

RECOVERY ROUND-UP

R.A.O.U. No.

79 Giant Petrel (*Macronectes giganteus*)

130-43252. Nestling banded by M. C. Downes on west coast of Heard Island (53° 02' S. Lat., 73° 17' E. Long.) on 20.2.63. Found dying on the shore (stoned to death by children) near Melinka, in the islands of Chonos, Chile (44° S. Lat., 74° W. Long.) in Feb., '65. 9400 miles E.

86 Wandering Albatross (*Diomedea exulans*)

Information received recently has revealed that 55 Wandering Albatrosses banded on the N.S.W. coast were recovered during 1962-63 and 1963-64 seasons in South Georgia (54° S. Lat., 38° W. Long) About 6400 miles E.S.E. and a minimum sea distance of 7000 miles. The following are a selection of these recoveries.

(a) 140-01512. Banded by J. D. Gibson at Bellambi, N.S.W., on 19.8.56. Recovered South Georgia on 27.1.64.

(b) 140-01591 (replaced by 140-25065). Banded by J. D. Gibson at Bellambi, N.S.W., on 23.8.58.

Retrapped at Bellambi on 29.7.61. Recovered at South Georgia on 3.1.63 and 17.1.64, and back at Bellambi on 8.8.64.

(c) 140-01517. Banded by J. D. Gibson at Bellambi, N.S.W., on 26.7.58. Recovered at South Georgia on 20.4.63 and 29.11.63.

(d) 140-01919 (*528-73184). Banded by S. G. Lane at Malabar, N.S.W., on 2.8.58. Recovered at Bellambi on 17.7.60 and at South Georgia on 8.2.62, 30.12.62 and 17.1.64 (breeding).

(e) 140-01969 (*528-74167). Banded by S. G. Lane at Malabar, N.S.W., on 4.7.59. Recovered at South Georgia on 17.1.64.

(f) 140-02953 (*528-75851). Banded by C. B. Campion at Malabar, N.S.W., on 2.7.60. Recovered at South Georgia on 5.12.62.

(g) 140-26081 (*528-74183). Banded by C. B. Campion at Malabar, N.S.W., on 14.9.63. Recovered at South Georgia on 21.1.64.

* Additional band added by biologists of U.S.F. & W.S. at South Georgia.



• A Wandering Albatross caught at Bellambi. Photo A. Mothersdill (by courtesy of The Gould League of N.S.W.).

