**BAR-TAILED GODWIT 1MYRB**

This male Bar-tailed Godwit known since banding by the rather unromantic name of 1MYRB was banded at ‘Sandy Blowout ‘ on 20/12/2005, the very first catch of the GFN colour-banding project in north west Australia.

He was age 2+ (in second year of life or older) at capture and banding. He was then seen 3 times and caught again in late 2006. He then disappeared for 15 months, was seen once, and promptly disappeared again for 4 years and 9 months! That is why you will often here shorebird researchers say ‘you need a long data set when studying shorebirds’.

I have not edited the summary of sightings below.

**Summary of sightings**

**Bar-tailed Godwit**

**Banding 1MYRB**

**30/12/2005 Sandy Blowout, Roebuck Bay, Broome, Australia**

**07321724 (1MYRB) Aged 2+ Sex M**

**Recapture 20/11/2006 Stilt Viewing, Roebuck Bay, Broome, Australia**

19/10/2006 Wader Spit, Roebuck Bay, Broome (-17.98, 122.33) Australia

Sex M Alice Ewing

24/10/2006 Stilt Viewing, Roebuck Bay, Broome (-17.98, 122.33) Australia

Sex M Alice Ewing

12/12/2006 Wader Spit, Roebuck Bay, Broome (-17.98, 122.33) Australia

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01/03/2008 Wader Spit, Roebuck Bay, Broome (-17.98, 122.33) Australia

Sex M Chris Hassell & Adrian Boyle

06/12/2012 Richards Point, Roebuck Bay, Broome (-17.97, 122.33) Australia

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