MEETINGS

THE FOURTH JOINT meeting of the Cooper and Wilson Ornithological Societies will be held June 6-9, 1985, at the University of Colorado in Boulder. A three-day scientific program and several half-day symposia are planned. Morning field trips are planned to nearby habitats, and all-day trips to Pawnee National Grassland and Rocky Mountain National Park. Meeting announcements will be mailed out in January, and abstracts are due by March 6. Queries can be addressed to Cynthia Carey, of the Local Committee on Arrangements, or to Carl Bock, of the Scientific Program Committee, at the Department of EPO Biology, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO 80309.

THE 103rd STATED meeting of the American Ornithologists' Union will be held October 7-11, 1985, at Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona. There will be a symposium on the Conservation and Management of Bald Eagles. The deadline for manuscripts and program space is June 1, 1985. Papers delivered at the symposium will be peer reviewed and published as a monograph. The Chairman of the Committee on Local Arrangements is Robert D. Ohmart, Department of Zoology, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ 85287. Queries may be addressed to him.

THE 19th INTERNATIONAL Ornithological Congress will be held in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, June 22-29, 1986. The President of the Congress is Dr. Klaus Immelman. The scientific program has been determined and comprises plenary lectures, symposia, contributed papers (oral and posters), round table discussions, special interest group meetings, and workshops. Pre- and post-Congress excursions and workshops are planned, as well as early-morning bird walks and other activities for members and those accompanying members.

The deadline for registration and submission of contributed papers is January 1986. Additional information, the final circular, and registration forms are available from: Dr. Henri Ouellet, Secretary General, XIX Congressus Internationalis Ornithologicus, National Museum of Natural Sciences, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada K1A OM8.

ANNOUNCEMENT

KIRTLAND'S WARBLER nesting areas in northern Michigan will be closed and posted against public entry during the 1985 nesting season. Warbler watchers may see the bird and view nesting areas only by participating in guided tours conducted by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the U.S. Forest Service.

Free guided tours to warbler nesting areas will depart from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Grayling Field Office in Grayling, and from the U.S. Forest Service District Ranger Office in Mio. The tours will begin May 15 and end July 4. The Grayling tour will be offered daily at 7:00 A.M. and 11:00 A.M. The Mio tour will be offered at 7:30 A.M. Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, and at 7:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M. on Saturday and Sunday. No tours will be offered on Monday or Tuesday from Mio.

Actual sighting of Kirtland's Warbler is not guaranteed. The average date when the first Kirtland's Warbler arrives at the nesting area is May 12; the latest recorded date of the first arrival is May 20. Thus, the chance of seeing the bird during the early guided tours is less than optimum. The best period for seeing the warbler is during late May and the month of June. The chance of viewing diminishes after July 1. Participants are encouraged to bring binoculars or spotting scopes. The playing of recorded warbler singing will not be allowed, and special efforts will not be made for photographers.

Tour guides prefer small groups because they create less disturbance and are more likely to see the bird. No reservations are necessary for individuals or small groups, but large groups are urged to contact the following offices after April 15, 1985, for reservations so that time schedules can be established:

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service c/o Michigan Department of Natural Resources Grayling Field Office P.O. Box 57 Grayling, MI 49738

Phone: 517-348-6371

OF

U.S. Forest Service District Ranger Huron National Forest Mio, MI 48647 Phone: 517-826-3252 Prior to April 15, answers to specific questions not covered above may be obtained from:

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Wildlife Assistance 310 Manly Miles Building 1403 South Harrison Road East Lansing, MI 48823 Phone: 517-337-6652

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