

NEWS AND NOTES

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NEW JOURNAL

Colonial Waterbirds, the new journal of the Colonial Waterbird Group is now available. The first issue is numbered volume 4 in order to maintain continuity with its predecessor, "*Proceedings of the Colonial Waterbird Group*," which were the published papers presented at meetings held 1977-1979. Future volumes of *Colonial Waterbirds* will include papers not necessarily presented at the organization's annual meetings as has been past policy. All papers submitted for publication will be subject to page charges and peer review. To order back issues of the *Proceedings*, send \$12.00 U.S. or equivalent to: Colonial Waterbird Group Treasurer, Iola M. Price, 564 Fairview Ave., Ottawa, Ontario K1M 0X4, Canada. Volume 4, *Colonial Waterbirds* is available at \$20.00 U.S. or equivalent from the Treasurer. Membership in the Colonial Waterbird Group is available to individuals (\$20.00), families (\$25.00) and students (\$15.00) by applying to the Treasurer at the above address. *Colonial Waterbirds* and the CWG Newsletter are included with membership. For further information, contact CWG Secretary, Francine G. Buckley, 372 South Street, Carlisle, Massachusetts 01741.

HAWK MOUNTAIN RESEARCH AWARD

The Board of Directors of the Hawk Mountain Sanctuary Association announces its fifth annual award for raptor research. To apply for the \$500.00 annual award, students should submit a description of their research program, a curriculum vitae, and two letters of recommendation by October 31, 1982 to: Mr. James J. Brett, Curator, Hawk Mountain Sanctuary Association, Route 2, Kempton, Pennsylvania 19529. Only students enrolled in a degree-granting institution are eligible. Both undergraduate and graduate students are invited to apply. Projects will be picked completely on the basis of their potential contribution to improve understanding of raptor biology and their ultimate relevance to conservation of North American hawk populations. The final decision by the Board of Directors will be made in February 1983.

NORTH AMERICAN LOON FUND GRANTS

The North American Loon Fund (NALF) announces the availability of two grant programs for support of new or current projects concerning loons. The first of these programs, the Robert J. Lurtsema Research Award, provides a \$1,000 stipend available annually for a suitable research project focused on any loon species. Preference will be given to students and independent researchers with limited availability of other funding. The second program offers modest grants in support of research, management, or educational projects directly related to the conservation of Common Loons as a breeding species. Proposals in the range of \$500 to \$3,000 are most likely to be considered for funding. Further guidelines for prospective applicants are available upon request from the NALF Grants Committee. Deadline for submission of proposals is January 31, 1983. Funding awards will be announced by March 15th. Please submit guideline requests to: North American Loon Fund Grants Committee, North American Loon Fund, Meredith, New Hampshire 03253.

INTERNATIONAL PHEASANT SYMPOSIUM

The World Pheasant Association (WPA) will hold its second International Pheasant Symposium in Srinagar, Kashmir, northern India on 19-22 September 1982. Treks to see pheasants and other wildlife, as well as other activities are being arranged. For details, write to Keith Howman, c/o The Administrator, WPA, Harraton Square, Church Lane, Exning, Newmarket, Suffolk, England.

TAMAULIPAN BIOTIC PROVINCE SYMPOSIUM

An International Symposium on the Tamaulipan Biotic Province will be held at La Quinta Royale Motor Inn, Corpus Christi, Texas, on October 28, 29, 30, 1982. It will include all ecological aspects of the biome: vegetation, invertebrates, vertebrates, ecological structure and function, biological resources (use and effects), and management, plus aspects of applied science and conservation. For information on registration contact Jimmie R. Picquet, Director, John E. Connor Museum, Texas A&I University, P.O. Box 2172, Kingsville, Texas 78363.

SYMPOSIUM ON BREEDING BIRDS IN CAPTIVITY

The International Foundation for the Conservation of Birds announces the Jean Delacour/IFCB Symposium on Breeding Birds in Captivity, which will take place February 24-27, 1983, at the Sheraton-Universal Hotel, in Universal City, California. The program will emphasize natural history as it applies to the future of captive birds, their husbandry and management. Reservations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information and a registration form, write to: Delacour/IFCB Symposium, c/o Gary Schulman, 11300 Weddington St., North Hollywood, California 91601.

VERTEBRATE MORPHOLOGY SYMPOSIUM

An International Symposium on Vertebrate Morphology will be held in Giessen, West Germany on 22-26 August 1983. Its purpose is to present an overview of current knowledge in the field of vertebrate morphology, emphasizing functional aspects of the major organ systems. Special emphasis will be devoted to the following topics: interrelations between various organ systems, influence of absolute size upon organ systems, relationships between embryology and ecology, and the evolution of functional systems, including the documentation by paleontology. No parallel sessions are scheduled. Besides introductory reviews, there will be oral presentations as well as poster sessions. Giessen is located 60 km north of Frankfurt and is easily accessible by train or car. For more information write to: Prof. Dr. H.-R. Duncker, Dept. of Anatomy and Cell Biology, University of Giessen, Aulweg 123, D-6300 Giessen, West Germany.