

RECOVERY ROUND-UP

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

— Hon. Editor.

The following abbreviations appear in this issue:

ANARE — Australian National Antarctic Research Expeditions.

NPWS, SA — National Parks and Wildlife Service, South Australia.

PSG — Penguin Study Group.

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

VWSG — Victorian Wader Study Group.

WAWSG — West Australian Wader Study Group.

Little Penguin *Eudyptula minor*

(a) 190-01621. Nestling banded by PSG at Summerland, Phillip Island, Vic. on 13 Feb. 71. Found dying near Queenscliff Lighthouse, Queenscliff, Vic. on 28 May 84, over 13 years 3 months after banding. 53 km NW.

(b) 190-18930. Nestling banded by P. Dann at Summerland, Phillip Island, Vic. on 5 Jan. 84. Found dead near Nelson, Vic. on 1 Apr. 84. 370 km W.

Shy Albatross *Diomedea cauta*

(a) 280-00290. Nestling banded by N. P. Brothers on Mewstone, Tas. (43°44'S., 146°22'E.) on 14 Mar. 82. "Bird took bait on fishing line" near Cape Danger Point, South Africa (37°37'S., 19°17'E.) on 16 July 83. 10 000 km WNW.

(b) 280-00636. Nestling banded by N. P. Brothers on Mewstone, Tas. (43° 44'S., 146°22'E.) on 15 Mar. 82. Found dead (entangled in fishing line) at sea 200 km west of South Africa (30°55'S., 15°43'E.) on 17 July 83. 10 600 km WNW. (This is the longest recorded movement for this species.)

(c) 280-02415. Nestling banded by N. P. Brothers on Albatross Island, Tas. on 29 Mar. 83. Found dead at Wattle Camp, near Isrealite Bay, WA on 10 Mar. 84. 2 000 km WNW.

Northern Giant-Petrel *Macronectes halli*

(a) 130-73719. Adult banded by ANARE on Macquarie Island (54°35'S., 158°55'E.) on 17 July 67. Found dead on Snares Island, New Zealand (48°00'S., 166°34'E.) in Aug. 83, over 16 years 1 month after banding 850 km NNE. (This is the oldest recorded for this species.)

(b) 131-45397. Nestling banded by ANARE at Langdon Bay, Macquarie Island on 15 Jan. 84. Recovered (tangled in fishing line) off Swansea, NSW on 17 June 84. 2 500 km N.

Short-tailed Shearwater *Puffinus tenuirostris*

(a) 160-45850. Nestling banded by D. Moroney at Cape Woolamai, Phillip Island, Vic. on 1 Apr. 62. Found dead (about one month) at Surf Beach, near Marlo, Vic. on 26 Dec. 83, over 21 years 8 months after banding. 290 km ENE.

(b) 160-54120. Runner banded by L. L. Burgess at Cape Woolamai, Phillip Island, Vic. on 17 Mar. 63. Recaptured at banding place by K. Fitzherbert on 18 Oct. 83, over 20 years 7 months after banding.

(c) 161-13714. Adult banded by P. J. Fullagar on Montagu Island, NSW on 9 Jan. 69. Found dead at Shoalhaven Heads, NSW on 11 Mar. 84, over 15 years 2 months after banding. 170 km NNE.

(d) 161-21142. Nestling banded by G. M. Bowker on Griffiths Island, Vic. on 27 Apr. 71. Found dead on Summerland Beach, Phillip Island, Vic. by P. Dann on 16 Dec. 83, over 12 years 7 months after banding. 260 km E.

Red-footed Booby *Sula sula*

110-24905. Runner banded by M. K. Tarburton at Vatuli-ira, Fiji (17°19'S., 178°28') on 4 Dec. 74. Recaptured "while sitting on a rock" at Vatuturaga, Navitilevu Bay, Ra, Fiji (17°27'S., 178°14'E.) on 28 Feb. 84, over 9 years 2 months after banding. 30 km WSW. (This is the oldest recorded for this species.)

Masked Booby *Sula dactylatra*

131-49444. Nestling banded by O. R. Evans on Nepean Island, Norfolk Island (29°04'S., 167°58'E.) on 20 Sept. 83. Recovered on Uripiv Island, North Malekula, Vanuatu (16°00'S., 167°10'E.) on 25 Feb. 84. 1,400 km N.

