

REPORTS & SHORT NOTES

REPORT ON THE 1995-1996 RINGING YEAR

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For a variety of reasons, this issue of *Safring News* is a few months late, and by the time most ringers receive it, the current (1996-1997) ringing year will be three-quarters gone. So bear in mind that *this* report is for the 12-month period that started almost two years ago in July 1995.

Ringling effort

For those who live on the highveld in the summer rainfall region, it was a year of both dust storms and rain storms, conditions which made mistnetting impossible on many occasions. Nevertheless, over 65 000 birds were ringed, 6 000 less than the previous record year. This drop was due largely to the virtual

suspension of African Penguin banding for the duration of the review period, whereas over 5 600 African penguins were banded in the 1994-1995 year (many of those as a result of the *Apollo Sea* disaster). The overall high level of ringing effort has thus been maintained. Table 1 provides the regional totals, and North West Province (effectively reflecting the efforts of the Wesvaal Voelklub) finally and deservedly tops the list. The Western Cape achieves second place primarily because of its high complement of ringers, with Gauteng close on its heels. Ringers in these three provinces collectively contributed 61% of the annual total of birds ringed. KwaZulu-Natal heads up the rest of the regions: Swaziland, in deference to the single ringer resident there, has this year been included with Mpumalanga. For those readers who note the discrepancy between the total given for Zambia in Table 1 and the total given in the Report on bird ring-

Table 1. Geographical distribution of ringing effort in the 1995-1996 ringing year.

Province or country	Number of ringers returning schedules	Number of species ringed	Number of birds ringed	Birds per ringer (average)
North West Province	10	237	15 084	1 508
Western Cape	25	164	13 655	546
Gauteng	17	252	11 066	651
KwaZulu-Natal	13	191	5 547	427
Eastern Cape	11	160	4 626	421
Zimbabwe	9	177	3 643	405
Namibia	13	93	3 152	242
Mpumalanga	8	194	2 013	252
Free State	7	129	1 732	247
Subantarctic	1	8	1 549	1 549
Botswana	3	80	1 135	378
Northern Cape	7	53	898	128
Zambia	1	55	892	892
Malawi	1	55	149	149
Northern Province	2	34	135	68
Totals	128	505	65 276	510

ing in Zambia on page 72. It must be noted that SAFRING rings have so far only been used on the smaller birds.

Many of the active ringers are taking their nets with them on holiday and ringing in regions other than those in which they live. The totals in Table 1, however, are based on the totals of ringers domiciled within the region, irrespective of where they ringed their birds. There are still schedules outstanding, but it is unlikely that further submissions will change the rankings in any of the tables in this report.

Table 2 lists the Top 20 ringers for the 1995-1996 year and shows why North West Province leads the regional rankings. It is quite possible (judging from schedules already received for the the current year) that the Top 20 for the 1996-1997 ringing year will all have four-figure totals. To achieve such a total calls for a substantial outlay in time and money and

SAFRING is currently fortunate to have increasing numbers of ringers who can make such commitments. High ringing totals ultimately contribute to increased recovery rates and comprehensive retrap data. The majority of ringers, however, have neither the spare time nor the finances to attain high ringing totals. That does not mean that their ringing efforts are any the less valuable to SAFRING. After all, even one bird ringed has as good a chance of recovery as 999 others of the same species ringed at the same place on the same day. It is important to bear in mind that every ringer makes a contribution, whether he or she rings ten birds or a thousand birds, and it is not necessary for anybody to hang up their ringing pliers because they have the feeling that they cannot compete with those who make it into the Top 20. Nobody has to compete, but everybody can contribute to the investment in ringed, free-ranging wild birds and feel a sense of achievement thereby.

Table 2. Top 20 ringers or ringing groups in the 1995-1996 ringing year.

