

# « RECOVERY ROUND-UP »

The recoveries in this section are only a selection of the thousands received each year by the Australian Bird-banding Scheme; they are not a complete list and should not be analysed in full or in part without the prior consent of the banders concerned. Longevity and distance records refer to the ABBS unless otherwise stated.—Hon. Editor.

## Little Penguin *Eudyptula minor*

190-08574. Nestling banded by Penguin Study Group on Gabo Island, Vic. on 24 Jan. 77. Found dead at Lewisham, near Hobart, Tas. on 20 Oct. 77. 670 km SSW.

## Wandering Albatross *Diomedea exulans*

(a) 40-02916. Banded by C. B. Campion off Malabar, NSW on 18 July 59. Retrapped by S. G. Lane off Wollongong, NSW on 31 July 77, over 18 years after banding.

(b) 140-25079. Banded by J. D. Gibson off Bellambi, NSW on 18 July 59. Retrapped by H. Battam near banding place on 31 July 77, over 18 years after banding.

## Black-browed Albatross *Diomedea melanophrys*

M-27053\*. Nestling banded on Bull Rock, Campbell Island (52°29' S., 169°12' E.) on 7 Apr. 72. Recovered (released with band) by D. Barton off Eden, NSW (37°00' S., 150°02' E.) on 22 Oct. 77. 3 700 km NW.

\* New Zealand Bird-banding Scheme band.

## Northern Giant-petrel *Macronectes halli*

(a) 130-48833. Nestling banded by a member of ANARE on Macquarie Island (54°45' S., 158°35' E.) on 24 Nov. 71. Recovered (band returned) east of Montevideo, Argentina (35°00' S., 53°00' W.) in early Aug. 77. 10 200 km ENE.

(b) 130-48848. Nestling banded by a member of ANARE on Macquarie Island on 25 Nov. 71. Found dead at Mornington, Vic. (38°14' S., 145°02' E.) on 10 Sept. 77, 5 years 9 months after banding. 2 100 km NNW. (This is the oldest recorded for this species).

(c) 130-48922. Nestling banded by a member of ANARE on Macquarie Island on 29 Nov. 73. Found dead near Timaru, New Zealand (44°22' S., 171°16' E.) on 4 Sept. 77. 1 400 km NE.

(d) 131-26308. Nestling banded by a member of ANARE on Macquarie Island on 7 Dec. 75. Found dead at Makara Beach, Wellington, New Zealand (41°13' S., 174°43' E.) on 4 Sept. 77. 1 800 km NE.

(e) 131-26618. Nestling banded by a member of ANARE on Macquarie Island on 14 Jan. 76. Recovered at Wolf Bay, South-west Africa (26°49' S., 15°08' E.) on 28 Sept. 77. 10 000 km WNW.

(f) 131-33106. Nestling banded by a member of ANARE on Macquarie Island on 15 Jan. 77. Recovered 40 km south-west of Cape Banks, SA (38°11' S., 140°04' E.) on 5 June 77. 2 500 km NW.

## Flesh-footed Shearwater *Puffinus carneipes*

161-13815. Adult banded by A. E. F. Rogers on Lord Howe Island (31°31' S., 159°04' E.) on 30 Dec. 68. Found dead on North Stradbroke Island, Qld (27°27' S., 153°32' E.) on 30 Oct. 77, 8 years 10 months after banding. 700 km NW.

## Wedge-tailed Shearwater *Puffinus pacificus*

160-67667. Nestling banded by D. L. Serventy on Montagu Island, NSW on 23 Apr. 64. Found dead near Narooma, NSW on 22 Nov. 77, 13 years 7 months after banding. 12 km NW.

(b) 160-97683. Adult banded by H. E. Brenton on Mutton Bird Island, Coffs Harbour, NSW on 4 Nov. 64. Found dead at Warana Beach, Qld on 21 Nov. 77, 13 years after banding. 355 km N.

