



If you have never been a treasurer of an organization, it's hard to appreciate the effort involved in sending out dues notices. You also would not realize how frustrating it is to receive a very slow response and have to continually request members to send in their dues.

Our hard-working treasurer has recently mailed out almost seven hundred dues notices. As in other years, follow up notices will be mailed out on December 1, February 1, and March 1. Even after three overdue notices some members won't pay before early summer.

Because of laxness in paying dues it is necessary to carry a higher balance in our checking account that could be earning interest in our special savings account. It is also quite costly to keep sending out overdue notices.

So let's all cooperate with our economy-minded treasurer this year and get our dues in the mail as fast as you would an answer to a "Request for Banding Data" from Patuxent.

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ISLAND BEACH RECOVERY RECORDS

There have been quite a few recovery records of birds banded at Island Beach Operation Recovery Station. From time to time I learn of one, but I know that there are many others. If all those banders, including those who have already reported recoveries to me, will send the complete information to me, I will compile them for publication in EBBA News (with the editors' permission), so that all the information will be available for everyone's interest or use.

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THE FRONT COVER

Terry Frazier's fourth year of banding at IBOR included netting this Kingfisher. (Photo by Frank P. Frazier)