Ringers	Region	Number of birds ringed
Gerry Grobler	North West Province	4 747
Dries Nel	North West Province	4 647
William Scott	North West Province	4 244
Sam de Beer	North West Province	4 007
George Underhill	Western Cape Province	3 741
Sea Fisheries Research Institute team	Western Cape Province	3 156
Dave and Sally Johnson	KwaZulu-Natal	2 914
Norbert Klages and group	Eastern Cape Province	2 501
John and David Dalziel	Zimbabwe	1 597
Marion Island team	Antarctic	1 549
Jo Johnson	Western Cape Province	1 405
Herman and Zephné Bernitz	Mpumalanga	1 341
Philip Grobler	Gauteng	1 151
Margaret McCall	Western Cape Province	1 079
Colin Martin	Western Cape Province	1 070
Geoff Lockwood	Gauteng	999
Pete Leonard	Zambia	892
Kobie Raijmakers	Gauteng	846
Debbie Philogene	Western Cape Province	809
Bennie van den Brink	Botswana	789

Table 3 lists the birds which have received the most attention from ringers in the terrestrial and marine environments, respectively. Most of the seabirds have been ringed by professional research and conservation teams on offshore or oceanic islands, spear-headed by the Sea Fisheries Research Institute of the Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism. It would be worthwhile if some of the provincial Nature Conservation authorities became involved again with the ringing of waterfowl in freshwater environments; it is an aspect of research which has languished now for almost a decade.

On the terrestrial scene, a notable movement involves the Redbilled Quelea, the notorious pest bird, from sixth spot last year to second place this year. This is largely due to sponsorship by the Department of Agriculture of rings used on this species, together with cooperation between ringers of the Wesvaal branch of Birdlife South Africa and the Quelea Control Centre. European Swallow ringing has stayed at the same level as the previous year, much down from the totals of former years, mainly because too little water or too much of it made trapping at swallow roosts difficult. However, John and Dave Dalziel did well with their

Table 3. Most-ringed birds for the period July 1995–June 1996.

1995-96 Rank	Species	1994-95 Rank	Total
Landbirds			
1	Red Bishop	Euplectes orix	1 5 571
2	Redbilled Quelea	Quelea quelea	6 5 542
3	Masked Weaver	Ploceus velatus	2 4 047
4	European Swallow	Hirundo rustica	4 3 188
5	Cape White-eye	Zosterops pallidus	3 2 569
6	Cape Weaver	Ploceus capensis	5 2 310
7	Blue Waxbill	Uraeginthus angolensis	9 1 255
8	South African Cliff Swallow	Hirundo spilodera	11 1 248
9	Cape Sparrow	Passer melanurus	7 1 051
10	Sociable Weaver	Philetarus socius	- 974
11	African Marsh Warbler	Acrocephalus baeticatus	13 967
12	Laughing Dove	Streptopelia senegalensis	8 912
13	Whitewinged Widow	Euplectes albonotatus	- 743
14	Olive Thrush	Turdus olivaceus	16 731
15	House Sparrow	Passer domesticus	12 692
16	Yellow Wagtail	Motacilla flava	- 618
17	Common Waxbill	Estrilda astrild	15 581
18	Cape Sugarbird	Promerops cafer	- 579
19	Bronze Mannikin	Spermestes cucullatus	10 576
20	Blackeyed Bulbul	Pycnonotus barbatus	14 572
Seabirds			
1	Cape Gannet	Morus capensis	2 5 125
2	Macaroni Penguin	Eudyptes chrysolophus	4 1 500
3	Swift Tern	Sterna bergii	3 514
4	Cape Cormorant	Phalacrocorax capensis	- 500
5	African Penguin	Spheniscus demersus	1 471

Yellow Wagtail roost this year (Yellow Wagtail roost sites are more difficult to pinpoint than Euro Swallow roosts) and caught enough to get this attractive palearctic migrant well into the Top 20 list – its first such listing in southern Africa. It was evidently a bad year for waders or for wader ringers; the Curlew Sandpiper, which usually figures in the Top 20, was way below the cutoff point this year.

It is interesting to look at the Top 20 list in terms of dietary preferences of the birds and to note that more than half are seedeaters. Is this because they occur in greater numbers, or because their eyesight is not as acute as insectivorous birds and they do not see the nets so easily?

