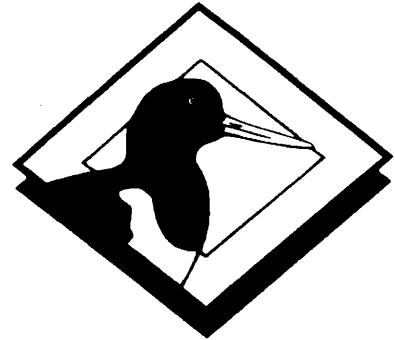


WADER STUDY GROUP



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WSG ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1994 BÜSUM, GERMANY

The 1994 WSG Annual General Meeting will be held at 09.00 hrs on Saturday 22 October 1994 during the annual meeting in Büsum, Germany.

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of the last AGM, held on 30 October 1993 at Ipswich, Suffolk, UK (*Bulletin 71: 1-3*)
3. Chairman's Report
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Membership Secretary's Report
7. Editor's Report
8. Co-ordinator's Report
9. WSG-IWRB Liaison Officer's Report
10. Election of officers and members of the Executive Committee

11. Subscription rates for 1995

The Co-ordinator, Hermann Hötter, and the General Secretary, Petra de Goeij, complete their terms of office this year and their positions fall vacant. The Officers concerned have indicated their willingness to stand for a further term, and the Executive Committee thus proposes the election of the following officers:

Co-ordinator Herman Hötter
General Secretary Petra de Goeij

The term of office of Pablo Canavari is completed this year. He has indicated his willingness to stand for a further term of office on the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee thus propose the election of Pablo Canavari for a further term of office, and also of Ole Thorup (who was co-opted for 1993/94, and who has also indicated his willingness to stand for election to the Executive Committee).

Alternative nominations for the posts of Officers and Executive Committee members listed above may be made by any members of the Wader Study Group. Nominations must be signed by a proposer and seconder and must include a signed statement by the candidate indicating that they are willing to stand. All of these people

must be paid up members of the Wader Study Group. Nominations should be sent to the General Secretary, Petra de Goeij, to arrive by 30 July 1994.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

This is not a real report. As I mentioned in last year's report, there is a good and hard-working team of officers in the Executive Committee and there is not much down to earth work for the Chairman to do. However, this gives me the opportunity to focus on some more strategic issues and provide some general remarks and thoughts about the position of the Wader Study Group in international science and conservation circles.

In early June I attended the Fourth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Bonn Convention in Nairobi. Following this meeting, the First Consultative Meeting of the Range States for the African-Eurasian Waterbird Agreement (AEWA) was also held in Nairobi. Both events were attended by large numbers of countries. The growing interest in developing co-operation in the field of migratory bird protection was striking. The AEWA meeting was attended by representatives of 80 countries