

MEMO TO BIRD BANDERS  
FROM: The Editor  
SUBJECT: Banding Reports

Allen Duvall's memorandum dated August 28, 1963 and sent to all bird banders, deserves the careful study and full cooperation of every EBBA member. As tax payers as well as bird banders, we owe it to ourselves to be most meticulous in carrying out our responsibilities in regard to our reports to the Bird Banding Laboratory.

Allen Duvall's instructions are clear and to the point. Exact adherence to his instructions on how to submit Banding Schedules is not only necessary to help his office process them, it is also of vital importance to each bander who desires to get information on recoveries of birds he has banded -- and who doesn't?

A half hour's planning now, made with this memo and the Banding Manual at one's elbow, will greatly lighten the task of filling out one's schedules in January. We suggest (and we are doing this for our own banding station) that EBBA banders set aside a file folder (or envelope, or desk drawer) that contains the following:

1. A road map, or maps, clearly marked with banding station locations as outlined in the 2nd paragraph of Allen Duvall's memo of 8/28/63.
2. This memo itself, with check marks and underlinings of points especially applicable to one's own requirements.
3. A copy of the appropriate Banding Manual pages similarly marked.
4. A supply of the new 3-860 (Rev. 1961) Banding Schedules and of Form 3-137B for reporting returns.
5. A firm and sincere promise to one's self to do the job of submitting schedules properly prepared and on time.



#### A LETTER FROM NEW ZEALAND

"I have had a glance through the 'News' and my first reactions are how I envy you people the very large range of species that are available to banders. Although I topped the N.Z. banders for number of species banded in 1960-61 (23), 1961-62 (22) and 1962-63 (20) my total number of species for the last five years is only 35. I think the total number of species banded by all N.Z. banders in the last 12 years is only something like 98. . .