

WADER WATCH Phil Cross

Can everyone please remember to use the 'Leg Flag Observation Report' form. **Please email leg flag sightings to Phil on his new email address.** phillipcross50@gmail.com

Can we also please ask people to carefully check which leg the flag is on. If you are not sure, or just see the colour, and do not know which leg it is, please do not make it up. We do record the sighting on the database, even if we do not know which leg it was on. Recording information that you have not seen, or do not know creates extra work for Phil and other people who this information goes to. We would appreciate your cooperation on this issue.

GREEN leg flag sightings seen in QLD

An additional 378 engraved flag sightings have been added to the database since the last newsletter. The species recorded and the number of observations were as follows. Bar-tailed Godwit 167, Black-tailed Godwit 1, Double-banded Plover 13, Eastern Curlew 4, Great Knot 29, Grey-tailed Tattler 1, Pacific Golden Plover 7, Pied Oystercatcher 74, Pied Stilt 22, Red-capped Plover 3, Ruddy Turnstone 1 and Whimbrel 56.

The observers were Tony Cotter, Paul Hinds, Renate Hottmann-Schaefer, Arthur Keates, Steve McBride, Lynda Pickstone, Gordana Pozvek, Peter Rothlisberg, Ged Tranter, Dez Wells, Melissa Whitby and Roger Winsen.

The following is a list of the individually marked green flags that have been seen on these species during this reporting period.

Bar-tailed Godwit – ACB, ACT, ACZ, ADC, AEJ, AEL, AEN, AES, AEV, AHA, AHS, AHV, AKB, AKD, AKX, AKY, ALA, ALM, ALN, AML, ARA, ARN, ASX, ATD, AUU, AUV, AUW, AUZ, AVK, AVM, AVZ, AXB, AXD, AXH, AYC, AYD, AYN, AYT, AYV, AYW, AZC, BBK, BBL, BBM, BBN, BBR, BBX, BCK, BCR, BCS, BCT, BCU, BCV, BCX, BDH, BDJ, BDT, BHC, BHK, BHM, BHN, BHP, BHR, BHS, BHT, BHU, BHV, BHW, BHX, BHY, BLA, BNL, BNP, BNS, BPC, BPD, BPU, BPV, BUS, BUV, BZA, CAC, CAH, CAS, CAT, CAV, CAY, CBA, CBB, CBN, CBP, CCA, CCD, CCJ, CCL, CCP, CCU, CCX, CJA, CJB, CJC, CJF, CJH, CJJ, CJK, CJN, CJP, DBF, DBJ, JE & quantity 6 unread.

Black-tailed Godwit – ANY.

Double-banded Plover – AVJ, AZA, AZD & 1 unread.

Eastern Curlew – AAD, AAJ & quantity 1 unread ELF & 1 plain flag.

Great Knot – AED, AEK, AEU, AEV, AJA, ALM, ALN, ATH, ATM, ATR, AUA, AVA, AWE, AZC, BBT, BBX, BBZ, BCY, BER, BEV, BEX, BEZ, BLA & 3 unread.

Grey-Tailed Tattler – AEY.

Pacific Golden Plover – BUX, BUT, BUU, BVA, BVN.

Pied Oystercatcher – AAA, AAE, AAK, AAT, AAU, AAY, ABC, ABE, ABM, ABN, ABP, ABR, AML, B6, C4 and EX.

Pied Stilt – AAS, AAZ, ABD, BDB, BDP, BEH, BEP, BZC, EA, BB, KC & quantity 1 unread.

Red-capped Plover – JH.

Ruddy Turnstone – ATB.

Whimbrel – BXB, BXC, BXD, BXF, BXN, BXS, BXU, BXX, BYA, BYB, BYF, BYJ, BYL, BYT, CJV, CJY, CKC, DAC, DAF, DAH, DAM, DAN, DAV, DAY, DBL, DBP, DBS, DBU, DBV, DBY, DCC, DCF, DJA, DJB, DJD, DJF, DJH, DJN, DJS & quantity 4 unread.

GREEN leg flag sightings seen INTERSTATE

None

GREEN leg flag sightings seen OVERSEAS

In Japan

Grey-tailed Tattler

ADS on flag - 6.4.2018 – Tama River Estuary Tokyo – Kunihiko Kojima
ATP on flag – 27.4.2018 – Sohara-cho Matsusaka Mie-ken - Yoko Tanaka
BXF on flag – 7.5.2018 – Sohara-cho Matsusaka Mie-ken – Toshiaki Karatsu
KZ on flag – 7.5.2018 – Zaimokuza Kamakura Kanagawa – Hideo Ike
ASU on flag – 9.5.2018 – Kongo River Mouth Matsusaka – Kazumi Miyagoe
AXB on flag – 9.5.2018 – Kongo River Mouth Matsusaka – Kazumi Miyagoe
DH on flag – 9.5.2018 – Kongo River Mouth Matsusaka – Kazumi Miyagoe
BPC on flag – 10.5.2018 – Shinoharag Katori Chiba – Yoshiya Odaya
AMB on flag – 11.5.2018 – Hamura weir Tokyo – Tsukasa Yaita
ADS on flag – 13.5.2018 – Hinoki Fuji Shizuoka – Yasushi Oowase
ATE on flag – 15.5.2018 – Kongo River Mouth Matsusaka – Kazumi Miyagoe
APY on flag – 22.5.2018 – Ikawazu Tidal Flat Tahara Aichi – Hiroyasu Ito