The Top 10 raptors, caught as free-flying birds (rather than as nestlings or rehabilitees) are listed in Table 4, together with the most successful of the Balchatri ringers. Compilation of this Table is rather difficult as we have only the shedule totals from which to extract the data and we cannot tell from these the circumstances attendant upon the catching of these birds. Nevertheless, some recognition is due to the efforts of raptor ringers, who will

doubtless claim that quality is always better than quantity, even though, in the excitement of the catch, they have been known to ring an already-ringed bird (see *Safring News* 25(1) page 46).

Recoveries

Table 5 ranks the most frequently recovered birds in the 1995-1996 year in descending order. The seabirds top the list, as always. This is to be expected because, in addition to their corpses often being washed up on beaches where people walk, most of them are ringed as flightless juveniles and consistent ringing effort has been maintained for a decade or more on the top four species. The majority of juveniles that do not survive to adulthood come to grief within four months of departure from the breeding colony, and adults may die at any time of the year, so we receive recovery reports throughout the year. By contrast, White Storks, Common, Arctic and Sandwich Terns and European Swallows are reported mainly during the summer months when they are present, all of the Storks and most of the terns and swallows bearing foreign rings. This year there were only 30 foreign ring recoveries out of a total of 546, leaving

Table 4. Top 10 free-flying raptors caught in the 1995–1996 ringing year.

Species		Total ringed	No. of ringers	Ringer with highest total of this species	
Pale Chanting Goshawk	<i>Melierax canorus</i>	244	17	Abrie Maritz	46
Steppe Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>	115	9	Michael Raum	33
Rock Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	84	12	A Barkhuyzen	30
Jackal Buzzard	<i>Buteo rufofuscus</i>	69	6	Manfred Schmitt	33
Black Shouldered Kite	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>	65	11	Z & H Bernitz	20
Pygmy Falcon	<i>Polihierax semitorquatus</i>	41	4	Abrie Maritz	28
Greater Kestrel	<i>Falco rupicoloides</i>	35	11	Z & H Bernitz	9
Gabar Goshawk	<i>Micronisus gabar</i>	17	5	Abrie Maritz	6
Black Eagle	<i>Aquila verreauxii</i>	16	5	Albert Schultz	10
Lanner Falcon	<i>Falco biarmicus</i>	15	8	Manfred Schmitt	4

the recovery total for local rings at 516, or five better than the previous year.

Ringling schemes that have been issuing hard-metal rings for a few decades tend to reap rewards in terms of the increasing numbers of long-lived birds that are recovered with each year that passes.

The Selected Recoveries Report in this issue, covering the second half of the 1995-1996 ringling year, is no exception. It features the oldest African Penguin to date, the oldest Pale Chanting Goshawk and the oldest Kelp Gull, and it illustrates what is probably the basic romance of ringling birds – the possibility that the bird to which one is fitting a ring will be

recovered in some far distant land, or, if not a migrant, at some far distant time.

Did Clive Elliott have any inkling that the penguin he was fitting with band P 4234 would be recovered 23 years hence? Can Harry Biggs remember ringling the only PCG he caught at Smouspoort in the De Aar district on a winter's day in 1975? Did Peter Ginn ever expect that two of the 39 Kelp Gull chicks that he ringled on 22nd November 1971 in the Keurbooms River colony would live there for the next 22 to 24 years? As mentioned earlier in this report, no matter how many or how few birds you catch, each individual bird you ring has the potential to reveal something remarkable. That is what makes it all so worthwhile.

Table 5. Species most frequently recovered in the 1995-1996 ringling year.

1995-96 Rank	Species	1994-95 Rank	Totals
1	African Penguin	1	112
2	Cape Gannet	2	89
3	Swift Tern	3	25
4	Kelp Gull	5	23
5	Cape Weaver	18	16
6	Masked Weaver	10	15
7	Laughing Dove	12	14
8	Pale Chanting Goshawk	16	12
9	Cape Cormorant	-	10
10	Cape White-eye	14	10
11	Jackal Buzzard	-	8
12	European Swallow	4	8
13	White Stork	15	7
14	Lappetfaced Vulture	-	7
15	Spotted Eagle Owl	8	7
16	African Black Oystercatcher	-	6
17	Redwinged Starling	-	6
18	Cape Sparrow	20	6
19	Dark Chanting Goshawk	-	5
20	Sandwich Tern	-	5
21	Olive Thrush	-	5
22	Cape Robin	-	5

SASOL REPORT ON SELECTED RECOVERIES RECEIVED AT SAFRING: JANUARY 1996 - JUNE 1996.

