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BREEDING

- Jaensch, R., McCabe, J., Wahl, J. & Houston, W.** 2004. Breeding by Australian Painted Snipe on the Tortilla Plain, Brigalow Belt coast, Queensland. *Stilt* 45: 39–42. *Rostratula benghalensis*.
- Klaassen, M.** 2004. (The chemistry between parent and chick: stable isotopes show the origin of egg nutrients in arctic breeding birds). *Limosa* 77(2/3): 55–60. In Dutch with English summary. (Ctr. Limnol., Neth. Inst. Ecol., P.O. Box 1299, NL-3600 GB Maarssen, The Netherlands, m.klaassen@nioo.knaw.nl).
- Reneerkens, J. & Piersma, T.** 2004. (Why do shorebirds produce different preen wax during the breeding season?). *Limosa* 77(2/3): 149–156. In Dutch with English summary. (NIOZ, P.O. Box 59, NL-1790 AB Den Burg, Texel, The Netherlands, reneer@nioz.nl)
- Rogers, K.G., Wilson, J.R., Barter, M.A. & Rogers, D.I.** 2004. Indices of wader breeding success on the non-breeding grounds. *Stilt* 46: 36–38. (340 Ninks Rd., St Andrews, Vic 3761, Australia, kenrogers@hotmail.com)

BEHAVIOUR, ECOLOGY & EVOLUTION

- Ciach, M.** 2003. (Diving of a Common Sandpiper *Actitis hypoleucos* as a reaction to a raptor attack). *Notatki Ornitol.* 44(1): 70. In Polish with English summary. (Glowackiego 39/43/40, PL-97-200 Tomaszow Maz., Poland, mciach@poczta.onet.pl)
- Connor, M.** 2004. Unusual feeding sites of Ruddy Turnstones *Arenaria interpres* on Lord Howe Island. *Stilt* 45: 52–53.
- Eason, P.K. & Sherman, P.T.** 2004. Aggressive interactions between Spotted Crake and Pintail Snipe. *Brit. Birds* 97(4): 351. (Ctr. Environm. Stud. & Res., Sultan Qaboos Univ., Muscat, Sultanate of Oman). *Gallinago stenura* versus *Porzana porzana*.
- Finney, S.K., Pearce-Higgins, J.W. & Yalden, D.W.** 2005. The effect of recreational disturbance on an upland breeding bird, the golden plover. *Biol. Conserv.* 121: 53–63.
- Frost, R.A.** 2004. Bouncing action of Common Snipe. *Brit. Birds* 97(9): 474. (66 St Lawrence Rd., North Wingfield, Chesterfield, Derbyshire S42 5LL, UK). *Gallinago gallinago*.
- Green, M., Alerstam, T., Gudmundsson, G.A., Hedenström, A. & Piersma, T.** 2004. Do Arctic waders use

adaptive wind drift? *J. Avian Biol.* 35(4): 305–315. (Dept. Anim. Ecol., Lund Univ., Ecol. Bldg., SE-223 62 Lund, Sweden, martin.green@zoekol.lu.se). Significant drift and compensation effects were found in data collected in Canada, Mauritania and South Sweden.

- Jukema, J. & Piersma, T.** 2004. (Small male Ruffs *Philomachus pugnax* with feminine plumages: evidence for a third reproductive strategy, the faeder?). *Limosa* 77(2/3): 1–10. (Haerdawei 62, NL-8854 AC Oosterbierum, The Netherlands).
- Kraaijeveld-Smit, F.J.L., Minton, C., Jessop, R. & Collins, P.** 2004. Age structure, biometrics, and moult of the Pied Oystercatcher *Haematopus longirostris* in North West Australia. *Stilt* 46: 19–26. (Leiden Univ., Section Anim. Ecol., Inst. Biol. Leiden, P.O. Box 9516, NL-2300 RA Leiden, The Netherlands, kraaijeveld@rulsfb.leidenuniv.nl).
- Palmer, P.** 2004. Kentish Plover nest covered with sand. *Brit. Birds* 97(9): 473–474. (Bird Holidays, 10 Ivegate, Yeadon, Leeds, UK). *Charadrius alexandrinus*.
- Piersma, T. & Spaans, B.** 2004. (The power of comparison: ecological studies on waders worldwide). *Limosa* 77(2/3): 43–54. In Dutch with English summary. (Dept. Mar. Ecol., NIOZ, P.O. Box 59, NL-1790 AB Den Burg, Texel, The Netherlands, theunis@nioz.nl). Brief review of international research on waders.
- Reneerkens, J. & Korsten, P.** 2004. Plumage reflectance is not affected by preen wax composition in red knots *Calidris canutus*. *J. Avian Biol.* 35(5): 405–409. (NIOZ, P.O. Box 59, NL-1790 AB Den Burg, Texel, The Netherlands, reneer@nioz.nl)
- Skewes, J., Minton, C. & Rogers, K.** 2004. Primary moult of the Ruddy Turnstone *Arenaria interpres* in Australia. *Stilt* 45: 20–32.
- Zharikov, Y. & Skilleter, G.A.** 2004. Why do eastern curlews *Numenius madagascariensis* feed on prey that lowers intake rate before migration? *J. Avian Biol.* 35(6): 533–542. (Mar. Estuar. Ecol. Unit, Dept. Zool. Entomol., Univ. Queensland, QLD 4072, Australia, yzharikov@zen.uq.edu.au)

