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# «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. 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).

Recovery or longevity items may be submitted directly to me where-upon their merits for inclusion will be considered.

— Hon. Editor.

The following abbeviations appear in this issue:

ABBS — Australian Bird-banding Scheme.

PSG — Penguin Study Group.

VWSG -- Victorian Wader Study Group.

# Little Penguin Endyptula minor

- (a) 190-08688. Nestling banded by PSG near Summerland Penguin Reserve, Phillip Island, Vic. on 6 Jan. 79. Found dead near Robe, SA on 28 Jan. 80, 480 km WNW.
- (b) 190-12324. Adult banded by PSG near Summerland Penguin Reserve, Phillip Island, Vic. on 19 Aug. 79. Found dead near Cape Douglas, SA on 23 Jan. 80, 407 km WNW.
- (c) 190-12363. Nestling banded by PSG near Summerland Penguin Reserve, Phillip Island, Vic. on 6 Feb. 80. Found dead near Cape Otway, Vic. on 16 Mar. 80. 150 km WSW.

#### Flesh-footed Shearwater Puffinus carneipes

161-22670. Adult banded by J. L. McKean on Lord Howe Island on 24 Feb. 71. Found dead at Crescent Head, NSW on 17 Feb. 80, over 8 years 11 months after banding. 600 km W.

#### **Black-faced Shag** Leucocarbo fuscescens

- (a) 120-81736. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Winceby Island, Port Lincoln, SA on 4 May 74. Found dead at Port Neill, SA on 15 Feb. 80, over 5 years 9 months after banding. 49 km N.
- (b) 130-36488. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Little English Island, Sir Joseph Banks Group, SA on 10 Apr. 66. Found dead (decaying) at North Shields, SA on 20 Jan. 80, over 13 years 9 months after banding. 31 km W.
- (c) 131-11170. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman at Outer Harbour SA on 3 July 71. Found dead at banding place on 9 Feb. 80, over 8 years 7 months after banding.

#### Great Cormorant Phalacrocorax carbo

131-07581. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman at Moorook Swamp, SA on 23 Dec. 70. Found dead at South Yarra, Vic. on 2 Jan. 80, over 9 years after banding, 580 km SE. (This is the oldest recovery of this species.)

# Sacred Ibis Threskiornis aethiopica

- (a) 120-41792. Nestling banded by W. Barrett at Rhyll, Phillip Island, Vic. on 19 Oct. 63. Recaptured near banding place by K. W. Lowe on 20 Dec. 79, over 16 years 2 months after banding.
- (b) 120-42919. Nestling banded by C. Hall at Rhyll, Phillip Island. Vic. on 21 Sept. 63. Recaptured at banding place by K. W. Lowe on 21 Mar. 80, over 16 years 6 months after banding. (This is the oldest recovery for this species.)

#### Royal Spoonbill Platalea regia

131-25981. Nestling banded by H. Guyatt near Sale, Vic. on 10 Jan. 76. Found dead at Lake Illawarra, NSW on 20 Dec. 79, 525 km NE.

#### Magpie Goose Anseranas semipalmata

130-18497. Adult female banded by D. G. Tulloch at Berrimah. NT on 29 Oct. 65. Shot at Harrison Dam, Humpty Doo. NT on 1 Aug. 79, over 13 years 9 months after banding. 29 km E.

# Maned Duck Chenonetta jubata

100-10502. Adult male banded by G. D. Thomas near Finley, NSW on 23 Feb. 79. Shot at Campbell's Bridge, Vic. on 8 Mar. 80, 280 km WSW.

# Australian Kestrel Falco cenchroides

081-70672. Banded by J. Willows at Byron Bay, NSW on 21 July, 77. Found dead at Camp Hill, Brisbane, Qld on 15 Jan. 80. 150 km NNW.

# Pied Oystercatcher Haematopus longirostris

100-14488. Nestling banded by J. G. K. Harris at Mortimer Bay. Tas. on 22 Nov. 78. Found dead at The Neck, Adventure Bay, Tas. on 12 Feb. 80. 30 km SSW.

#### Red-capped Plover Charadrius ruficapillus

030-23641. Adult male banded by F. W. C. van Gessel at Stockton, near Newcastle, NSW on 7 Sept. 73. Recaptured five times at banding place, the last occasion on 12 Apr. 80, over 6 years 7 months after banding.