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Records for a total of 87 recoveries (including 10 controls) of 48 species have been selected for this list. Most of the records were reported during the period January to June 1996 and include 16 records involving foreign-ringed birds of nine species (compared to 21 foreign ring recoveries for the same period in the preceeding year).

As in previous reports, criteria for selection involve significant movement (especially that indicating post-natal dispersal or that of normally sedentary species), interesting elapsed time between ringing and recovery (reflecting number of years survived), and instances of known cause of death. The list thus includes 38% of all the birds recovered during this half year period.

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African Penguin *Spheniscus demersus*

V 6886	nestling	21.08.85	Dassen Is, Western Coast		
	Killed by Cape Fur Seal	23.04.96	Dassen Is, Western Cape	128 mths	0 km
S22046	adult	26.07.94	Silverstroom Beach, Western Cape		
	Killed by Cape Fur Seal	29.06.96	Dyer Is, Western Cape	23 mths	158 km
P 4234	immature	13.09.72	Robben Is, Western Cape		
	Dead	01.01.96	near Cannon Rocks, Eastern Cape	280 mths	755 km
At over 23 years, P4234 is the longest-lived penguin so far recovered (it was originally banded at SANCCOB by Clive Elliott, first Ringing Coordinator of SAFRING).					
S 0773	adult	21.08.90	Robben Is, Western Cape		
	Killed by Cape Fur Seal	05.06.96	Dyer Is, Western Cape	70 mths	137 km
V 2207	adult	08.10.85	Robben Is, Western Cape		
	Dead	02.01.96	Mossel Bay, Western Cape	123 mths	347 km
V 2214	adult	08.10.85	Robben Is, Western Cape		
	Oiled, taken to rehabilitation centre	06.06.96	St Croix Is, Eastern Cape	128 mths	682 km
P 4432	nestling	24.09.75	St Croix Is, Algoa Bay, Eastern Cape		
	Dead	10.02.96	Stilbaai, Western Cape	245 mths	404 km

Wandering Albatross *Diomedea exulans*

BS12276	nestling	19.08.91	Possession Is, Crozet, Southern Ocean		
	Control	28.02.95	Marion Is, Southern Ocean	42 mths	1 103 km

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Blackbrowed Albatross *Diomedea melanophris*

131 8997 adult	13.12.95	Bird Is, South Georgia, Antarctica		
Dead, drowned in trawl net	01.06.96	Cape Columbine, Western Cape	6 mths	4 925 km

Southern Giant Petrel *Macronectes giganteus*

13189071 nestling	10.03.96	Macquarrie Is, Southern Ocean		
Dead on beach	09.06.96	Kommetjie, Western Cape	3 mths	8 583

Round Is Petrel *Pterodroma arminjoniana*

5H09320 nestling	12.12.95	Round Is, Mauritius		
Dead, blown inshore by gale-force winds	21.02.96	Coimbatore, India	2 mths	4 020 km
		The first ring recovery for this little-known species, ringed by Carl Jones of the Mauritius Wildlife Fund.		

