

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

In the last issue, the Editor requested that members communicate to him their ideas concerning the types of articles and other features which they would like to see in EBBA NEWS. To date, only three such letters have been received, together with a few additional comments appended to communications concerning other matters. Even from this small sample of opinion it is evident that EBBA NEWS is read by persons with a wide variety of differing interests and knowledge concerning banding. Therefore, pending further comments from members, it would seem that a variety of materials should be used so as to give each member at least one item of real appeal to him.

A half dozen or so members have sent in contributions for use in the news, but the back log of material is not sufficiently large at the moment to permit us to add an additional sheet of four pages each month. Please try to send the Editor some material so that he will be able to do this soon. Below, in a letter received by the Editor, you will see topics about which information should prove useful.

In future issues, it is planned to present details concerning the construction and use of various types of traps. If any member has made any modifications in standard trap design which have proved superior to the original, the Editor would appreciate being advised of such changes so that they can be passed on to other members. Of course, many persons who have been banding for a number of years may find such presentations repetitious, but it must be remembered that many new members of the Association do not have access to the plans for many traps such as the Modesto, Fabian, Middleton thrush, Verball, and others which many of us use regularly.

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ROBIN SYMPOSIUM

It is planned to devote the entire November issue to a symposium on the Robin similar to those recently appearing on the Junco and White-throated Sparrow. The September issue, which should reach you about the tenth of the month, will contain detailed instructions, so meanwhile, why not look over your data on this interesting species?