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species, etc. Copies of or references to published data in less widely-distributed periodicals will be much appreciated. Please address all correspondence to: Allan R. Keith, P.O. Box 325, New Vernon, New Jersey 07976.

### REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

C.W.S. Shorebird Colour-marking

In 1980, the Canadian Wildlife Service continued a large-scale shorebird banding and colour-marking project in James Bay. Since 1974, over 45,700 shorebirds of 27 species have been captured and much information on migration and dispersal routes is being obtained. Observers are asked to look out for and report any colour-dyed or colour-banded shorebirds that they may see. Reports should include details of species, age (if possible), place, date, time, colour-marks and a note of the number of that species present. For colour-dyed birds please record the colour and area of the bird that was dved. For colour-bands and standard metal leg bands, please record which leg the bands were on, whether they were above or below the 'knee', the colours involved, and the relative position of the bands if more than one was on a leg (e.g. lower right leg. blue over metal etc.). All reports will be acknowledged and should be sent to Dr. R.I.G. Morrison, Canadian Wildlife Service, 1725 Woodward Drive, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada KIG 3Z7.

# Announcements

#### REQUEST FOR BIRD RECORDS FROM THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC AND HAITI

A project has been started to update and revise the bird status and distribution information contained in *The Birds of Haiti and the Dominican Republic* by Wetmore and Swales (1931). The authors are to be Mrs. Annabelle Dod of Santo Domingo, D. R., and Allan R. Keith. A moderate amount of literature research and considerable field work have already been done. But because there have been many visitors to

Hispaniola who may have records of interest and since there has not been any central place to which to submit them for publication, it has been decided to make a general public request for such data. It is believed that a modern, accurate account of the bird fauna of the island will be of benefit to students of Caribbean birds generally and of aid to those wishing to promote the conservation of both resident and passage migrant species on Hispaniola. Notes should be accompanied by all appropriate details on locality, field conditions, previous experience with any unusual

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## REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE Eastern Bluebird Study

During the spring and summer of 1980, the Muddy Run Ecological Laboratory conducted an Eastern Bluebird banding project near the towns of Holtwood and Drumore, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. Bluebirds were banded with numbered, colored leg bands of either red, yellow, green or blue, in addition to the standard Fish and Wildlife Service leg bands. Observers of these birds are asked to report such details as sex, exact location, data, time of day, number of bluebirds in the flock, number (if possible), color and position of bands (e.g. left leg green over metal or left leg green, right leg metal). Please report sightings, along with your name, address, and telephone number, to the Bird Banding Laboratory, Laurel, MD 20811, with a copy to ROBERT M. SCHUTSKY, Muddy Run Ecological

Laboratory, P.O. Box 10, Drumore, Pennsylvania 17518 (phone 717-548-2121). All reports will be acknowledged.

#### NORTHEASTERN BIRD BANDING ASSOCIATION RESEARCH GRANT

The E. Alexander Bergstrom Memorial Research Fund of the Northeastern Bird Banding Association, Inc., promotes research on birds. Small grants, usually not exceeding \$200, are available to cover expenses but not salaries or overhead charges to institutions. Further details and application forms may be obtained from Susan Roney Drennan, Chairman, NEBBA Research Committee, American Birds, 950 Third Avenue, New York, NY 10022. The deadline for filing completed applications is February 15, 1981.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENT**

The New England Hawk Migration Committee of The Connecticut Audubon Council announces A New England Regional Hawk Migration Conference to be held in April, 1981. This meeting will commemorate ten years of organized hawk watching in New England. Detailed announcements will be forthcoming. For information write: Hawks, Box 212, Portland, Connecticut 06480.

#### NOTICE

Ten years of New England hawk mi-

gration data are now available collectively at the library of Taft School in Watertown, Connecticut 06795. Persons wishing to use these data may do so by contacting New England Hawk Migration Committee member, Neil Currie (203-274-3050).



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