

# RECOVERY ROUND-UP

This section is prepared with the co-operation of the Secretary, Australian Bird and Bat Banding Schemes, Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment. 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:

ANARE – Australian National Antarctic Research Expedition.

NSW NPWS GP – New South Wales National Parks and Wildlife Service, Gull Project

VWWSG – Victorian Wader Study Group.

## Fiordland Penguin *Eudyptes pachyrhynchus*

♂9676\*. Nestling banded on Taumaka Open Bay Island, New Zealand (43°51'S, 168°53'E) on 22 Nov. 89. Recovered dead at Childers Cove near Warrnambool, Vic. (38°29'S, 142°40'E) on 26 Jul. 90, 8 months 4 days after banding. 2 263 km W.

\*New Zealand Banding Scheme Band.

## Little Penguin *Eudyptula minor*

190–37027. Nestling banded by M. Fortescue on Bowen Island, Jervis Bay, ACT on 10 Nov. 88. Recovered dead at Tea Tree Crossing, Coorong National Park, SA on 15 Apr. 90. 1 012 km WSW.

## Wandering Albatross *Diomedea exulans*

CF3045\*. Adult male (+1) banded on Crozet Islands, Indian Ocean (46°25'S, 51°45'E) on 20 Apr. 66. Recaptured at sea off Bellambi, NSW (34°20'S, 151°00'E) by H. Battam on 22 Jul. 89, over 23 years 3 months after banding. 7 950 km ESE.

\*French Banding Scheme Band.

## Shy Albatross *Diomedea cauta*

280–06745. Nestling banded by N. P. Brothers on Albatross Island, Tas. on 27 Mar. 85. Recovered dead at Torquay Beach, Vic. in Jan. 90. 228 km N.

## Southern Giant-Petrel *Macronectes giganteus*

(a) 5156782\*. Nestling banded on Signy Island, South Orkney, Antarctica (60°43'S, 45°36'W) on 9 Mar. 87. Recaptured at sea off Bellambi, NSW (34°20'S, 151°00'E) by H. Battam on 16 Aug. 89. 9 336 km SSW.

\*British Trust for Ornithology Band.

(b) 949139\*. Nestling banded on Marion Island, South Indian Ocean (46°54'S, 37°45'E) on 7 Feb. 90. Recovered 'exhausted, later released' at Fowlers Bay, SA (31°59'S, 132°26'E) on 23 May 90. 7 799 km ESE.

\*South African Band.

## Cape Petrel *Daption capense*

091–09604. Nestling banded by ANARE on Raurc Group, 27 km S of Davis Station, Antarctica (68°50'S, 77°50'E) on 15 Feb. 84. Recaptured on McNabb Island, Antarctica (68°49'S, 77°40'E) on 5 Dec. 89, over 5 years 9 months after banding. 7 km WNW.

## Providence Petrel *Pterodroma solandri*

(a) 081–39127. Banded by P. J. Fullagar on Mount Gower, Lord Howe Island on 10 Mar. 78. Recaptured at banding place by S. G. Lane on 10 Mar. 88, over 9 years 11 months after banding.

(b) 081–39416. Banded by P. J. Fullagar on Mount Gower, Lord Howe Island on 9 May 81. Recaptured at banding place by S. G. Lane on 10 Mar. 88, over 6 years 10 months after banding.

## Flesh-footed Shearwater *Puffinus carneipes*

(a) 161–17078. Banded by S. G. Lane at Ned's Beach, Lord Howe Island on 10 Apr. 72. Recaptured at banding place on 9 Mar. 88, 15 years 11 months after banding.

(b) 161–22438. Banded by J. L. McKean on Lord Howe Island on 10 Apr. 71. Recaptured at banding place by S. G. Lane on 9 Mar. 88, 16 years 11 months after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species.)

## Wedge-tailed Shearwater *Puffinus pacificus*

(a) 161–72152. Nestling banded by S. G. Lane on Big Island, Five Islands, NSW on 17 Apr. 81. Recaptured at banding place by H. Battam on 3 Jan. 91, over 9 years 8 months after banding.

(b) 162–17610. Nestling banded by S. G. Lane on Mutton Bird Island, NSW (30°18'S, 153°09'E) on 22 Mar. 89. Recaptured at Borongan, East Samar, Philippines (11°35'N, 125°25'E) on 12 Apr. 90. 5 520 km NW.

**Short-tailed Shearwater** *Puffinus tenuirostris*

50650\*/40095\*. Adult (breeding female) banded by D. L. Serventy on Fisher Island, Bass Strait, Tas. in Nov. 57. Recovered dead at banding place on 3 Dec. 90, over 33 years after banding.

161-45994/40090\*. Nestling banded by D. L. Serventy on Fisher Island, Bass Strait, Tas. in March 57. Recaptured (female) at banding place during most successive breeding seasons since first breeding, the last occasion on 14 Dec. 90, over 33 years 9 months after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species.)

\*Tasmanian Animals and Bird Protection Board Band.

**Australasian Gannet** *Morus serrator*

(a) 130-60453. Nestling banded by J. R. Wheeler on Lawrence Rocks, Portland, Vic. on 26 Dec. 67. Recaptured at banding place by C. G. Cooper on 19 Dec. 89, over 21 years 11 months after banding.

