

## Appendix A1

Figure A1. The distributions of nest ages on the date they were found for the various species and years of the study. We calculated nest age as the number of eggs when found plus the incubation stage as determined by candling. The typical clutch size is nine eggs for a mallard and 11 eggs for a Gadwall, and incubation periods are 26 and 24 days, respectively. On average, we tended to find nests during the first week of incubation, around day 14.

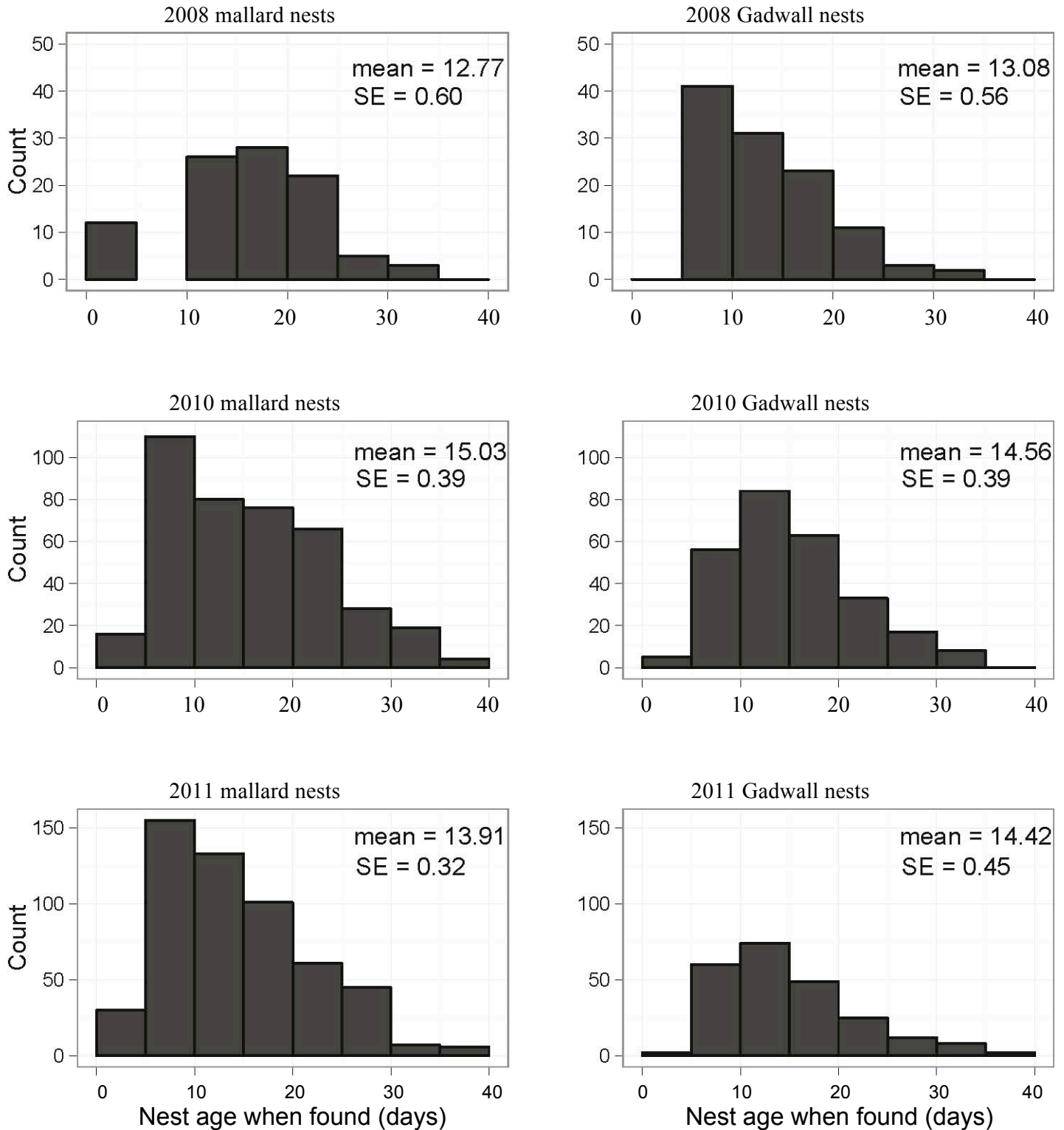


Figure A2. The distributions of nearest-neighbor distances for both depredated and successful nests, broken down by species and study year.

