

THE  
PRESIDENT'S  
MESSAGE

EBBA has a hard-working Net Committee. Now they have done all of us netters a big favor and arranged to distribute polyester nets in this country. No longer will it be necessary to send to England at great expense to obtain these long lasting nets. They will start by stocking nine and twelve meter 1-1/4 inch nets. These nets will be tethered at the top, making them useful in situations involving wind. Prices and ordering information can be found on page 53 of this issue.

Some net sizes have turned out to be not as popular as once thought. Nine meter nets of untethered type fall in this category. The committee co-chairmen are running a bargain close-out sale to clear out this non-moving inventory of 1-1/2 and 1-1/4 inch non tethered 9 meter nylon nets. Sale prices are \$1.75 and \$2.55 each, respectively. This represents EBBA's costs for the nets and EBBA pays the postage. First come will be first served.

Dick Waechter and Bob Merritt deserve and get our thanks for the businesslike way they operate.

-- Emil J. Berger, Jr., President, 18B Brookside Drive, Lansdale, Pa.  
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IMPORTANT NOTICE

- A. Annual Meeting details - see page 32 for further details. A PRE-REGISTRATION form is enclosed with your copy of EBBA NEWS.
- B. Annual (1970) Banding Summary form (enclosed) see page 32 for details.
- C. THE NEXT DEADLINE FOR EBBA NEWS IS FEBRUARY 23rd (otherwise further meeting details will not reach our readers on time). All regular columnists will be advised of this change in deadline by mail as well. If you are late, this time, we cannot hold the presses....

Frontispiece photo (pg. 3): Pectoral Sandpiper (*Erolia melanotos*). Photo taken at Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge, New York, on 2 Sep. 1965 by Dr. Donald M. Cooper to introduce Betty Knorr's paper on shorebirds (see page 9).