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Wood duck (maned goose)
Chenonetta jubata

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Adolescent

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Duckling

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This edition has been cobbled together by several members of the BCCS committee.

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Bulletin Board

Pelican Rescue Workshop

*conducted by Lance Ferris and Marny Bonner from
Australia Seabird Rescue, Ballina, NSW
Thursday October 23rd 2003 Goolwa
Saturday October 25th 2003 Adelaide
Sunday October 26th 2003 Field Day Goolwa
Organised by members of the Wildlife Rescue Association
for all rescue groups and anyone interested.
See details in magazine.*

Bird Food

*If you need any bird seed, Wombaroo products or other
special bird food, please contact Sharon.
Available seed: small parrot, large parrot, budgie and
striped sunflower.
Available Wombaroo: granivore, insectivore, and nectivore*

Bird Statistics

*Please give your September quarter rescue details (for July,
August, September) to Pam R. for collation ph 8390 3254.
Bird rescues for June 2003 quarter = 554 (plus 73 other
animals referred to BCCS members by RSPCA).*

***Diary Dates** -Christmas Party 3rd Sunday in November
-Deadline for next magazine is October 31st 2003*



New Members

The Bird Care and Conservation Society welcomes the following new members:
Simmons Wallace St Agnes
Jan Macklin Victor Harbor

Subscription Reminder - Final Notice

Some members have overlooked their subscription renewal due last April. If there is a notice enclosed with this magazine would you please attend to it promptly or let the treasurer know if you want to let your subscription lapse. Bird Care would be sorry to lose you.

Not Every Bird Has A Pink Mouth

If a species you have not cared for before has a different coloured mouth and you are uncertain whether this is normal check with someone who you know has the experience to advise you.

Always check and smell the mouth of a bird brought to you and don't forget to check under the tongue.

Watch for the following.

Gape Worm (Throat Worm) is found mainly in the Australian Magpie (*Gymnorhina tibicen*), Southern Boobook Owl (*Ninox novaeseelandiae*), Collared Sparrowhawk (*Accipiter cirrhocephalus*) and Raven (*Corvus spp*). As it can be found in other insectivores/carnivores always check.

Gape/Throat Worm presents as a "grey slimy-film" with saliva that is "thick and stringy". The worms are thin white threads erupting out of small (sago size) lumps. Worms may be carefully removed with tweezers over several days however should the infestation be found in the oesophagus euthanasia may be best. In narrow throated birds such as boobooks and sparrowhawks it can be difficult and sometimes impossible to remove all of the worms. Some cases are so severe that the tangle of worms prevent the bird from swallowing food.

Trichomoniasis (Canker)

Trichomoniasis can be found in most birds of prey including those birds that are considered as insectivores e.g. magpies.

This disease has a very distinct odour, usually described as fishy. It presents as white cheesy lumps usually accompanied by a secondary bacterial infection. When birds suffering from this disease are picked up it is generally too late to be treated. A new drug called Spartix has been recommended but is as yet untested by BCCS. The tablets are made by Janssen Pharmaceutica and contain carnidazole. It is an oral trichomonicide for pigeons.

When a rescued bird is a species that becomes extremely stressed in a captive situation (e.g.. Black-shouldered Kite) speak to your vet as this disease may be stress related. It is often wise to administer prophylactic (preventative) treatment.

Every year from about March through July juvenile Southern Boobooks leave their natal territory to establish a territory of their own and as this can be a very stressful time many develop the disease and are rescued too late (sadly) for treatment to be successful.

Yeast Infection

The mouth may seem "pale" and tongue may have a "white tip". White spots may also be seen. A yeast infection can be quite painful and as with trichomoniasis it also may be induced through stress and also with antibiotic use. It is easily treated with anti-fungal medication and the bird should recover within a few days.

Small amounts of yoghurt and Yakult have been used successfully in the formula for un-weaned birds with this infection.

