News, Notes, Comments

Neck Collared Trumpeter Swans

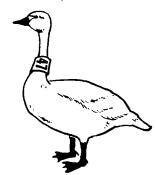
Dear Cooperator:

The Wyoming Game and Fish Department needs your help in locating Trumpeter Swans wearing green plastic neck collars or leg markers. During the summers of 1983–1985, collars will be placed on Trumpeter Swans that reside in the Snake and Green River drainages of Wyoming. The plastic collars are a bright green with one or two white numerals (2 inches high and in one position on the collar), and a symbol (in another position on the collar). Cygnets will only have a colored leg marker on either the left or right leg. All swans will have a #9 metal leg band. Each collar marked "swan" can be identified by either the numerals or symbols.

Identify Leg Marker Color and Leg On (Right or Left)

Read Neck Collar From Head toward body





The collaring effort will, with sufficient observation data, provide biologists with information on migration, local movements, dispersal to areas outside these drainages, recruitment of breeding adults into the flock, and mortality rates. Please inform all interested organizations, bird watchers, and biologists within your organization of this program. Record the following information on marked swans observed: color of collar, the number and/or symbol on collar, date of siting, location of siting, and observer and address.

Send to or call: Dave Lockman, Migratory Bird Biologist, Box 96, Smoot, WY 83126, phone: (307) 886–9470, and Chief, Bird Banding Laboratory, Office of Migratory Bird Management, Laurel, Maryland 20708.

Research grants

The Eastern Bird Banding Association and the Western Bird Banding Association are each offering a research grant of \$250 in aid of research using bird banding techniques or bird banding data. An applicant should submit a resumé of his or her banding or ornithological background, the project plan, and a budget to the joint selection committee chairman: Robert C. Leberman, Powdermill Nature Reserve, Star Route South, Rector, PA 15677.

No formal application forms are available, and the amount requested should not exceed \$250. The deadline for receipt of applications is 15 March 1985.

Inland Bird Banding Newsletter

The Inland Bird Banding Association is beginning its sixth year of publishing its quarterly newsletter edited by Willetta Lueshen, and illustrated by Carol Rudy.

Its distribution is nation wide and in addition is sent to Canada, Mexico and several European countries. It is used to publish short articles and hints on banding. Its interest level is for everyone and would benefit all who read it.

The newsletter can be obtained through a yearly subscription of \$5.00. You can send your payment for this publication to the Treasurer of Inland Bird Banding Association, C. Homes Smith, 6305 Cumberland Road SW, Sherrodsville, Ohio 44675.

NABS RESEARCH GRANT AWARDS

The North American Bluebird Society provides grants in aid for ornithological research directed toward cavity nesting species of North America with an emphasis on the genus Sialia. The 1984 recipients of research grants include:

BLUEBIRD GRANT Jeffrey Brawn Topic—The Effect of Habitat and Density on the Breeding Biology of Western Bluebirds. \$895.00

GENERAL GRANT Jeffrey Froke
Topic—The Role of Nestboxes in the Study and
Management of Cavity-Nesting Birds. \$1000.00

STUDENT GRANT Gregory Hayward Topic—Habitat Requirements and Distribution of the Boreal Owl in the Northern Rocky Mts. \$900.00