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REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE

Gyrfalcon.—Winter Gyrfalcon sightings are wanted. Information on the age and sex of clearly identified Gyrfalcons is needed in conjunction with research being done on nesting Yukon Gyrfalcons. Please send sightings along with date and general location to: Joseph B. Platt, Laboratory of Ornithology, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853.

Shorebirds.—A cooperative International Shorebird Survey was started in 1975 to obtain information on shorebird migration and to identify and document areas of major importance. This scheme has been highly successful, with much very valuable information on shorebird distribution and migration coming from contributors throughout eastern Canada and the U.S., the Caribbean Islands, and Central and South America. In 1976 we are anxious to continue and extend the scheme in as many areas as possible. Any observer who may be able to participate in regular survey counts of shorebirds during spring and autumn migration periods, as well as during the winter in shorebird wintering areas, is asked to contact one of the undersigned. Occasional counts from observers visiting shorebird areas on an irregular basis would also be most welcome.

For areas in Canada: Dr. R. I. G. Morrison, Canadian Wildlife Service, 2721 Highway 31, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada K1A 0H3.

For areas in the U.S., Caribbean Islands, Central and South America: Brian A. Harrington, Manomet Bird Observatory, Manomet, MA 02345.