

NEWS AND NOTES

MEWALDT-KING STUDENT RESEARCH AWARDS

The third annual Mewaldt-King Student Research Awards will be presented at the 1995 meeting of the Cooper Ornithological Society. The two \$1,000 awards are designated, in the memory of L. Richard Mewaldt and James R. King, to support research that relates to the conservation of birds. Research may be in any area of ornithology, but studies that involve demographics, breeding biology, or dispersal biology may be particularly relevant, especially if the species is endangered, threatened, or otherwise "sensitive." Studies of species from threatened ecosystems (e.g., old growth forest, wetlands) are also of particular interest.

1995 PROPOSAL DEADLINE

Proposals must be received by the Mewaldt-King Award Fund Committee on or before January 16, 1995. Only graduate students accepted to or enrolled in a Master's or Doctoral program are eligible for the award. FAXes are not acceptable.

FORMAT

(1) Abstract, (2) Introduction, including (a) relevant background, (b) specific hypotheses to be tested or questions asked, (c) relevance of proposed research to conservation biology, (3) Proposed methods, analyses, and timetable, (4) General categories of expenditures, (5) Literature cited. The proposal abstract and text, excluding literature cited, should not be longer than six single-spaced pages. Proposals must also include the C. V. of the applicant and a letter of support from

the student's major faculty adviser. Three copies of the proposal and support materials are required by the Mewaldt-King Award Fund Committee.

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NOMINEES SOUGHT FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Cooper Ornithological Society invites potential nominees for its board of directors beginning with the 1996 annual meeting. Board members are chosen in an election by the general membership and serve three-year terms. We desire up to two additional candidates with a strong interest in ornithology and the Cooper Society to submit a brief (one page) CV to WALT KOENIG, Hastings Reservation, 38601 E. Carmel Valley Rd., Carmel Valley, CA 93924 (408-659-5981; e-mail: wicker@uclink.berkeley.edu).

CORRECTION

On page 226 of the recently published *Studies in Avian Biology* No. 15 ("A Century of Avifaunal Change in Western North America," edited by J. R. Jehl, Jr. and N. K. Johnson, 1994), the correct population estimate for the Mitred Parakeet (*Aratinga mitrata*) should be "... several hundred individuals" rather than "... several hundred thousand individuals."