

DUCK BAND RECOVERIES

Band No.	BANDING		RECOVERY		Distance Flown
	Date	Place	Date	Place	
			<u>Black Duck</u>		
6719	19/3/57	Bennecke Swamp, Kojonup District	5/4/58	10 miles S.E. of Wagin	25 miles
7492	4/4/58	Murapin Lake	6/4/58	Murapin Lake	--
7535	5/4/58	do.	do.	do.	--
7323	30/3/58	15 mls W. Woodanilling	30/3/58	15 mls W. Woodanilling	--
2716	29/4/58	Queen's Gardens	22/12/57	Fitches Swamp	135 "
7780	12/4/58	Murapin Lake	13/4/58	Beaufort River Bridge	7 "
7219	27/2/58	Karrinyup Lake	unknown	Butlers Swamp	8 "
7527	4/4/58	Near Murapin Lake	20/4/58	Near Beaufort River Bridge	3 "
7560	5/4/58	do.	do.	do.	3 "
6365	16/1/57	Yathroo Station	Late Feb. 1958	Hutt River	195 "
7854	4/3/58	Cape Riche	21/4/58	Mouth of Capel River	200 "
6245	15/12/56	Flagstaff Lake	unknown	Collie River	approx. 70 "

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<u>Black Duck (cont'd)</u>					
7322	30/3/58	15 mls W. of Woodanilling	30/3/58	15 mls W. of Woodanilling	-- miles
<u>Grey Teal</u>					
4637	15/3/58	Yere Yere Station	22/3/58	18 mls W. of Laverton	410 "
3870	25/3/56	Wardering Lake	28/1/58	Dumbleyung Lake	25 "
3892	25/3/56	Wardering Lake	26/4/58	Dumbleyung Lake	27 "
<u>Mountain Duck</u>					
6269	17/12/56	Flagstaff Lake	4/4/58	Mouth of Pallinup River	110 "
<u>White-Eyed Duck</u>					
4248	11/2/57	Karrinyup Lake	18/3/58	Dumbleyung Lake	140 "

On pages 53 and 54 are shown the latest recoveries of duck bands. The total recoveries are now 213 black duck; 125 grey teal and 20 other - in all 359. As 5,646 ducks have been banded to date, this represents a recovery rate of 6.4%.

Advice of two outstanding recoveries of grey teal has come to hand recently. They were bands 3782 and 4637. The first bird was recovered 460 miles away 2 years later, while the second was recovered 410 miles from its banding site but only seven days after it was banded.

We have also recorded the first recovery of a white-eyed duck, banded on 11/2/57 at Lake Karrinyup and recovered at Dumbleyung Lake on 18/3/58, a distance of 140 miles.

Technical Officer J. Traynor had a very successful banding programme in the period March 28 to April 16. Total bandings were 506 black duck, 151 grey teal and 1 mountain duck. Additionally, 163 black duck and 39 grey teal re-entered the traps after having been banded.

TOMMY RUFF SEASON

The season for tommy ruff commenced in the open waters of Rottnest on May 1 with much better results than last year. The run this year has been good from Albany to Fremantle.

TAILOR AT YANCHEP

Senior Inspector J.E. Munro reported some exceptionally good fishing for tailor at Yanchep. Mr. Burnett of Yanchep Park and a companion hooked 46 between them on April 23. The biggest was 11 pounds, with several 8 pounders. Others reported catches of larger fish than usual.

PEARL STEALING CASE

On April 17, two Chinese, Chan Leung and Tsang tin Sang, were convicted at the Broome Court of Sessions of stealing a pearl, valued at £1,000. They were sentenced to 12 months imprisonment with hard labour, but are to be released to the Immigration Authorities, when arrangements for their deportation are finalised.