WADERS BREEDING ON WET GRASSLANDS - and a special offer on grassland bird reports

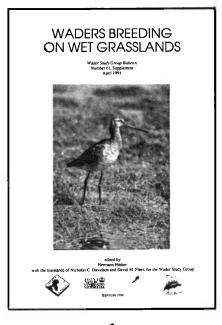
Each WSG member will by now have received the first of the three WSG Bulletin Supplements promised for 1991/92. This is Waders breeding on wet grasslands, edited by Hermann Hötker - the proceedings of a workshop held during the 1989 WSG Annual Conference at Ribe, Denmark.

The 107-page supplement represents another "first" for the WSG Bulletin - a full-colour photographic cover. Furthermore, through the provision of generous financial assistance from the Danish Natural Environmental Research Institute, the UK Joint Nature Conservation Committee and the Dutch Directie Natuur, Milieu en Faunabeheer, it has been possible to produce this supplement without additional charge to group members.

Preparation of the other two special WSG Bulletin Supplements currently in hand is progressing well. The migration of Knots (the product of another workshop held during the Ribe conference) is being edited by Theunis Piersma and Nick Davidson and will be about 200 pages long. This volume will be published shortly as WSG Bulletin 63, Supplement. The other special supplement - Disturbance to waterfowl on estuaries, edited by Phil Rothwell will be published in mid-1992. Like Waders breeding on wet grasslands both will be supplied to WSG members at no extra costs to their subscriptions.

Additional copies of *Waders breeding* on wet grasslands are now available, price £10 post free, from the UK Joint Nature Conservation Committee (see below).







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Each of the three reports has been produced in collaboration with the UK Joint Nature Conservation Committee (one of the successors of the Nature Conservancy Council), and are highly complementary. They not only give detailed information on the extent of these grassland habitats in Europe but also on current policy opportunities. They will be of particular interest to site managers, to those involved in promoting policy issues, and to anyone with a need for an up-to-date European perspective of these issues.

The other two reports available are:

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