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## NEST RECORD SCHEME Report for year ended 30 April 1979

There are now 12 783 Nest Record Cards covering 147 species. This year 42 members contributed 419 cards covering 68 species.

109 cards covering 31 species were contributed by Jon Lusk, brother of Chris Lusk, who over the past four seasons has completed 301 Nest Record Cards.

The value of the Scheme in providing opportunity for individual activity is shown by the detailed observations made by Jon and Chris Lusk. Members unable to participate in group or regional activities could contribute their personal observations through this Scheme and by doing so would also be making a worthwhile contribution to such national schemes as the Distribution Atlas.

Notable contributions have been received from Maida Barlow (23), Ralph Powlesland (24), Colin O'Connell (37), Ray Pierce (23).

28 Colonial Cards were received covering the following 11 species:—

Black Shag, Pied Shag, Little Black Shag, White-throated Shag, Spotted Shag, Black-billed Gull, Black-backed Gull, Red-billed Gull, Black-fronted Tern, White-fronted Tern and Caspian Tern. During the year cards on 16 species were lent to members for analysis.

My sincere thanks to all contributors to the Scheme, to those who have encouraged members to take part, and to my wife, Ruth, whose assistance has been most valuable.

DAVID E. CROCKETT, Convener

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## BEACH PATROL 1978 — INTERIM REPORT

During 1978, 3765 km of coast were patrolled by 188 OSNZ members and their friends on a total of 633 patrols. These are all the highest totals recorded. 12 413 dead seabirds were found. A wreck of Sooty Shearwaters in November and December contributed greatly to this total. Unusually high numbers of antarctic species from July onwards caused an increase in the amount of beach patrolling and hence the total numbers of birds found.

The following are interim totals for sections of coast patrolled:

Coast	Km	Birds
Auckland West	1430	7148
Taranaki	237	550
Wellington West	440	840
Westland	33	2
Auckland East	557	1449
Bay of Plenty	273	555
East Coast North I.	13	1
Wairarapa	9	5
Canterbury North	61	130
Canterbury South	85	235
Otago	84	164
Southland	131	489
Wellington South	337	754
North Coast South I.	70	92
Outlying Islands	5	0
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The success of the Beach Patrol Scheme during 1978 is due to all those who took part.

C. R. VEITCH, Organiser