



EDITOR'S PAGE

A special word of thanks to Fred Atwood, regional compiler for Suffolk County, for his contributions to Bird Observer. We wish him good luck at Bowdoin College!

Stephen P. Grinley will replace Mr. Atwood as regional compiler for Suffolk County, and William C. Drummond of Haverhill has joined Bird Observer as regional compiler for Essex County.

1973 BIRDER'S KIT

This year the Massachusetts Audubon Society has introduced a new service for birders - the 1973 Birder's Kit.

The initial mailing of the Kit will contain a Directory of Natural History Clubs in New England, a current calendar of Bird Club meetings and field trips, the first of a "Where to Watch Birds in Massachusetts" series, two annual checklists and two field cards. Eleven subsequent mailings at approximately monthly intervals will contain four or five "Field Problems" (a series of discussions on particularly difficult areas in field identification); monthly Calendars of Bird Club meetings and field trips, three to five additional issues of "Where to Watch Birds," a checklist summary, and miscellaneous publications such as leaflets on building bird houses and the care of wild birds.

The Kit can be purchased by sending \$5.00 plus 15¢ sales tax to Birder's Kit, Massachusetts Audubon Society, Lincoln, Massachusetts 01773. If you wish to purchase parts of it separately, you can obtain them by writing for Natural History Club Directory (50¢), Bird Walk Calendar (12 issues) January through December (\$2.00), Field Problems (\$2.00), or "Where to Watch Birds" (\$2.50).

BOAT TRIP TO STELLWAGON BANK

The Brookline Bird Club has scheduled a boat trip to Stellwagon Bank on Saturday, October 28, 1973. For information and reservations, write to Mr. Stephen P. Grinley, 1189 Commonwealth Avenue, Apt. 31, Allston, Massachusetts 02134.

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