Cape Gannet *Morus capensis*

987064 nestling	28.03.94	Mercury Is, off Namibia		
Dead on beach	25.06.94	Tugela R Mouth, KwaZulu-Natal	3 mths	1 688 km
9A06364 nestling	17.04.96	Ichaboe Is, off Namibia		
Killed for food	28.05.96	80 km N of Namibe, Angola	1 mths	1 331 km
9A04031 nestling	20.02.96	Bird Is, Lambert's Bay, W Cape		
Sick, taken to rehabilitation centre	09.06.96	Shelley Beach, KwaZulu-Natal	4 mths	1 158 km
947908 adult	12.01.88	Malgas Is, Saldanha, W Cape		
Control	01.02.96	Bird Is, Algoa, Eastern Cape	97 mths	781 km
999621 nestling	23.01.96	Malgas Is, Saldanha, W Cape		
Killed for food	15.04.96	40 km north of Namibe, Angola	3 mths	2 112 km
995847 nestling	28.02.95	Bird Is, Algoa Bay, Eastern Cape		
Killed for food	15.04.96	40 km north of Namibe, Angola	14 mths	2 550 km
996682 nestling	28.02.95	Bird Is, Algoa Bay, Eastern Cape		
Dead	14.05.95	Cape Vidal, KwaZulu-Natal	3 mths	879 km
998277 nestling	11.03.96	Bird Is, Algoa Bay, Eastern Cape		
Injured, wing broken	03.06.96	Swakopmund Beach, Namibia	3 mths	1 691 km

White Stork *Ciconia ciconia*

12018 nestling	29.06.95	Apace, Dravsko Polje, Slovenia		
Injured in hailstorm	29.02.96	Middelburg District, Eastern Cape	8 mths	8 709 km

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Z 932	nestling	15.06.81	Bogyiszlo, Tolna, Hungary		
	Dead, collided with powerlines	15.02.95	Maraisburg, Gauteng	164 mths	8 123 km
B35367	nestling	02.07.93	Maly Bor, Klatovy, Czech Republic		
	Dead, collided with powerlines	07.02.95	Humansdorp Dis, Eastern Cape	19 mths	9 345 km
B15403	nestling	28.06.94	Lestina, Havlickuv Brod, Czech Republic		
	Carcass partly eaten	04.03.95	Mooi River, KwaZulu-Natal	9 mths	8 914 km
KA 0921	nestling	21.07.95	Medessen, Riesa-Grobenhain, Germany		
	Dead	04.02.96	Esigodini, Zimbabwe	7 mths	8 106 km
2822	nestling	05.07.94	Rokiskis, Lithuania		
	Broken wing	01.01.95	Salem, Grahamstown, Eastern Cape	6 mths	9 952 km

Hottentot Teal *Anas hottentota*

5H07419	adult	15.01.95	Daoga, Boteti River, Botswana		
	Dead	11.01.96	Luveve, Bulawayo, Zimbabwe	12 mths	434 km

Cape Griffon *Gyps coprotheres*

G19680	juvenile	30.01.96	Blouberg, Pietersburg Dis, Northern Prov		
	Nearly drowned	29.05.96	Gobabis District, Namibia	4 mths	1 014 km

Whitebacked Vulture *Gyps africanus*

G19860	nestling	16.09.95	Dronfield, Kimberley, Northern Cape		
	Struck by train	06.03.96	Windsorton Road, Northern Cape	6 mths	33 km

Peregrine Falcon *Falco peregrinus*

829037	juvenile	10.11.95	Peterhouse, Marondera, Zimbabwe		
	Dead	27.02.96	Pretoria West, Gauteng	4 mths	912 km
			This was a captive-bred bird.		

Lanner Falcon *Falco biarmicus*

771358	nestling	13.09.87	Pinetown District, KwaZulu-Natal		
	Weak, later died	15.01.96	Highflats District, KwaZulu-Natal	100 mths	93 km

Tawny Eagle *Aquila rapax*

65800164	immature	05.01.96	De Aar, Northern Cape		
	Injured by car	14.06.96	Molteno District, Eastern Cape	5 mths	246 km

Jackal Buzzard *Buteo rufofuscus*

841814	immature	29.07.95	south of Paterson, Eastern Cape		
	Dead, collided with powerlines	24.05.96	Krakeelrivier, Eastern Cape	10 mths	205 km

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Dark Chanting Goshawk *Melierax metabates*

785843	1-2 yrs	04.04.93	Potgietersrus District, Northern Prov		
	Dead, trapped	22.06.96	Potgietersrus District, Northern Prov	39 mths	0 km

Pale Chanting Goshawk *Melierax canorus*

738232	adult	08.06.75	Smouspoort, De Aar Dis, N Cape		
	Dead	28.06.96	Smouspoort, De Aar Dis, N Cape	253 mths	2 km

A new longevity record for the Pale Chanting Goshawk. The previous oldest bird was recovered in its 11th year.

