

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:

QWSG — Queensland Wader Study Group.

VWSG — Victorian Wader Study Group.

Southern Giant-Petrel *Macronectes giganteus*

BA03752*. Nestling banded at Vaureal Point, King George Island, Antarctica (62°15'S, 58°15'W) on 3 Apr. 95. Recaptured (tangled in fishing gear, released alive with band) 8 km offshore between Camden and Diamond Heads, New South Wales (31°54'S, 152°52'E) on 27 July 95. 9 180 km SSW.

*Polish Banding Scheme band.

Northern Giant-Petrel *Macronectes halli*

131-63803. Nestling banded by N. P. Brothers on Macquarie Island, Tasmania (54°00'S, 158°00'E) on 15 Jan. 96. Recovered dead at Cabo Polonia, near Rocha, Uruguay (34°30'S, 53°45'W) on 12 Oct. 96. 9 710 km SE.

Shy Albatross *Diomedea cauta*

280-06890. Nestling banded by N. P. Brothers on Albatross Island, Tasmania on 27 Mar. 85. Recovered dead at Point Ricardo, East Gippsland, Victoria on 7 Apr. 97, over 12 years after banding. 444 km NE.

Masked Booby *Sula dactylatra*

131-89610. Juvenile banded by M. J. McCoy on Philip Island, Norfolk Island (29°07'S, 167°57'E) on 5 Nov. 96. Recaptured (band removed and bird released) at Aneingauhat, Aneityum, Vanuatu (20°14'S, 169°44'E) on 17 Mar. 97. 1 004 km N.

Grey-tailed Tattler *Heteroscelus brevipes*

5B59007*. Adult (2+) banded at Furen Lake, Nemuro City, Hokkaido, Japan (43°16'N, 145°27'E) on 10 Aug. 95. Recaptured by QWSG on Bishop Island, mouth of Brisbane River, Qld (27°21'S, 153°10'E) on 2 Dec. 96. 7 890 km S.

*Japanese Banding Scheme band.

Red-necked Stint *Calidris ruficollis*

(a) 3B48429*. Adult (2+) banded at Furen Lake, Nemuro City, Hokkaido, Japan (43°16'N, 145°27'E) on 10 Aug. 95. Colour marking sighted in field (band number inferred) by C. Hassell and M. Bamford at Cargill Saltworks, Port Headland, WA (20°15'S, 118°55'E) on 24 Mar. 97. 7 564 km SSW.

*Japanese Banding Scheme band.

(b) Leg Flag Red. Cohort of birds colour flagged by VWSG in southern Vic. (38°00'S, 145° 00'E) since Jan. 90. One bird sighted at Jez. Bajkal, Pankowka, Rosja, Irkutsk, Russia (51°00'N, 104°30'E) on 26 July 96. 10 652 km NNW.

Double-banded Plover *Charadrius bicinctus*

C53854*. Nestling banded at Ahuriri River 2, New Zealand (44°30'S, 169°48'E) on 28 Oct. 95. Colour marking sighted in field by D. Thorpe (band number inferred) at Shoalhaven Heads, NSW (34°51'S, 150°44'E) on 20 Apr. 97. 1 945 km W.

*New Zealand Banding Scheme band.

Little Tern *Sterna albifrons*

041-92182. Adult (2) banded by VWSG at Albifrons Island, Ocean Grange Lakes National Park, Vic. (37°57'S, 147°47'E) on 26 Jan. 96. Recovered dead (shot for food/sport) at Lingayen Gulf, Pangasinan, Philippines (16°20'N, 120°10'E) on 29 Jan. 97. 6 688 km NNW.

(This is the first Little Tern recovered in the Philippines.)

White-throated Treecreeper *Cormobates leucophaeus*

033-24208. Adult (1+) female banded by M. Clayton at Charcoal Tank Nature Reserve, West Wyalong, NSW on 24 Mar. 89. Recaptured at banding place nine times, the last occasion by W. Martin on 13 Oct. 96, over 7 years 6 months after banding.

Variegated Fairy-wren *Malurus lamberti*

(a) 016-09990. Adult (1+) female banded by P. Mahoney at Charcoal Tank Nature Reserve, West Wyalong, NSW on 7 July 90. Recaptured at banding place by A. O. Nicholls on 25 Jan. 97, over 6 years 6 months after banding. (Band replaced by 016-84525.)

- (b) 016-85313. Adult (2+) male banded by A. J. Leishman at Pyampa Station, Caryapundy Swamp, SW Qld on 17 July 92. Recaptured at banding place twice the last occasion by R. Jacobs on 30 Apr. 96, over 3 years 8 months after banding.