Black-faced Shag *Leucocarbo fuscescens*

140-40061. Nestling banded by G. F. van Tets on Wright's Island, Devonport, Tas. on 25 Nov. 70. Found dead at George Town, Tas. on 18 June 84, over 13 years 6 months after banding. 40 km ENE.

Great Cormorant *Phalacrocorax carbo*

131-24940. Nestling banded by N. J. Favaloro at Lake Lottie, Hattah, Vic. on 1 Dec. 74. Found drowned at Long Point, The Coorong, SA on 7 Apr. 84, over 9 years 4 months after banding. 310 km WSW.

Pied Cormorant *Phalacrocorax varius*

131-28527. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Wineby Island, Sir Joseph Banks Group, SA on 2 July 71. Found dead at Tumby Bay, SA approx. 4 Apr. 84, over 12 years 9 months after banding. 20 km NW.

Cattle Egret *Ardeola ibis*

100-20070. Nestling banded by D. Geering at Lawrence, NSW on 17 Dec. 83. Found injured (later died) at Nichols Rivulet, near Cygnet, Tas. on 18 Mar. 84. 1640 km SSW.

Sacred Ibis *Threskiornis aethiopia*

- (a) 121-09565. Nestling banded by K. Lowe at Coolart Lagoon, Balnarring, Vic. on 24 Aug. 83. Found dead near Wonthaggi, Vic. approx. 15 Mar. 84. 44 km ESE.
- (b) 121-15139. Adult male banded by K. Lowe at Healesville Fauna Park, Vic. on 13 Oct. 82. Found dead at Collingullie Swamp, NSW on 20 May 84. 330 km NNE.

Grey Teal *Anas gibberifrons*

- (a) 090-32016. Juvenile male banded by S. Briggs at Barrenbox Swamp, NSW on 3 Mar. 82. Shot at Lake Urana, NSW on 3 Mar. 84. 68 km SW.
- (b) 090-52617. Banded by NPWS, SA at Bool Lagoon, SA on 16 Feb. 84. Shot at Hopkins River near Ararat, Vic. on 26 Mar. 84, 195 km E.

Maned Duck *Chenonetta jubata*

- (a) 100-58388. Adult male banded by R. Kingsford near Taralga, NSW on 16 July 82. Shot near Ararat, Vic. on 24 Apr. 84. 760 km WSW.
- (b) 100-59023. Adult female banded by S. Briggs at Barrenbox Swamp, NSW on 12 Mar. 82. Shot at Wimmera River, near Stawell, Vic. on 24 Mar. 84. 450 km SW.

Brown Goshawk *Accipiter fasciatus*

- (a) 091-07305. Immature banded by S. Wilson at Glenfield, NSW on 14 Feb. 82. Shot at Wedderburn, NSW on 30 Apr. 84. 20 km SSW.
- (b) 100-84468. Immature female banded by T. Aumann at Nangana, Vic. on 20 Mar. 82. Recaptured at Werribee, Vic. by J. Klapste on 31 Mar. 84. 67 km W.
- (c) 100-86388. Juvenile female banded by J. Klapste at Werribee, Vic. on Apr. 84. "Caught in fowl yard" at Tatyoon, Vic. on 17 June 84. 160 km WNW.

Brown Falcon *Falco berigora*

110-91363. Banded by H. F. Archer at Avalon Air Base, Vic. on 17 Nov. 83. Shot at Avondale Heights, Vic. on 20 Mar. 84. 45 km NE.

Great Knot *Calidris tenuirostris*

- (a) 061-31526. Banded by WAWSG at Broun Bay, Garden Island, WA on 30 Jan. 82. Found dead at Little Grove, Albany, WA late Jan. 84. 370 km SE. (This is the longest movement recorded for this species.)
- (b) 061-39448. Adult banded by WAWSG at Broome, WA on 30 Mar. 82. Recaptured by VWSG. at Anna Plains, WA on 31 Oct. 83. 170 km SW.

