## Reviews

The return of Wild Turkeys, one of the most successful of all re-stocking programs, is also dealt with. An early cause of failure was that turkeys liberated were crosses between wild and domestic birds. Once it was realized that only pure Wild Turkeys had the genetic makeup needed for survival, success was assured. What attributes make Wild Turkeys so successful? One is a large reproductive capacity. Hens can nest in their first year, lay about eleven eggs after a single mating, do not desert their well-hidden nests readily and will re-nest if a first nest is lost. "The Wild Turkey," continues Williams, "is a physically tough animal." It can survive sub-zero temperatures in the northern parts of its range and even go days without feeding. In addition to these attributes, the Wild Turkey may have the most varied diet of any animal known. In Virginia alone it has been noted as feeding on over 350 plants.

The last few chapters are on management and the art or science of turkey hunting, including a section on turkey calling. Although professionals oriented toward theory and statistics may find this book unsophisticated, work funded by game management agencies is pretty much concerned with practical problems. Within limits that he undoubtedly had to face, Williams has produced a biologically sound and instructive book.—Lawrence Kilham, Department of Microbiology, Dartmouth Medical School, Hanover, New Hampshire 03755.

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Cruickshank's photographs of birds of America.—Allan D. Cruickshank. 1977. New York, Dover Publications, Inc. x + 182 pp., 177 photographs. 6.00.— It is never too late to bring this fine book to your attention. Allan Cruickshank was probably America's foremost photographer of birds in black and white. His photographs were published in many magazines and books through the years and no doubt influenced the development of several generations of naturalists. This inexpensive, but well-made, large-format paperback includes 102 photographs from Cruickshank's "Wings in the Wilderness" (1947) and 75 additional photographs selected by his wife, Helen. She also wrote a new preface and captions for the photos new to this edition. Any bird-lover will find, as I have, many enjoyable hours of armchair birding in the pages of this book.

This book has a special interest for Floridians because 46 of the 177 photographs (three times more than any other state) were taken in Florida spanning 35 years (1937-1972) of Allan's career. Other localities for the photographs in this book include 14 states and one Canadian province. For those who want to annotate their copy of this book I list, for the Florida photographs, the locality of each photograph followed by the date and page number: "nd" indicates no date.

FLORIDA, 46 photos: ALAFIA BANKS—1969-30, 31; COCOA—1955, May-108; DAYTONA BEACH—1965, November-91; DAYTONA, HALIFAX RIVER—1945, January-44; DRY TORTUGAS—1953, May-9; 1954, May-11; 1955, May-112; EVER-GLADES NATIONAL PARK—1937-8; 1946-26, 27, 28; 1947-18, 19, 20; 1961, January-72; FLORIDA BAY—1937, February-10; GULFPORT—1946, February-2; HOBE SOUND—nd-147; HORSESHOE BEACH—1946, April-70; INDIAN RIVER— 1965, January-51; 1972, January-86; KISSIMMEE PRAIRIE—1937, February-54; 1941-60; January-61; 1947, February-127; April-130; LAKE OKEECHOBEE— 1941, May-69; 1942-29; May-56; LAKE OKEECHOBEE, KINGS BAR REEF—1942-29; MELBOURNE CAUSEWAY—1970, March-12; February-17; MIAMI, HIALEAH RACE TRACK—1946, January-35; ORLANDO—1966, January-50; PORT CANAVERAL —1954, May-118; 1968, May-77; 1971, January-15; ROCKLEDGE—1968, May-138; ST. MARKS NWR—1958-24, 25; TALLAHASSEE—nd-175; TAMPA BAY AREA —1946, January-105; 1947-23; WAKULLA—nd-156 bottom, 157.

I am grateful to Helen Cruickshank, not only for seeing this book to completion, but for providing me with the locality and date information tabulated above.—Fred E. Lohrer, Archbold Biological Station, Venus, Florida 33960. Florida Field Naturalist 13: 23-24, 1985.

## REPORT

Summary of the 1984 fall meeting.—West Palm Beach, Florida was the site of the fall meeting of the Florida Ornithological Society. Howard Langridge and the Audubon Society of the Everglades were our hosts from 5-7 October 1984. President Kittleson thanked the local committee for their work and announced the dates of the next spring meeting in Gainesville (19-21 April) and the fall meeting in Orlando (13-15 September). A Special Fund for the deposit of excess page charges of the Florida Field Naturalist was approved. This may see the Field Naturalist through an unforeseen emergency. Bob Crawford and Howard Langridge will serve as newly elected members of the Records Committee. Guidelines were presented by the Research Awards Committee and a Selection Committee was chosen. The deadline for application for a Research Grant is 15 February, and the maximum amount of a grant is \$300.

There was a special meeting of the general membership and the revised Articles were approved. Mrs. Marlene Putman displayed her portrait of Allan Cruickshank to be placed on the Memorial Trail at Merritt Island in his memory by FOS. In appreciation Mrs. Cruickshank has donated \$200 to the FOS Research Fund.

The following graduate students presented papers at the technical session: Lisa Hanners, "Sexual dimorphism of Laughing Gull chicks"; Stephen R. Patton, "Spatial distribution of foraging gulls at south Florida landfills"; Eva Jones, "Band wear and Sooty Tern longevity"; Kevin McGowen, "Another way of helping: sentinal behavior in Scrub Jays"; Jack Gardner, "Thermal behavior of Anhingas in south Florida"; and Tim Hargrove, "The role of semen preservation in avian conservation". Dr. Greg Harrison spoke on "The role of birds in veterinary medicine" and presented a video tape on "Rearing domestic psittacines".

Jeff Moore again prepared a bird song quiz and Bill Hardy identified most of his own recordings. The prize went to Peggy Powell who was one identification short of matching the expert. Glen Woolfenden won the skin quiz prepared by Shelia Mahoney. The prize for both winners was a photograph by Bill Bolte. Mr. Bolte and his wife Jan have traveled and photographed extensively, and at the banquet he presented a pictorial tour of Alaska.—Marsha S. Winegarner, 2360 Old State Road Eight, Venus, Florida 33960.

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