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THE MAXIMUM SWIMMING SPEED AND THEORETICAL FORAGING RANGE OF BREEDING LITTLE PENGUINS *Eudyptula minor* AT PHILLIP ISLAND, VICTORIA

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Maximum swimming speed of Little Penguins varied from 4.0-8.5 km/h. Estimates indicate that penguins travelling in search of food at the most efficient level of energy consumption would not travel much faster than 2.6 km/h. The potential feeding range is probably about 20 km, when adults are feeding chicks and are absent during daylight.