## Short-tailed Shearwater *Puffinus tenuirostris*

(a) 160-10034. Adult banded by G. M. Bowker on Griffiths Island, Port Fairy, Vic. on 23 Feb. 62. Found dead at Wreck Bay, NSW on 29 Oct. 77, 15 years 8 months after banding. 808 km ENE.

(b) 160-34410. Adult banded by G. M. Bowker on Griffiths Island, Port Fairy, Vic. on 22 Mar. 61. Found dead on Stockton Beach, NSW on 13 Nov. 77, 16 years 8 months after banding. 1 067 km ENE.

(c) 160-34546. Adult banded by G. M. Bowker on Griffiths Island, Port Fairy, Vic. on 22 Mar. 61. Found dead at Narooma, NSW on 4 Nov. 77, 16 years 8 months after banding. 730 km ENE.

(d) 160-41182. Adult banded by J. McKean at Cape Woolamai, Vic. on 10 Dec. 61. Found dead at Hawks Nest, NSW on 6 Nov. 77, 15 years 10 months after banding. 869 km NE.

(e) 161-47572. Runner banded by V. H. Yeoman on Griffiths Island, Port Fairy, Vic. on 13 Apr. 77. Found dead at Hawks Nest, NSW on 27 Nov. 77. 1 078 km NE.

## White-faced Storm-petrel *Pelagodroma marina*

050-69484. Nestling banded by G. M. Bowker on Mud Island, Port Phillip Bay, Vic. on 24 Jan. 70. Found dead at banding place on 14 Nov. 77, 7 years 10 months after banding.

**Australian Pelican** *Pelecanus conspicillatus*

170-02116. Runner banded by J. A. K. Lane on Pelican Island, Shark Bay, WA on 11 Aug. 77. Found dead near Goldsworthy, WA on 22 Nov. 77. 840 km NE.

**Black-faced Cormorant** *Phalacrocorax fuscescens*

- (a) 140-34916. Nestling banded by G. F. van Tets on Wrights Island, near Devonport, Tas. on 7 Nov. 68. Found shot at banding place on 1 Oct. 77, 8 years 10 months after banding.
- (b) 140-34933. Nestling banded by G. F. van Tets on Wrights Island, near Devonport, Tas. on 4 Nov. 69. Found shot at banding place on 1 Oct. 77, 7 years 10 months after banding.

**Pied Cormorant** *Phalacrocorax varius*

- (a) 131-31483. Nestling banded by N. J. Favaloro at Lake Menindee, NSW on 9 July 76. Found dead at Cobdogla, SA on 24 July 77. 276 km SW.
- (b) 131-31764. Nestling banded by N. J. Favaloro at Lake Woodburn, Qld on 9 May 77. Recovered at Clarence River, near Grafton, NSW on 6 Oct. 77. 830 km ESE.
- (c) 131-32019. Nestling banded by N. J. Favaloro at Lake Woodburn, Qld on 9 May 77. Found dead 64 km west of Wentworth, NSW on 25 Aug. 77. 577 km NNE.

**Little Pied Cormorant***Phalacrocorax melanoleucos*

110-37686. Nestling banded by B. Miller at Lake Brewster, NSW on 20 Feb. 74. Found dead at Nam-bucca River, Macksville, NSW on 23 Sept. 77. 693 km ENE.

**Black Cormorant** *Phalacrocorax carbo*

- (a) 131-07716. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman at Moorook Swamp, SA on 23 Dec. 70. Found shot 40 km east of Mesagiol, Willandra Creek, NSW on 10 Sept. 77, 6 years 9 months after banding. 440 km ENE.
- (b) 131-07599. Banded by M. H. Waterman at Moorook Swamp, SA on 23 Dec. 70. Found shot at Mudgegonga, Vic. on 17 Sept. 77, 6 years 9 months after banding. 612 km SE.
- (c) 131-08499. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman at Moorook Swamp, SA on 22 May 71. Found dead at Leverington, Cressy, Tas. on 4 Oct. 77, 6 years 4 months after banding. 1 000 km SE.
- (d) 131-25462. Nestling banded by N. J. Favaloro at Lake Bitterang, 56 km south-south-east of Mildura, Vic. on 20 Apr. 76. Found dead at Tuggerah Lake, near The Entrance, NSW on 16 Oct. 77. 848 km ENE.