Margaret's Fall

Margaret Fuller tripped recently when returning from hanging out washing. Husband Oliver diagnosed a broken hip and rang for the ambulance. Immediately after the call, with Margaret lying on the floor waiting for the ambulance, someone rang needing information about a possum. Oliver, at Margaret's insistence took her the portable phone so that she could assist.

Now what does this say about the calibre and dedication of our members?

Margaret is now at home after a complete hip replacement and we hope she is feeling better soon.

Now we don't know who started the rumour that Oliver was a bit disgruntled that the washing had not been completed before "the fall" but we just want to assure everyone that we have been advised that the rumour has no basis in fact.

Jeers

After a recent (and last) visit to a SA Wild life Park (down South) I wonder what our tourists must think of us. For sale in the tourist gift shop were kangaroo and wallaby forearms stitched around sticks with the paws arranged with the claws extended so that they could be used as back-scratchers.



How repugnant is that!

Diesel Oil Spill on the Torrens Lake

On July 23, 2003 several thousand litres of diesel was accidentally spilt into the Torrens Lake from the Transport SA Depot.

As the RSPCA after hours refers bird calls to the BCCS one of our members received a call from the Adelaide City Council on the Wednesday evening of the spill and immediately gathered some volunteers who arrived on site at 9pm to assist. However, only the one bird was rescued.

The Council said they would contact the member the next day if further assistance was required. As the member did not hear from the ACC she telephoned me but as it was after hours it was too late to gather any current information on the situation.

I rang the RSPCA next morning asking how our members could help. The switch board said they would find out where help was needed. I waited 2 or so hours and rang back the switch board who said volunteers were needed at Lonsdale. I contacted those who could assist but in the mean time I was told that we were needed at the River Torrens. So the people I contacted.....well goodness knows where they ended up or even if they did.

Kevin Collins from Fauna Rescue rang me on the Friday to see if we could help their members at the Torrens. It distressed me to think of birds desperately needing help and feeling unable to provide any! However some Fauna Rescue people were able to respond (even poor Kevin with his wonky-knee).

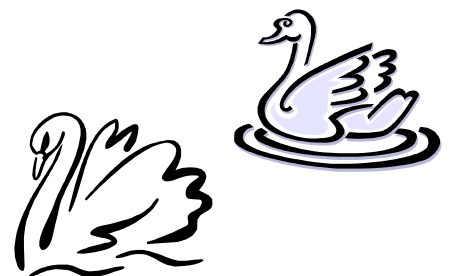
Some of our members may remember a training day for oil spills and other catastrophes held after the Port Pirie oil spill. We, with the DEH's Department of Animal Welfare were all to be organised by one phone call from them to each organisation's appointed co-ordinator who would notify a chain of people who had volunteered to respond to a disaster involving birds.

On the Monday, four days after the spill the update from the RSPCA on the state of the birds was "that many were passing blood after trying to preen the diesel from their feathers and those also had blistered skin from the contact with the diesel". Therefore, it seemed so very important to find more rescuers but after trying to organise this I was informed by the RSPCA that the DEH were now involved and did not need the help of our volunteers.

Perhaps we need to review our response or discuss whether we can or should respond in the future. Perhaps these situations should not rely upon our volunteers but upon those authorities who should have the equipment and training needed in these cases.

The RSPCA held a debriefing on the oil spill. Regrettably BCCS did not receive an invitation to attend.

Sharon Blair
President



Telephone Story

Member from Lewiston received a call on the BCCS mobile one Sunday from a gentleman (?) from Seaford. He had found a Kelpie (dog, not a new species of bird). However, undaunted by the Carer explaining that we were volunteers who only cared for birds and after she explained she was far too far away to help with the dog she advised him to look after the dog overnight and contact his local council in the morning. The gentleman (?) swore and insisted that "if she were a carer she would immediately come from Lewiston and do just that".