DISTRIBUTION

- Antonov, A. & Huettmann, F.** 2004. On the southward migration of Great Knot in the western Sea of Okhotsk: results and conclusions from coordinated surveys of northern Sakhalin Island and Scjastia Bay, 2002. *Stilt* 45:



- 13–19. *Calidris tenuirostris*.
- Barter, M. & Xu, Q.** 2004. Northward shorebird migration surveys in 2004 at three Yellow Sea sites in Jiangsu and Shandong Provinces. *Stilt* 46: 2–8. (21 Chivalry Ave., Glen Waverley, Vic. 3150, Australia. markbarter@optusnet.com.au).
- Barter, M. & Riegen, A.** 2004. Northward shorebird migration through Yalu Jiang national Nature Reserve. *Stilt* 46: 9–14.
- Beasley, L., Minton, C., Jessop, R., Collins, P., Christie, M. & Stewart, I.** 2004. Sightings of waders leg flagged in South Australia – Report No. 2. *Stilt* 46: 48–50. (165 Dalgetty Rd., Beaumaris, Vic 3193 Australia. mintons@ozemail.com.au)
- Beasley, L., Minton, C., Jessop, R. & Collins, P.** 2004. Sightings of waders leg-flagged in Victoria: Report Number 10. *Stilt* 46: 54–64.
- Clarke, A., Muir, B., Elscot, S. & Lane, J.** 2004. Banded Stilt breeding attempt at Lake Disappointment. *Stilt* 46: 39. (Dept. Conserv. Land Managmt., P.O. Box 51, Wanneroo, WA 6065, Australia). *Cladorhynchus leucocephalus*.
- Fuller, R. & Hoodless, A.** 2004. Breeding Woodcock survey, 2003. *BTO News* 253: 4–5. *Scolopax rusticola*, UK.
- Gerasimov, Y.** 2004. Southward migration in 2003 of shorebirds at the Penzhina River mouth, Kamchatka, Russia. *Stilt* 45: 33–38.
- Guozhong, C., Collins, P., Melville, D. & Fawan, Q.** 2004. Report on the first Sino-Australia Flagging Workshop at Yalu Jiang national Nature Reserve, China, April 2002. *Stilt* 46: 40–47. (Natl. Bird Banding Ctr. China. bird.vz@fee.forestry.ac.cn)
- Huetmann, F.** 2004. Findings from the ‘Southward Shorebird Migration’ expedition to Anvia Bay (Sakhalin Island) and Iturup (Kurile Islands), August 2003. *Stilt* 45: 6–12.
- Jaensch, R.** 2004. Little Curlew and other migratory shorebirds on floodplains of the Channel Country, arid inland Australia, 1999–2004. *Stilt* 46: 15–18. (Wetlands International, c/o Queensland Herbarium, Mt Coot-tha Rd., Toowong, Qld. 4066, Australia. roger.jaensch@epa.qld.gov.au). *Numenius minutus*, *Limosa limosa*, *Calidris acuminata*, *Glareola maldivarum*.
- Johnson, O.W. & Johnson, P.M.** 2004. Biometrics and field identification of Pacific and American Golden Plovers. *Brit. Birds* 97(9): 434–443. (Dept. Ecol., Montana State Univ., Bozeman, MT 59717, USA). *Pluvialis fulva*, *P. dominica*.
- Lees, A.C. & Gilroy, J.J.** 2004. Pectoral Sandpipers in Europe: vagrancy patterns and the influx of 2003. *Brit. Birds* 96(12): 638–646. (Ctr. Ecol. Evol. & Conserv., Sch. Biol. Sci., Univ. East Anglia, Norwich, Norfolk NR4 7TJ, UK). *Calidris melanotos*.
- Meissner, W. & Rydzkowski, P.** 2003. (First record of the American Golden Plover *Pluvialis dominica* in Poland). *Notatki Ornitol.* 44(4): 267–269. In Polish with English summary. (Dept. Vertebrat. Ecol. Zool., Univ. Gdansk, Al. Legionow 9, PL-80-441 Gdansk, Poland. biowm@univ.gda.pl).
- Minton, C., Collins, P., Sitters, H., Hassell, C. & Beasley, L.** 2004. NWA 2004 Wader and Tern Expedition. 24 January to 14 February, 2004. *Stilt* 45: 54–59.
