

NEWS AND NOTES

INDEXING

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TRAVEL FUNDS FOR I.O.C.

Limited funds are available through the National Academy of Sciences for travel to the International Ornithological Congress in Canberra, Australia, in August 1974. Selection will be made by a panel of the U.S. National Committee of the International Union of Biological Sciences. Direct inquiries about application for the funds to Mr. Harvey Sheppard, Division of Biological Sciences, National Research Council, Washington, D.C. 20418. Application should be submitted by 1 May 1974.

TRAVEL FUNDS FOR W.D.A. MEETING

The Wildlife Disease Association will Award Recognition-Travel Grant(s) to worthy students conducting research on the diseases of wild animals. The purpose of the grant is to assist the student with travel expenses to report on the results of the research to the W.D.A. Annual Meeting 31 July–3 Aug. 1974 at Asilomar, California. Interested students and faculty advisors may obtain additional information and applications from the W.D.A., P.O. Box 886, Ames, Iowa 50010.

NEST-RECORD DATA AVAILABLE

The North American Nest-Record Card Program is now able, on a limited basis, to supply avian breeding data for geographical areas. Data can be supplied for 24 major species, each with more than 1000 records. Further information and prices are available from: North American Nest-Record Card Program, Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology, 159 Sapsucker Woods Road, Ithaca, New York 14850.

ALBERTA ORNITHOLOGICAL RECORDS COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED

The Federation of Alberta Naturalists has established the Alberta Ornithological Records Committee (AORC) under the chairmanship of Dr. W. Ray Salt. There are two main functions of the AORC: (1) It will serve as a repository for records of birds from any and all parts of Alberta. The Committee welcomes reports on Alberta birds in any form but a standardized form, called an Area List, has been devised which will enable an observer to report on all of his observations in one region for periods up to one year. The Area List will be available for distribution early in 1974. All records should be sent to: The Secretary, Alberta Ornithological Records Committee, Provincial Museum and Archives of Alberta, 12845–102 Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta, T5N 0M6. (2) The AORC, when requested to do so, will examine the documentation of records of rare and unusual species of birds in Alberta and place each record in one of the following categories: I. Substantiated Record; II. Documented Observation; III. Documented Nesting Record; IV. Unsubstantiated Obser-

vation. A list of species and the zones of the Province in which a record would be considered unusual will shortly be published by the AORC.

MASTER OF ARTS IN MUSEUM SCIENCE

A master's degree program in Museum Science has been approved by Texas Tech University and awaits final approval at the State Coordinating Board level in January. Applications are now being accepted for this program which should begin in the fall semester of 1974. The program is designed to train students for a wide variety of positions within museums and related organizations. Students can opt for emphasis in art, historical restoration, history, anthropology, or some area of biology or geology. For further information write to Museum Science Program, The Museum, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas 79409.

FIELD METHODS COURSE

The Museum Science Program and The Museum, Texas Tech University, will sponsor a summer course in *Field Methods* with emphasis on vertebrates, 4 June to 1 July 1974, in the Southwestern United States. Six hours of graduate credit will be given through the Museum Science Program. Emphasis of the course will be on the teaching of collecting methods and proper preservation of specimens for use in museum related research. Application should be made by 1 April 1974. Additional information is available from Hugh H. Genoways, The Museum, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas 79409.

U.S. HUMANE SOCIETY AWARD

Ornithologist Roger Tory Peterson has received the annual Joseph Wood Krutch award of The Humane Society of the United States for his "significant contribution toward the improvement of life and the environment." Peterson is well known throughout the world as both an artist of birds and a co-author of numerous field guides and books on birds.

ERRATUM

Fred C. Zwickel has called attention to an error in his paper "Dispersion of female Blue Grouse during the brood season" (*Condor* 75:114–119, 1973). On the bottom of p. 116 the first line under the heading *Between Areas* should read "1) In June, brood females were mainly in grassland on both areas", not "1) In June, lone females were mainly in grassland on both areas".

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED

Among the publications recently received by the editorial office, the following are noted as having particular interest for avian biologists.

A Field Guide to Mexican Birds.—Roger Tory Peterson and Edward L. Chalif. 1973. Houghton Mifflin Co., Boston. 298 p. \$8.95. This book, No. 20