- 94 Lesser Frigate-bird (*Fregata ariel*)
74759533**. Banded at Howland Island, Phoenix Group, Central Pacific (3° S. Lat., 172° W. Long.), in October, 1964. Found by Peni Topapaket near Tigidu, 17 miles west of Finschhafen, New Guinea (6° 40' S. Lat., 147° 40' E. Long.). Approximately 2,600 miles W.
("Several other banded Frigate Birds were found by others at Raluabat area, Rabaul, New Britain, Kavieng and Namatanai, New Ireland; and Lorengau, Manus Island"—Roy Mackay.)
** U.S. Fish and Wild Life Service Band.
- 96 Black Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax carbo*)
130-29347. Runner banded by P. A. Disher 5 miles north of Barham, N.S.W., on 10.1.65. Recovered (caught in a fishing net) at Port Stephens, N.S.W., on 9.8.65. 503 miles E.N.E.
- 115 Crested Tern (*Sterna bergii*)
(a) 070-34369. Runner banded by H. Battam on Five Islands off Port Kembla, N.S.W., on 10.11.62. Caught on fishing line (released with band) at Golden Beach approximately 20 miles south of Sale, Vic. 350 miles S.W.
(b) 070-36115. Runner banded by S. G. Lane on Moon Island, Swansea, N.S.W., on 12.11.60. Found injured at Bribie Island, Q., on 2.8.65. 450 miles N.N.E.
(c) 070-67248. Runner banded by M. H. Waterman at Stoneywell Island, Coorong, S.A., on 12.12.64. Found dead at Toorbul Point, Moreton Bay, Q., on 21.6.65. 1010 miles N.E.
(d) 070-78073. Runner banded by M. H. Waterman at Stoneywell Island, Coorong, S.A., on 26.12.64. Found dead at Bribie Island, Q., on 6.6.65. 1025 miles N.E.
- 148 Red-necked Avocet (*Recurvirostra novaehollandiae*)
080-85713. Runner banded by Rev. C. G. Burt at Willaura, Vic., on 8.1.64. Found dead 10 miles from Skipton, Vic., in July, 1965. 43 miles E.S.E.
- 163 Sharp-tailed Sandpiper (*Erolia acuminata*)
040-13531. Adult male banded by Miss C. A. Nicholls at Pelican Point, Perth, W.A. (32° S. Lat., 115° 50' E. Long.). Shot 12 Km. N. Batagaj, Jacutian A.S.S.R. Russia, (67° 40' N. Lat. 135° 20' E. Long.) on 28.5.61. 6,800 miles N.N.E.
(This record is the first evidence from banding that Sharp-tailed Sandpipers migrate between Siberia and Western Australia. See also Nicholls (1962)—Reprinted from Seventh Annual Report of The Australian Bird-banding Scheme, July, 1960, to June, 1961.)
- 179 White Ibis (*Threskiornis molucca*)
(a) 120-26640. Nestling banded by Miss G. M. Bowker, at Goose Lagoon, Port Fairy, Vic., on 19.12.64. Found freshly dead by Mrs. V. Rothwell (being eaten by Peregrine Falcon) at Reedy St. George Creek, 96 miles south of Cooktown, Q., on 23.5.65. 1520 miles N.N.E.
(b) 120-37678. Runner banded by P. A. Disher 5 miles north of Barham, N.S.W., on 22.1.65. Recovered (no details given) at Hammond Island (Torres Strait), Q., on 8.8.65. 1760 miles N.
(c) 120-47697. Runner banded by F. B. Thomas 5 miles north of Barham, N.S.W., on 28.2.65. Shot at Chinchilla, Q., in June, 1965. 735 miles N.E.
- 187 White Egret (*Egretta alba*)
(a) 110-40935. Nestling banded by M. V. Melvin at Bool Lagoon, S.A., on 12.12.64. Found dead near Cessnock, N.S.W., on 17.5.65. 675 miles E.N.E.
(b) 110-41466. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman at Bool Lagoon, S.A., on 20.12.64. Band returned from Gazette, Peshurst, Vic., on 30.6.65 (no other details) 101 miles E.S.E.
- 221 Brown Goshawk (*Accipiter fasciatus*)
100-24314. Nestling banded by S. J. Wilson at Narrabundah, A.C.T., on 20.12.64. Shot at Cowangie, Vic., on 7.6.65. 440 miles W.
- 228 Whistling Kite (*Haliastur sphenurus*)
110-26355. Adult banded by R. J. Martin at Gerogery, N.S.W., on 13.5.65. Shot at Lake Burumbeet near Ballarat, Vic., on 28.8.65. 217 miles S.W.



• Nestling Black-Shouldered Kite. Photo S. G. Lane.

- 232 Black-shouldered Kite (*Elanus notatus*)
100-27674. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman at Mallala, S.A., on 25.2.65. Found dead at Borung, Vic., on 23.5.65. 322 miles E.S.E.
- 273 Galah (*Kakatoe roseicapilla*)
100-34143. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman 9 miles north of Lower Light P.O., S.A., on 21.9.63. Shot at Pira, Vic., on 14.8.65. 296 miles E.S.E.
- 322 Laughing Kookaburra (*Dacelo gigas*)
090-37805. Adult banded by R. J. Martin at Mooney Mooney, N.S.W., on 30.1.59. Recovered (released with band) at Killcare, N.S.W., on 3.8.65. 78 months later. 9 miles E.
- 338 Fantailed Cuckoo (*Cacomantis pyrrhophanus*)
040-06666. Nestling banded by S. G. Lane in nest of Brown Thornbill (*Acanthiza pusilla*) at Lane Cove, N.S.W., on 23.12.59. Found dead at Chatswood, N.S.W., on 3.7.65 over 66 months later. 2 miles N.
- 415 Magpie-lark (*Grallina cyanoleuca*)
070-57881. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman 1 mile north of Angle Vale Post Office, S.A., on 12.10.64. Killed by cat at Elizabeth Vale, S.A., on 18.5.65. 9 miles S.