Friends of Little Corella Group



(Photo © Don Caldecott, Koolywurtie, SA)

Friends of Little Corella were formed to stop the shooting of little corellas (*Cacatua sanguinea*) by the Onkaparinga Council.

Poisoned Birds



From The Advertiser Thursday, August 14, 2003

Other birds affected

ADELAIDE City Council's practice of poisoning pigeons (The Advertiser, 5/8/03) affects birds other than the introduced pigeons. This time of year when food is relatively scarce, many bird species will pick up the poisoned grain.

Native magpies, crows, Murray magpies, rosellas, lorikeets, and crested pigeons affected by the grain have been reported or brought to volunteer members of the Bird Care and Conservation Society.

Birds brought in for care are in a disoriented, helpless state, but with warmth, quiet and food, recover in a couple of days.

If left in the wild, the bird generally dies from vehicle impact, or cat, dog and other bird attacks, or cold. It is a cruel and traumatic experience for the bird.

After many calls from distressed members of the public, the committee of the Bird Care and Conservation Society wrote to the Adelaide City Council two months ago expressing our concern at the way it was carrying out the poisoning.

Unfortunately the practice is continuing.

P. ROBINSON,
Committee member,
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Adelaide.

Bird Care is hosting a "Friends of Little Corella" page on the BCCS website. There is a petition on the website which can be downloaded for collection of signatures opposing the shooting, to present to the Onkaparinga Council.

FLC have recently had their own website produced by a Uni SA student. It will be hosted at <http://www.communitywebs.org> and is currently undergoing a final edit before publishing to the web.

There will also be a link from the Bird Care website at <http://www.birdcare.asn.au>

Life Member

At this year's AGM members were pleased to welcome Wendy Bagot as a Life Member of our Society.

Wendy became involved with Bird Care in the middle 1980s when she and her daughter Alison took custody of a broad-billed prion, an extremely rare visitor to South Australian shores. Seeking all the welfare advice they could gather, they consulted vets and gravitated towards the Bird Care and Conservation Society. The attraction worked the other way too because Bird Care members were most anxious to see this rare seabird for themselves. Wendy had lots of visitors to her home.

Unfortunately the bird was never going to recover sufficiently to return to the fringe Antarctic area where it belonged. Despite the care and the hoped-for miracle, the kind option had to be taken.



But Wendy stayed on and took in many more rescued birds and soon found herself specialising in honey-eaters and wattle birds. In the early 1990s most of the wattle birds that were successfully released back into the wild, came through Wendy's care.

Then came the bad news that caring for birds adversely affected her health. She found that feather dust allergy and asthma don't mix, so Wendy had to discontinue taking birds into her home.

But as we all know, Wendy is a compulsive worker for community causes and she continued to work for Bird Care by being prepared to euthanase birds when necessary. In addition to that she (and Alison) provided afternoon teas (at her own cost) at all Bird Care meetings since about 1990. She very rarely missed a meeting, and even when it was unavoidable, she still sent afternoon teas with another member. When Bird Care conducted stalls or set up its caravan at wildlife festivals, RSPCA Open Days or anywhere at all, Wendy was guaranteed to be there as a volunteer. Similarly when we sold Bingo tickets or undertook fund-raising efforts Wendy was there again.

Bird Care is proud to have such a dedicated and conscientious member and even though Life Membership seems so inadequate, it's our highest award. Congratulations Wendy.

A Day On The Phones - Sheila And Bob

As Spring starts kicking in, the Bird Care phones are ringing more frequently. We still seem to get a few calls from demanding people who say "Come and get this" but they're not all like that. (By the way, after 12 or 13 years of being listed under Bird Care, we have no qualms about saying "No - we'll care for the bird if you bring it here").

We had 9 calls last Saturday. The first was from a lady who had returned from a holiday in the outback. At Innaminka she saw a strange bird she later identified as a bustard. When she also read that it was greatly endangered she wanted to tell someone that "I saw one - I know where one is!" It is exciting news, so we gave her a contact number for the Ornithological Society.

