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#### Little Penguin Eudyptula minor

- (a) 190-00725. Nestling banded by S. G. Lane on Lion Island, Broken Bay, NSW on 2 Nov. 68. Found dead at Church Point, Pittwater, NSW on 30 Sept. 76, over 7 years 10 months after banding, 10 km SW.
- (b) 190-02329. Adult male banded by Penguin Study Group on Phillip Island, Vic. on 17 Aug. 68. Found dead at Ricketts Point Peach, Vic, on 19 July 76. 7 years 11 months after banding. 62 km NNW.
- (c) 190-04525. Nestling banded by H. Battam on Big Island, Five Islands, NSW on 15 Nov. 75. Found dead at Nadgee Beach, near Cape Howe, NSW on 12 June 76. 354 km SSW.
- (d) NA 3\*. Nestling banded by A. Hodgson on Bruny Island, Tas. on 12 Dec. 59. Recovered by Penguin Study Group (female incubating 2 eggs) at Port Cambell National Park. Vic. on 2 Nov. 76 (see also note page 18). (This is the oldest recorded for this species).
- University of Tasmania band.

#### Wandering Albatross Diomedea exulans

- (a) 140-30004. Adult female banded by a member of ANARE on Macquarie Island (54°45' S., 158°35' E.) on 28 Dec. 56. Found dead near Esperance, WA (33°52' S., 122°04' E.) on 14 Nov. 76, over 19 years 10 months after banding. 2800 km WNW.
- (b) 140-37366. Banded by S. G. Lane near Bellambi, NSW on 19 July 75. Found dead at Dargaville, near Baylys Beach. New Zealand on 5 June 76. 2 100 km E.

# Southern Giant-petrel Macronectes giganteus

131-22138. Banded by J. T. Willows at Byron Bay, NSW on 16 Aug. 75. Recovered 16 km east of Bicheno. Tas, during Sept. or Oct. 75. 1 300 km SSW.

#### Northern Giant-petrel Macronectes halli

(a) 130-73700. Nestling banded by a member of ANARE on Macquarie Island (54°45' S., 158°35' E.) on 24 Jan. 76. Recovered at Manta, Ecuador (0°59' S., 88° 44' W.) on 21 Sept. 76. 8 months after banding, 12 500 km NE. (This is the most northerly recovery for this species banded through the ABBS).

- (b) 131-26347. Nestling banded by a member of ANARE on Macquarie Island on 11 Dec. 75. Recovered (released with band) at Cosy Corner, near Cape Leeuwin, WA on 28 May 76. 5 months after banding. 4 200 km WNW.
- (c) 131-26453. Nestling banded by a member of ANARE on Macquarie Island (54°45' S., 158°35' E.) on I Jan. 76. Recovered at Cape Jaffa, SA (36°57' S., 139°40' E.) on 5 Sept. 76, 8 months after banding. 2 400 km NW.

#### Flesh-footed Shearwater Puffinus carneipes

160-89966. Adult banded by R. J. Shick on Lord Howe Island (31°31' S., 156°04' E.) on 19 Jan. 75. Found dead at Woody Head, Clarence River. NSW (29°22' S., 153°22' E.) on 1 Nov. 76, 600 km WNW.

# Wedge-tailed Shearwater Puffinus pacificus

- (a) 160-89055. Adult banded by H. E. Brenton on Mutton Bird Island, Coffs Harbour, NSW on 4 Oct.
  64. Recovered at Santa Margarita, West Samar, Philippines on 21 May 76. over 11 years 8 months after banding, 5 500 km NNW.
- (b) 160-90881, Banded by N. M. Swanson on Mutton Bird Island, Coffs Harbour, NSW (30° 18' S., 153°09' E.) on 30 Sept. 73. Recovered near Masinloc Zambales, Philippines (15° 32' N., 119° 53' E.) on 31 July 76, 5 700 km NNW.

#### Australian Pelican Pelecanus conspicillatus

- (a) 170-01313. Nestling banded by J. A. K. Lane at Mulga Downs Station, near Hamersley Range, WA on 25 June 76. Found shot on the Estuary of Mandurah, WA on 9 Oct. 76, 3 months after banding. 1 200 km SSW.
- (b) 170-01369. Nestling banded by J. A. K. Lane at Mulga Downs Station, near Hamersley Range, WA on 25 June 76. Found dead at Yathroo Station. Moora, WA on 24 Aug. 76. 2 months after banding. 1 000 km WSW.

