# Yellow-faced Honeyeater

- Lichenostomus chrysops
- (a) 022-66949. Immature (1) banded by A. J. Leishman near Appin. NSW on 11 Dec. 83. Recaptured at banding place eight times, the last occasion on 3 Mar. 91, over 7 years 3 months after banding.
- (b) 022-73471. Adult banded by R. Jordan at Barren Grounds Bird Observatory, Jambetoo, NSW on 2 Sep. 83. Recaptured at banding place six times, the last occasion by M. Bramwell on 28 Aug. 90, over 6 years 11 months after banding.

## Purple-gaped Honeyeater

Lichenostomus cratitius

022-40113. Juvenile banded by P. Duncan at Eyre Bird Observatory, WA on 6 Feb. 80. Recaptured at banding place 36 times, the last occasion by P. Congreve on 1 Dec. 90. over 9 years 10 months after banding.

#### New Holland Honeyeater Phylidonyris novaehollandiae

031-66791. Banded by P. Duncan at Eyre Bird Observatory, WA on 5 June 81. Recaptured at banding place by P. Congresse on 1 Dec. 90, over 9 years 5 months after banding.

#### Silvereye Zosterops lateralis

014-78103. Adult (+1) banded by A. J. Leishman near Appin, NSW on 28 Mar. 87. Recaptured near Armidale. NSW by A. J. Ley on 13 Apr. 91, over 4 years after banding. 405 km NNE.

#### Golden Bowerbird Prionodura newtoniana

050-57403. Immature (1) male banded by C. Frith near Paluma, Qld. on 9 Apr. 79. Recaptured at Paluma State Forest by S. G. Lane on 1 Dec. 90, over 11 years 7 months after banding, 4 km WNW.

#### Tooth-billed Catbird Ailuroedus melanotis

- (a) 071-42511. Adult (+1) banded by C. Frith near Paluma, Old. on 22 Nov. 78. Recaptured at Paluma State Forest by S. G. Lane on 1 Dec. 90, over 12 years after banding. 4 km WNW.
- (b) 071-44317. Adult (+1) banded by C. Frith near Paluma, Old. on 20 Oct. 80. Recaptured at Paluma State Forest by S. G. Lane on 30 Nov. 90. over 10 years 1 month after banding, 4 km WNW.

## Grey Butcherbird Cracticus torquatus

060-36774. Immature (1) banded by S. G. Lane at Pennant Hills Park, NSW on 12 June 72. Band number read in field (bird not trapped) at Turramurra, NSW, by T. Alian on 4 Apr. 91, over 18 years 9 months after banding.

# OBITUARY

R. K. 'Sam' Carruthers died suddenly at Buderim in early March 1991, aged 69 years. A mining engineer by profession, he was an enthusiastic bird watcher and bander for many years. He applied to his hobby that attention to detail his job demanded. His birding notes were meticulous. If he saw in any publication a statement which deviated from the facts as he knew them, he was quick to draw the author's attention to the error of his ways. The most interesting part of his birding life was in north-west Queensland when he lived in Mount Isa in the 50s and 60s. At that time the large artificial lakes were being created with a fascinating impact on the birdlife. He was the leading spirit of a small but enthusiastic group of bird watchers and banders who observed and recorded this phenomenon. Later his career took him to Sydney where his birding was more limited but his interest was rekindled on his retirement to the Sunshine Coast, where he carefully recorded the details of birds in his garden until the time of his death.

A most friendly and sociable man with a great knowledge of birds as well as an endless fund of stories about the colourful characters of Queensland's North-West; a day with Sam and his wife Joy was always a delight. A moonlit west Queensland night, a camp-fire and a beer with Sam after a day's birding was one of life's great pleasures for those of us fortunate enough to experience it. He will be affectionately remembered and sadly missed. He is survived by his wife Joy and his three sons to whom we extend our sympathy.

A. T. Thomason

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