The second was another lady who had a baby pigeon. A stranger in a shopping centre car park handed this gift to her, and left her holding the Anyway, the lady said she was quite prepared to look after the chick herself but wanted advice.

The third was ominous. Sheila took the call. "There was a duck leading a string of ducklings along our footpath so I opened our gate and herded them in for safety. Now what do I do?" Sheila resisted the obvious temptation. "The duck is going to fly away no matter what you try to do. You might catch them all if you catch up the ducklings, put them in a deep carton, take the carton to a shed, leave them inside with the door open so mother can hear them. Mother might come back and might walk into the shed and you might be able to close the door and catch her, then you could take the whole lot to your closest wetlands". The lady was doubtful "There are lots of maybes". "Yes, but I can't think of anything else!"

The fourth was a local call from a lady who rescued a blue budgie from a mob of noisy miners. "We've got it now. Does anyone want it?"

One hour after the ducklings call, the same lady rang back. "It worked exactly as you said it would. Everything you wanted to happen, did happen! I took them to the Marion Wetlands and they all waddled off to the water. It was wonderful! I feel so happy! Thank you so much!" It made us pretty happy too. We don't often get to hear nice feed-back.

The sixth was from another lady who picked up an injured dove from the road in front of her pensioner unit - "I don't have a car". So I left the football on TV, and went to Camden Park to collect what turned out to be an injured duck. (It's my hearing). Luckily our nearby vet is one of the many who are prepared to euthanase wild species without charging a fee. While we are usually able to euthanase small birds, members should remember that ducks, water birds and other large species will probably require the help of a vet.

The seventh call was from a young man who had fought off a couple of adult ravens to pick

up ("rescue") a young raven that was on the ground near his home. There were no signs of injury on the young bird so he was persuaded to take it back to its parents, but to call back if he couldn't find them. He didn't call.

The eighth caller was yet another lady, who lived in the western suburbs where we have no members and finders have to travel long distances to reach a Bird Care member. We are 10 kms away at Dover Gardens. "Where's that?" "Between Brighton and Seacliff - just off Seacomb Rd." Long silence. Then, "Are you sure its near Brighton?" How do you answer that?

We also heard from a man who picked up a "parrot of some sort". The bird was gasping badly at the time he rang, but had stopped breathing altogether before the phone call was over.

Our Little Friend 'Scaly'



A couple of months ago I told the story of a Scaly-breasted lorikeet that has been visiting our feeding station for released birds for 5 years. Scaly breasts are not endemic to Adelaide, so this was obviously an aviary escapee. As I mentioned earlier we first noticed it in February 1998 and it visited us nearly every day since.

Last week it had a few days away then returned looking very downcast, lacklustre and possibly old. It still sat on the edge of the jug as we poured nectar into a D cup but it wasn't its usual cheeky self. Sadly, we found his body under a tree within 24 hours. It's a lot quieter around our place now.

His sudden death enhances our view that birds do everything possible to hide the fact that they're sick. Sick birds invariably get picked on and killed by other birds - even within their own family. Colonies don't tolerate any sort of weakness, so a weak bird 'acts' healthy until the sickness can't be masked any longer. If a bird looks sick - it has probably been sick for a lot longer than

we realise, and although it seems to be a sudden death - it probably wasn't.

Bob Hall

Minton Farm Animal Rescue Centre

The fight by Bev and Glen to retain their animal sanctuary continues. It was a cold July evening when we all huddled into the Salvation Army Hall to give support to Bev and Glen Langley during the Onkaparinga Council Development Assessment Panel Hearing on the 24th July 2003. After the initial hiccup, where the opposition tried to convince the Panel to discontinue the hearing on a technicality, it got underway, showing infinite love and support for Bev from most of the audience. Whilst this was not exactly what the Panel wanted, they managed to gather the relevant information to make the decision on the night. Minton Farm Animal Rescue was granted sanctuary status but was appealed by the opposition.