In China

Bar-tailed Godwit

BRK on flag – 22.4.2015 - Yalu Jiang – Tan Kun
ALH on flag – 28.4.2015 - Yalu Jiang – Tan Kun
AZB on flag – 10.5.2015 - Yalu Jiang – Tan Kun

Great Knot

ADA on flag – 14.7.2018 – Tiaozini Dongtai – Mr Zhanghua

In Taiwan

Curlew Sandpiper

ACA on flag – (no location details yet) – 24.7.2018 – Jimmy Choi

In South Korea

Bar-tailed Godwit

ADX on flag – 29.4.2017 – Songdo Incheon – Spike Millington
AX on flag – 15 & 17.4.2018 – Mokpo Namhang Tidal Flat – Andreas Kim
BNP on flag – 21.4.2018 – Namdanghang-ro Seobu-myeon Hongseong Chungcheonnam – Shin Hwan Kim
The following were all sighted at Aphae Island (South) by Andreas Kim
BCV on flag – 2.4.2018
CBA on flag – 3.4.2018
ATA on flag – 7.4.2018
PR on flag – 7, 19, 22, 25, 27 & 29.4.2018
PR on flag – 1, 13, 15, 18.5.2018
ACX on flag – 11.4.2018
AVB on flag – 7, 13, 15, 16 & 29.4 & 18.5.2018
BHR on flag – 13.4.2018
BSD on flag – 13 & 25.4.2018
CDC on flag – 13 & 19.4.2018
DM on flag – 13.4.2018
EC on flag – 13, 16, 22, 25, 27 & 29.4.2018
EC on flag – 1, 5, 13, 18 & 21.5.2018
BTF on flag – 15, 16 & 19.4.2018

AYD on flag – 16.4 & 15.5.2018
DCA on flag – 16.4.2018
Engraved flag unread – 11.4.2018

Great Knot

BAV on flag – 15.4.2018 – Maehiang-ri Hwasung Kiongkido – Choi Sungyu
BBK on flag – 15.4.2018 – Maehiang-ri Hwasung Kiongkido – Choi Sungyu

Ruddy Turnstone

EY on flag – 24, 25.4 & 2.5.2018 – Mokpo Namhang Tidal Flat – Andreas Kim

ORANGE (Victoria) leg flag sightings seen in QLD.

Bar-tailed Godwit

Plain flag – 31.10.2017 – Redcliffe Airport north side – Ged Tranter

OVERSEAS FLAGGED birds seen in QLD

Black over white or white over black (Shanghai, China) leg flag sightings

None

Green over Blue (Jiangsu, China) leg flag sightings

None

Black over Yellow (Kamchatka Russia) leg flag sightings

None

White (New Zealand) leg flag sightings

Red Knot

DDD on flag – 31.10.2017 – Redcliffe Airport north side – Ged Tranter

Blue (Japanese) leg flag sightings

None

Blue over White (Japanese) leg flag sightings

Grey-tailed Tattler

566 on blue flag – 15.4.2018 – Toorbul Roost – Dez Wells

White over Blue (Taiwan) leg flag sightings

None

Pied Oystercatcher Yellow leg flag (2 digit) sightings

The following sightings of yellow flagged oystercatchers are not birds flagged in North West Western Australia, as per the flagging protocol. They are another project being run from Victoria and New South Wales. Birds flagged in Victoria will have a yellow flag on the right tibia and inscribed with two digits. New South Wales birds will have the yellow flag on the left tibia and inscribed with two digits.

None

Caspian Tern Orange flag (Victoria)

UO on flag - 14.1.2018 – Buckley’s Hole Sandbar Bribie – Dez Wells
U8 on flag - 18.3.2018 – Buckley’s Hole Sandbar Bribie – Dez Wells
U8 on flag - 15.4.2018 – Toorbul Roost – Dez Wells
K9 on flag – 15.4.2018 – Toorbul Roost – Dez Wells
37 on flag – 15.4.2018 – Toorbul Roost – Dez Wells
47 on flag – 15.4.2018 – Toorbul Roost – Dez Wells
37 on flag – 12.5.2018 – Toorbul Roost – Dez Wells
X8 on flag – 8.6.2018 – Bowen Pier – Chris Barnes
J4 on flag – 15.6.2018 – Caboolture River Mouth – Phil Cross
37 on flag – 16.6.2018 – Toorbul Roost – Dez Wells
47 on flag – 16.6.2018 – Toorbul Roost – Dez Wells
47 on flag – 14.7.2018 – Toorbul Roost – Dez Wells
V3 on flag – 20.7.2018 – Pine Rivers Reserve – Ged Tranter/
Orange flag unread – 14.7.2018 – Caboolture River Mouth – Phil Cross