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Bridled Tern *Onychoprion anaethetus* (Scopoli 1786), Vagrant (1) 25/11/1987 New Brighton Beach, Canterbury

Peter Langlands found a beach-wrecked tern on New Brighton Beach, Christchurch (Tunnicliffe & Langlands 1990). This was brought to the Canterbury Museum for identification. The tern was mostly intact, and had been dead for about a month. Identification as a Bridled Tern was based largely on wing and upper tail-covert markings and colour.