On the 2nd of September, the appeal was heard in the Environment, Resources and Development Court. Bev and Glen were in the Court conference for 4 hours.

One neighbour wants a 2 metre fence professionally installed along the side of Minton Farm (and won't share costs), a ten metre buffer of trees along the entire side boundary (there would not even be the house left), no roosters and no educational tours, ever.

The other neighbour wants no one helping Bev to plant trees and wants neat landscaped bushes along their (the neighbour's) driveway.

Together they want half the numbers of animals approved by Council, and so on.

On the Monday after the court hearing, there was a site visit by all parties and the Commissioner, to inspect a plan Bev had to draw up about the fences and vegetation, and the lists of species to be to planted.

So the fun continues. At least they are working towards a compromise, and it hasn't gone to a full Court which will cost Bev and Glen about \$23,000!

Pelican Rescue Workshop

On the 23rd of last July, ABC TV on Australian Story ran a program called *A Bird in the Hand*. The story was about a Ballina-based former police officer called Lance Ferris, who has dedicated his life to fixing the plight of the pelicans.



Australian Seabird Rescue was established in 1992. Eight years of research indicated that over 5,000 Pelicans become entangled or hooked in fishing tackle on the east coast of Australia, each year. The result can be a slow and painful death.

Over the past 12 years, often living well below the poverty line, Lance has rescued and rehabilitated hundreds of birds and conducted educational workshops in schools and fishing clubs up and down Australia's east coast.

After viewing the TV program, members from the Wildlife Rescue Association at Goolwa contacted Lance and his partner Marny Bonner to see if they could organise a workshop in South Australia.

As luck would have it, Lance and Marny were heading in this direction in October conducting weekend workshops and were very willing to extend their trip to Goolwa and Adelaide.

Day 1 of the workshop is theory, encompassing capture of pelicans techniques and rehabilitation of pelicans and other seabirds. The workshop is supported by their *Handbook for the Rescue & Rehabilitation of the Australian Pelican*, and seabird notes. Day 2 is a field day covering capture techniques and handling.

The workshop is receiving enthusiastic support from the Goolwa Council, NPWS and the local community. A workshop is planned for Thursday 23rd October 2003 at Goolwa and Saturday 25th in Adelaide with a field day at Goolwa on Sunday 26th.

The cost for participants in the workshop will be a small fee. Goolwa Council will supply morning and afternoon tea.

For more information and to register please phone Rene on (08) 8555 5007.

SA Museum Visit

On Sunday 15th June 2003 Bird Care members enjoyed a very educational excursion to the SA Museum's bird collection. The excellent excursion guide was Phillipa Horton, the bird curator at the Museum.



Phillippa took members to behind the scenes areas of the Museum where the bird collection is housed.

Members were shown:

1. Spirit collection of about 2,300 species of birds and 3,000 stomach content samples fixed in formalin and stored in jars of 70% ethanol.
2. Skeleton collection of 5,600 specimens where bird skeletons are prepared by fleshing then maceration at Bolivar sewage treatment works.
3. Registers, databases etc where, since 1911, 57,500 specimens have been received and recorded.
4. Egg collection of 19,700 clutches of eggs (60-70,000 eggs) mostly from old private collections donated to the museum
5. Nest collection of about 880 nests kept with part of the supporting plant. The large mud nest of the Chough and the beautifully camouflaged nest of the Sittella were closely examined.
6. Skin collection where about 27,400 skins and 1,500 mounts are housed.

After visiting the bird collection, members adjourned to the Museum Café for a very nice lunch and also managed to get rid of some of their money at the Museum Shop!!

A Just and Sustainable South Australia

The Conservation Council SA and the Australian Conservation Foundation are running a conference titled "A Just and sustainable" SA at the University of Adelaide November 20-21 2003 For further information contact April Lewis (M, W, F) on 8223 5155

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BANDING REPORT TO ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MARCH 2003

This report covers the period March 2002 to February 2003.

