COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES - Eastern Bird Banding Association, Island Beach Motor Lodge, Seaside Park, N. J.
April 27, 1973

Meeting called to order at 3:00 p.m. on the above date by Jeff Swinebroad, President, in room 225 of the Island Beach Motor Lodge, Seaside Park, N. J.

Attending:

Ted Beckett, Emil Berger, Charles Blake, Dorothy Bordner, Mary Clench, Davis Corkran, Ronald French, Mrs. Roger M. Foy, George Lakata, Robert Leberman, Mrs. Edward Mandenhall, Mrs. Eugene T. McDonald, Katherine Price, Christopher Rose, Frederick S. Schaeffer, Gale W. Smith, Seldon Spencer, Jeff Swinebroad, Mabel Warburton, Robert Yunick.

Minutes:

Minutes of the 1972 meeting were approved with corrections.

Officers Reports: <u>President</u>: Jeff Swinebroad - No progress has been made toward "The Great Journal Joining". No auditor could be found for an audit of the books before the meetings. This will be taken care of at a later date. Report accepted with thanks.

Secretary: Mrs. Eugene T. McDonald - No report.

Treasurer: Davis Corkran - Because of the late mailing of dues notices in 1972, there was an overlap in dues receipts which tends to project a bullish financial picture. Our major expenditure, EBBA News, was published on schedule with some awesome, oversized issues, yet they were well within the budget allocation. The editor and our printer are to be congratulated for their accomplishments. Membership renewals are lagging. We have only 57% renewals as of the annual meeting. Dues are payable as of January first. Members are

urged to remit their dues promptly. If this is done, we will be able to operate within our budget with no increase in dues necessary at this time. Report accepted with thanks.

Editor: Fred Schaeffer - The editor has a sufficient backlog of scientific articles but desperately needs nontechnical articles. I am asking the membership to come forth with the kind of material they would like to see in EBBA News. I have requested our president to get some help with the typing of camera copy for EBBA News. For reasons of health and pressures at my place of employment. I have no choice but to make this request. If no one can be found to do this chore, I will have to give up the editorship. The May issue of EBBA News is the last issue I will type for copy. Beginning with the May issue important information will appear concerning the Editor's handling of manuscripts received for publication. Members of EBBA should realize that I do have a personal life and I do have a demanding job; as such, a time has been set aside for work on EBBA News. Therefore, all comments regarding EBBA News or manuscripts should be in writing and not by telephone. Members whose mail does not get answered immediately should be patient. With twenty-five or more letters weekly. much time is consumed in correspondence. In addition, I would like to do some banding once in awhile, also. Report accepted with thanks.

Standing Committees:

PROGRAM: Chris Rose - This, the fiftieth annual meeting of the Eastern Bird Banding Association is dedicated to three charter members who are present today. They are Howard Cleaves, Mabel Gillespie, and Raymond Middleton. Report accepted with thanks.

LOCATION: Ronald French - The 1974 meeting will be combined with North Eastern Bird Banding Association at Manomet Bird Observatory, Manomet, Mass. Actual dates have not been set as yet, but Kathleen Anderson will advise us of these very shortly. We

are hoping for an early June meeting. Council members and officers will be advised as soon as dates for the meeting are chosen. Report accepted with thanks.

FINANCE: George Lakata - Based on the treasurer's receipts and disbursements for 1972 we have operated at \$477.36 below the estimated budget and \$766.72 below our income. The 1973 budget has been compiled from figures and estimates based on the previous year's budget (1972) and actual disbursements. With no irregular budgetary outlay for the next year or two, the association will be able to meet its financial obligations. Report received and accepted with thanks.

PUBLICATION: Robert Yunick - A questionnaire was sent out to a random number of members. In compiling the results received, the majority were favorable responses to EBBA News. The majority registered some dissatisfaction with certain specific points, some of which have been resolved. Others will be discussed with the editor later. The respondents saw little need to replace or supplement EBBA News with any additional publication. They were generally satisfied that it met their needs. Strong feeling was expressed for a balanced editorial policy with some opposition to a highly technical journal. EBBA News! identity should be maintained for it appears to mean a great deal to a significant number of people who pay the bills. There was no overall trend on how to get more reader involvement. In the past articles on aging and sexing have drawn great interest as has Ralph Bell's Diary and similar writings on personal experiences. Members are very interested in upgrading their skills. There appears to be a definite need to supply this kind of information. The EBBA News' strengths are: 1) its appeal to a wide spectrum of people, 2) the dedication of the staff to its cause, and 3) its communicative value.

In summary, I feel that EBBA News and the people behind it are doing a very satisfactory job which is appreciated by the majority of readers. A few rough spots exist involving people and problems. Attention has and will continue to be focused upon them to try to correct them. While we can hope for a zero-defect system, in reality it is very difficult to achieve, but efforts will be made to strive for even greater reader satisfaction. I would like to emphasize that EBBA News cannot be a one-man operation. The more assistance you as council members, acting as individual members. can lend to the operation, the more all of us will benefit from the end result. Act on your own behalf and convince your friends to act positively to make the News an even better publication. Report accepted with thanks.

