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Manx Shearwater *Puffinus puffinus*, new to Ivory Coast

Mead and Clark (1993) have published details of a Manx Shearwater *Puffinus puffinus*, ringed as a bird of the year (EURING age code 3) on Bardsey Island, off Aberdaron, Gwynedd, Wales (52°46'N, 4°48'W), on 8 September 1989, which was recovered dead at Grand Lahou, Ivory Coast (5°9'N, 50°1'W), in or before August 1991. This appears to be the first record for Ivory Coast: the species is not listed by Thiollay (1986), nor in the update by Demey & Fishpool (1991). The only record for neighbouring Ghana is also from a recovery of a British-ringed bird (Grimes 1987); there are more records from Liberia, where the Manx Shearwater is considered uncommon but not rare (Gatter 1988).

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An unusual record of Fulvous Tree-Duck *Dendrocygna bicolor* breeding in the Hadejia-Nguru Wetlands, northeastern Nigeria

During a routine bird survey on 27 January 1990, a female Fulvous Tree-Duck *Dendrocygna bicolor* with a downy duckling was encountered in a partially vegetated portion of Nguru lake (12°50'N, 10°26'E). Instead of flying away from the boat, which was within 8 m of the birds, the hen engaged in vigorous distraction displays while the duckling escaped into a nearby reed bed. The hen swam in very tight circles, flapped its wings, swam to within 5 m of the boat and then veered away in an apparent attempt to lure the observers away. Its continued display even after its young was safe in the reed bed made the team curious, and we scrutinised the surroundings more closely. It was then that another duckling which had been caught in a nearby fishing net was sighted. As the team removed the duckling from the net, the duck stopped displaying and flew