BCCS would like to extend their appreciation to the following members and carers who currently have their birds banded prior to release:

Margaret Fuller, Pam Robinson, Jill McLatchie, Bob Hall, Lesley Hodgson, Pat Walshaw, Anita Turton, Sharon Blair, Bev Langley, Sue Secomb, Necia Hampton, Sally Chapman, Gill Hastings, Leonie Phillips, Fauna Rescue members and other rescue organisations as well.

The banding scheme has been and will always be a valuable and worthwhile programme. **ALL** BCCS members are encouraged to participate. It takes little time and may just give you the feedback you are looking for on the success of your rehabilitated birds.

If you have any queries or concerns regarding the banding of birds, please contact Oliver Fuller. He will be only too happy to discuss any issues with you.

TABLE 1
Monthly totals of birds banded

Month	Number Banded
March 2002	13
April 2002	7
May 2002	0
June 2002	2
July 2002	5
August 2002	3
September 2002	4
October 2002	27
November 2002	41
December 2002	25
January 2003	13
February 2003	7
Total	147

PROGRESSIVE TOTAL

From June 1987 to February 2003 - Birds Banded: **2325**

TABLE 1a
Figures showing number of birds banded in each twelve month period from 1990 to date

Year	Total Birds Banded
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

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TABLE 1b

Graph of birds banded in each twelve month period from 1991 to date

There is a significant reduction of duck banding due to the cessation of banding Pacific Black Ducks. Hybridisation with Mallards is causing difficulty in banding Pacific Black Ducks, due to increased leg size. Therefore the banders have decided not to band them at all.

