

Longevity Record for the Whimbrel.—An adult female Whimbrel (*Numenius phaeopus*) was banded about 5.5 km south of Fort Churchill, Manitoba (58° 40' N, 94° 00' W) on 21 June 1964 by J. R. Jehl, Jr. On 26 June 1974, I recaptured and released this individual at the same location. The band, number 514-30601, was not replaced. In 1974, this bird was nesting no more than 20 m from its 1964 nesting site. It weighed 396 g (about 7 days after the onset of incubation) when first banded, and 367 g (taken about 16 days after the onset of incubation) when recaptured.

A total of three adults and seven chicks were banded in the area in 1964. The Fort Churchill vicinity, including this same location, had been searched in 1973 and was again searched in 1975 for banded Whimbrels during a study of this species; none of the Whimbrels banded in 1964 were sighted in these years.

Because the Whimbrel was at least one year old when banded, it was at least 11 years old at the time of recapture. This species is not included in the recent review of longevity records of North American birds by Kennard (*Bird-Banding*, **46**: 55-73, 1975) or the review by Rydzewski (*Ring*, **33**: 147-152, 1962). Rydzewski does list a record of 31 years, 6 months, 17 days for the Eurasian Curlew (*N. arquata*). The time between our banding and recovery dates is 10 years 5 days. The greatest interval of time between banding and recovery dates of Whimbrels on a recent computer printout from the banding records at Canadian Wildlife Service, Ottawa was less than 2 years. My record appears to be the longevity record for this species.—MARGARET SKEEL, *Department of Zoology, University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario M5S 1A1*. Received 18 October 1975, accepted 10 November 1975.