- Minton, C., Jessop, R., Collins, P., Hassell, C. & Beasley, L.** 2004. Sightings of waders and terns leg-flagged in NW Australia: report number 8. *Stilt* 45: 60–70.
- Minton, C., Jessop, R., Collins, P., Sitters, H. & Hassell, C.** 2004. Juvenile percentages of migratory waders in the 2003/4 Australian summer. *Stilt* 46: 31–34. (165 Dalgetty Rd., Beaumaris, Vic. 3193, Australia. mintons@ozemail.com.au)
- Minton, C. & Rogers, D.** 2004. More on Oriental Pratincole numbers. *Stilt* 46: 35.
- Minton, C., Jessop, R., Collins, P., Christie, M., Stewart, I. & Veltheim, I.** 2004. Sightings in 2003–04 of waders leg-flagged in South Australia – Report Number 3. *Stilt* 46: 51–53.
- Minton, C., Jessop, R., Collins, P. & Veltheim, I.** 2004. Sightings in 2003–04 of waders leg-flagged in Victoria: Report Number 11. *Stilt* 46: 65–77.
- Ogilvie, M. & Rare Breeding Birds Panel.** 2004. Rare breeding birds in the United Kingdom in 2002. *Brit. Birds* 97(10): 492–536. (Glencairn, Bruichladdich, Isle of Islay PA49 7UN, UK). Waders: *Recurvirostra avosetta*, *Burhinus oedicnemus*, *Charadrius dubius*, *C. morinellus*, *C. maritima*, *Philomachus pugnax*, *Limosa limosa*, *Tringa nebularia*, *T. ochropus*, *T. glareola*, *Phalaropus lobatus*.
- Przybycin, M. & Przybycin, P.** 2003. (Disappearance of the Ringed Plover *Charadrius hiaticula* from the middle Warta River valley). *Notatki Ornitol.* 44(4): 279–281. In Polish with English summary. (Rychwalska 19, PL-62-571 Stare Miasto, Poland, miprz@esculap.pl).
- Rogers, M.J. & Rarities Committee.** 2004. Report on rare birds in Great Britain in 2003. *Brit. Birds* 96(11): 558–625. (2 Churchtown Cottages, Towednack, St. Ives, Cornwall TR26 3AZ, UK). Waders: *Himantopus himantopus*, *Charadrius mongolus*, *Pluvialis dominica*, *P. fulva*, *Calidris pusilla*, *C. minutilla*, *C. fuscicollis*, *C. bairdii*, *Limicola falcinellus*, *Tryngites subruficollis*, *Gallinago media*, *Limnodromus scolopaceus*, *Tringa stagnatilis*, *T. flavipes*, *T. solitaria*, *Xenus cinereus*, *Actitis macularia*.
- Rohweder, D.A.** 2004. Survey of shorebirds in the Bellinger River Estuary, northern New South Wales. *Stilt* 46: 27–30. (P.O. Box 401, Alstonville, NSW 2477, Australia, sandpiper ecological@bigpond.com)
- Sazedul Islam, M.** 2004. Discovery of a nest of the Great Thick-knee in Bangladesh. *Stilt* 45: 50. *Esacus magnirostris*.
- Sitters, H., Minton, C., Collins, P., Etheridge, B., Hassell, C. & O’Connor, F.** 2004. Extraordinary numbers of Oriental Pratincoles in NW Australia. *Stilt* 45: 43–49. *Glareola maldivarum*.
- Skewes, J.** 2004. Report on population monitoring counts, 2003. *Stilt* 46: 86–92. (13 Waterloo Str., Heathmont, Vic. 3135 Australia)
- Turner, J.R.** 2004. An encounter with Wood Sandpipers in the Tanami desert. *Stilt* 45: 51. *Tringa glareola*.
- Wojciechowski, Z. & Janiszewski, T.** 2003. (Changes in the breeding avifauna of the Warsaw-Berlin preglacial stream valley between Leczyca and Lowicz in 1970–2001). *Notatki Ornitol.* 44(4): 249–262. In Polish with English summary. (Zaklad Dydaktyki Biologii Badania Roznorodnosci Biol., Ul. Banacha 1/3, PL-90-237 Lodz, Poland, zbig@biol.uni.lodz.pl). Trends for *Vanellus*



vanellus, *Gallinago gallinago*, *Philomachus pugnax*, *Limosa limosa*, *Numenius arquata*, *Tringa totanus*.

