

the nets set about 3' above the water surface). All the nets I have bought for the last few years have been tethered by the makers using the fish-line technique (discovered here independently of the Poles some years ago): it is invaluable.

Terylene netting is quite supple and the small mesh catches nearly everything including *Regulus* which go into it. If any one you know would like to try some British nets we can supply them (after having checked they have a banding and netting permit).

BTO, Beech Grove, TRING, Herts.

CONSERVATION AWARDS

We take especial pride in the conservation awards given to EBBA members in recognition of their work in this field which is so closely related to bird banding activities.

Of the ten awards made by the American Motors Corporation to professional conservationists one went to EBBA member Ted S. Pettit, Somerville, N.J., director of conservation for the Boy Scouts of America, "for his more than two decades of conservation promotion through the Boy Scouts. He was instrumental in the insertion of natural resources conservation into the scouting program . . . also directed the highly effective nationwide Conservation Good Turn program in which 3,700,000 boys and leaders participated."

And of the ten awards to non-professionals, "whose conservation efforts are a voluntary expression of good citizenship," one went to Robert W. Patterson, of Mt. Desert Island, Maine (who doubtless helps his wife - EBBA member - in banding) "for spearheading a campaign to save the Allagash region of Northern Maine from commercialization."

