

RECOVERY ROUND-UP

This section is prepared with the co-operation of the Secretary, Australian Bird and Bat Banding Schemes, Australian Nature Conservation Agency. 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 part without prior consent of the banders concerned. Longevity and distance records refer to the ABBBS 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). Where available ABBBS age codes have been included in the banding data.

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

Hon. Editor.

The following abbreviations appear in this issue:

AWSG — Australasian Wader Study Group.
QWSG — Queensland Wader Study Group.
SSG (BOAT) — Shorebird Study Group (BOAT) Tasmania.
VWSG — Victorian Wader Study Group.
WBSROC — Wild Bird Society of R.O.C. (Taiwan)

Australian Pelican *Pelecanus conspicillatus*

170-07775. Nestling banded by M. H. Waterman on North Pelican Island, The Corrong, SA on 5 Nov. 89. Recovered dead at Burrinjuck Dam, Wee Jasper, NSW on 1 May 93. 830 km E.

Cattle Egret *Ardeola ibis*

- (a) 100-57249. Nestling banded by D. H. C. Seton at Dubry near Brisbane, Qld on 16 Dec. 81. Recovered dead at Hemmant, Qld on 13 June 93, over 11 years 5 months after banding. 5 km E.
- (b) 100-57925. Nestling banded by N. G. McKilligan near Gatton, Qld on 30 Dec. 81. Recovered dead near Moriac, Vic. on 5 July 93, over 11 years 6 months after banding. 1 415 km SSW.

Plumed Whistling-Duck *Dendrocygna eytoni*

- (a) 100-95207. Juvenile banded by C. J. Parmenter near North Rockhampton, Qld on 26 Mar. 92. Recovered dead (taken to protect crop) at Deniliquin, NSW on 2 Jan. 93. 1 455 km SSW.
- (b) 100-95211. Juvenile banded by C. J. Parmenter near North Rockhampton, Qld on 26 Mar. 92. Recovered dead (shot) at Deniliquin, NSW on 10 Jan. 93. 1 455 km SSW.

Pacific Black Duck *Anas superciliosa*

110-51396. Adult (1+) banded by G. D. Thomas at Koraleigh near Finley, NSW on 10 June 79. Recovered dead (shot) near Oxley, NSW on 22 May 93, over 13 years 11 months after banding. 193 km NW.

Grey Teal *Anas gibberifrons*

090-31042. Adult (1+) male banded by S. V. Briggs at Lake Salisbury, NSW on 8 June 87. Recovered dead (shot) near Loveday, Murray River, SA on 27 Mar. 93, over 5 years 9 months after banding. 538 km SSW.

Whistling Kite *Haliastur sphenurus*

110-92201. Banded by J. A. Estbergs at CSIRO Darwin, NT on 7 July 81. Recovered dead at Swim Creek Plain Station, NT on 1 Feb. 93, over 11 years 6 months after banding. 113 km E.

Little Eagle *Hieraaetus morphnoides*

- (a) 131-54801. Adult (1+) male banded by P. R. Pain near Margaret River, WA on 29 Mar. 91. Recovered dead near Newry, Vic. in May 92. 2 884 km E.
- (b) 131-57106. Adult (1+) female banded by L. C. Currie at Werribee Sewerage Farm, Vic. on 13 May 90. Recovered between Yass and Murrumbateman, NSW on 26 Nov. 93. 534 km NE.

Eurasian Coot *Fulica atra*

100-96679. Banded by D. A. Ball at Lake Wendouree, Ballarat, Vic. on 28 Aug. 88. Recovered dead at Howrah Beach, Tas. on 1 Sep. 93, over 5 years after banding. 665 km SSE.

Double-banded Plover *Charadrius bicinctus*

- (a) 041-00455. Juvenile banded by VWSG at Point Cook, Altona, Vic. (37°55'S, 144°46'E) on 15 June 80. Recaptured at Ohau River, New Zealand (44°20'S, 170°11'E) on 10 Nov. 92, over 12 years 4 months after banding. 2 234 km ESE.
- (b) 041-09850. Adult (1+) banded by VWSG at Yallock Creek, near Kooweerup, Vic. (38°13'S, 145°28'E) on 5 May 84. Recaptured at Tekapo River, New Zealand (44°20'S, 17°12'E) on 20 Oct. 92, over 8 years 5 months after banding. 2 166 km ESE.
- (c) 041-10063. Adult (2+) male banded by VWSG at Yallock Creek, near Kooweerup, Vic. (38°13'S, 145°28'E) on 12 Aug. 84. Recaptured at Ahuriri River, New Zealand (44°28'S, 169°59'E) on 12 Dec. 92, over 8 years 4 months after banding. 2 151 km ESE.

Ruddy Turnstone *Arenaria interpres*

051-42827. Adult (2+) banded by VWSG at Manns Beach, Corner Inlet, Vic. (38°41'S, 146°50'E) on 19 Mar. 91. Recovered, later died, at Estuary of Worei River, near Loi, Manus Province, Papua New Guinea (02°11'S, 147°04'E) in Nov. 91. 4 058 km N.

Asian Dowitcher *Limnodromus semipalmatus*

CF14783*. Nestling banded on Ile de L'est Crozets, Indian Ocean (46°25'S, 52°12'E) on 18 Jan. 75. Recovered dead at The Corrong National Park, SA (36°24'S, 139°46'E) on 1 Jan. 90, over 14 years 11 months after banding. 7 008 km ESE.