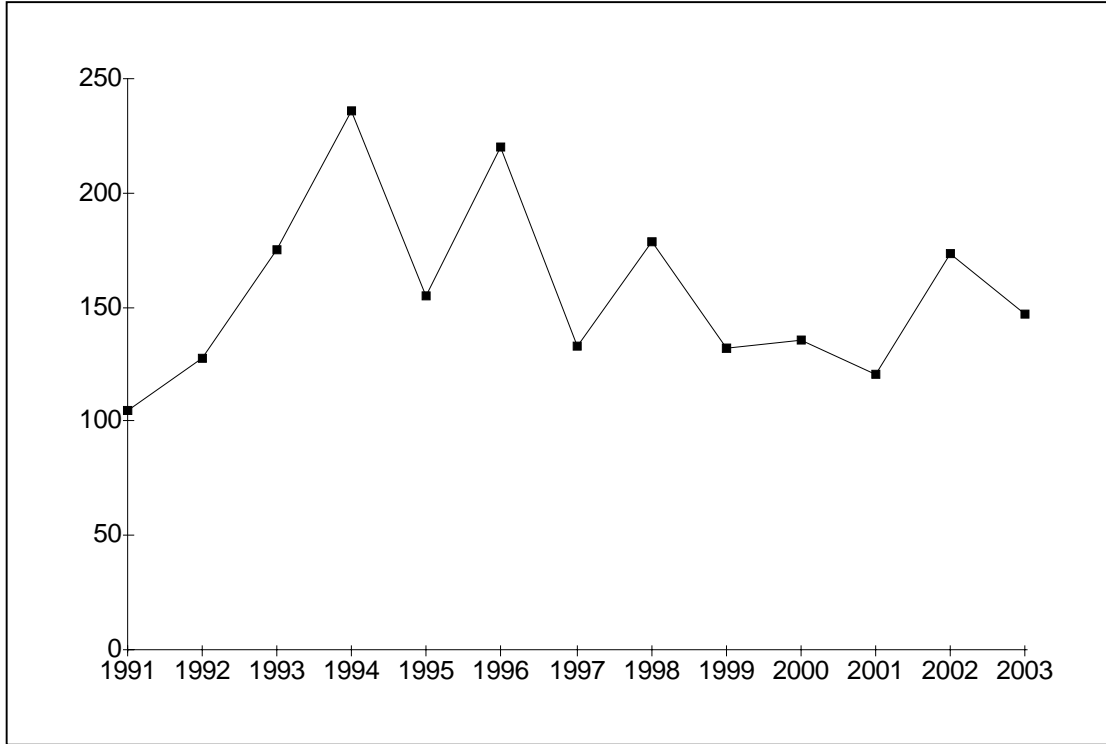


TABLE 1c

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

Year	<u>September to January</u>	Percentage	March to February (Yearly Total)
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

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 2
Progressive Totals

The species most frequently banded since the programme began in 1987

Pacific Black Duck**	433**
Australian Magpie	367
Magpie Lark	192
Australian Wood Duck	139
Crested Pigeon	86
Nankeen Kestrel	88

*****No longer banding after this year***

TABLE 2a
Species Banded

Number of different species banded since the programme began in 1987: **88**

TABLE 2b
Number of each Species Banded 2002/2003

Species Number	Species	Number Banded
43	Crested Pigeon	1
62	Hoary-headed Grebe	1
125	Silver Gull	1
202	Australian Wood Duck	17
208	Pacific Black Duck	18
221	Brown Goshawk	1
239	Brown Falcon	1
240	Nankeen Kestrel	3
242	Southern Boobook	7
249	Barn Owl	7
258	Musk Lorikeet	1
282	Adelaide Rosella	11
288	Eastern Rosella	6
313	Tawny Frogmouth	2
322	Laughing Kookaburra	3
357	Welcome Swallow	8
415	Magpie-lark	7
424	Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike	3
631	New Holland Honeyeater	3
638	Red Wattlebird	6
705	Australian Magpie	34
710	Little Wattlebird	4
976	Striated Pardalote	1
989	Spotted Turtle-dove	1

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TABLE 2c

Species List

** indicates species first year banded*

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

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TABLE 3
Recoveries

Band Number Species Release Site Release Date	Date of Recovery Site of Recovery Time Between Release & Recovery Status after Recovery	Distance Traveled (kilometres)
091-45593 Australian Magpie Cherry Gardens 20-11-2002	14-01-2003 Cherry Gardens 1 month 25 days Dead - drowned in wetland	0
091-45592 Australian Magpie Cherry Gardens 20-11-2002	10-01-2003 Cherry Gardens 1 month 21 days Found dead on highway/road but not certain hit by car	0
101-15836 Southern Boobook Reeves Plains 10-07-2002	23-07-2002 Reeves Plains 13 days Found dead on highway/road but not certain hit by car	0
091-45598 Australian Magpie Echunga 25-11-2002	20-2-2003 Echunga 2 months 26 days Dead - cause unknown	0
091-44448 Australian Magpie Cherry Gardens 02-03-2002	14-03-2002 Cherry Gardens 12 days Found sick or injured, rehabilitation attempted but bird died	0
101-21708 Australian Wood Duck Echunga 25-11-2002	28-02-2003 Echunga 3 months 3 days Dead - cause unknown	0
240-09392 Adelaide Rosella Modbury North 25-03-2002	25-06-2002 Modbury 3 months Dead - cause unknown	1

Recovery of non-BCCS banded birds by BCCS

072-54530 Little Wattlebird Newland Head Cons Park 19-05-1996	22-05-2002 Sandy Creek 6 years 3 days Found sick or injured - was rehabilitated and released with the band by BCCS	114
111-04619 Pacific Black Duck Belair National Park 26-01-1990	22-02-2002 Belair National Park 12 years 27 days Collided with moving road vehicle, rehabilitation attempted by BCCS but bird died	2
250-10226 Rainbow Lorikeet Oakbank 11-05-2000	14-06-2002 Cherry Gardens 2 years 1 month 3 days Found dead on highway/road but not certain hit by car	18

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