#### Australian Gannet Morus serrator

- (a) 130-16667, Nestling banded by 1.. O'Connor on Lawrence Rock, Portland, Vic. on 26 Dec. 60. Found dead "in an advanced state of degeneration" at Warrnambool, Vic. on 12 Sept. 76, over 15 years 8 months after banding. (This is the longest elapsed time recorded for this species).
- (b) 130-19607. Runner banded by J. R. Wheeler on Lawrence Rock, near Portland, Vic. on 26 Dec. 65. Found dead at Werribee South, Vic. on 17 Mar. 76, over 10 years 3 months after banding. 270 km ENE.

# Darter Anhinga melanogaster

130-39383. Nestling banded by L. C. Llewellyn at Dixons Dam, Buckingbong Station, Narrandera, NSW on 20 Dec. 70. Found dead at Pine Ridge, NSW on 9 Sept. 76, over 5 years 8 months after banding, (This is the oldest recorded for this species).

#### Pied Cormorant Phalacrocorax varius

- (a) 140-20939. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman at Price, York Peninsula, SA on 1 June 63. Found dead at Outer Harbour, SA on 25 Oct. 76, over 13 years 5 months after banding. 70 km SE.
- (b) 140-22237. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman at Price, York Peninsula, SA on 25 May 63. Found dead at Port Julia, York Peninsula, SA on 14 June 76, over 13 years after banding. 45 km SSW.
- (c) 140-22371. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman at Price, York Peninsula, SA on 27 Mar, 64, Found dead at Port Clinton, SA on 15 May 76, over 12 years 1 month after banding.

# Black Cormorant Phalacrocorax carbo

- (a) 131-30603. Nestling banded by D. G. Gravatt at Lake Bullawarra, near Thargemindah, Old on 7 May 76. Found dead at Mypolonga, near Murray Bridge, SA on I Aug. 76, 3 months after banding, 873 km SSW.
- (b) 131-31302. Nestling banded by N. J. Favaloro at Lake Menindee, NSW on 9 July 76. Found dead at Narooma, NSW on 2 Nov. 76, 4 months after banding. 828 km SE.

#### Nankeen Night-heron Nycticorax caledonicus

110-39257. Nestling banded by E. B. Thomas near Barham, NSW (35°32' S., 144°00' E.) on 25 Jan. 76. Found shot at lokwa Village, Papua New Guinea (8°42' S., 141°30' F.) on 14 Sept. 76, 8 months after banding, 2900 km N. (This is the longest movement recorded for this species).

# White Ibis Threskiornis molucca

120-41820. Runner banded by W. Barrett at Rhyll, Phillip Island, Vic, on 2 Nov. 63. Found dead at Healesville, Vic, on 18 Oct. 76, over 12 years 11 months after banding. 95 km NNE.

#### Straw-necked Ibis Threskiornis spinicollis

- (a) 120-49100. Runner banded by J. N. Everleigh at Lake Wetherall, near Menindee, NSW (32°14' S., 142°26' E.) on 28 Feb. 74. Found shot near Daru, Papua New Guinea (9°15' S., 142°45' E.) on 6 Feb. 76, over 1 year 11 months after banding. 2 700 km N.
- (b) 120-87813. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman near Millicent, SA on 13 Nov. 71. Found dead near Gympie, Qld on 15 Aug. 76. 1 675 km NE.

# Royal Spoonbill Platalea regia

131-25287. Nestling banded by H. Guyatt at Douds, Vic. on 22 Nov. 75 Found dead at Tarra River, Vic. on 20 Aug. 76. 48 km SW.

# Pied Goose Anseranas semipalmata

- (a) 130-06703. Adult male banded by H. J. Frith at Litchfield Creek, NT on 30 Nov. 57. Shot at Black Jungle, Darwin, NT on t Aug. 76. 18 years 8 months after banding. 11 km N.
- (b) 130-10137. Adult female banded by H. J. Frith at Lichfield Creek. NT on 11 Dec. 57. Found shot at Humpty Doo, NT on 20 Sept. 76, over 18 years 9 months after banding, tThis is the oldest recorded for this species).