(b) M39701\*. Juvenile banded on White Island, New Zealand (37°31'S, 177°12'E) on 13 Jan. 88. Recovered dead on Hippolyte Rocks, Tas. (43°07'S, 148°03'E) on 25 Mar. 90. 2 540 km WSW.

\*New Zealand Banding Scheme Band.

**Red-footed Booby** *Sula sula*

270-02060 Adult (+1) banded by M. K. Tarburton at Vatu-I-Ra, Fiji (17°19'S, 178°28'E) on 16 Dec. 81. Recovered dead on Yasawa Island, Fiji Group (16°50'S, 177°35'E) on 23 Aug. 90, over 8 years 8 months after banding. 108 km NW.

**Masked Booby** *Sula dactylatra*

(a) 131-40191. Adult male (+1) banded by B. R. King on Raine Island, Qld (11°36'S, 144°01'E) on 12 June. 81. Recaptured at Bamu River, Emeti Balimo, Papua New Guinea (08°05'S, 142°55'E) on 16 May 90, over 8 years 11 months after banding. 407 km NNW.

(b) 131-67728. Nestling banded by O. R. Evans on Philip Island, Norfolk Island (29°07'S, 167°57'E) on 27 Dec. 89. Recovered sick, later died, on Ambae Island, Vanuatu (15°25'S, 167°45'E) on 28 Aug. 90. 1 523 km N.

**Brown Booby** *Sula leucogaster*

(a) 121-16766. Nestling banded by B. R. King on Raine Island, Qld (11°36'S, 144°01'E) on 2 Dec. 86. Recovered dead at Simbini Bay, Papua New Guinea (04°24'S, 145°20'E) on 13 Nov. 90. 813 km N.

(b) 121-32148. Nestling banded by H. Heatwole on Gannet Cay, Swain Reef, Great Barrier Reef, Qld (21°29'S, 152°29'E) on 14 Jan. 90. Recovered dead "taken for food" near Modewa Bay, Papua New Guinea (10°41'S, 150°21'E) on 19 Jul. 90. 1 222 km N.

**Black-faced Shag** *Leucocarbo fuscescens*

131-09551. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on the Breakwater, Outer Harbour, SA on 18 Jul. 71. Recovered dead at Maslins Beach, SA on 14 Jul. 90, over 18 years 11 months after banding. 50 km S.

**Pied Cormorant** *Phalacrocorax varius*

131-12578. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman at Pine Point, Yorke Peninsula, SA on 14 May 72. Recovered dead at Pine Point, Yorke Peninsula, SA on 1 Apr. 90, over 17 years 10 months after banding. 38 km SSW.

**Red-tailed Tropicbird** *Phaethon rubricauda*

090-68951. Nestling banded by A. Stokes on Christmas Island, Indian Ocean (10°27'S, 105°40'E) on 24 Mar. 67. Recovered dead near banding place on 15 Jan. 90, over 23 years 9 months after banding.

**South Polar Skua** *Stercorarius maccormicki*

DZ16029\*. Adult banded on Ile de Petrels, Terre Adélie, Antarctica (66°40'S, 140°01'E) on 5 Feb. 79. Recovered dead 60 km SE of Head of Great Australian Bight (31°44'S, 131°45'E) on 19 Apr. 90, over 11 years 2 months after banding. 3 924 km NNW.

\*French Banding Scheme Band.

**Silver Gull** *Larus novaehollandiae*

(a) 081-11296. Nestling banded by C. Hall at Fishermen Bend, Vic. on 13 Oct. 63. Recaptured at Shallow Inlet W side of Sandy Point, Vic. by C. Bryant on 8 Aug. 89, over 26 years 9 months after banding. 152 km SE. (This is the oldest recorded for this species.)

(b) 082 14372. Nestling banded by B. J. Kentish at Wirrawee Swamp, Vic. on 19 Nov. 89. Recovered dead at Andamooka Station, SA in Jun. 90. 969 km NW.

**Caspian Tern** *Hydroprogne caspia*

(a) 090-33202. Nestling banded by J. N. Dunlop on Carnarvon Island, WA on 2 Sep. 81. Recovered dead at Fremantle Harbour, WA on 4 May 90, over 8 years 8 months after banding. 26 km ENE.

(b) 091 23323. Nestling banded by VWSG at Manns Beach Corner Inlet, Vic. on 23 Dec. 89. Recovered dead at Frazer Island, Qld on 13 Jan. 91. 1 548 km NNE.

**Little Tern** *Sterna albifrons*

041-24460. Nestling banded by D. J. Geering at Red Rock Estuary, NSW on 23 Dec. 86. Recovered dead (hit by motor car) by J. W. Hardy at Forster, NSW on 6 Dec 90, over 3 years 11 months after banding. 256 km SSW.

**Crested Tern** *Sterna bergii*

070-5498?. Nestling banded by J. Liddy on Pelican Island Tas. on 28 Dec. 62. Recaptured at Bicheno, Tas. by C. Wakefield on 27 Nov. 90, over 27 years 10 months after banding. 131 km SSE. (New Band 072-00955)