**Little Black Cormorant***Phalacrocorax sulcirostris*

110-82817. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Prohibited Island, Narrung, SA on 5 Mar. 72. Found dead at Lake Colac, Vic. on 29 July 77, 5 years 5 months after banding. 500 km SE.

**Straw-necked Ibis** *Threskiornis spinicollis*

- (a) 120-82453. Banded by M. H. Waterman at Bool Lagoon, SA on 31 Oct. 70. Found dead at Pilliga West State Forest, NSW in July 77. 1 029 km NE.
- (b) 120-82474. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman at Bool Lagoon, SA on 31 Oct. 70. Found shot near Poorroth, Qld on 22 Aug. 77, 6 years 10 months after banding. 2 500 km N.

**Pied Goose** *Anseranas semipalmata*

- (a) 130-10163. Adult banded by H. J. Frith at Fog Dam, Humpty Doo, NT on 12 Dec. 57. Found shot near banding place on 1 Aug. 77, 19 years 7 months after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species).
- (b) 130-18687. Juvenile banded by D. G. Tullock at Berrimah, NT on 28 Nov. 67. Found dead on Bathurst Island, NT on 16 Oct. 77, 11 years 10 months after banding. 128 km NW.

**Whistling Kite** *Haliastur sphenurus*

110-48391. Adult banded by P. A. Disher near Barham, NSW on 3 Sept. 66. Found dead 112 km west of Wanaaring, NSW on 1 Sept. 77, 10 years 11 months after banding. 662 km NNW. (This is the oldest recorded for this species).

**Black Falcon** *Falco subniger*

110-80862. Adult banded by M. H. Waterman near Mallala, SA on 20 Feb. 73. Found dead (partly decomposed) near Gawler, SA on 20 June 77, 4 years 4 months after banding. 21 km SE. (This is the oldest recorded for this species).

**Peregrine Falcon** *Falco peregrinus*

121-10023. Nestling banded by W. B. Emison near Timboon, Vic. on 10 Nov. 75. Found dead near Cobden, Vic. on 11 Aug. 77. 17 km NE.

**Coot** *Fulica atra*

100-48841. Adult banded by F. J. Jarman at Llangethlin Lagoon, NSW on 26 Sept. 76. Found dead (decomposed) at Hunter River, Dalwood, NSW on 6 Nov. 77. 290 km S.

**Red-necked Stint** *Calidris ruficollis*

032-12347. Banded at Stockton, NSW by J. A. Broad-bent on 21 Oct. 72. Retrapped at banding place by S. G. Lane on 12 Nov. 77, over 5 years after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species).

**Silver Gull** *Larus novaehollandiae*

081-52532. Runner banded by R. Carrich on West Island, Victor Harbour, SA on 10 Oct. 67. Found dead at Middleton Beach, SA on 5 Aug. 77, 9 years 9 months after banding. 17 km NE.

**Crested Tern *Sterna bergii***

071-30073. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Stoneywell Island, The Coorong, SA on 11 Dec. 76. Recovered at Stradbroke Island, Qld on 4 Aug. 77. 1 610 km NE.

**Domestic Pigeon *Columba livia***

090-52037. Adult banded by M. H. Waterman near Mallala, SA on 1 Sept. 73. Recovered at Morton Plains, near Birchip, Vic. on 26 Sept. 77. 450 km ESE.

**Eastern Yellow Robin *Eopsaltria australis***

- (a) 021-46724. Banded by S. G. Lane at Iluka, NSW on 31 Aug. 69. Retrapped four times, the last occasion on 5 Oct. 77, over 8 years 1 month after banding.
- (b) 021-92596. Adult banded by G. Horey at New Chum's Road, Brindabella Ranges, ACT on 26 Sept. 70. Retrapped at banding place 9 times, the last occasion by the Brindabella Banding Group on 23 Nov. 77, over 7 years 1 month after banding.