Wylegala, P. 2003. (Fluctuations in abundance of chosen bird species occurring in the lower Notec River valley within the Ujście-Wielen section in 1980–2003). *Notatki Ornitol.* 44(3): 187–194. In Polish with English summary. (Polsky Towarzystwo Ochrony Przyrody 'Salamandra', Szamarzewskiego 11/6, PL-60-514 Poznan, Poland) Trends for *Charadrius dubius*, *Vanellus vanellus*, *Philomachus pugnax*, *Gallinago gallinago*, *Limosa limosa*, *Numenius arquata*, *Tringa totanus*.

MISCELLANEOUS

Erit, M. 2004. (How many counts are needed to for efficient bird census on flood plain meadows?). *Hirundo* 17(2):

85–96. In Estonian with English summary. (Silma looduskaitseala, Saare k., Pürksi 91201, Läänemaa, EPMU Zool. Botaanika Inst., Riia 181a, Tartu, marju@silma.ee)

Harding, S. 2004. Identifying and managing threats to waders on the central Queensland coast through cooperation between the community and local and state governments. *Stilt* 46: 78–85. (336 Prout Rd., Burbank, Qld. 4156 Australia, pitta@gil.com.au)

Laurits, M., Erit, M., Kuresoo, A & Luigujoe, L. 2004. (Is it necessary to describe vegetation composition and structure while mapping birds on floodplain meadows?). *Hirundo* 17(2): 97–107. In Estonian with English summary. (EPMU Zool. Botaanika Inst., Riia 181, EE-51014 Tartu, monca@zbi.ee)

New publication

Wiesenvogelschutz in Niedersachsen (Meadow bird protection in Lower Saxony) edited by Thorsten Krüger and Peter Südbeck, 2004. *Naturschutz und Landschaftspflege in Niedersachsen* 41: 1–125.

For many years, meadow bird populations have been declining in Germany and most other European countries. Within Germany, the largest populations of Lapwings, Snipes, Curlews, Black-tailed Godwits and Redshanks are found in Lower Saxony. In order to halt the declines several reserves have been created and many other efforts to protect wet grasslands have been undertaken. *Wiesenvogelschutz in Niedersachsen* reviews the state of the art of meadow bird protection in Lower Saxony.

Johannes Melter starts the volume with a comprehensive review of meadow bird population changes. His findings are rather disappointing: Dunlin is extinct, Ruff faces extinction and all other species are still declining. Four case studies from a selection of meadow bird reserves follow. The papers give examples of habitat management regimes and report extensively on local population developments and breeding success.

Werner Eickhorst and Jochen Bellebaum compare predation rates of meadow bird nests at sites in eastern and western Germany. Their conclusion is clear: There is no difference between east and west (still an exceptional finding in Germany), corvids can be exonerated from causing population declines by stealing meadow bird eggs, the most important predators of meadow bird eggs and broods are mammals (not only foxes, however), and creating a natural water regime

(including floodings) seems to be the best measure to get rid of the predation problem.

Karsten Schröder and Tasso Schikore analyse habitat requirements, historical population data and the potential availability of natural habitats in Lower Saxony. They propose alternative protection regimes and end with a rather optimistic view: the battle for the meadow birds in Lower Saxony does not seem to be completely lost, provided the right actions are taken!

Thorsten Krüger and Peter Südbeck pick up the results of the other papers of the volume and relate them to agricultural politics and other general developments. Their conclusion is that there is no single, all-inclusive recipe for rescuing the meadow birds of Lower Saxony. Site specific measures are required.

All papers in this volume contain either very valuable data or ideas or both. The booklet is a must for all those interested in meadow bird protection – provided they are able to understand German. Unfortunately there are no English summaries or figure captions.

The publication can be ordered from: Niedersächsisches Landesamt für Ökologie, Postfach 101062, D-31110 Hildesheim, heinrich. klaholt@nloe.niedersachsen.de

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