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Ed Reed has been carrying the AMFO Project, while Roy Frock's Auditing Committee has been checking our accounts.

Secretary Dottie Foy and Treasurer Dave Corkran have been hard at work during their terms.

Last but not least, Gale Goldbeck's Nominating Committee saw to it that at least one slate of candidates for officers and councillors in 1972 was presented to the annual meeting.

The people not mentioned who have been working on behalf of EBBA have just as much of my personal gratitude as the ones I have listed.

All EBBA Members must surely join me in saying "Thanks". To the new administration: my most sincere best wishes.

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RAPTOR BANDERS-ORGANIZE!

Anyone interested in information about an organization for raptor banders, please call or drop a card to the following organizers:

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A questionnaire will be sent to you by return mail.

We want to know what raptor banders want from such an organization before we proceed. Possibilities at present are to set up a separate organization, establish a raptor banding suborganization, or drop the idea completely if no one is interested.

The purpose of such an organization would be the interchange of information on raptor trapping techniques, results, and studies. Also a raptor banding ethic will be established through editorials and article content.

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FIRE ISLAND RESEARCH STATION (Paul A. Buckley)

Fire Island Research Station (FIRS) founded on 1 September 1969, operates on a year-around basis. This report covers a four months period from 24 July to 26 November, 1971. During this period, 10,659 birds of 122 species were banded, as follows:

AUG. (17 days)\*- 1443 birds of 68 spp., in 2910.25 net hrs (0.5 b. per nh)  
SEP. (16 days) - 2363 birds of 90 spp., in 3506.25 net hrs (0.7 b. per nh)  
OCT. (16 days) - 5760 birds of 75 spp., in 1976.25 net hrs (3.0 b. per nh)  
NOV. (10 days) - 1093 birds of 40 spp., in 1274.50 net hrs (0.9 b. per nh)  
(59 days) 10659 birds of 122spp., in 9667.25 net hrs (1.1 b. per nh)

Seven species were added to the station list in 1971: Golden-winged Warbler, Olive-sided Flycatcher, Least Sandpiper, Sanderling, Barn Owl, Common Snipe, and Oregon Junco. The station list now stands at 156 spp., banded.

Two stations were in operation (about 1/3rd of the total number of days, they were in operating, simultaneously), east and west of the USCG Lighthouse. The two habitats are very different and serve to detect habitat preferences by the migrants. For the purpose of this summary, however, the data are lumped together. Listed below, are our 20 most numerous birds; these 20 account for 8465 out of 10659 birds (80%). Percentages listed in the table are based on the entire period total.

Myrtle Warbler	3838 (36%)	Junco	280 (3%)	Song Sparrow	159(1%)
Gold-cr. Kinglet	633 ( 6%)	Ruby-cr. Kinglet	219 (2%)	N.Waterthr.	149(1%)
Goldfinch	387 ( 4%)	Flicker	209 (2%)	Blackpoll W.	146(1%)
Redstart	379 ( 4%)	Red-eyed Vireo	199 (2%)	Yellow Warb.	144(1%)
Yellowthroat	331 ( 3%)	Brown Creeper	185 (2%)	Palm Warbler	143(1%)
Cape May Warbler	310 ( 3%)	Pine Siskin	174 (2%)	Robin	122(1%)
Barn Swallow	295 ( 3%)	Catbird	163 (2%)		

Heaviest days within each month were as follows:

8 August:	29 species,	152 individuals
15 August:	27 "	146 "
21 August:	37 "	294 "
22 August:	35 "	206 "
29 August:	37 "	149 "
6 September:	51 "	603 "
25 September:	52 "	393 "
8 October:	49 "	1111 "
9 October:	45 "	929 "
16 October:	43 "	546 "
13 November:	19 "	202 "
14 November:	22 "	113 "

(\*) Incl. 24 July