

A teal banded at Lara, near Melbourne, in January 1953, was shot at Rowle's Lagoon on January 10, 1954, and another banded under our own scheme at Lake Karrinyup on April 15, 1954, was shot at Menindee, River Darling, New South Wales, on January 2, 1956.

Another very interesting recent recovery was that of a grey teal banded at Wardering Lake (in the Woodanilling District) on February 12, 1953, and shot at Yalka Pool, 53 miles south east of Meekatharra, by Mr. T.J. Carmody. The band had been eroded and one of the numbers was quite invisible. Through the co-operation of the Inspector in Charge of the Police Department's Scientific Bureau (Inspector A.J. Baird), the band was chemically treated and established as 1344. This was the northernmost recovery and the longest recorded flight of a duck within this State.

COMMITTEE'S TOUR OF INSPECTION

Led by the Superintendent (Mr. A.J. Fraser) as Chairman, members of the Fauna Protection Advisory Committee, Mr. J.B. Higham and Mr. A.J. Milesi, accompanied by the Secretary (Mr. H.B. Shugg) and Fauna Warden S.W. Bowler, visited areas in the South-West from May 13-18. After a brief inspection of lakes south of Perth, the party visited areas from which complaints had been received of damage caused by kangaroos and emus. As well as visiting the properties of affected farmers, the party met representatives of the Preston, Nannup, Manjimup and Plantagenet Road Boards to discuss the situation generally, and to receive recommendations from the local authorities.

Before completing their tour, a meeting of the Committee was held at Narrogin on the evening of May 17, when the evidence obtained was reviewed. Owing to the widespread nature of the damage and the ineffectiveness of previous short open seasons, it was decided to recommend a long open season as an experiment, provided that the effects were observed carefully by departmental officers and a close check kept on the pet-food trade.