- 416 Eastern Shrike-tit (*Falcunculus frontatus*)
030-15205. Adult banded by Miss H. A. Doyle at Manohalai near Muswellbrook, N.S.W., on 9.3.60. Retrapped 18.2.63 and again on 12.11.64, 56 months after banding.
- 484 Buff-tailed Thornbill (*Acanthiza reguloides*)
010-55542. Adult banded by D. A. Stewart at Yarralumla, Canberra, A.C.T., on 10.6.63. Caught (released with band) at Curtin, A.C.T., on 22.6.65, 3 miles W.S.W.
- 488 White-browed Scrub-wren (*Sericornis frontalis*)
020-89249. Adult female banded by M. T. Murn at Glendale Crossing on the Gudgenby River, A.C.T., on 17.4.65. Retrapped (released with band) by S. J. Wilson at Pine Island on the Murrumbidgee River, south of Canberra, A.C.T., on 8.5.65, 19 miles N.
- 529 Superb Blue Wren (*Malurus cyaneus*)
010-55557. Adult male banded by D. A. Stewart at Yarralumla, Canberra, A.C.T., on 10.6.63. Found dead at Curtin, A.C.T., on 17.6.65, 3 miles W.S.W.
- 574 Eastern Silvereye (*Zosterops lateralis*)
(a) 011-12723. Adult banded by P. D. Strong at Loddon River, near Bulli Pass, N.S.W., on 8.8.64. Recovered by bander at Minnie Water, near Grafton, N.S.W., on 11.7.65, 340 miles N.N.E.
(This one so surprised the bander that he had band number independently checked before releasing bird).
(b) 020-17871. Adult banded by Miss G. M. Bowker at Port Fairy, Vic., on 10.7.60. Retrapped by P. D. Strong (band replaced with band No. 011-66574) at Minnie Water near Grafton, N.S.W., on 14.8.65, 61 months later, 890 miles N.E. (This is the most distant silver-eye recovery to date).
- 591 Eastern Spinebill (*Acanthorhynchus tenuirostris*)
010-78534. Adult female banded by S. G. Lane at North Ryde, N.S.W., on 15.6.64. Killed by cat at Lindfield, N.S.W., on 11.7.65, 2 miles N.E.
- 617 White-cared Honeyeater (*Meliphaga leucotis*)
030-69525. Adult banded by J. W. Kellam at Warrakee, 19 miles north of Bendigo, Vic., on 18.1.64. Found dead at Kangaroo Flat, Bendigo, on 22.8.65, 19 miles S.
- 631 New Holland Honeyeater (*Meliornis novaehollandiae*)
(a) 030-53832. Adult banded by M. H. Waterman 5 miles west of Springton P.O., S.A., on 19.1.63. Found dead 3 miles north of Stansbury, S.A., on 12.8.65, 60 miles W.
(b) 030-83202. Adult banded by B. A. Speechley at Darke's Forest, N.S.W., on 19.6.65. Retrapped by H. Battam at Loddon River, near Bulli Pass, N.S.W., on 5.9.65 and 18.9.65, 3 miles S.S.W.
- 632 White-checked Honeyeater (*Meliornis niger*)
021-22034. Adult banded by S. McCosker at Currimundi Lake, Q., on 17.4.65. Recovered (released with band) by R. Elks at Caloundra, Q., on 25.9.65, 4 miles S.S.E.
- 634 Noisy Miner (*Myzantha melanocephala*)
(a) 060-18064. Adult banded by Miss H. A. Doyle at Manohalai near Muswellbrook, N.S.W., on 6.7.60. Retrapped on 22.9.61, 3.4.64, and 21.6.65, the last occasion being 59 months after banding.
(b) 060-19540. Adult banded by B. Glover at Hawthorndene, S.A., on 21.9.58. Recovered (released with band) at Belair, S.A., on 14.5.65 $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N.N.E. and 80 months later. ("caught inside house—apparently it had fallen down chimney.")
- 640 Spiny-checked Honeyeater (*Acanthagenys rufogularis*)
040-36899. Adult banded by K. B. Mack at South Oak Bore, Calperum, S.A., on 20.3.64. Found dying at Cooltong, S.A., on 3.7.65, 28 miles S.
- 653 Zebra Finch (*Taeniopygia castanotis*)
010-92165. Adult male banded by R. G. Lonnon at Richmond, N.S.W., on 14.6.65. Recovered at Blacktown, N.S.W., about 29.8.65, 15 miles S.E.
- 980 Southern Skua (*Catharacta skua lonnbergi*)
120-47095. Runner banded by D. Purchase at Macquarie Island on 7.1.65. Found dead on Maroubra Beach, Sydney, N.S.W., on 20.7.65, 1440 miles N.N.W.
- 999 Common Starling (*Sturnus vulgaris*)
060-09022. Juvenile banded by Mrs. P. N. Reilly at East Brighton, Vic., on 10.12.63. Found dead at Fisherman Bend, Vic., on 23.5.65, 8 miles N.W.

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