°58'S, 151°16'E) on 25 June 1966. Recaptured (released alive with band) on Adams Island, Auckland Islands, New Zealand (50°55'S, 166°00'E) on 18 Jan. 1997, over 30 years 6 months after banding. 2 229 km SSE.
 (c) J09313*. Nestling banded on Gough Island, South Atlantic Ocean (40°20'S, 09°55'W) on 30 Oct. 1992. Recaptured (released alive with band) by SOSSA at sea off Wollongong, NSW (34°26'S, 151°23'E) on 5 Oct. 1997. 11 480 km SSW.
 (d) J10352*. Nestling banded on Marion Island, South Indian Ocean (46°54'S, 37°45'E) on 9 Aug. 1993. Recaptured (released alive with band) by SOSSA at sea off Wollongong, NSW (34°26'S, 151°23'E) on 20 Sep. 1997. 8 807 km SE.

*South African Bird Ringing Unit band.

Black-browed Albatross *Diomedea melanophris*

- (a) M64211*. Nestling banded on Bull Rock, Campbell Island, New Zealand (52°33'S, 169°09'E) on 12 Feb. 1997. Recaptured (released alive with band) by SOSSA at sea off Wollongong, NSW (34°23'S, 151°14'E) on 26 Sep. 1997. 2 469 km NW. (The bird was also banded with band No. 121–38628.)
 (b) M64316*. Nestling banded on Bull Rock, Campbell Island, New Zealand (52°33'S, 169°09'E) on 12 Feb. 1997. Recaptured (released alive with band) by SOSSA at sea off Wollongong, NSW (34°23'S, 151°14'E) on 26 Sep. 1997. 2 469 km NW. (The bird was also banded with band No. 131–85982.)

- (c) M66149*. Nestling banded on Bull Rock, Campbell Island, New Zealand (52°33'S, 169°09'E) on 15 Feb. 1997. Recaptured (released alive with band) by SOSSA at sea off Wollongong, NSW (34°23'S, 151°14'E) on 26 Sep. 1997. 2 469 km NW. (The bird was also banded with band No. 131–85984.)

*New Zealand Banding Scheme band.

Australasian Gannet *Morus serrator*

- (a) M53609*. Juvenile banded on White Island, Bay of Plenty, New Zealand (37°31'S, 177°12'E) on 30 Jan. 1994. Recovered dead at Flat Rock near Lennox Head, NSW (28°50'S, 153°36'E) on 28 Aug. 1997. 2 390 km W.
- (b) M68838*. Juvenile banded on White Island, Bay of Plenty, New Zealand (37°31'S, 177°12'E) on 16 Feb. 1997. Recovered (trapped in fishing gear, released alive with band) at sea approx. 1 km off Nobby's Head, Newcastle, NSW (32°55'S, 151°48'E) on 24 Apr. 1997. 2 355 km W.
- (c) 131–95152. Nestling banded by C. G. Cooper on Lawrence Rocks, Portland, Vic. on 31 Jan. 1997. Recovered dead at Coogee Beach, WA on 24 May 1997. 2 444 km W.

*New Zealand Banding Scheme band.

Brown Booby *Sula leucogaster*

- (a) 121–16275. Adult (2+) female banded by B. R. King on Sandbank No. 8, Great Barrier Reef, Qld (13°22'S, 143°58'E) on 25 June 1981. Recovered dead on Middleberg Island, Inian Jaya, Indonesia (01°00'S, 131°10'E) on 12 Dec. 1996, over 15 years 5 months after banding. 1 968 km NW.
- (b) 151703118*. Nestling banded at Johnston Sand, North Island, Hawaii (16°40'N, 169°30'W) on 15 May 1997. Recaptured (exhausted, released alive with band) at Mooloolaba Harbour, Qld (26°39'S, 153°06'E) on 19 Nov. 1997. Recaptured at same place (rehabilitation attempted but bird died) on 22 Nov. 1997. 6 284 km SW.