Silver Gull *Larus novaehollandiae*

- (a) 081-79849. Nestling banded by D. G. Nicholls on Mud Islands, Port Phillip Bay, Vic. on 4 Oct. 81. "Band number read with binoculars" by E. B. Male near Queenscliff, Vic. on 18 Mar. 84. 11 km W.
- (b) 081-80262. Nestling banded by D. G. Nicholls on Mud Islands, Port Phillip Bay, Vic. on 4 Oct. 81. "Band number read with binoculars" by E. B. Male near Queenscliff, Vic. on 18 Mar. 84. 11 km W.
- (c) 081-82234. Nestling banded by D. G. Nicholls on Mud Islands, Port Phillip Bay, Vic. on 10 Oct. 82. "Band number read with binoculars" by E. B. Male near Queenscliff, Vic. on 18 Mar. 84. 11 km W.
- (d) 081-84527. Runner banded by SSG (BOAT) at Pavilion Point, Hobart, Tas. on 20 Nov. 83. Recovered at Swansea, Tas. near end of Jan. 84. 100 km NE.
- (e) 081-88283. Nestling banded by D. G. Nicholls on Mud Islands, Port Phillip Bay, Vic. on 28 Oct. 83. Recovered at Shoalhaven Heads, NSW on 16 Mar. 84, 660 km NE.
- (f) 082-25106. Adult banded by L. Nicholls on Carnac Island, WA on 25 Apr. 71. Found dead at Fremantle, WA on 13 Mar. 84, over 11 years 10 months after banding. 11 km NE.

Kelp Gull *Larus dominicanus*

- (a) 110-92722. Runner banded by SSG (BOAT) on Green Island, Tas. on 14 Dec. 80. Found dead at Ralph's Bay, Tas. about 20 Apr. 84. 32 km NNE.
- (b) 110-96147. Runner banded by SSG (BOAT) on Green Island, Tas. on 23 Jan. 83. Recovered (tangled in fishing line, uninjured) at Battery Point, Hobart, Tas. on 4 Apr. 84. 35 km N.
- (c) 110-96649. Runner banded by SSG (BOAT) on Green Island, Tas. on 22 Jan. 84. Found dead at Hobart, Tas. on 19 Apr. 84. 40 km N.

Caspian Tern *Hydroprogne caspia*

090-33139. Runner banded by SSG (BOAT) on Green Island, Tas. on 23 Jan. 82. Found injured (later died) at Deception Bay, Qld on 9 Mar. 84. 1900 km NNE. (This is the longest movement recorded for this species.)

Crested Tern *Sterna bergii*

- (a) 070-15715. Runner banded by H. Bakker on Penguin Island, Beachport, SA on 19 Dec. 65. Recaptured at Queenscliff, Vic. on 3 June 84 by VWWSG, over 18 years 5 months after banding. 415 km ESE.
- (b) 070-47469. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Stonywell Island, The Coorong, SA on 17 Dec. 83. Found dead (four or five days) at South Ballina, NSW on 17 Mar. 84. 1550 km ENE.
- (c) 071-18483. Breeding adult banded by M. H. Waterman on Stonywell Island, The Coorong, SA on 9 Dec. 73. "Band number read with telescope" by C. D. T. Minton, at Beaumaris, Vic. on 7 Apr. 84 over 10 years 3 months after banding. 540 km ESE.
- (d) 071-18743. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Penguin Island, Beachport, SA on 28 Dec. 73. "Band number read with telescope" by C. D. T. Minton at Beaumaris, Vic. on 31 Mar. 84, over 10 years 3 months after banding. 440 km E.
- (e) 071-25241. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Stonywell Island, The Coorong, SA on 3 Dec. 83. Found dead at Brunswick Heads, NSW on 14 Apr. 84. 1550 km ENE.

- (f) 071-46529. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on Stonywell Island, The Coorong, SA on 28 Dec. 81. Found dead at Moreton Island, Qld in Aug. 83. 1 670 km NE.
- (g) 071-48105. Breeding adult banded by M. H. Waterman at Ward Spit, Port Germein, SA on 6 Dec. 80. "Band number read with telescope" by C. D. T. Minton at Beaumaris, Vic. on 25 Apr. 84. 880 km SE.

Scaly-breasted Lorikeet

Trichoglossus chlorolepidotus

240-01972. Banded by C. Cannon at Currumbin Sanctuary, Qld on 20 Jan. 81. Found dead at Tugun, Qld on 8 Dec. 83. 3 km SE.

Crimson Rosella *Platycercus elegans*

240-03102. Banded by T. J. Bradley at Cromer Conservation Park, near Birdwood, SA on 20 Sept. 81. "Hit by car" near banding place on 4 Sept. 83.