* CRBPO (French Banding Scheme band.)

Bar-tailed Godwit *Limosa lapponica*

(a) 5949480*. Nestling banded 41 miles SW of Pilot Station, Alaska, United States of America (61°30'N, 163°50'W) on 25 July 92. Recaptured on sand bar at south-east Morton Island, Qld (27°20'S, 153°26'E) by QWSG on 24 July 93. 10 593 km SW.

* Bird Banding Laboratory (USA) band.

This is the first American banded Bar-tailed Godwit recaptured in Australia.

(b) 071-85042. Immature (1) banded by AWSG at Roebuck Bay, Broome, WA (18°00'S, 122°22'E) on 26 Mar. 88. Recovered dead at Bilibino Village, Magadan Region, Russia (68°03'N, 166°20'E) on 5 July 93, over 5 years 3 months after banding. 10 201 km N.

(c) 071-85364. Immature (1) banded by AWSG at Roebuck Bay, Broome, WA (18°00'S, 122°22'E) on 4 Apr. 88. Recovered dead at Chongming Island, Shanghai, China (31°28'N, 121°27'E) on 17 Apr. 92. 5 500 km N.

Red-necked Stint *Calidris ruficollis*

(a) 032-45885. Adult (1+) banded by VWSG at Inverloch, Vic. on 15 Nov. 81. Recovered sick, later released at Mahers Landing, Vic. on 2 Jan. 93, over 11 years 1 month after banding. 3 km ESE.

(b) 033-70391. Immature (1) banded by VWSG at Inverloch, Vic. (38°37'S, 145°45'E) on 6 May 89. Recovered dead at Saltpans of Tanggu, Tianjin City, China (39°00'N, 117°36'E) in May 93. 9 093 km NNW.

(c) 034-56206. Adult (2+) banded by VWSG at Swan Bay, Queenscliff, Vic. (38°13'S, 144°39'E) on 17 Jan. 93. Recovered dead at Saltpans of Tanggu, Tianjin City, China (39°00'N, 117°36'E) in Apr. 93. 9 017 km NNW.

Curlew Sandpiper *Calidris ferruginea*

(a) B07767*. Banded by WBSROC at Szu-Tsao, Tai Nan, Taiwan (23°01'N, 120°07'E) on 5 May 90. Recaptured (cannon net) at Bishop Island, mouth of Brisbane River, Qld (27°21'S, 153°10'E) by P. V. Driscoll on 10 Jan. 93. 6 629 km SE.

*Taiwan Bird Banding Centre band.

Grey Shrike-thrush *Colluricincla harmonica*

050-25776. Adult (2+) male banded by B. R. Reid at Eyre Bird Observatory, WA on 24 Sep. 86. Recaptured at banding place by C. P. S. de Rebeira on 4 Oct. 93, over 7 years after banding.

Blue-breasted Fairy-wren *Malurus pulcherrimus*

014-92471. Adult (1+) female banded by T. G. D. Shannon at Eyre Bird Observatory, WA on 24 May 87. Recaptured at banding place by C. P. S. de Rebeira on 4 Oct. 93, over 6 years 4 months after banding.

Large-billed Scrubwren *Sericornis magnirostris*

013-27604. Banded by P. Thomas at Blue Gum Swamp Creek, Winmalee, NSW on 17 Sep. 78. Recaptured at banding place eight times, the last occasion by J. Farrell on 30 Dec. 93, over 15 years 3 months after banding. (Note: Blue Gum Swamp Creek banding site was burnt out in the bush fires of Jan. 1994.)

White-browed Scrubwren *Sericornis frontalis*

022-89556. Adult (1+) female banded by J. N. Dymond at Eyre Bird Observatory, Nine Mile Hut, WA on 20 Nov. 84. Recaptured at banding place by C. P. S. de Rebeira on 12 Oct. 93, over 8 years 10 months after banding.

Striated Thornbill *Acanthiza lineata*

015-72341. Adult (1+) banded by T. Nixon at Blue Gum Swamp Creek, Winmalee, NSW on 13 Mar. 88. Recaptured at banding place by T. Ivison on 19 Sep. 93, over 5 years 6 months after banding.

Blue-faced Honeyeater *Entomyzon cyanotis*

070-87993. Adult (2+) banded by D. Geering at Coutts Crossing, NSW on 9 Apr. 87. Recaptured at banding place twice, the last occasion by G. P. Clancy on 28 July 93, over 6 years 3 months after banding.

Fuscous Honeyeater *Lichenostomus fuscus*

023-01543. Adult banded by J. Farrell at Scheyville, NSW on 8 Nov. 87. Recaptured at banding place by R. Jacobs on 5 Dec 93, over 6 years 1 month after banding.

Brown Honeyeater *Lichmera indistincta*

024-09046. Adult (2) male banded by the Wardens, Eyre Bird Observatory, WA on 26 Nov. 90. Recaptured at banding place by C. P. S. de Rebeira on 4 Oct. 93, over 2 years 10 months after banding.

Common Starling *Sturnus vulgaris*

062-01495. Adult (1+) female banded by M. H. Waterman near Mallala, SA on 10 July 93. Recovered (taken for nature conservation reasons) at Wonten Woolshed, Eucla, WA on 6 Nov. 93. 986 km WNW.