

**BIRD CARE AND CONSERVATION SOCIETY INC.**  
**BANDING REPORT TO ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - MARCH 2004**

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This report covers the period March 2003 to February 2004

**BCCS Inc. Banding Officer:** Oliver Fuller

**BCCS Inc. Bird Banders:** Oliver Fuller, Sharon Blair, Anita Turton, Bev Langley

BCCS would like to extend their appreciation to the following members/carers, who have had their birds banded prior to release this year: Margaret Fuller, Pam Robinson, Jill McLatchie, Anita Turton, Sharon Blair, Bev Langley, Pat O'Neill, Leonie Phillips, Necia Hampton and Liz Long.

**PROGRESSIVE TOTAL**

From June 1987 to February 2004 - Birds Banded: **2404**

**TABLE 1**

**Figures showing number of birds banded in each 12mth period**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Total Birds Banded</b>
1990	78
1991	105
1992	128
1993	175
1994	236
1995	155
1996	220
1997	133
1998	179
1999	132
2000	136
2001	121
2002	173
2003	147
2004	79*

\*Our yearly total is significantly lower this year, due to the fact that we are no longer banding Pacific Black Ducks (previously averaging 40 per year)

**TABLE 2**

The figures for the breeding season (September to January) as a percentage of the totals from Table 1 (March to February)

<b>Year</b>	<b>September to January</b>	<b>Percentage</b>	<b>March to February (Yearly Total)</b>
1993	111	63%	175
1994	154	65%	236
1995	100	64%	155
1996	130	60%	220
1997	79	60%	133
1998	111	62%	179
1999	106	80%	132
2000	91	67%	136
2001	86	71%	121
2002	141	82%	173
2003	110	74%	147
2004	55	69%	79

These figures confirm the effect of the breeding season on the overall total. Anything affecting the breeding season (eg. weather, food supply) will have a significant impact on the annual total.

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**TABLE 3**  
**Monthly totals of birds banded**

<b>MONTH</b>	<b>NUMBER BANDED</b>
March 2003	1
April 2003	3
May 2003	0
June 2003	4
July 2003	3
August 2003	3
September 2003	1
October 2003	10
November 2003	15
December 2003	15
January 2004	14
February 2004	10
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>79</b>

**TABLE 4**  
**Species Banded**

Number of different species banded since the programme began in 1987: **88 (unchanged this year - no new species)**

**TABLE 5**  
**Number of each Species Banded 2003/2004**

<b>Species Number</b>	<b>Species</b>	<b>Number Banded</b>
43	Crested Pigeon	4
202	Australian Wood Duck	19
207	Australian Shelduck	4
210	Chestnut Teal	1
228	Whistling Kite	2
238	Black Falcon	1
240	Nankeen Kestrel	2
242	Southern Boobook	3
282	Adelaide Rosella	9
313	Tawny Frogmouth	1
322	Laughing Kookaburra	7
415	Magpie-lark	9
578	White-naped Honeyeater	1
631	New Holland Honeyeater	1
638	Red Wattlebird	7
705	Australian Magpie	6
710	Little Wattlebird	1
930	Australian Raven	1

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**TABLE 6**

**Progressive Totals**

The species most frequently banded since the programme began in 1987

Pacific Black Duck	433 *no longer banding
Australian Magpie	373
Magpie Lark	201
Australian Wood Duck	158
Crested Pigeon	90
Nankeen Kestrel	90

**Recovery of non-BCCS banded birds, by BCCS**

Four recoveries were made, however we were unable to obtain initial banding details at the time of writing this report

**Recovery of BCCS banded birds**

<b>Band Number Species Release Site Release Date</b>	<b>Date of Recovery Site of Recovery Time Between Release &amp; Recovery Status after Recovery</b>	<b>Distance Travelled (kilometres)</b>
091-44440 Laughing Kookaburra Flagstaff Hill 1/8/2003	12/12/2003 Darlington 4mths 11days Band read during feeding - bird alive with band	0
091-40089 Australian Magpie Reeves Plains 7/12/2003	29/2/2004 Reeves Plains 2mths 22days Band read during feeding - bird alive with band	0
111-24783 Pacific Black Duck Victor Harbour 20/2/2000	28/7/2003 Encounter Bay 3yrs 5mths 8days Dead - cause unknown	2
091-44437 Laughing Kookaburra Hahndorf 30/6/2003	4/07/03 Hahndorf 4days Caught in barb wire fence - rehabilitated & released	0
073-14705 Red Wattlebird Summertown 6/11/2003	19/11/2003 Ashton 13days Euthanased by finder, bird unwell	0
101-21802 Australian Wood Duck Cherry Gardens 12/1/2004	18/1/2004 Cherry Gardens 6days Dead - cause unknown	0

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**TABLE 7**

**Species List**

Species banded during entire duration of project

<b>No</b>	<b>Species</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Species</b>
5	Little Penguin	240	Nankeen Kestrel
9	Stubble Quail	242	Southern Boobook
34	Common Bronzewing	249	Barn Owl
43	Crested Pigeon	254	Rainbow Lorikeet
45	Lewin's Rail	258	Musk Lorikeet
46	Buff-banded Rail	259	Purple-crowned Lorikeet
49	Australian Crake	282	Adelaide Rosella
55	Black-tailed Native Hen	288	Eastern Rosella
58	Purple Swamphen	307	Elegant Parrot
59	Eurasian Coot	313	Tawny Frogmouth
61	Australasian Grebe	317	Australian Owllet-nightjar
62	Hoary-headed Grebe	322	Laughing Kookaburra
71	Short-tailed Shearwater	325	Red-backed Kingfisher
77	White-headed Petrel	326	Sacred Kingfisher
89	Yellow-nosed Albatross	337	Pallid Cuckoo
96	Great Cormorant	338	Fan-tailed Cuckoo
97	Little Black Cormorant	357	Welcome Swallow
98	Black-faced Cormorant	359	Tree Martin
99	Pied Cormorant	360	Fairy Martin
100	Little Pied Cormorant	364	Willie Wagtail
115	Crested Tern	401	Rufous Whistler
125	Silver Gull	408	Grey Shrike-thrush
126	Pacific Gull	415	Maggpie-lark
133	Masked Lapwing	424	Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike
188	White-faced Heron	547	Dusky Woodswallow
198	Cape Barren Goose	574	Silveryeye
202	Australian Wood Duck	578	White-naped Honeyeater
203	Black Swan	591	Eastern Spinebill
207	Australian Shelduck	614	Yellow-faced Honeyeater
208	Pacific Black Duck	625	White-plumed Honeyeater
210	Chestnut Teal	631	New Holland Honeyeater
211	Grey Teal	634	Noisy Miner
215	Hardhead	635	Yellow-throated Miner
218	Spotted Harrier	638	Red Wattlebird
219	Marsh Harrier	640	Spiny-cheeked Honeyeater
221	Brown Goshawk	693	White-winged Chough
222	Collared Sparrowhawk	705	Australian Magpie
225	Little Eagle	710	Little Wattlebird
228	Whistling Kite	929	Southern Giant Petrel
229	Black Kite	930	Australian Raven
232	Black-shouldered Kite	935	Kerguelen Petrel
235	Australian Hobby	976	Striated Pardalote
237	Peregrine Falcon	989	Spotted Turtle-dove
238	Black Falcon		
239	Brown Falcon		

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