779041	adult	15.08.88	near Calitzdorp, Western Cape		
	Road casualty	23.03.96	near Calitzdorp, Western Cape	91 mths	0 km

African Black Oystercatcher *Haematopus moquini*

637167	adult	27.01.77	Malgas Is, Saldanha, Western Cape		
	Dead	22.01.96	Malgas Is, Saldanha, Western Cape	228 mths	0 km

663014	nestling	04.03.95	Amsterdamhoek, Port Elizabeth, E Cape		
	Collided with fisherman's line, released	07.02.96	Blue Horizon Bay, Eastern Cape	11 mths	238 km

Common Sandpiper *Tringa hypoleucos*

BC12203	adult	13.04.91	Lumbadzi, Malawi		
	Dead in fishnet	30.06.96	Komi, Russia	63 mths	8 546 km

Arctic Skua *Stercorarius parasiticus*

EN26216	nestling	29.06.92	North Hill, Mainland, Orkney, Scotland		
	Dead, neck broken	07.01.96	Kommetjie, Western Cape	43 mths	10 548 km

Kelp Gull *Larus dominicanus*

K10481	nestling	15.12.87	Schapen Is, Langebaan, Western Cape		
	Entangled in fishing line, released unharmed	03.05.96	Cape Cross, Namibia	101 mths	1 320 km

K14469	nestling	14.11.94	Redhouse, Port Elizabeth, E Cape		
	Fishing line around legs	10.03.96	Park Rynie, KwaZulu-Natal	16 mths	623 km

912531	nestling	22.11.71	Keurbooms R Mouth, Western Cape		
	Dead	01.02.96	Keurbooms R Mouth, Western Cape	291 mths	0 km

A new longevity record for the Kelp Gull. The previous longest (at 266 months) was originally ringed on the same day and in the same colony as this bird (*Safring News* 23:98).

Hartlaub's Gull *Larus hartlaubii*

568641	nestling	26.03.79	Marcus Is, Saldanha, Western Cape		
	Dead	16.05.96	Saldanha Bay, Western Cape	206 mths	2 km

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517315	nestling	20.05.72	Schapen Is, Langebaan, Western Cape		
	Sick, later died	12.01.96	Donkergat, Langebaan, Western Cape	284 mths	2 km
A new longevity record for the Hartlaub's Gull.					

Caspian Tern *Hydroprogne caspia*

661809	nestling	22.02.95	Bird Is, St. Lucia, KwaZulu-Natal		
	Trapped, presumed dead	30.06.95	Sule Dam, Mozambique	4 mths	384 km

Sandwich Tern *Sterna sandvicensis*

1333689	nestling	16.06.94	Griend, Netherlands		
	Dead	11.01.96	Walker Bay, Western Cape	19 mths	9 851 km

Swift Tern *Sterna bergii*

566904	nestling	29.04.78	Marcus Is, Saldanha, Western Cape		
	Sick, taken to rehabilitation centre	06.05.96	Sandy Point, Eastern Cape	217 mths	34 km

575799	nestling	17.04.82	Marcus Is, Saldanha, Western Cape		
	Dead	10.01.96	Rockcliffe-on-Sea, Eastern Cape	165 mths	918 km

589096	nestling	07.04.94	Robben Is, Western Cape		
	Weak, later died	31.03.96	Nahoon R Mth, Eastern Cape	24 mths	892 km

589535	nestling	30.03.95	Robben Is, Western Cape		
	Entangled in fishnet	30.06.96	Tugela R Mth, KwaZulu-Natal	15 mths	1 342 km

Laughing Dove *Streptopelia senegalensis*

D18028	adult	09.06.93	Lydenburg, Mpumalanga		
	Killed by cat	10.01.96	Lydenburg, Mpumalanga	31 mths	0 km

D18730	adult	19.02.94	Hurley Estate, Mowbray, W Cape		
	Road casualty	06.01.96	Mowbray, Cape Town, W Cape	23 mths	0 km

