

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:

ANPWS — Australian National Parks and Wildlife Service
 AWSG — Australasian Wader Study Group
 GLOG — Gippsland Lakes Ornithological Group
 VWSG — Victorian Wader Study Group
 WIRES — NSW Wildlife Information and Rescue Service

Australian Brush-turkey *Alectura lathami*

130-34104. Adult (1+) banded by D. D. Dow at Upper Brookfield, Qld on 24 Oct. 1976. Band number read in field (bird not captured) at banding place on 5 Dec. 1985, over 9 years, 1 month after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Gould's Petrel *Pterodroma leucoptera*

060-10763. Nestling banded by A. F. D'Ombra on Cabbage Tree Island, Port Stephens, NSW on 25 Mar. 1960. Recaptured at banding place by D. M. Priddel on 9 Dec. 1992, over 32 years, 8 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

White-capped Albatross *Thalassarche steadi*

140-47567. Adult (1+) banded by N. P. Brothers on Albatross Island, Tas. on 11 Sep. 1981. Recovered dead at Bells Beach, Vic. on 18 Nov. 1998, over 17 years, 2 months after banding. (Bird was rebanded with Band No. 280-01856 on 9 Sept. 1982.)

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

White-faced Storm-Petrel *Pelagodroma marina*

051-21444. Adult (1+) banded by B. I. Robertson on Chalky Island, Tas. on 23 Nov. 1982. Recovered dead at Colliers Beach, Ulladulla, NSW on 12 Aug. 1998, over 15 years, 8 months after banding. 579 km NNE.

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

Red-tailed Tropicbird *Phaethon rubricauda*

200-08136. Juvenile banded by B. R. King on Raine Island, Qld on 14 Apr. 1984. Recaptured at banding place (released alive with band) by N. J. Cornelius on 7 Dec. 1998, over 14 years, 7 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Lesser Frigatebird *Fregata ariel*

210-05640. Nestling banded by ANPWS Ashmore/Cartier Project on Middle Island, Ashmore Reef, Timor Sea, WA (12°16'S, 123°02'E) on 31 July 1988. Recovered dead on Shanghai Shapoo Island, Tawi Tawi, Philippines (05°01'N, 119°46'E) on 25 Nov. 1998, over 10 years, 3 months after banding. 1 955 km NNW.

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

Nankeen Kestrel *Falco cenchroides*

080-12918. Adult (1+) male banded by N. J. Favaloro at Boort, Vic. on 10 June 1959. Recaptured (released alive with band) near banding place on 25 June 1966, over 7 years after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Eastern Curlew *Numenius madagascariensis*

091-06116. Adult (2+) banded by VWSG at Inverloch, Vic on 25 Nov. 1984. Recaptured at banding place on 6 Dec. 1997, over 13 years after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Terek Sandpiper *Xenus cinereus*

NV04265*. Juvenile banded at Mai Po Marshes, Hong Kong (22°29'N, 114°02'E) on 31 Aug. 1988. Recaptured (released alive with band) at Beaches Crab Creek Road, Roebuck Bay, Broome, WA (18°00'S, 122°22'E) by AWSG on 26 Oct. 1998, over 10 years, 1 month after banding. 4 591 km SSE. (The bird was also banded with Band No. 051-99896.)

*BTO Ringing and Migration band.

Red Knot *Calidris canutus*

(a) XR62142*. Juvenile banded at Mai Po Marshes, Hong Kong (22°29'N, 114°02'E) on 5 Sept. 1990. Recaptured (released alive with band) by AWSG at 80 Mile Beach, WA (19°15'S, 121°20'E) on 22 Oct. 1998, over 8 years, 1 month after banding. 4 707 km S.

(b) XR81219*. Juvenile banded at Mai Po Marshes, Hong Kong (22°29'N, 114°02'E) on 9 Sept. 1991. Recaptured (released alive with band) by AWSG at Beaches Crab Creek Road, Roebuck Bay, Broome, WA (18°00'S, 122°22'E) on 28 Oct. 1998, over 7 years, 1 month after banding. 4 707 km S.

*BTO Ringing and Migration band.

Red-necked Stint *Calidris ruficollis*

(a) 032-20218. Adult (2+) banded by VWSG at Werribee Sewerage Farm, Vic. on 18 Nov. 1979. Recaptured at banding place (released alive with band) on 27 Dec. 1997, over 18 years, 1 month after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

(b) 034-93463. Immature (1) banded by VWSG at Yallock Creek, Kooweerup, Vic. (38°13'S, 145°28'E) on 3 Jan. 1994. Recovered dead, (shot for sport/food) at Saskyllakh, Anabarskiy District, Russia (71°58'N, 114°10'E) on 1 July 1998. 12 491 km NNW.

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

Curlew Sandpiper *Calidris ferruginea*

(a) 040-91835. Adult 1+ banded by S. G. Lane at Stockton, NSW (32°56'S, 151°47'E) on 12 Nov. 1977. Recovered dead ('probably hunted') at Jilin Province, China (43°36'N, 123°54'E) on 6 Dec. 1979. 8 967 km NNW. (see Note page 32.)

(b) BO7727*. Adult (2+) banded at Shi-Chou, Tainan, Taiwan (23°01'N, 120°07'E) on 28 Apr. 1990. Recaptured (released alive with band) by VWSG at Werribee Sewerage Farm, Vic (38°05'S, 144°31'E) on 28 Dec. 1998, over 8 years, 8 months after banding. 7 254 km SSE.