# **Terek Sandpiper** Tringa terek

(a) 050-10793. Banded by F. W. C. van Gessel at Stockton, near Newcastle, NSW on 27 Dec. 73. Recaptured three times at banding place, the last occasion on 12 Apr. 80, over 6 years 3 months after

(b) 050-20525, Banded by F. W. C. van Gessel at Stockton, near Newcastle, NSW on 5 Jan. 74. Recaptured at banding place on 12 Apr. 80, over 6

years 3 months after banding.

(e) 050-64940. Banded by F. W. C. van Gessel at Stockton, near Newcastle, NSW on 5 Jan. 74. Recaptured at banding place on 12 Apr. 80. over 6 years 3 months after banding.

#### **Red Knot** Calidris canutus

061-31435. Juvenile banded by VWSG, at Werribee, Vic. (38° 03' S., 144° 32' E. on 27 Jan. 79. Recaptured at Kaipara Harbour, North Island, New Zealand (36° 20' S., 174" 20' E.) on 2 Mar. 80. 2600 km E.

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

(a) 032-12347. Banded by J. A. Broadbent at Stockton, near Newcastle, NSW on 21 Oct. 72. Recaptured twice at banding place by S. G. Lane, the last occasion on 12 Apr. 80, over 7 years 5 months after banding. (This is the oldest recovery for this species).

(b) 032-18962. Adult banded by VWSG at The Spit, Werribee, Vic. on 13 Apr. 79. Recaptured by D. G. Henderson at George Town, Tas. on 15 Feb. 80. 390 km SSE.

# **Curlew Sandpiper** Calidris ferruginea

040-93339. Adult banded by S. G. Lane at Stockton near Newcastle, NSW on 7 Oct. 78. Recaptured by VWSG at Werribee, Vic. on 26 Jan. 80, 850 km SW.

#### Silver Gull Larus novaehollandiae

080-62846. Nestling banded by D. G. Nicholls at Mud Island, Port Phillip Bay, Vic. on 6 Oct. 79. Recovered at Lakes Entrance, Vic. on 10 Jan. 80. 286 km ENE.

#### Pacific Gull Larus pacificus

110-87557. Nestling banded by B. Robertson on Chalky Island, Tas. on 2 Dec. 77. Recovered at Low Head near George Town. Tas. on 23 Jan. 80, 144 km SW.

#### Crested Tern Sterna bergii

(a) 070-38191. Nestling banded by D. E. Barnes at Lipson Cove, SA on 19 Jan. 64. Found dead (partly decomposed) near banding place on 28 Dec. 79, over 15 years 11 months after banding.

(b) 070-39544. Nestling banded by J. B. Paton at West Island, Victor Harbour, SA on 2 Jan. 73. Found dead at The Coorong, SA on 24 Dec. 79, over 7

years after banding. 90 km ESE.

(c) 070-58666. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Stonywell Island, The Coorong, SA on 5 Dec. 64. Breeding adult recaptured at banding place on 6 Dec. 79, over 15 years after banding.

(d) 070-58869. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Stonywell Island, The Coorong, SA on 5 Dec. 64. Breeding adult recaptured at banding place on 22 Dec. 79, over 15 years after banding.

- (e) 070-63637. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman at Brothers Island, Collins Bay, SA on 22 Dec. 72. Recovered at Ballina, NSW on 8 Aug. 79. I 480 km ENE
- (f) 070-97518. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Bird Island, Wallaroo, SA on 11 Dec. 67. Breeding adult recaptured at Wards Spit, near Port Germaine, SA on 26 Dec. 79, over 12 years after banding, 108 km NNE.

(g) 070-99921. Breeding adult banded by M. H. Waterman on Stonywell Island, The Coorong, SA on 16 Dec. 67. Recaptured (breeding) at banding place on

22 Dec. 79, over 12 years after banding.
(h) 071-10916. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Bird Island, Wallaroo, SA on 12 Dec. 70. Breeding adult recaptured at Wards Spit, near Port Germaine, SA on 26 Dec. 79, over 9 years after banding. 108 km NNE.

(i) 071-17706. Breeding adult banded by M. H. Waterman at West Island, Victor Harbour SA on 10 Dec. 72. Recovered at Safety Bay, Vic. on 30 July 79.

640 km ESE.

(j) 071-31346. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Stonywell Island, The Coorong, SA on 16 Dec. 78. "Caught on fishing line" (released with band) at Harrington, NSW on 19 Jan. 80. 1300 km ENE

(k) 071-38731. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman at Stonywell Island, The Coorong, SA on 16 Dec. 78. Recovered (released with band) near Brunswick Heads, NSW on 22 June 79. 1590 km NE.

