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# RECOVERY ROUND-UP

This section is prepared with the co-operation of the Secretary, Australian Bird-Banding Scheme, CSIRO Division of Wildlife Research. 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 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 mertis for inclusion will be considered.

- Hon. Editor.

The following abbreviations appear in this issue:

SSG (BOAT) — Shorebird Study Group of the Bird Observers Association of Tasmania.

VWSG --- Victorian Wader Study Group.

WAWSG — West Australian Wader Study Group.

#### Wandering Albatross Diomedea exulans

- (a) 140-25106. Adult banded by J. D. Gibson off Bellambi, NSW on 8 Aug. 64. Recaptured at banding place eight times, the last occasion on 18 July 82, over 17 years 11 months after banding.
- (b) 140-25337. Banded by J. D. Gibson off Bellambi, NSW on 20 Aug. 60. Recaptured at banding place eight times, the last occasion on 25 Aug. 82, over 22 years after banding.

## Short-tailed Shearwater Puffinus tenuirostris

160-69693. Nestling banded by P. N. Reilly at Summerland Penguin Reserve, Phillip Island, Vic. on 22 Apr. 72. Recovered dead at banding place by P. Dann, on 15 Feb. 82, over 9 years 9 months after banding.

# Red-footed Booby Sula sula

270-01342. Nestling banded by B. R. King on Raine Island, Qld (11°36′S., 144°01′E.) on 14 June 81. Recaptured on Yule Island, Papua New Guinea (08°50′S., 146°32′E.) on 3 May 82 410 km NE.

#### Masked Booby Sula dactylatra

- (a) 131-41676. Adult male banded by B. R. King on Raine Island, Qld (11°36'S., 144°01'E.) on 25 June 80. Recovered near Kerema, Papua New Guinea (07°58'S., 145°45'E). on 9 July 82. 450 km NNE.
- (b) 131-46739. Nestling banded by O. R. Evans on Philip Island, Norfolk Island (29°07'S., 167°57'E.) on 21 Nov. 81. Recovered near Tanna, south of Vanuatu (19°33'S., 169°17'E.) on 3 July 82. 1000 km

- (c) 131-46761. Nestling banded by O. R. Evans on Philip Island, Norfolk Island (29°07'S., 167°57'E.) on 5 Dec. 81. Found dead near Noumea, New Caledonia (22°23'S., 166°38'E.) on 31 July 82. 800 km NNW.
- (d) 131-46768. Nestling banded by O. R. Evans on Philip Island, Norfolk Island (29°07'S., 167°57'E.) on 5 Dec. 81. "Caught at sea" near Efate, Vanuatu (17°45'S., 168°18'E.) on 13 May 82. 1 200 km N.
- (e) 131-46802. Nestling banded by O. R. Evans on Nepean Island, Norfolk Island (29°04'S., 167°58'E.) on 10 Jan. 82. Recovered at East Aneityum, Vanuatu (20°15'S., 169°25'E.) on 2 July 82. 950 km N.

#### **Brown Booby** Sula leucogaster

- (a) 121-15633. Juvenile banded by B. R. King on Raine Island, Old (11°36'S., 144°01'E.) on 14 Dec. 81. Recovered "in school duckyard, wings weak", near Kerema, Papua New Guinea (08°0\(\ell\)'S., 145°40'E.) on 20 June 82. 450 km NNE.
- (b) 121-16005. Juvenile banded by B. R. King on Raine Island, Qld (11°36'S., 144°01'E.) on 9 June 81. Recaptured at Kerema Beach, Papua New Guinea (07°58'S., 145°45'E.) on 29 June 82. 450 km NNE.
- (c) 121-16304. Nestling banded by B. R. King on Raine Island, Qld (11°36'S., 144°01'E.) on 5 Dec. 81. Found dead at Kaivakavu, Ihu District, Papua New Guinea (07°55'S., 145°23'E.) on 8 Aug. 82. 430 km NNE.
- (d) 121-16327. Nestling banded by B. R. King on Raine Island, Qld (11°36'S., 144°01'E.) on 7 Dec. 81. Found dead at Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea (09°30'S., 147°10'E.) on 11 Aug. 82, 420 km NE.
- (e) 121-16346. Nestling banded by B. R. King on Raine Island, Qld (11°36'S., 144°01'E.) on 7 Dec. 81. Recaptured at Freshwater Bay, Papua New Guinea (08°07'S., 146°01'E.) on 15 June 82. 440 km NNE.
- (f) 121-16501. Nestling banded by B. R. King on Raine Island, Qld (11°36'S., 144°01'E.) on 11 Dec. 81. Recovered at Kavava Beach, Orokolo Bay, Gulf Province, Papua New Guinea (07°53'S., 145°18'E.) on 19 Apr. 82. 440 km NNE.