**Rufous Whistler *Pachycephala rufiventris***

031-02840. Banded by S. G. Lane at North Ryde, NSW on 18 Oct. 69. Retrapped at banding place seven times, the last occasion by D. Larkins on 6 Nov. 77, over 8 years after banding.

**White-browed Scrubwren *Sericornis frontalis***

- (a) 020-76078. Adult male banded by S. J. Wilson at New Chum's Road, Brindabella Ranges, ACT on 11 Apr. 66. Retrapped at banding place five times, the last occasion by the Brindabella Banding Group on 23 Nov. 77, 11 years 7 months after banding.
- (b) 021-12366. Juvenile banded by S. J. Wilson at New Chum's Road, Brindabella Ranges, ACT on 4 Feb. 67. Retrapped as adult male at banding place three times, the last occasion by the Brindabella Banding Group on 28 Aug. 77, 10 years 6 months after banding.

**Brown Thornbill *Acanthiza pusilla***

012-44129. Adult banded by G. Horey at New Chum's Road, Brindabella Ranges, ACT on 4 Oct. 70. Retrapped at banding place four times, the last occasion by the Brindabella Banding Group on 18 Sept. 77, 6 years 11 months after banding.

**Striated Thornbill *Acanthiza lineata***

(a) 012-44107. Adult banded by G. Horey at New Chum's Road, Brindabella Ranges, ACT on 16 Aug. 70. Retrapped at banding place three times, the last occasion by the Brindabella Banding Group on 18 Sept. 77, 7 years 1 month after banding.

(b) 012-54586. Adult banded by G. Horey at New Chum's Road, Brindabella Ranges, ACT on 13 Sept. 71. Retrapped at banding place five times, the last occasion by the Brindabella Banding Group on 18 Sept. 77, 6 years after banding.

**Lewin's Honeyeater *Meliphaga lewinii***

- (a) 030-64342. Banded by R. G. Lonnon at Shaw's Creek, NSW on 22 May 65. Retrapped at banding place four times, the last occasion by G. Logan on 8 Oct. 77, 12 years 4 months after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species).
- (b) 040-41335. Banded by P. D. Strong at Iluka, NSW on 1 Sept. 66. Retrapped at banding place by S. G. Lane on 5 Oct. 77, 11 years 1 month after banding.

**Eastern Spinebill *Acanthorhynchus tenuirostris***

- (a) 011-16320. Adult male banded by S. J. Wilson at New Chum's Road, Brindabella Ranges, ACT on 4 Feb. 67. Retrapped at banding place twice, the last occasion by the Brindabella Banding Group on 28 Aug. 77, 10 years 6 months after banding.
- (b) 012-23403. Adult male banded by S. G. Lane at North Ryde, NSW on 29 Aug. 64. Retrapped at banding place six times, the last occasion by D. Larkins on 6 Nov. 77, 13 years 2 months after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species).

**Silvereye *Zosterops lateralis***

012-34836. Adult banded by J. Paton at Beaumont, SA on 6 June 70. Found dead at banding place on 17 Sept. 77, 7 years 3 months after banding.

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## Recovery Data

Items for Recovery Round-up are obtained from:

1. Secretary, Aust. Bird-banding Scheme
2. Individual banders
3. Miscellaneous sources.

The Secretary of the ABBS kindly provides most of the data involving recoveries away from the banding place and these constitute the largest part of Recovery Round-up. However, for a number of reasons, longevity information is not readily available from this source. Most longevity items included in Recovery Round-up are forwarded by a few banders in response to previous requests.

Banders are asked to forward to me details of longevity items which they consider may be suitable for inclusion in this section. As a guide in deciding suitability, items for the particular species should be checked in recent issues. If in doubt send the details anyway.

*Hon. Editor.*