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**Birds of Pennsylvania, When and where to find them.** — Merrill Wood. Pennsylvania State Univ., Box 6000, University Park, Pa. 16802. 1972. Ill.: drawings, Dorothy Bordner. 142 pp., \$2.00. softbound. A general introductory chapter is followed by an annotated species list of the 381 currently-accepted species for the state. This is a third revision of a commendable little book, and a great bargain. — R. A.

**New Jersey Field Trip Guide.** — William J. Boyle, Jr. 3rd Edition. The Summit Nature Club, Inc. 1979. Softcover. 55 pp. Price N.A. Updated edition describes the best areas in New Jersey, plus three out of state. Numerous detailed maps. — R. A.

**Virginia's Birdlife; An Annotated Checklist.** — Prepared by the Checklist Committee of the Virginia Society of Ornithology. Virginia Avifauna Number 2, 1979. 118 pp. \$4.50 paperbound, ppd. (available from V.S.O. Treasurer, 520 Rainbow Forest Drive, Lynchburg, VA 24501). Some will complain that no bibliography is included. I supposed that readers who are bright enough to respond to the book's scheme will also be bright enough to find their own "further reading." However, I prefer annotated checklists that contain a 'references cited' section — it need not be panoramic — just modest and helpful; enough to, in the end, give this book the final kiss of coherence. For each of 400 species occurring in Virginia, breeding status, seasonal occurrence and abundance, peak

counts, Christmas Bird Count data, Breeding Bird Survey data, are given with reference to the state's three physiographic regions: the Coastal Plain (eastern part of the state to the Fall Line); Piedmont (central section of the state from the Fall Line west to the base of the Blue Ridge Mountains); the Mountains and Valleys (the western part of the state east to the Piedmont). Records have been included through December 1978, so that this small volume fills nicely a niche left empty for too long. — S. R. D.

**Where to Find Birds in British Columbia.** — David M. Mark. Kestrel Press, P.O. Box 2054, New Westminster, B.C. V3L 5A3. 1979. 72 pp. \$3.00, Canadian. softcover. The Province is divided into eight regions and for each region a varying number of birding areas can be described. A list of "sought-after" species, with recommended locations, is included. — R. A.

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