*Bird Banding Laboratory (USA) band.

Bar-tailed Godwit *Limosa lapponica*

- 071–86656. Adult (2+) banded by AWSG at 80 Mile Beach, WA (19°15'S, 121°20'E) on 2 Apr. 1990. Recaptured (released alive with band) at Mankyung Estuary, Korea (35°52'N, 126°43'E) on 3 Sep. 1997, over 7 years 5 months after banding. 6 153 km N.

(The bird was also banded with band No. Kor060–01028.)

Whimbrel *Numenius phaeopus*

- 082–74183. Immature (1) female banded by AWSG at Beaches Crab Creek Road, Roebuck Bay, Broome WA (18°00'S, 122°22'E) on 28 Mar. 1996. Recovered dead (shot for sport/food) at Sobolevskiy District, Pymta, Russia (53°58'N, 155°53'E) on 20 Aug. 1997. 8 615 km NNW.

Eastern Curlew *Numenius madagascariensis*

- 101–02426. Adult (3+) male banded by P. V. Driscoll on South-east Morton Island Sandbar, Qld (27°20'S, 153°26'E) on 30 Oct. 1992. Recovered dead (shot for sport/food) at Ussury River, near Lesozavodsk City, Russia (45°35'N, 133°25'E) in May 1994. 8 355 km NNW.

Ruddy Turnstone *Arenaria interpres*

- 5A26377*. Adult (2+) female banded at Furen Lake, Nemuro City, Hokkaido, Japan (43°16'N, 145°27'E) on 15 Aug. 1997. Recaptured (released alive with band) by VWWSG at West Head, Flinders, Vic. (38°29'S, 145°02'E) on 12 Nov. 1997. 9 088 km S.

*Japanese Banding Scheme band.

Great Knot *Calidris tenuirostris*

- (a) 062–09418. Immature banded by AWSG at Beaches Crab Creek Road, Roebuck Bay, Broome, WA (18°00'S, 122°22'E) on 28 Jul. 1994. Recaptured (released alive with band) at Chongming Dao, mouth of Yangtze River, China (31°30'N, 121°45'E) on 7 Apr. 1997. 5 503 km N.
- (b) 062–11916. Adult (1+) banded by QWSG on Bishop Island, mouth of Brisbane River, Qld (27°21'S, 153°10'E) on 5 Aug. 1995. Recovered dead at Kadawa Community School, Daru, Papua New Guinea (09°05'S, 143°12'E) on 25 Jul. 1997. 2 284 km NNW.
- (c) 062–14346. Adult (1+) banded by AWSG at Beaches Crab Creek Road, Roebuck Bay, Broome, WA (18°00'S, 122°22'E) on 22 Jan. 1995. Recaptured (released alive with band) at Chongming Dao, mouth of Yangtze River, China (31°30'N, 121°45'E) on 10 Apr. 1997. 5 503 km N.

Curlew Sandpiper *Calidris ferruginea*

- (a) 041–61762. Immature banded by VWWSG at Yallock Creek near Kooweerup, Vic. (38°13'S, 145°28'E) on 9 Feb. 1992. Recovered dead (shot for sport/food) at Yakutia, Verkhoyanskiy District, Russia (67°33'N, 134°25'E) on 2 June 1997, over 5 years 3 months after banding. 11 795 km N.
- (b) 041–90103. Adult (2+) banded by VWWSG at Stockyard Point, Lang Lang, Westernport, Vic. (38°22'S, 145°32'E) on 11 Dec. 1994. Recovered dead (shot for sport/food) at Yakutia, Verkhoyanskiy District, Russia (67°33'N, 134°25'E) on 2 June 1997. 11 812 km N.

