TREASURER'S NOTES

Many thanks to the four hundred and ninety-six of you who by the fourth of January have paid your dues or joined EBBA for 1970.

Some members were erroneously billed when they had paid in advance. All of you were most gracious when I caught up with myself and wrote a note of apology. If I missed anyone please let me know as I don't want you to miss any issues of EBBA News.

To those of you who tucked your dues notices aside - please pay up the day after you get this issue of EBBA News...or even the same day! Our annual meeting is late this year and the membership list will be out early. Obviously, no pay, no listing, or EBBA News after this issue. (We know of at least one member whose dues notice didn't reach him...this is no excuse: please consider this paragraph a dues notice/reminder! -Ed.)

Perhaps we need to clarify the terms of membership in EBBA. 1970 dues cover all issues in 1970 if renewed by February 28. Since the dues notices go out in November, this is a most lenient renewal date.

New members after the first of the year get all issues if they join by the middle of April. A new member joining after the first of August receives the Sept.-Oct. and Nov.-Dec. issues as well as those of the following year.

There is obviously a nether-nether area between April and August which may be discussed at the next Council meeting.

In all fairness, however, where can you get an equal value for \$4.00?

Memorial Award Fund: Since June 15, \$462.70 has been added to this fund. Donations have been made in the memory of Ted Croyle, Elise Dickerson, Marie Dumont, and B.J. Warburton. The faster the fund grows, the faster we can put our interest to work for banding.

EBBA Arm Patches: To date 131 orders have been received. The patches arrived in person while I was on a teacher's holiday - just missing the snows and floods of Vermont and Maine. They will be mailed to you the second week in January. If you don't get yours by the time you read this, please let me hear from you. If you haven't ordered one yet, I will be glad to take your order.

May the New Year have banding firsts for you all.

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