# Black-shouldered Kite Elanus notatus

- (a) 100-48516. Adult banded by D. I. Smedley at Pitt Town, near Windsor, NSW on 22 Feb. 76. Found shot at Lake Merdeduke, near Winchelsea, Vic. on 3 Apr. 76, 1 month after banding. 826 km SW.
- (b) 100-48929, Nestling banded by N. J. Favaloro at Merbein West, Vic. on 14 July 74. Found dead at Winchelsea, Vic. on 11 June 76. 484 km SSE.

#### **Brown Goshawk** Accipiter fasciatus

100-15797, Immature banded by M. H. Waterman, near Mallala. SA on 10 Apr. 76, Found dead at Sheoak Log, SA on 27 Apr. 76, 31 km ESE.

#### Little Eagle Hieraaetus morphnoides

130-49806. Adult banded by M. H. Waterman, near Mallala, SA on 3 May 71. Found dead at Petersville. SA during May 76. 5 years after banding. 64 km WNW.

# Spotted Harrier Circus assimilis

110-86681. Nestling banded by N. J. Favaloro at Pirita, near Mildura, Vic. on 6 Dec. 74. Found injured at Muswellbrook, NSW on 3 May 76. 826 km ENF. (This is the longest movement recorded for this species).

# **Grey-tailed Tattler** Tringa brevipes

060-01758. Banded by F. W. van Gessel at Kooragang Island, Hunter River, NSW (32-56' S., 151°47' E.) on 27 Apr. 74. Shot (adult male) at Khatyrka River, Beringovskii, Magadan, USSR (62°37' N., 174°58' E.) on 20 July 76. 9 300 km NNF. (This is the longest movement recorded for this species).

# Japanese Snipe Gallinago hardwickii

- 060-80251\*. Banded at Shizukuishi River, Morioka-ski, Iwate Pref., Japan (39°42' N., 141°08' E.) on 31 Aug. 74. Recovered near Herberton, Qid (17°23' S., 145°23' E.) on 5 Sept. 76. 6 400 km S.
- \* Yamashina Institute for Ornithology (Japan) band.

# Red-necked Stint Calidris ruficollis

- 020-56374<sup>4</sup>. Banded at Gamou, Sendai-shi, Miyagi Pref., Japan (38°15' N., 141°01' E.) on 30 Aug. 76. Retrapped (released with band) by S. G. Lanc at Stockton, NSW (32°56' S., 151°47' E.) on 22 Oct. 76. 7 900 km SSE.
- Yamashina Institute for Ornithology (Japan) band.

#### Silver Gull Larus novaehollandiae

081-25392. Nestling banded by R. Carrick on Big Island, Five Islands, NSW on 8 Nov. 64. Found dead at Shellharbour, NSW on 27 June 76. 11 years 7 months after banding. 14 km SW.

#### Little Tern Sterna albifrons

- 030-23883\*. Nestling banded at Makuhari reclaimed land, Chiba-shi, Chiba Pref., Honshu, Japan (35°39' N., 140 03' E.) on 3 June 75. Recovered on Kavava beach, Orokolo, near Kerema. Papua New Guinea (7 52' S., 145' 19' E.)—no date given. 4 800 km S.
- \* Yamashina Institute for Ornithology (Japan) band.

# Crested Tern Sterna hergii

- (a) 071-10306, Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman at Stonywell Island, The Coorong, SA on 29 Dec. 69. Found dead at Stradbroke Island, Qld on 19 Aug. 76. 1610 km ENE.
- (b) 071-10483. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman at Stonywell Island, The Coorong, SA on 29 Dec. 69. Found dead at Moreton Island, Qld on 8 Aug. 76. 1 066 km NE.
- (c) 071-34681. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Stonywell Island. The Coorong, SA on 14 Dec. 75. Found dead at Noosa Heads, Qld on 12 June 76. 1 670 km NE.
- (d) 071-35144. Nestling banded by M, H. Waterman at Stonywell Island, The Coorong, SA on I4 Dec. 75. Found dead at Kallangur, Qld on 20 Oct. 76. 1 625 km NE.

