



Eastern Regional News

Eastern Bird Banding Association

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Excerpts from Minutes of EBBA's 73rd Annual Meeting held 12-14 April 1996 at National Wildlife Visitor Center Laurel, Maryland

Memorial Grant Committee: Out of eight applicants, two grants of \$250 each were awarded. (See report published elsewhere in this section of the journal.)

Mist Net Committee: Gale Smith reported we are still having communications problems with our net supplier in Japan. Other possible sources of supply are being investigated.

Editor: Apology was made by Bob Pantle for the lateness of the last issue of *NABB*. He expressed a need for more people to referee submitted papers for publication. He also announced that Susannah Graedel offered to help prepare an index for *NABB*.

Historian: Brad Silfies has two volumes of historical books which he will be sending to the Smithsonian for archival storage.

Membership: Elaine Mease announced we added 22 new members in the past year but the year ended in a loss of 27 members for a current total membership of 483. She urged members to bring in new members and also to bring them to an annual meeting.

Legislative Awareness: Mary Forness has copies of important legislative items that members should be aware of and take action on.

Nominating Committee: Chairman Roy Slack presented the following list of nominees of officers for the coming year:

President	Gerald Lahr
First Vice President	Earl Hodnett
Second Vice President	David Hauber
Third Vice President	Elizabeth Brooks
Secretary	Robert McKinney
Treasurer	Donald Mease
Councilor - Class of 1999	Danny Bystrak
Councilor " "	Thomas Mutchler
Councilor " "	Richard Roberts
Councilor " "	Cathie Slack
Councilor - Class of 1997	Barbara Ross
Councilor " "	Mary Forness

The motion was made and passed instructing the secretary to cast one ballot for the slate.

Old Business: Mary Doscher, reporting on Operation Wingchord, said the committee is hopeful of soon being able to publish the results on Northern Mockingbird and Wood Thrush. More data are needed for Louisiana Waterthrush.

New Business: Robert Yunick reported on changes in the 1995 Internal Revenue tax code which states that anyone claiming a donation for a contribution of more than \$250 on their tax return must have on file a letter describing the donation. The Council has authorized Bob to prepare such a letter from EBBA to be signed by the treasurer Don Mease. He will work with the BBL to prepare a letter that they will also give to banders.

It was announced that the 1997 annual meeting will be held at Kiptopeke, Virginia, the weekend of 11, 12, and 13 April. The 1998 meeting has been tentatively set for the weekend

of 18, 19, and 20 April at Erie, Pennsylvania, near Presque Isle State Park.

Friday Night's Program: *Migratory Movements of Saw-whet Owls* — *David F. Brinker*

Saturday: Equipment and poster displays, a bird quiz, and the bucket raffle were presented.

(1) Paper Session - Hannah Bonsey Suthers, Moderator, AM Session; Roy Slack, Moderator, PM Session

Estimates of Bird Population Change from Six Migration Banding Stations in the Mid-Atlantic Region - *John R. Sauer*, Wildlife Biologist, Patuxent Wildlife Research Center

The Effects of Mist-netting Frequency on Capture Rates at MAPS Stations - *Kenneth M. Burton*, Coordinator MAPS Program

Constant Effort Mist-netting at Jug Bay: 1990-1995 - *Christopher Swarth*, Director Jug Bay Wetlands Sanctuary

Banding as a Tool in Forest Conservation in Central America - *Chandler S. Robbins*, Wildlife Biologist, Patuxent Wildlife Research Center

Banding Operations at Kiptopete, Virginia - *Earl Hodnett*, Superintendent of Administration for Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority

The North American Duck Banding Program - *John Tautin*, Chief, Bird Banding Lab.

Techniques in Trapping and Banding Migratory Sora Rails on the Patuxent River, Maryland - *Gregory D. Kearns*, Naturalist, Patuxent River Park

Mortality Associated with Bridge Roosting by Purple Martins Along U.S. Gulf Coast - *Keith Kimmerle*, Captain, U.S. Air Force

Seasonal and Annual Patterns in Black-chinned Hummingbirds in Southeastern Arizona - *Steve Russell*, Professor, University of Arizona

Annual Report from the Bird Banding Laboratory.

Presentation and Discussion of North American Banding Council Proposals with Richard M. Burton, Moderator.

(2) Workshop Session

Methods of Capturing and Banding Hummingbirds - *Ruth Russell*, Researcher of Hummingbirds in Arizona

Preparation of Manuscripts for NABB - *Jerome Jackson*, Professor of Biological Sciences at Mississippi State University, and *Robert Pantle*, EBBA Past President, EBBA Editor, and *NABB* Prod. Mgr.

Oh Help! It's Brown and Streaked - *David Holmes*, Bander, Shoals Marine Laboratory on Appledore Island, Maine

How to Prepare Computer Schedules Using BAND-OPS - *B. H. Powell*, Patuxent Wildlife Research Center

Banquet Program:

Banding Birds of Paradise and Other Adventures in New Guinea - *Bruce M. Beehler*, Office of Ecology and Terrestrial Conservation, U.S. Dept. of State

EBBA and IBBA wish to thank all the people who participated in this program for their willingness to present and share their knowledge. Special thanks to *Nell Baldacchino* and *Patty Nagel* and their assistants of the Visitor Center. Thanks also to the BBL crew, Danny Bystrak, Woody Martin, and Chan Robbins.

Special thanks to: Barbara Ross - Program Chairman; Alan & Carol Behret - Bucket Raffle; Mark Johnson - Program Art Work & Transportation; Sharon Schwemmer and Lucy Grimes et al - Registration; Glenda Weber - Packet Info.

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1996 MEMORIAL GRANT RECIPIENTS

Eight applications were received for the 1996 Memorial Grants. Two applicants were selected to receive the grants:

Gregory A. Jones, 33 Filkins Street, Fairport, NY 14450: Stopover of Neotropical and Temperate Landbird Migrants on the South Shore of Lake Ontario during Spring Migration.

Dr. Benjamin B. Steele, Department of Natural Sciences, Colby-Sawyer College, 100 Main Street, New London, NH 03257: Habitat Use by Wintering Northern Waterthrushes in Puerto Rico.

Robert G. Sagar, Chairperson
Memorial Grants Committee