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**Atlantic Yellow-nosed Albatross** *Thalassarche chlororhynchos* (Gmelin 1789), Vagrant (4)  
21/1/1975 Middle Sister Island, Chatham Islands

The first record was a bird found on Middle Sister Island amongst Northern Royal Albatrosses in January 1975. C.J.R. Robertson (1975) discovered it mid-morning. The bird was only present for a few minutes, but was quickly photographed. The distinctive gait was noticeable, with a forward horizontal movement of the head.

The other records were again at Middle Sister Island in September 1976 & January 1996, and one 200 nautical miles north of South Island in June 2006.