Emeraldspotted Dove *Turtur chalcospilos*

4A00918	adult	27.05.93	Gaborone Farm, Botswana		
	Dead	10.05.96	Gaborone Town, Botswana	36 mths	12 km

Barn Owl *Tyto alba*

666138	juvenile	12.01.96	Tygerberg Zoo, Western Cape		
	Road casualty	03.02.96	Paarl District, Western Cape	1 mths	19 km

Wood Owl *Strix woodfordii*

665661	juvenile	09.08.95	Alkmaar, Nelspruit Dist, Mpumalanga		
	Drowned in reservoir	06.02.96	Alkmaar, Nelspruit Dist, Mpumalanga	6 mths	2 km

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Spotted Eagle Owl *Bubo africanus*

821101	adult	02.02.90	Irene, Gauteng		
	Road casualty	18.06.96	Waterkloof Gardens, Gauteng	77 mths	8 km
821527	nestling	08.01.96	Victory Park, Johannesburg, Gauteng,		
	Injured by car	20.02.96	Emmarentia, Gauteng	1 mths	4 km

European Swift *Apus apus*

S108801	nestling	09.07.92	Lenzburg, Aargau, Switzerland		
	Wing broken	15.02.96	Namitete Area, Malawi	43 mths	7 272 km

Speckled Mousebird *Colius striatus*

498566	adult	31.08.94	Mount Home, Penhalonga, Zimbabwe		
	Killed by cat	16.02.95	Mount Home, Penhalonga, Zimbabwe	6 mths	0 km
489959	adult	11.03.94	Grahamstown, Eastern Cape		
	Killed by cat	10.06.95	Grahamstown, Eastern Cape	15 mths	2 km

Malachite Kingfisher *Alcedo cristata*

Y05933	immature	12.01.96	Groot Phesantekraal Farm, W Cape		
	Control	06.05.96	Rocklands Farm, Western Cape	4 mths	11 km

Crested Barbet *Trachyphonus vaillantii*

499040	adult	22.09.94	Parys, Free State		
	Injured by cat	03.04.96	Parys, Free State	19 mths	0 km

European Swallow *Hirundo rustica*

AD32362	imm	27.10.94	Greystone Park, Harare, Zimbabwe		
	Control	22.05.95	Oleksiiivka, Ukraine	7 mths	7 367 km
K356326	1-6 mths	15.08.95	Poole Harbour, Dorset, England		
	Control	05.01.96	Bathurst, Eastern Cape	5 mths	9 783 km
K364855	juvenile	21.08.95	Williamthorpe, Derbyshire, England		
	Road casualty	14.02.96	Great Karoo, Northern Cape	6 mths	9 709 km
X267088	adult	27.08.92	Joensuu, Pohjois-karjala, Finland		
	Dead	23.02.93	Bindura, Zimbabwe	6 mths	8 887 km

House Martin *Delichon urbica*

X465425	nestling	10.07.95	Kalvola, Hame, Finland		
	Flew into house, caught and released	14.01.96	Babanango District, KwaZulu-Natal	6 mths	9 945 km

Cape Bulbul *Pycnonotus capensis*

BD15102	juvenile	27.12.93	Betty's Bay, Western Cape		
	Road casualty	25.03.96	Betty's Bay, Western Cape	27 mths	0 km

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Blackeyed Bulbul *Pycnonotus barbatus*

BD06183	adult	31.03.94	Lake Mcllwaine, nr Harare, Zimbabwe		
	Killed by dog	09.06.96	Lake Mcllwaine, nr Harare, Zimbabwe	27 mths	0 km

Kurrichane Thrush *Turdus libonyanus*

481568	1-6mths	20.12.90	La Rochelle, Penhalonga, Zimbabwe		
	Dead	01.01.96	Mavonde, Mozambique	61 mths	61 km

Fiscal Flycatcher *Sigelus silens*

F29917	immature	11.04.93	Suikerbosrand NR, Heidelberg, Gauteng		
	Killed by cat	14.03.96	Bracken Downs, Gauteng	35 mths	30 km