#### Galah Cacatua roseicapilla

- (a) 090-75106. Banded by L. C. Llewellyn near Grong Grong. NSW on 5 Sept. 68. Found injured near banding place on 7 Nov. 76, over 8 years 2 months after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species).
- (b) 200-04670. Juvenile banded by I. C. R. Rowley at Glenvar, WA on 26 Feb. 74, Found dead at Kellerberrin, WA on 16 June 76. 110 km SE.

# Indian Koel Eudynamys scolopacea

090-60321. Adult male banded by J. Liddy near Becrburrum. Old on 25 Nov. 73. Killed by cat at Bundaberg, Old on 1 Oct. 76. 240 km NNW. (This is the longest movement recorded for this species).

#### Boobook Owl Ninox novaeseelandiae

110-86675. Nestling banded by N. J. Favaloro at Merrinee, Vic, on 2 Oct. 74. Killed by car 8 km SSE of Merbein, Vic. on 7 July 76. 30 km ENE. (This is the longest movement recorded for this species).

# **Tawny Frogmouth** Podargus strigoides

100-36515. Adult trapped and banded at nest site (its mate and their two nestlings were also banded) by A. Stokes at Russell Hill, ACT on 21 Nov. 70. Retrapped on the same nest site on 21 Nov, 76, 6 years after banding, (This is the oldest recorded for this species).

# Sacred Kingfisher Haleyon sancta

050-44084. Juvenile female banded by K. F. Silva at Rumba, Bougainville Province, Papua New Guinca on 8 July 75. Found dead near Arawa, Bougainville Province on 6 Sept, 76, 32 km ESE.

# Welcome Swallow Hirundo neoxena

022-06505. Nestling banded by P. Park at Campania. Tas. on 24 Jan. 74, Recovered (released with band) at Lewisham, Tas. on 16 Sept. 76, over 2 years 7 months after banding, 30 km SSE.

#### **Common Blackbird** Turdus merula

C60-54043, Adult male banded by J. B. Paton at Beaumont, SA on 1 May 68, Killed by cat at Greenacres, SA on 24 Oct. 76, over 8 years 4 months after banding, 10 km N.

#### Flame Robin Petroica phoenicea

012-44194. Banded by G. Horey at New Chums Road, Brindabella Range. ACT on 24 Jan. 71. Retrapped at banding place three times, the last occasion by the Brindabella Banding Group on 18 Sept. 76. over 5 years 7 months after banding.

#### Eastern Yellow Robin Eopsaltria australis

021-11443, Adult banded by S. G. Lane at North Ryde, NSW on 18 June 66. Retrapped at banding place three times, the last occasion on 15 Dec. 74, over 8 years 5 months after banding.

#### **Rufous Shrike-thrush** Colluricincia megarhyncha

030-76619, Banded by R. D. Mackay at Brown River Forestry Station. Central Province. Papua New Guinea on 16 Apr, 67, Retrapped at banding place by R. H. Donaghey on 26 Jan. 69 and hy H. L. Bell on 31 Aug. 75, the last occasion being over 8 years 4 months after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species).

# White-browed Babbler

Pomatostomus superciliosus

050-54395. Banded by M. O. Gunn near Cavendish, Vic. on 30 Dec. 64. Retrapped at banding place ten times, the last occasion on 21 Mar. 76, over 11 years 2 months after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species).

#### **Brown Thornbill** Acanthiza pusilla

- (a) 010-60051. Banded by S. J. Wilson at New Chums Road, Brindabella Range, ACT on 10 Feb. 63, Retrapped at banding place seven times, the last occasion by the Brindabella Banding Group on 18 Sept. 76, over 13 years 7 months after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species).
- (b) 011-60066. Adult banded by M. O. Gunn near Cavendish, Vic. on 20 Nov. 65. Retrapped at banding place on 11 Jan. 76, over 10 years 1 month after banding.

#### Yellow-rumped Thornbill

Acanthiza chrysorrhoa

012-47704. Banded by J. Rawlins at Broke. NSW on 2 Oct. 71. Retrapped at banding place on 4 Oct. 76, over 5 years after banding.

#### Striated Thornbill Acanthiza lineata

- (a) 011-60438, Banded by M. O. Gunn near Cavendish. Vic. on 17 June 67. Retrapped twice at banding place, the second occasion on 11 Apr. 76, over 8 years 9 months after banding.
- (b) 011-70214. Banded by S. J. Wilson at New Chums Road, Brindabella Range, ACT, on 24 Jan. 70. Retrapped at banding place twice, the last occasion by the Brindabella Banding Group on 18 Sept. 76, over 6 years 7 months after banding.

