

nestlings I was surprised to capture one of them, on November 21, 1966, while I was assisting with another banding project about one mile from my home. This is the only record I have of a nestling recovery.

Since others have written similar reports on Black-capped Chickadees, I have compiled my records for comparative purposes. Among these reports are John H. Kennard, "A Ten-Year Study of a Local Population in Bedford, N.H.", Bird-Banding 33 (4): 198-201; and J. Murray Speirs, "Survival and Population Dynamics with Particular Reference to Black-capped Chickadees", Bird-Banding 34 (2): 87-93.

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THREE RECOVERIES IN ONE DAY

Bill Savell seems to be luckier than most of us in finding banded birds, and writes: "While exploring in Great Egg Harbor Bay, N.J. on July 27, 1967, a friend (Willard Sharp) and I found two dead birds bearing bands and recovered a third by means of a nest trap. They are:

- Black Skimmer #534-77833: dead, near Somers Point
- Black Skimmer #534-97129: trapped and released near Longport
- Loon (?) #498-09806: dead, near Ocean City - badly decomposed

"In addition to the above, a Laughing Gull bearing band #595-72075 was found alive and in good condition but unable to fly because it had the misfortune to step into an open mussel (bivalve) which trapped it. We broke the shell, fed the captor to the gull and released it...This took place July 18, 1967."

Bill promises to write up, with photographs, his nest trap for Black Skimmers for a future issue of EBBA News.