Redwinged Starling *Onychognathus morio*

509996	adult	16.02.91	Glencairn, Simon's Town, Western Cape		
	Shot	22.02.96	Fish Hoek, Western Cape	60 mths	2 km

Cape Sugarbird *Promerops cafer*

CC14664	adult	08.11.95	Betty's Bay, Western Cape		
	Road casualty	04.01.96	Betty's Bay, Western Cape	2 mths	0 km

Coppery Sunbird *Nectarinia cuprea*

AB25375	1-6mths	22.06.91	Chirawanoo Farm, Banket, Zimbabwe		
	Dead	14.01.96	Chinhoyi District, Zimbabwe	55 mths	43 km

Cape White-eye *Zosterops pallidus*

X81198	adult	18.10.92	Potchefstroom, Northwest Province		
	Dead, injured leg	12.02.95	Potchefstroom, Northwest Province	28 mths	2 km

AD38231	adult	20.07.93	Durbanville Nature Reserve, W Cape		
	Control	15.05.96	Groot Phesantekraal, Western Cape	34 mths	6 km

AB89484	adult	08.09.93	Goukamma N Res, Knysna, W Cape		
	Road casualty	21.01.96	Hunter's Home, Knysna, W Cape	28 mths	12 km

Cape Sparrow *Passer melanurus*

BC67453	adult	31.05.95	Swakopmund Sewage Works, Namibia		
	Killed by cat	08.05.96	Swakopmund, Namibia	12 mths	4 km

BC00947	juvenile	26.12.95	Meander Farm, nr Himeville, KwaZulu-Natal		
	Ring found in genet scat	22.05.96	Meander Farm, KwaZulu-Natal	5 mths	0 km

F24738	adult	30.08.94	Gamkaberg Nat Res, Western Cape		
	Dead, collided with window	01.03.96	Gamkaberg Nat Res, Western Cape	19 mths	0 km

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Spectacled Weaver *Ploceus ocularis*

BB42968	1-6mths	21.01.95	Marionwood NR, KwaZulu-Natal		
	Killed by cat	31.01.96	Pinetown, KwaZulu-Natal	12 mths	2 km

Cape Weaver *Ploceus capensis*

CC139917	1-12mths	09.09.95	Goedeontmoeting, Malmesbury, W Cape		
	Control	10.05.96	Protea Valley, Western Cape	8 mths	19 km

BC60022	1-2yrs	06.01.95	Rocklands Farm, Western Cape		
	Control	24.02.96	Goedeontmoeting, Western Cape	14 mths	14 km

BC28529	adult	07.11.92	Tygerberg Nat Res, Western Cape		
	Control	01.05.96	Protea Valley, Western Cape	42 mths	2 km

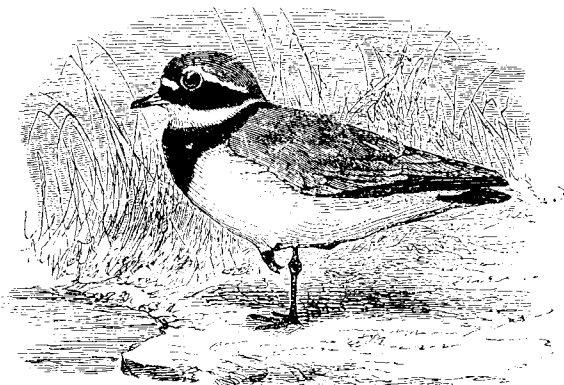
BC09089	adult	06.08.89	Rondevlei, Retreat, Western Cape		
	Weak, subsequently died	16.05.96	Mitchells Plain, Western Cape	81 mths	8 km

Bronze Mannikin *Spermestes cucullatus*

W05012	adult	04.11.94	Scottsville, Pmb, KwaZulu-Natal		
	Carcass partly eaten by unknown predator	15.06.96	Scottsville, Pmb, KwaZulu-Natal	19 mths	0 km

Rock Bunting *Emberiza tahapisi*

A21510	adult	01.07.95	Basread Farm, Kimberley Dist, N Cape		
	Dead	01.05.96	Mwenezi District, Zimbabwe	10 mths	1 037 km



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