# Sacred Kingfisher Halevon sancta

(a) 050-00612. Juvenile banded by J. Liddy near Beerburrum, Qld on 21 Mar. 76. Found dead at Mackay, Qld on 11 Oct. 79, over 3 years 6 months after banding. 770 km NNW.

(b) 050-25831. Juvenile banded by P. A. White at Tumbi Umbi, near Tuggerah, NSW on 20 Jan. 79. Found dead near Swansea, NSW on 1 Oct. 79. 37

km NNE.

#### **Crested Shrike-tit** Falcunulus frontatus

030-99705. Adult female banded by R. G. Thoday at Jamieson, Vic. on 13 Oct. 73. Recaptured twice at banding place, the last occasion by C. D. T. Minton on 28 Oct. 79, over 6 years after banding.

#### **Golden Whistler** Pachycephala pectoralis

031-21742. Adult female banded by I. M. Bateman at Jamieson, Vic. on 28 Jan. 74. Recaptured six times at banding place, the last occasion by P. N. Reilly on 1 Jan. 80, over 6 years after banding.

# Yellow-throated Scrubwren

Sericornis citreogularis

021-98774. Banded by N. Hermes at Kianga Farm, Narooma on 29 Aug. 71. Recaptured at Banding place on 20 Dec. 79, over 8 years 4 months after banding.

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

021-58234. Adult banded by P. N. Reilly at Jameison, Vic. on 13 May 74. Recaptured twice at banding place, the last occasion by D. G. Robertson on 27 Oct. 79. over 5 years 5 months after banding.

## Brown Treecreeper Climacteris picumnus

- (a) 031-12892. Juvenile banded by K. Hough at Jamieson, Vic. on 29 Jan. 73. Recaptured twice at banding place, the last occasion by C. D. T. Minton on 28 Oct. 79, over 6 years 9 months after banding.
- (b) 031-12896. Juvenile banded by K. Hough at Jamieson, Vic. on 29 Jan. 73, Recaptured seven times at banding place, the last occasion by D. G. Robertson on 28 Oct. 79, over 6 years 9 months after banding.
- (c) 040-40842. Female banded by R. G. Thoday at Jamiason, Vic. on 13 Oct. 73. Recaptured six times at banding place, the last occasion by C. D. T. Minton on 28 Oct. 79, over 6 years after banding.

#### Red Wattlebird Anthochaera carunculata

071-36616. Immature banded by D. F. Dorward at Burwood, Vic. on 4 June 77. Found dead at Boronia, Vic. on 1 Feb. 80, over 2 years 8 months after banding. 14 km E.

## Noisy Friarbird Philemon corniculatus

070-89196. Banded by N. W. Kurtz near Mudgee, NSW on 27 Apr. 77. Found dead (killed by cat) near Mitta Mitta, Vic. during Nov. 79. 510 km SSW. (This is the longest movement recorded for the species.)

# Fuscous Honeyeater Lichenostomus fuscus

- (a) 021-05209. Banded by R. G. Thoday at Jamieson, Vic. on 30 Oct. 73. Recaptured four times at banding place, the last occasion by D. G. Robertson on 28 Oct. 79, over 6 years after banding.
- (b) 021-05210. Banded by R. G. Thoday at Jamieson, Vic. on 30 Oct. 73. Recaptured twice at banding place, the last occasion by C. D. T. Minton on 27 Oct. 79, over 6 years after banding.
- (c) 021-35000. Adult banded by J. C. Ipsen at Jamieson, Vic. on 3 May 69. Recaptured at banding place by D. G. Robertson on 27 Oct. 79, over 10 years 5 months after banding.
- (d) 021-74634. Juvenile banded by K. Hough at Jamieson, Vic. on 12 Mar. 73. Recaptured four times at banding place, the last occasion by C. D. T. Minton on 27 Oct. 79. over 6 years 7 months after banding.

#### Spotted Pardalote Pardalotus punctatus

013-22667. Adult male banded by J. B. Paton at Kangola, near Scott Conservation National Park, SA on 15 Apr. 79. Breeding adult found dead at Mount Waverley, Vic. on 3 Jan. 80. 590 km ESE. (This is the longest movement recorded for the species.)

# Common Starling Sturnus vulgaris

061-01669, Juvenile banded by B. R. Peters at Launceston, Tas. on 12 Jan. 75. Found dead at banding place on 29 Jan. 80, over 5 years after banding.

# **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

# **New Members**

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