#### Great Cormorant Phalacrocorax carbo

130-39742. Nestling banded by J. N. Eveleigh at Cawndilla Creek, NSW on 19 June 74. Recovered at Chowilla Creek, SA on 6 June 82, over 7 years 11 months after banding. 220 km SW.

#### Pied Cormorant Phalacrocorax varius

131-43396. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman near Port Pirie, SA on 27 Mar. 82. Found dead "in gill net" at Lindsay River, Vic. on 4 July 82. 320 km ESE.

## Cattle Egret Ardeola ibis

- (a) 100-09759. Nestling banded by J. Willows near Grafton, NSW on 19 Dec. 80. Recovered near Apsley, Vic. on 19 Apr. 82. 1 400 km WSW.
- (b) 100-56897. Nestling banded by D. H. C. Seton near Brisbane, Qld on 24 Dec. 81. Recovered at Mail'ra, Vic. on 12 June 82. 1 740 km SSW.

## Straw-necked Ibis Threskiornis spinicollis

- (a) 120-71505. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman near Narrung, SA on 8 Dec. 68. Recovered sick (died later) at Lockington Vic. 4 Aug. 82, over 13 years 7 months after banding. 500 km E.
- (b) 120-72847. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman at Bool Lagoon, SA on 1 Dec. 68 Found dead at Katandra West, Vic. on 27 July 82, over 13 years 8 months after banding. 480 km E.
- (c) 120-82414. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman at Bool Lagoon, SA on 31 Oct. 70. Shot near Aurukun, Cape York, Qld in July 82, over 11 years 8 months after banding. 2 630 km N.

## Cape Barren Goose Cereopsis novaehollandiae

140-06678. Adult banded by M. H. Waterman at Flinders Chase, Kangaroo Island, SA on 10 Aug. 71. Found dead at Rush Lagoon, Kangaroo Island on 12 July 82, over 10 years 11 months after banding. 75 km E.

#### **Grey Teal** Anas gibberfrons

- (a) 090-32029. Juvenile male banded by S. Briggs at Barrenbox Swamp, NSW on 4 Mar. 82. Found shot at Gunbower Creek, Cohuna, Vic. on 22 May 82. 235 km SW.
- (b) 090-32463. Juvenile female banded by S. Briggs at Barrenbox Swamp, NSW on 8 Feb. 82. Found shot near Rockhampton, Qld on 3 July 82. 1 330 km NNE
- (c) 090-72671. Adult banded by G. D. Thomas near Finley, NSW on 25 Feb. 79. Shot near Loxton, SA on 27 Feb. 82. 450 km WNW.

#### Little Eagle Hieraaetus morphnoides

131-04201. Adult banded by M. H. Waterman near Mallala, SA on 23 Mar. 72. Recovered "poisoned (being rehabilitated for release)" at Weapons Research Establishment, Smithfield, SA on 4 July 82, over 10 years 3 months after banding. 33 km SSE. (This is the oldest recorded for the species.)

# Large Sand Plover Charadrius leschenaultii

051-15876. Adult banded by WAWSG at Roebuck Bay, WA (18°04'S., 122°19'E.) on 2 Sept. 81. Recovered ("bird bought from markets") at Beihai City, Guangxi Province, Peoples Republic of China (21°29'N., 109°10'E.) on 12 Aug. 82. 4450 km NNW. (This is the longest movement recorded for this species by the ABBS.)

# **Grey-tailed Tattler** Tringa brevipes

051-00412. First year bird banded by WAWSG at Roebuck Bay, Broome, WA (17°58'S., 122°15'E.) on 30 Aug. 81. Recaptured at Tsankiang, Guang-dong, Peoples Republic of China (21°10'N., 110°20'E.) on 21 May 82. 5 500 km NNW.

