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First of all we would like to apologise for the delay in production of this bulletin, one of us was away for the whole of October. However in this bulletin are reports from all the expeditions which left Britain to catch waders in other countries. These provide the extremely valuable information needed by all wader ringers if we are to understand the migration of waders.

One aspect that many of you reading these bulletins will note is that few of the contributions come from Britain. It is time that more British ringers analysed and published their results, this bulletin was started just for this function, so lets have them rolling in.

Ringling Conference 1973: On the Friday evening we will be able to hear Guy Morrison and James Wilson talking on and, we hope, showing their film of the 1972 Cambridge Iceland Expedition. Later on Saturday evening the Wader Study Group will have its business meeting and combine it with talks on the Greenland, Morocco and Swedish/Danish trips. The agenda for the business meeting is enclosed with this bulletin, if anyone has any other item(s) which they wish to raise please will they let Tony Frater have them before the meeting.

Editors addresses

Peter Stanley will be shortly moving, it would be best if any correspondence was sent to him at Pest Infestation Control Lab., M.A.F.F., Hook Rise South, Tolworth Surbiton, Surrey (01 337 6611, ex. 457).

Tony Frater remains as before but the home telephone number is now Cheddington 668862.

1973 Subscriptions

It would be a great help in keeping down administration costs if you could let Ron Birch (8 Thornberry Close, Saughall, Chester) have them as soon as possible, if you are not coming to the Ringing and Migration Conference.

RINGING TOTALS

	RB	WWRG	SBO	TRG	MBWG	SVRG	FRG	ARG
Oystercatcher	1	157		46	78			22
Lapwing				253		5	18	304
Ringed Plover	13	6	2	11	213		15	
Grey Plover	11	62					1	
Golden Plover		4		1				9
Turnstone	4	186			123			
Common Snipe				2		1	6	10
Jack Snipe							1	
Curlew		22		9	31			59
Whimbrel		1					2	
Black-tailed Godwit							1	
Bar-tailed Godwit		6						
Green Sandpiper						4		
Common Sandpiper		1	2			1	15	8
Redshank		231	13	24	94	7	6	45
Spotted Redshank						3		
Greenshank	1	2				6	13	
Knot	4	947					2	
Dunlin	113	1384	183	6	1448	8	145	
Sanderling	1	284			150			
Little Stint		1	11		1			
Curlew Sandpiper		16	8		5		4	
Purple Sandpiper			3		1			

Initials not used before: RB - Rob Berry
SBO - Spurn Bird Observatory
SVRG - Severn Vale Ringing Group

RECENT RECOVERIESOystercatcher

Ad	11.8.67	Snettisham, Wash	x Nordland, Norway	26.5.72
Ad	13.8.67	Snettisham, Wash	+ Vest Agder, Norway	30.7.72
Juv	18.11.67	Heacham, Wash	x Rogaland, Norway	6.6.72
Juv	18.11.67	" "	x Nordland, "	7.8.72
Juv	24.8.68	Snettisham, Wash	+ Nord, France	23.8.72
1Y	25.8.68	" "	x More e Romsdal, Norway	16.7.72
Ad	25.8.68	" "	x Rogaland, Norway	19.6.72
Juv	30.8.68	" "	x " "	2.7.72
1S	30.8.68	" "	x " "	12.6.72
Ad	30.8.68	" "	+ More e Romsdal, Norway	1.6.72
Ad	30.1.71	Heacham, Wash	x Finnmark, Norway	1.6.72
Ad	19.1.69	Walney, Morecambe	x More e Romsdal, Norway	19.6.72
Ad	23.11.69	Piel, Morecambe	x Faeroes	8.4.72
1Y	5.11.67	Point of Air, Dee	x Nordland, Norway	15.7.72
Ad	17.8.66	Whitford, Burry	x Sogn e Fjordane, Norway	23.4.72
Imm	25.8.68	" "	x Sogn e Fjordane, Norway	mid 5.72
2Y	26.2.71	Brownsea, Poole	v Skerhagi, Iceland	6.8.72
Ad	5.3.72	Horsea, Portsmouth	x Rotterdam Airport, Netherlands	8.6.72

Few recoveries were reported within Britain; there being six birds ringed in Morecambe Bay and three ringed in the Burry Inlet all recovered in Scotland.

Lapwing

Pull	9.7.70	Oxford	+ Estremadura, Portugal	25.6.72
FG	16.2.70	East Tilbury, Essex	+ Bryansk, U.S.S.R.	15.8.71
Ad	8.11.69	Wolferton, Wash	+ Jylland, Denmark	12.8.72

Ringed Plover

The bird from Dahomey is the furthest south British Ringed Plover recovered to date. Also of note are two birds which were breeding on the Wash and were controlled in Morecambe Bay, one in autumn and one in winter.