NOMINATIONS: Katherine Price - This committee submits the following slate:

President: Jeff Swinebroad
lst Vice-President: Christopher Rose
2nd Vice-President: Ronald French
3rd Vice-President: George Lakata
Secretary: Mrs. Eugene T. McDonald

Treasurer: Davis Corkran

For Council whose terms of office will expire in 1976:

From W. Va.: Constance Katholi
" N. J.: Waldron Kennison
" Pa.: Frank Newman
" N. Y.: Robert Pantle

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to accept the slate as presented.

<u>CONSERVATION</u>: Earl Baysinger - not present - no report.

AUDITING: No chairman appointed - no report.

MEMORIAL GRANT: Will Merritt - No grant was awarded this year. A recommendation was made and left to the discretion of next year's committee that the memorial grant be doubled for 1974. Report accepted with thanks.

EDUCATION: Seldon Spencer - As Chairman of the ad hoc Education Committee, late in the fall of 1972 I contacted eight selected members to serve with me on this committee. Three already very busy people responded very favorably: Kathleen Anderson, Harold Burtt and Jon Greenlaw. The following are excerpts from their responses:

- 1. There is no more effective medium for arousing interest (followed by concern) in the natural world than a living bird to be banded and returned to the wild.
- 2. It is agreed by several members of the banding office that although birds banded for educational purposes seldom contribute to seientific research, this is an acceptable and, indeed desirable, use of banding techniques provided always that the banding is carefully and completely done; that the records are accurate; that every aspect of the program is handled absolutely legally; and that these aspects are stressed in the presentation.
- 3. A suggestion that a reference packet for banders who are considering using live birds in educational work is regarded as a fine idea. Several teachers on the secondary level who have banding permits use banding in their teaching. They might be prevailed upon to summarize their ideas for this teaching reference packet.

- 4. Three things we might try to accomplish in educating the public:
 - a. Teach them to turn in bands that are found and encourage their friends to do likewise.
 - b. Teach them not to disturb banding stations if they encounter one.
 - c. Get landowners to allow banders to set up banding stations on their property.

Ways we might promote these objectives:

- a. Start a lecture circuit for some of the banders similar to the Sigma Xi program.
- b. Provide speakers with a collection of slides and a suggested script.
- c. Have a short article appear in Audubon, conservation, sports or any outdoor magazine stressing the importance of sending in found bands.
- 5. EBBA could compile three or more sets of slides with accompanying source material to be offered on loan free of charge or for a nominal fee (small source of income for EBBA) to members or others who might be interested in speaking to
 - a. Classes in secondary schools, colleges, or adult education.
 - b. Nature and garden clubs.

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THE MARKETPLACE

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A Preview of 1974

WE HAVE GPEAT PLANS FOR EBBA NEWS IN 1974. WE HAVE A GREAT MANY EXCELLENT PAPERS PENDING PUBLICATION WHICH WILL ONLY FURTHER ENRICH THE QUALITY OF THIS PUBLICATION.

WE HAVE A NUMBER OF SPECIAL PPOJECTS IN MIND. SOON, YOU'LL RECEIVE NEWS REGARDING ONE OF OUR PET PROJECTS: "THE AMERICAN BANDING DIRECTORY."

IN THE CURRENT ISSUE, WE'VE PARTIALLY IMPLEMENTED A CHANGE WHICH WILL BE COMPLETED IN 1974. IT CONCERNS THE FEATURE OF LONGSTANDING, KNOWN TO ALL OF US AS "BANDERS' AIDS".

WE'RE RENAMING IT "THE MARKETPLACE" BECAUSE WE'RE HO-PING TO EXPAND IT IN FUTURE ISSUES.

MANY OF YOU OBJECT TO "TEAR-OUT" SHEETS IN EBBA NEWS, BECAUSE THEY TEND TO DESTPOY THE CONTINUITY OF THE ISSUE. "TEAR-OUT" SHEETS, ARE NECESSARY FROM TIME TO TIME, TO FACILITATE HANDLING OF CEPTAIN ORDERS OR INSERTION OF SPECIFIC APPLICATION FORMS.

THUS, WE'RE GOING TO MAKE USE OF SUCH PAPERS BY MEANS OF THE COLORED PAPER WHICH WE FIRST INTRODUCED IN THE CENTER PART OF THE AUGUST 1973 ISSUE. THESE PAGES WILL NOT BE NUMBERED AND THEREFORE, REMOVAL OF SAME WILL NOT RENDER THE COPY INCOMPLETE. THEIR CONTENT WILL ALSO NOT BE INDEXED IN FUTURE ANNUAL OR BI-ANNUAL INDEXES. WE FOUND THAT WITH ONLY FOUR REGULAR ISSUES PER YEAR, WE COULD EASILY GO ONTO A BI-ANNUAL SYSTEM OF INDEXING.

ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS PAGE, YOU'LL FIND A NET ORDER FORM. WE'VE HEARD THAT THE BRITISH TPUST FOR ORNITHOLOGY IS PLANNING TO GIVE UP NET SALES. THIS WILL BPING ADDED PRESSURE ON OUR OWN NET COMMITTEE. BY PUBLISHING ORDER FORMS, THEY WILL HAVE MORE TIME TO DEVOTE TO THE ACTUAL SALES OF NETS.