#### Red Knot Calidris canutus

C-31629\*. Adult banded at Taramaire, New Zealand 37°09'S., 175°18'E.) on 17 Aug. 80. Recovered ("crashed against light tower") at Sandy Cape Light Station, Fraser Island Qld (24°44'S., 153°12'E.) on 31 Mar. 81. 2 550 km WNW.

\*New Zealand Banding Scheme band.

# Red-necked Stint Calidris ruticollis

032-28907. Juvenile banded by SSG (BOAT) at Pipeclay Lagoon, Tas. on 7 Feb. 81. Recaptured by VWSG near Werribee, Vic. on 31 Oct. 81. 610 km NNW.

## Silver Gull Larus novaehollandiae

- (a) 081-80430. Nestling banded by D. G. Nicholls on Mud Islands, Port Phillip Bay, Vic. on 4 Oct. 81. Recovered near Wollongong, NSW on 3 July 82. 710 km NE.
- (b) 081-80905. Nestling banded by D. G. Nicholls on Mud Islands, Port Phillip Bay, Vic. on 23 Oct. 81. Found dead at Georges River, NSW on 22 July 82. 750 km NE.

# Caspian Tern Hydroprogne caspia

091-06003. Nestling banded by VWSG at Mann's Beach, Corner Inlet, Vic. on 3 Jan. 82. Recovered at northern end of Fraser Island, Qld on 11 Apr. 82. 1 700 km NNE. (This is the longest movement recorded for this species.)

## Crested Tern Sterna bergii

- (a) 070-17525. Breeding adult banded by M. H. Waterman on Stonywell Island, Coorong, SA on 14 Dec.
  68. Found dead at Stansbury, Yorke Peninsula, SA on 13 Sept. 82, over 13 years 9 months after banding.
  200 km NW.
- (b) 070-44025. Runner banded by D. F. Gray on Moon Island, Swansea, NSW on 19 Nov. 66. Found injured (being cared for by St. George Animal Hospital) at Brighton-le-Sands, NSW on 25 May 82, over 15 years 6 months after banding. 110 km SSE.
- (c) 071-00586. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Stonywell Island, Coorong, SA on 16 Dec. 67. Found dead at Laverton, Vic. on 5 June 82, over 14 years 8 months after banding. 515 km ESE.
- (d) 071-26128. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Stonywell Island, Coorong, SA on 7 Dec. 74. Found dead at Mordialloc Creek, Aspendale, Vic. on 26 June 82, over 7 years 6 months after banding. 555 km ESE.
- (e) 071-45819. Runner banded by SSG (BOAT) on Lachlan Island, Tas. on 3 Jan. 81. Recovered at Dromana, Vic. on 15 May 82. 550 km NNW.
- (f) 071-46863. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Stonywell Island, Coorong, SA on 28 Dec. 81. Recovered at Moruya Heads, NSW on 26 June 82. 970 km E.
- (g) 071-50423. Runner banded by SSG (BOAT) on Lachlan Island, Tas. on 6 Jan. 82. Recaptured at Lakes Entrance, Vic. on 8 June 82. 540 km N.

#### Rainbow Lorikeet Trichoglossus haematodus

250-02074. Banded hy C. Cannon at Currumbin, Qld on 5 June 80. Recaptured at Mount Tamborine, Qld on 30 May 82. 35 km NW.

#### Southern Boobook Ninox novaeseelandiae

100-14472. Banded by J. G. K. Harris at Ridgeway, Tas. on 16 June 77. Found dead at banding place on 1 Aug. 82, over 5 years 1 month after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species.)

## Varied Sittella Daphoenositta chrysoptera

013-13005. Banded by R. A. Noske at Wollomombi Falls Reserve, near Armidale, NSW on 25 Mar. 77. Recaptured, adult male, twice at banding place, the last occasion on 15 Aug. 82, over 5 years 4 months after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species.)

#### **Brown Treecreeper** Climacteris picumnus

050-78551. Adult banded by R. H. Donaghey at Scheyville, near Windsor, NSW on 11 Dec. 75. Recaptured, adult male, at banding place four times, the last occasion by S. G. Lane on 14 Aug. 82, over 6 years 8 months after banding.

# Yellow-tufted Honeyeater

Lichenostomus melanops

031-21795. Adult handed by J. C. Fordyce at Murchison, Vic. on 2 Nov. 69. Recaptured at banding place by D. G. Roberts on 16 May 81, over 11 years 6 months after banding.