*Taiwan Bird Banding Centre band.

Beach Stone-curlew *Esacus neglectus*

110-44701. Nestling banded by D. A. Secomb at Nambucca River Estuary, NSW on 14 Mar. 1986. Recovered (band number read in field) by G. P. Clancy at Sandon Estuary, south of Brooms Head, NSW on 17 Dec. 1998, over 12 years, 9 months after banding. 113 km NNE.

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

Red-necked Avocet *Recurvirostra novaehollandiae*

082-43562. Adult (2+) banded by VWSG at Werribee Sewerage Farm, Vic. on 28 Nov. 1981. Recovered dead (shot for sport) at Cullens Lake near Kerang, Vic. on 19 Mar. 1989, over 7 years, 3 months after banding. 280 km NNW.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Pacific Golden Plover *Pluvialis fulva*

061-43608. Adult (1+) banded by W. P. Barden on Kooragang Island, Newcastle, NSW (32°52'S, 151°46'E) on 16 Feb. 1985. Recovered dead at Shanghai Chongming Dao, China (31°36'N, 121°18'E) in Apr. 1990. 7 848 km NNW.

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

Silver Gull *Larus novaehollandiae*

082-74476. Immature (1) bird rehabilitated by WIRES banded and released at Newport, NSW on 23 July 1991. Recaptured (released alive with band) at Victor Harbor, SA on 17 Oct. 1998, over 7 years, 2 months after banding. 1 178 km WSW.

Crested Tern *Sterna bergii*

071-43577. Nestling banded by A. J. Leishman on No 2 Island, Five Islands, Port Kembla, NSW on 19 Nov. 1983. Recovered dead at Greenwell Point near Nowra, NSW on 23 Jan. 1999, over 15 years, 2 months after banding. 52 km SSW.

Common Tern *Sterna hirundo*

051-93669. Adult (2+) banded by VWSG at Trouser Point, Lochsport, Vic. (37°58'S, 147°39'E) on 26 Jan. 1998. Recaptured (released alive with band) at Guiuan, Eastern Samar, Philippines (11°02'N, 125°43'E) on 15 Nov. 1998. 5 906 km NNW.

White-rumped Swiftlet *Collocalia spodiopygius*

012-79960. Adult (2+) banded by M. K. Tarburton at Nasinu Caves, Fiji on 8 Aug. 1974. Recaptured at banding place on 8 Dec. 1983, over 9 years, 4 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Red-winged Fairy-wren *Malurus elegans*

015-49825. Adult (1+) banded by A. R. Bamford 18 km NW of Collie, WA on 3 Apr. 1988. Recaptured at banding place on 31 May 1997, over 9 years, 1 month after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Yellow-throated Scrubwren *Sericornis citreogularis*

023-03840. Adult (1+) male banded by R. Jordan at the Wollery, Jamberoo, NSW on 9 May 1987. Recaptured at banding place on 14 Apr. 1997, over 9 years, 11 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Bell Miner *Manorina melanophrys*

041-51583. Adult (1+) banded by R. A. Zann at Coranderrk, Healesville, Vic. on 1 Sept. 1990. Recovered dead at Upwey, Vic. on 3 Jan. 1993. 30 km SSW.

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

Noisy Miner *Manorina melanocephala*

061-20156. Adult (1+) banded by A. H. Burbidge at Rotamah Island Bird Observatory, Vic. on 5 May 1983. Recaptured by GLOG at banding place on 12 Oct. 1995, over 12 years, 5 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

White-throated Honeyeater *Meliphreptus albogularis*

023-40215. Adult (1+) banded by S. J. M. Blaber near Mount Cotton, Qld on 28 May 1988. Recaptured near banding place on 5 Apr. 1998, over 9 years, 10 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Mottled Whistler *Rhagologus leucostigma*

023-99622. Adult (1+) banded by I. Burrows at Myola, 105 km NE of Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea on 15 Oct. 1988. Recaptured by R. K. Hicks at banding place on 21 Sept. 1998, over 9 years, 11 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Gilbert's Whistler *Pachycephala inornata*

033-12007. Immature (1) banded by R. P. Allen near Grenfell, NSW on 16 Mar. 1987. Recaptured at banding place on 7 Mar. 1998, over 10 years, 11 months after banding. (Bird rebanded with Band No. 034-78352.)

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Rufous Whistler *Pachycephala rufiventris*

031-16275. Adult (2+) female banded by S. McCosker near Beerburum, Qld on 31 May 1971. Recaptured by J. Liddy at banding place on 23 Aug. 1986, over 15 years, 2 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Little Shrike-thrush *Colluricincla megarhyncha*

041-52352. Adult (1+) banded by M. J. G. Hopkins 22 km ENE of Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea on 2 Jan. 1991. Recaptured by R. K. Hicks at banding place on 11 Oct. 1998, over 7 years, 9 months after banding.

Australian Magpie *Gymnorhina tibicen*

090-02991. Adult (2+) female banded by R. Carrick at Gungahlin, ACT on 13 Sept. 1956. Recovered sick, (later died) by D. Purchase at banding place on 26 June 1980, over 23 years, 9 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

Pied Currawong *Strepera graculina*

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

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

House Sparrow *Passer domesticus*

031-95427. Adult (1+) male banded by C. R. Jenkin at Blackwood, SA on 23 Apr. 1979. Recovered dead at Hawthorndene, SA on 28 Oct. 1986, over 7 years, 6 months after banding.

(This is the oldest recorded for the species.)