White-browed Scrubwren *Sericornis frontalis*

- (a) 022-92441. Immature (1) banded by D. Geering at Iluka Nature Reserve, NSW on 11 Dec. 86. Recaptured (female) at banding place three times, the last occasion by K. A. Wood on 11 Feb. 97, 10 years 2 months after banding.
- (b) 023-96522. Banded by T. Nixon at Scheyville, NSW on 21 Jan. 89. Recaptured at banding place 13 times, the last occasion by R. Jacobs on 18 May 97, over 8 years 3 months after banding. (Band replaced by 024-66570.)
- (c) 023-97722. Adult (1+) male banded by G. E. Richards at Iluka Nature Reserve, NSW on 15 May 88. Recaptured at banding place three times, the last occasion by W. L. Klause on 11 Feb. 97, over 8 years 8 months after banding.

Shy Heathwren *Hylacola cauta*

- 023-10697. Adult (2+) male banded by M. Clayton at Charcoal Tank Nature Reserve, West Wyalong, NSW on 16 Aug. 86. Recaptured at banding place three times, the last occasion on 10 Sep. 95, over 9 years after banding.

Inland Thornbill *Acanthiza apicalis*

- 015-48653. Adult (1+) banded by M. Clayton at Charcoal Tank Nature Reserve, West Wyalong, NSW on 11 June 88. Retrapped at banding place four times, the last occasion on 10 Nov. 95, over 7 years 4 months after banding.

Spiny-cheeked Honeyeater

Acanthagenys rufogularis

- 050-82144. Banded by D. I. Smedley at Burrendong Arboretum, near Wellington, NSW on 23 June 90. Retrapped at banding place by R. Jacobs on 2 May 97, over 6 years 10 months after banding.

Yellow-plumed Honeyeater

Lichenostomus ornatus

- 023-76301. Adult (1+) banded by M. Clayton at Charcoal Tank Nature Reserve, West Wyalong, NSW on 27 Feb. 88. Recaptured at banding place twice (both within two days), the last occasion by K. Egan on 11 Sep. 95, over 7 years 6 months after banding.

White-plumed Honeyeater

Lichenostomus penicillatus

- (a) 023-50509. Adult (1+) banded by D. I. Smedley at Burrendong Arboretum, near Wellington, NSW on 5 Dec. 86. Recaptured at banding place by R. Jacobs on 2 May 1997, over 10 years 4 months after banding.

- (b) 023-54617. Adult (1+) banded by H. Bell at Burrendong Arboretum, near Wellington, NSW on 3 Oct. 87. Recaptured at banding place by R. Jacobs on 30 Mar. 97, over 9 years 5 months after banding.

- (c) 024-47877. Adult (2+) banded by W. Klau at Doughby Reserve, S of Melrose, SA on 11 Oct. 91. Recaptured at banding place twice, the last occasion on 18 Mar. 97, over 5 years 5 months after banding.

- (d) 024-60662. Adult (2+) male banded by W. Klau at Doughby Reserve, S of Melrose, SA on 6 Mar. 92. Recaptured at banding place twice, the last occasion on 18 Mar. 97, over 5 years after banding.

Brown-headed Honeyeater

Melithreptus brevirostris

- 023-16660. Adult (2+) banded by M. Clayton at Charcoal Tank Nature Reserve, West Wyalong, NSW on 17 Aug. 86. Recaptured at banding place five times, the last occasion on 15 Oct. 94, over 8 years 1 month after banding.

Eastern Spinebill *Acanthorhynchus tenuirostris*

- 016-07707. Adult (1+) female banded by K. Egan at Menai, NSW on 31 May 89. Recaptured at banding place four times, the last occasion on 1 May 97, over 7 years 11 months after banding.

Eastern Yellow Robin *Eopsaltria australis*

- 022-91340. Immature (1) male banded by S. G. Lane at Iluka Nature Reserve, NSW on 20 Oct. 88. Recaptured at banding place by D. Geering on 10 Feb. 97, over 8 years 3 months after banding.

Gilbert's Whistler *Pachycephala inornata*

- 032-69513. Adult (2+) male banded by S. G. Lane at Charcoal Tank Nature Reserve, West Wyalong, NSW on 8 Sep. 88. Recaptured at banding place six times, the last occasion by K. Egan on 19 Mar. 95, over 6 years 6 months after banding.

Grey Shrike-thrush *Colluricincla harmonica*

- 050-19475. Adult (2+) male banded by M. Clayton at Charcoal Tank Nature Reserve, West Wyalong, NSW on 18 Jan. 87. Recaptured at banding place three times, the last occasion on 28 July 96, over 9 years 6 months after banding. (Band replaced by 051-34475.)

Satin Bowerbird *Ptilonorhynchus violaceus*

- 082-44639. Adult male banded by S. G. Lane at Moonee, NSW on 22 Jan. 87. Recaptured at banding place three times (in full plumage on 26 July 91), the last occasion on 16 June 97, over 10 years 4 months after banding.