## Fuscous Honeyeater Lichenostomus fuscus

- (a) 020-20651. Banded by G. P. Clancy at Scheyville, near Windsor, NSW on 24 Nov. 73. Recaptured four times at banding place, the last occasion by S. G. Lanc on 14 Aug. 82, over 8 years 8 months after banding.
- (b) 020-99451. Adult banded by J. C. Fordyce at Murchison, Vic. on 15 Feb. 70. Recaptured by D. G. Roberts near banding place on 6 Sept. 80, over 10 years 6 months after banding.
- (c) 021-48296. Adult banded by J C. Fordyce at Murchison, Vic. on 2 Nov. 69. Recaptured by D. G. Roherts at banding place, on 6 Scpt. 80, over 10 years 10 months after banding.

# **Brown-headed Honeyeater**

Melithreptus brevirostris

021-48283. Adults banded by J. C. Fordyce at Murchison, Vic. on 5 Oct. 69. Recaptured by D. G. Roberts near banding place on 28 Aug. 82, over 12 years 10 months after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species.)

#### Brown Honeyeater Lichmera indistincta

- (a) 021-17422. Banded by J. S. Robertson at Wellington Point, Old on 17 Sept. 76. Recaptured at banding place on 21 Aug. 82, over 5 years 11 months after banding.
- (b) 021-17482. Banded by J. S. Robertson at Wellington Point, Qld on 8 Mar. 76. Recaptured at banding place twice, the second occasion on 21 Aug. 82, over 5 years 9 months after banding.

#### **New Holland Honeyeater**

Phylidonyris novaehollandiae

- (a) 031-49581. Juvenile banded by N. Ford at Braendler's Scrub Conservation Park, near Monarto South, SA on 18 Nov. 76. Recaptured at banding place by J. W. Hardy on 23 Sept. 82, over 5 years 10 months after banding.
- (b) 031-51133. Juvenile banded by P. J. Thomas at Blue Gum Swamp Creek, Winmalee, NSW on 7 Aug. 77. Recaptured at banding place four times, the last occasion by L. W. Filewood on 13 Nov. 82, over 5 years 3 months after banding.

# Eastern Spinebill Acanthorhynchus tenuirostris

- (a) 012-88060. Banded by R. Lonnon at Shaws Creek near Castlereagh, NSW on 30 May 76. Recaptured at banding place by J. W. Hardy on 2 Aug. 82, over 6 years 2 months after banding.
- (b) 013-10315. Adult male banded by P. J. Thomas at Blue Gum Swamp Creek, Winmalee, NSW on 25 June 77. Recaptured at banding place ten times, the last occasion by J. W. Hardy on 13 Nov. 82, over 5 years 4 months after banding.

#### Silvereye Zosterops lateralis

- (a) 013-22516. Banded hy P. de Rebeira at Guilderton, W.A. on 13 Feb. 82. Found dead as immature female at Craigie, WA on 19 Apr. 82. 54 km SSE.
- (b) 013-94865. Banded by R. J. Brown near Manjimup, WA on 11 Apr. 79. Recovered at Witchcliffe, WA on 7 June 82. 104 km WNW.

## Common Starling Sturnus vulgaris

- (a) 060-96808. Adult banded by M. H. Waterman near Mallala, SA on 25 July 74. Recaptured at banding place seven times, the last occasion on 21 Aug. 82, over 8 years after banding.
- (b) 060-98966. Adult banded by M. H. Waterman near Mallala, SA on 28 Aug. 71. Recaptured at banding place twice, the second occasion on 21 Aug. 82, over years 11 months after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species.)

# Olive-backed Oriole Oriolus sagittatus

061-18783. Immature banded by P. A. White at Tumbi Umbi, near Tuggerah, NSW on 22 Mar. 81. Found "under a house which was being constructed" at Forester's Beach, NSW on 13 July, 82. 5 km S.

#### **Pied Currawong** Strepera graculina

090-41849. Juvenile banded by D. G. Nicholls at Timbertop, Vic. on 4 May 73. Found dead near banding place in May 82, 9 years after banding.

#### Australian Raven Corvus coronoides

100-83344. Immature banded by P. Congreve at Eyre Bird Observatory, Cocklebiddy, WA on 11 Feb. 82. Found shot at Arubiddy Station, 32 km north of Cocklebiddy, WA on 12 Mar. 82. 57 km NNW.