ON THE OTHER HALF OF THE COLORED SHEET, YOU'LL FIND A PROMOTION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN EBBA AND ON ITS REVERSE SIDE, AN APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP TO THE ASSOCIATION. THIS IS NOT FOR YOU. YOU'RE ALREADY A MEMBER. WE WISH YOU'D REMOVE THIS PAGE FROM EBBA NEWS TO GIVE TO YOUR FRIEND WHO IS NOT A MEMBER YET. THERE IS PLENTY OF GOOD STUFF IN THE NEWS FOR BIRDERS TOO, SERIOUS BIRDERS; WE HAVE PLENTY OF NON-BANDING MEMBERS ALREADY.

IF EACH ONE OF YOU CAN PROMOTE ONE NEW MEMBER, WE COULD REALLY MAKE 1974 A GREAT YEAR IN EBBA NEWS. WITH PRICES GOING UP. WE REALLY COULD USE THE ADDITIONAL INCOME.

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- c. Civic groups.
- d. Sportsman clubs, etc.

In this fashion we can sell EBBA and the idea it represents and educate the public on habitat and wildlife conservation simultaneously.

In summary it would appear that our function would be to:

- 1. Educate new banders. This is done fairly adequately through presentation at annual EBBA meetings and through the banding office Manual and MTABS.
- 2. Educate the public by making ourselves available for presentation to groups in our local communities. If you use banding as a teaching tool, send us any printed information you have or summarize your ideas for us. We would like to consolidate this information into a reference packet which would be useful in communicating our work to the public.

Report accepted with thanks.

MEMBERSHIP: Jane Church - 57 members are in arrears, 37 new members, two deceased and nine cancelled. Report accepted with thanks.

NET: Richard Waechter - Due to the fluctuating value of the dollar, we have been unable to establish a price which will reflect some profit for EBBA. It will be necessary for a price increase as of June 1, 1973 in order to meet expenses with practically no profit. We request that the advertisement be removed from EBBA News until we can determine the amount of increase. When new prices are established the advertising can be resumed.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the report with thanks.

Special Committee:

BY-LAWS: Charles Blake - A list of suggested changes in the proposed by-laws is presented for discussion. A motion was made, seconded and approved that these changes be made and presented at the annual meeting for approval. (The newly approved by-laws will be published separately from these minutes.) Report accepted and approved with thanks.

AMFO: Edward T. Reed - Not present. No report.

<u>NACOBBA</u>: Charles Blake: I have received from Eleanor Dater the total exchequer of NACOBBA.
There has been no interest generated by the other banding associations in this committee.

A motion was made, seconded and carried that our membership in NACOBBA be dissolved if the other associations feel the same way and the exchequer be divided equally among the associations who had been involved. Report accepted with thanks.

Old Business: Fred Schaeffer has been reappointed Editor of EBBA News.

New Business: A motion was made to have the treasurer rent a safety-deposit box at the bank where EBBA's treasury is deposited and the original copy of the articles of incorporation be put therein. The motion was seconded and carried.

An invitation was received from the President of Brooks Bird Club, Ralph Bell, to hold the 1975 EBBA meeting at Wilson Lodge, Ogleby Park, Wheeling, W. Va. the first week in April. The invitation was received with thanks. A resolution was made that a request be sent to the Brooks Bird Club President to see if the meetings could be held during May or early June due to the possibility of adverse weather conditions that could make traveling hazardous. This resolution was seconded and approved.

It was also recommended that we study the possibility of alternating our annual meetings - April and June to avoid conflicting meetings with other associations.

Mary Clench proposed the following resolution:

Be it resolved that:

Whereas the membership of the Eastern Bird Banding Association is in full agreement with the principle guiding the policy of the Bird Banding Laboratory that a bander has prior rights to the publication of data that result from his or her banding activities;

The membership recognizes, however, that these rights, if considered to have no time limitations, can seriously hamper broad or general studies of banded birds by requiring the researcher to obtain permission from each bander whose data are pertinent to a study;

Therefore, the membership of the Eastern Bird Banding Association recommends to the Bird Banding Laboratory that this policy be amended, retaining a bander's publication rights for five years after his or her data are entered into the Laboratory's records; after that time the data may be supplied to and use by another researcher without prior and specific approval from the original bander;

Further, the membership of the Eastern Bird Banding Association recommends that as specific an acknowledgement as possible be made in the published

study to all banders who have contributed data to that study, whether or not specific permission has been obtained prior to publication.

The motion was made, seconded and passed that council accept this resolution and that Mary Clench contact the Bird Banding Laboratory concerning this proposal.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted (and signed by)

Marie R. McDonald (Mrs. Eugene T. McDonald)



We were very honored to have Edward M. Johnson, and his lovely wife Florence (first and second from the left, respectively) attending our 50th Anniversary Banquet. Ed has been our printer for a continuous period of 17 years, during which time he's been helpful beyond the call of duty. Also in the photo are Bill Clark (not the hawk-bander) on the right, and Mrs. Raymond Middleton to his left.