Laughing Kookaburra *Dacelo novaeguineae*

090-46845. Banded by J. Rawlins at Dural, NSW on 29 Aug. 76. "Killed by car" near banding place on 14 Mar. 83, over 6 years 6 months after banding.

Welcome Swallow *Hirundo neoxena*

022-75366. Banded by D. A. Saunders on Rottnest Island, WA on 16 July 83. Found dead at North Fremantle, WA on 20 Feb. 84. 22 km E.

Blackbird *Turdus merula*

060-89457. Immature banded by J. B. Paton at Beaumont, SA on 25 Nov. 74. Found dead near banding place on 11 Apr. 84, over 9 years 4 months after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species.)

Scarlet Robin *Petroica multicolor*

- (a) 012-20450. Adult female banded by B. R. Hutchins at Sandy Creek Conservation Park, near Sandy Creek, SA on 16 June 75. Recaptured at banding place on 17 June 84, over 9 years after banding.
- (b) 012-76070. Adult male banded by B. R. Hutchins at Sandy Creek Conservation Park, near Sandy Creek, SA on 21 June 79. Recaptured at banding place on 2 June 84, over 4 years 11 months after banding.

Eastern Yellow Robin *Eopsaltria australis*

022-06320. Immature banded by M. A. Johnson near Appin, NSW on 3 Sept. 74. Recaptured at banding place five times, the last occasion by A. J. Leishman on 7 July 84, over 9 years 11 months after banding.

Red Wattlebird *Anthochaera carunculata*

071-28037. Adult banded by T. G. D. Shannon at Yanchep National Park, WA on 4 Sept. 82. "Hit by car" at Marangaroo, WA on 25 Mar. 84. 32 km SSE.

New Holland Honeyeater

Phylidonyris novaehollandiae

- (a) 031-59724. Immature banded by I. Grant at Sandy Creek Conservation Park, near Sandy Creek, SA on 8 Nov. 69. Recaptured by B. R. Hutchins, at banding place on 14 Apr. 84, over 14 years 5 months after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species.)
- (b) 031-59725. Immature banded by B. R. Hutchins at Sandy Creek Conservation Park, near Sandy Creek, SA on 16 Nov. 73. Recaptured at banding place on 14 Apr. 84, over 10 years 4 months after banding.

Silvereye *Zosterops lateralis*

014-30403. Banded by O. Mueller 46 km NNW Perth, WA on 13 Feb. 83. "Caught by cat" at Pickering Brook, WA on 15 Apr. 84. 66 km SE.

Grey Butcherbird *Cracticus torquatus*

061-17854. Adult banded by R. A. Elvish at St. Lucia, Qld on 11 Oct. 77. Found dying near banding place on 28 Apr. 84, over 6 years 6 months after banding. (This is the oldest recorded for this species.)

Little Raven *Corvus mellori*

- (a) 100-85918. Juvenile banded by J. Klapste at Werribee, Vic. on 17 Apr. 83. Recovered at Bittern, Vic. on 20 May 84. 65 km SE.
- (b) 100-85975. Juvenile banded by J. Klapste at Werribee, Vic. on 29 May 83. Recovered near Rushworth, Vic. on 16 June 84. 156 km N.

Obituary

John Douglas Gibson, one of our foundation members, died on 21 May 1984 after a long illness. He was one of the small group of banders who visited the Five Islands, N.S.W., in 1955 to commence a study of Silver Gulls and Crested Terns, one of the initial co-operative studies of the Australian Bird-Banding Scheme. His interest in the Five Islands continued and expanded into a broader ornithological involvement on committees of various trusts and societies of the south coast of N.S.W.

Also, in 1955 he recognised the potential of a winter feeding site of the Wandering Albatross at Bellambi, N.S.W., where he demonstrated that the birds could be captured and banded with relative ease. The albatross banding project commenced in 1956, and his reports of the N.S.W. Albatross Study Group give some indication of the truly exciting data obtained and the scale of the enthusiastic international co-operation that study stimulated.

The project continues, and Doug will always be remembered for this contribution to ornithology by his colleagues at home and abroad.

Our profound sympathy goes to Betty, his wife, and to their daughters, Jacqueline and Terrie.

M.D.M.

Corrigendum

The following amendment should be made to Volume 8, Number 3, September 1984.

Page 62, Table 1.

The mean weight of female Little Eagle *Hieraetus morphnoides* should read 1110 g not 111.0 g.