Little Tern *Sterna albifrons*

- (a) 040–92032. Adult (1+) banded by D. I. Smedley at Port Botany, NSW on 28 Dec. 1982. Recaptured (released alive with band) by NSWNPSP at Towra Point, Botany Bay, NSW on 14 Nov. 1997, over 14 years 10 months after banding. 10 km SSW.
- (b) 041–91585. Adult (2+) Banded by VWWSG at Albifrons Island, Ocean Grange Lakes National Park, Vic. (37°57'S, 147°47'E) on 26 Jan. 1996. Colour marking sighted in field (band number inferred) at Gan-No-Su, Higashi-Ku, Fukuoka-Shi, Japan (33°40'N, 130°24'E) on 19 May 1997. 8 162 km NNW.

Brown Treecreeper *Climacteris picumnus*

- 051–09370. Adult (1+) male banded by D. I. Smedley at Back Yamma State Forest, near Parkes NSW on 6 Nov. 1983. Recaptured at banding place by V. A. Johnson on 9 Oct. 1997, over 13 years 11 months after banding. (Bird was rebanded with band No. 042–05226).

(This is the oldest recorded for this species.)

White-browed Scrubwren *Sericornis frontalis*

- (a) 022–79246. Adult (2+) male banded by R. Jordan at Barren Grounds Nature Reserve, NSW on 17 Mar. 1984. Recaptured at banding place nine times the last occasion by R. Broughton on 13 Jan. 1997, over 12 years 9 months after banding.
- (b) 022–97185. Adult (2+) male banded by R. Jordan at the Wolery, Jamberoo Mountain, NSW on 1 Feb. 1986. Recaptured at banding place five times, the last occasion on 21 Apr. 1997, over 11 years 2 months after banding.

Brown Thornbill *Acanthiza pusilla*

- (a) 014–73683. Immature (1) banded by R. Jordan at Barren Grounds Nature Reserve, NSW on 9 Jan. 1985. Recaptured at banding place six times the last occasion on 30 Oct. 1995, over 10 years 9 months after banding.

- (b) 023-04065. Nestling banded by R. Jordan at the Wolery, Jamberoo Mountain, NSW on 31 Oct. 1986. Recaptured at banding place three times, the last occasion on 7 Apr. 1995, over 8 years 5 months after banding.

White-cheeked Honeyeater *Phylidonyris nigra*

- 034-44343. Male banded by S. D. Bradshaw at Scott National Park, WA on 22 Feb. 1995. Recaptured (in mist net, released alive with band) by B. J. Wykes at Kings Park Botanic Garden, Perth, WA on 1 Nov. 1997. 261 km N.

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

Australian Magpie *Gymnorhina tibicen*

- 091-13601. Immature (1) banded by A. W. J. Fletcher at Bellerive, Tas. on 18 Jul. 1987. Recovered dead 2 km NW of banding place on 27 Aug. 1997, over 10 years 1 month after banding.

Pied Currawong *Strepera graculina*

- 091-01625. Juvenile banded by G. B. Baker at Hughes, ACT on 2 Sep. 1973. Recovered sick (alive in captivity) at Mawson, ACT on 21 Oct. 1997, over 24 years 1 month after banding. 4 km SW.

(This is the oldest recorded for for this species.)

Raggiana Bird of Paradise *Paradisaea raggiana*

- 080-02771. Banded by B. M. Beehler 9 km NNE of Wau, Papua New Guinea (07°16'S, 146°42'E) on 1 Sep. 1980. Deliberately trapped for the aviary, now held in the aviary at Wau Institute, Papua New Guinea, approx. 17 years after banding.

Red-whiskered Bulbul *Pycnonotus jocosus*

- 040-28269. Adult (1+) banded by I. Paterson at Mount Annan Botanic Garden, Campbelltown, NSW on 17 Nov. 1991. Recaptured at banding place by A. J. Leishman on 22 Nov. 1997, over 6 years after banding.

Clamorous Reed-Warbler *Acrocephalus stentoreus*

- 024-60528. Adult (1+) banded by W. Klau at River Broughton, between Koolunga and Redhill, SA on 27 Nov. 1991. Recaptured at banding place on 23 Jan. 1997, over 5 years 2 months after banding.