

## NEWS AND NOTES

### 1987 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COOPER ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY

The 57th Annual Meeting will be hosted by Utah State University and held 22-26 June at Snowbird, Utah, a resort in the mountains a short distance from Salt Lake City. David F. and Martha H. Balph are co-chairs of the Local Committee on Arrangements and Martin G. Raphael is chair of the Scientific Program Committee.

### 1988 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COOPER ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY

The 58th Annual Meeting will be hosted by the University of California, Berkeley and held in March 1988 at the Asilomar Conference Grounds, Pacific Grove (Monterey), California. Walter D. Koenig is chair of the Local Committee on Arrangements, and Michael L. Morrison is chair of the Scientific Program Committee. A symposium on food exploitation in terrestrial birds is being planned; for details contact Michael L. Morrison, Department of Forestry, University of California, Berkeley, CA 94720.

### 1987 COLONIAL WATERBIRD SOCIETY MEETING

The 11th Annual Meeting of the Colonial Waterbird Society will be held 10-13 September at the Red Oak Inn in Thunder Bay, Ontario. Lynn Hauta and John P. Ryder are in charge of local arrangements. Announcements of the schedule and call for papers will be mailed to members at a later date.

### 1987 WESTERN BIRD BANDING ASSOCIATION MEETING

The 1987 WBBA Meeting will emphasize techniques useful to field biologists. There will be workshops on special methods of netting, trapping, making traps, capturing raptors, marking (from hummingbirds to eagles), ageing, sexing, laparotomy, cloacal lavage, and special tissue and blood sampling methods. If you have developed a useful technique, plan to come and share it with others. If you need to learn a new technique, plan also to participate in the program, 9-11 October, in Tucson, Arizona. Please contact: Dr. Stephen M. Russell, Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ 85721.

### WESTERN RAPTOR MANAGEMENT SYMPOSIUM AND WORKSHOP

The Western Raptor Management Symposium and Workshop, co-organized by the National Wildlife Federation and the Idaho Chapter of The Wildlife Society, will be held 26-28 October 1987 in Boise, Idaho. The symposium will feature technical paper sessions on the status of western raptors and their habitats, land use activities impacting raptors, as well as workshops and a poster session. For more information, contact the National Wildlife Federation, Institute for Wildlife Research, Department 162, 1412 Sixteenth Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20036-2266 or call (703) 790-4264.

### 1987 RAPTOR RESEARCH FOUNDATION MEETING

The Raptor Research Foundation is an organization whose purpose is to stimulate the dissemination of information concerning raptorial birds among interested persons worldwide and to promote a better public understanding and appreciation of the value of the birds of prey. Towards this objective, our annual meeting will be held 28-30 October, at Boise, Idaho. The meeting will feature a symposium on the migration of raptors in western North America. General paper and poster sessions will follow the symposium. For more information contact the Conference Committee Chairperson, Rich Howard, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4696 Overland Rd., Rm. 576, Boise, ID 83705 or call (208) 334-1888.

### AVIAN FAMILY-GROUP NAMES

The Standing Committee on Ornithological Nomenclature (SCON) of the International Ornithological Committee has prepared a list of established names of avian family-group taxa (subtribes to superfamilies) and their synonyms as the first step in the process of writing an application to the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature to stabilize use of these names. SCON wishes to obtain input from all interested ornithologists and zoologists who are willing to examine the list carefully and provide SCON with corrections, additions, comments, and suggestions. The list of avian family-group names is unofficial and should not be used for any purposes other than that just mentioned. Copies of the list may be obtained by writing to Professor Walter J. Bock, Chairperson, SCON, Department of Biological Sciences, Columbia University, New York, NY 10026.