#### White-throated Treecreeper

#### Climacteris leucophoea

031-23463. Immature male banded by A. K. Morris at Munghorn Gap, near Mudgee, NSW on 15 May 71. Retrapped at banding place on 13 June 76, almost 5 years 1 month after banding.

#### **Red-browed Treecreeper** Climacteris erythrops

030-65706. Adult female banded by S. J. Wilson at New Chums Road, Brindabella Range, ACT on 29 June 68, Retrapped at banding place twice, the last occasion by the Brindabella Banding Group on 18 Sept. 76, over 8 years 1 month after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species).

# Brown Treecreeper Climacteris picumnus

- (a) 030-82828. Adult female banded by E. F. Boehm near Sutherlands SA on 7 Nov. 64. Retrapped at banding place six times, the last occasion being on 14 Mar. 76, over 11 years 4 months after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species).
- (b) 030-87931. Adult female banded by E. F. Boehm near Sutherlands, SA on 19 June 66. Retrapped at banding place three times, the last occasion on 26 Mar. 76, over 9 years 9 months after banding.

#### Spiny-cheeked Honeyeater

#### Acanthagenys rufogularis

050-71707. Adult banded by E. F. Boehm near Bower, SA on 26 Sept. 69. Retrapped at banding place five times, the last occasion on 26 Oct. 75, over 6 years after banding.

# Little Friarbird Philemon citreogularis

060-04089. Adult banded by J. S. Robertson at Redlands, Qld on 3 June 71, Found dead at Capalaba, Qld on 15 July 76, 5 years 1 month after banding. 7 km SW.

#### Yellow-spotted Honeyeater Meliphaga notata

030-76621. Banded by R. D. McKay at Brown River Forestry Station. Central Province, Papua New Guinea on 16 Apr. 67. Retrapped at banding place by H. L. Bell on 3 Oct. 75, over 8 years 5 months after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species).

# Yellow-tufted Honeyeater

#### Lichenostomus melanops

 (a) 031-23160. Immature banded by A. K. Morris at Munghorn Gap, near Mudgee, N.S.W. on 20 Apr. 67. Retrapped at banding place 11 times, the last occasion on 12 June 76, over 9 years 1 month after banding. (b) 031-25096, Juvenile banded by P. J. Spurge at Munghorn Gap, near Mudgee, N.S.W. on I Oct. 67. Retrapped at banding place three times, the last occasion on 13 June 76, over 8 years 8 months after banding.

#### Fuscous Honeyeater Lichenostomus fuscus

021-33186. Adult banded by M. O. Gunn, near Cavendish, Vic. on 30 Sept. 67, Retrapped at banding place on 21 Mar. 76, over 8 years 5 months after banding.

# Mistletoebird Dicaeum hirundinaceum

012-23036. Adult male banded by S. G. Lane at Broke, N.S.W. on 5 Oct. 74. Retrapped at banding place by J. Rawlins on 3 Oct. 76. nearly 2 years after banding.

#### Satin Bowerbird Ptilonorhynchus violaceus

090-76277. Banded by N. F. Weatherill at Bogong. Vic. on 22 Aug. 72. Found dead east of Mt Beauty, Vic. on 11 Aug. 76, over 3 years 10 months after banding. 10 km NW.

#### Little Raven Corvus mellori

100-53645. Adult banded by E. F. Boehm near Sutherlands, SA on 21 Oct, 66. Retrapped at banding place four times, the last occasion on 30 Jan. 75, over 8 years 3 months after banding.

# **Colour Banding**

# of Rainbow Bee-eater

During the last week of December 1976, a number of breeding Rainbow Bee-caters *Merops* ornatus was colour-banded in the Warbung Ranges, north-eastern Victoria. Each bird was marked with a single solid-colour band on the left or right tarsus, in most cases putative males (with long tail rachets) on the left and putative females on the right. Sightings along migration routes or in the wintering areas would be greatly appreciated.

Details of observations may be reported to the Secretary, Australian Bird-banding Scheme or to the project leader.

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