

Winter 1997/98 European Non-estuarine Coastal Waterfowl Survey (NEWS)

The preparation for this international repeat of the Winter Shorebird Count (Moser & Summers 1987), which covered 90% of Britain's coastline during the 1984/85 winter, is progressing very well. Since the first announcement (*Bulletin* 78: 5-6.) positive responses have arrived from most countries contacted and many brave people have agreed to act as national organisers!

Most of the countries essential to the success of NEWS will participate (Table 1).

We would be very grateful if those people who have not yet answered would confirm that they are participating or else suggest other potential organisers for their countries very soon. We would like to thank all the people who have agreed to become national organisers and we are looking forward to the 1997/98 winter fieldwork.

Moser, M.E. & Summers, R.W. 1987. Wader populations on the non-estuarine coasts of Britain and Northern Ireland: results of the 1984-85 Winter Shorebird Count. *Bird Study* 34: 71-81.

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To be confirmed coverage agreed in principle, ? awaiting response from potential participants

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N.B. a copy of your paper or abstract would be very helpful to enable me to add some keywords or give added annotation to the titles.

So far, about 5 300 titles have been stored in the WSG/RPW database. Keep sending more!!

Note to readers in the USA: since the US Dept. of the Interior, National Biological Service has stopped publishing *Wildlife Review*, I have no longer access to wader papers in ornithological journals published in the individual States. If you find any interesting papers in these journals, please send me a copy.

BREEDING

Beintema, A.J. 1995. Fledging success of wader chicks, estimated from ringing data. *Ring. & Migr.* 16(3): 129-139. (Inst. Forestry & Nat. Res., P.O. Box 23, NL-6700 AA Wageningen, Netherlands). *Vanellus vanellus*, *Limosa limosa*, *Tringa totanus*, *Haematopus ostralegus*, The Netherlands.

Blomqvist, D. & Johansson, O.C. 1995. Trade-offs in nest site selection in coastal populations of Lapwings *Vanellus vanellus*. *Ibis* 137: 550-558. (Dept. Zool., Sect. Anim. Ecol., Univ. Göteborg, Medicinaregatan 18, S-413 90 Göteborg, Sweden). It is suggested that nest site selection and offspring production involve a trade-off between the benefits of nesting close to rich feeding grounds for adults and the costs of moving long distances between nest sites and chick-rearing areas.

Bollmeier, M. 1992. Brutbestandserfassung von Kiebitz *Vanellus vanellus*, Grossem Brachvogel *Numenius arquata* und Uferschnepfe *Limosa limosa* 1992 in Südniedersachsen. [Breeding of Lapwing, Curlew and Black-tailed Godwit in Lower Saxony in 1992]. *Vogelkdl. Ber. Niedersachs.* 24: 77-95. In German.

Boschert, M. 1995. Bruten des Flussregenpfeifers (*Charadrius dubius*) auf Kiesdächern. (Breeding of the Little Ringed Plover (*Charadrius dubius*) on flat rooves filled with pebbles). *Naturschutz südl. Oberrhein* 1: 37-38. In German with English summary. (Wiedigstr. 18, D-77815 Bühl, Germany).

Bukacinski, D. & Bukacinski, M. 1995. (Communal brood of the Lapwing (*Vanellus vanellus*) on a Vistula River island). *Notatki Ornitol.* 36(1-2): 170-173. In Polish with English summary. (Inst. Ekologii PAN, Dziekanow Lesny, 05-092 Lomianki, Poland).

Handke, K. 1996. Bestandsentwicklung der Brutvögel eines Flussmarschengebietes bei Bremen. (Population changes of breeding birds in a river marsh area near Bremen, northern Germany). *Vogelwelt* 117(1): 15-28. In German with English summary. (LFB Landschaftsökologische Forschungsstelle Bremen, Am Wall 164, D-28195 Bremen, Germany). Breeding bird community of a marsh area along the river Weser was surveyed. Breeding waders: *Vanellus vanellus*, *Tringa totanus*, *Limosa limosa*, *Gallinago gallinago*, *Haematopus ostralegus*, *Charadrius dubius*, *C. hiaticula*, *Philomachus pugnax*, *Numenius arquata*.

Hötter, H., Kölsch, G. & Visser, G.H. 1996. Der Energieumsatz brütender Säbelschnäbler *Recurvirostra avosetta*. (Energy metabolic rate in breeding Avocets *Recurvirostra avosetta*). *J. Orn.* 137(2): 203-212. In German with English summary.

(Forschungs- und Technologiezentrum Univ. Kiel, Hafentörn, D-25761 Büsum, Germany). A comparison with other studies revealed that the field metabolic rates of waders during the breeding season are strongly influenced by the geographical position of their breeding sites and the related thermostatic costs.

Lancot, R.B., Gill, R.E. Jr., Tibbitts, T.L. & Handel, C.M. 1995. Brood amalgamation in the Bristle-thighed Curlew *Numenius tahitiensis*: process and function. *Ibis* 137: 559-569. (Natl. Biol. Serv., Alaska Sci. Ctr., 1011 E. Tudor Rd., Anchorage, AK 99503, USA). It is suggested that amalgamation of broods among Bristle-thighed Curlew enhances predator defence, aids in the process of flock formation for migrating young, and allows females and some males to desert their young earlier.

McCaffery, B.J. & Gill, R.E. Jr. 1992. Antipredator strategies in breeding Bristle-thighed Curlews. *Am. Birds* 46: 378-383. (Gill: Natl. Biol. Serv., Alaska Sci. Ctr., 1011 E. Tudor Rd., Anchorage, AK 99503, USA). *Numenius tahitiensis*.

Minton, C., Pearson, G. & Lane, J. 1995. Banded Stilts *Cladorhynchus leucocephalus* breeding at Lake Ballard, Western Australia. *Stilt* 27: 44-45. (165 Dalgetty Rd., Beaumaris, Vic. 3192, Australia).

Sálek, M. 1993. (Breeding of Lapwing (*Vanellus vanellus*) in Basins of South Bohemia: population density and habitat preference). *Sylvia* 30: 46-58. In Czech with English summary. (Dept. Ecol., Fac. Forestry, Czech Agric. Univ., CZ-165 21 Praha 6, Czech Republic). Meadows were not favourable as a habitat for breeding Lapwing as documented by low density of breeding pairs and high clutch losses. Areas with low and sparse vegetation were preferred but these habitats have a small total area or a very high rate of clutch failures. Winter wheat fields have a large total area and were occupied by a high proportion of pairs with favourable clutch survival.

Sálek, M. 1995. (Monitoring of the Lapwing (*Vanellus vanellus*) breeding population in the Czech Republic). *Zprávy CSO* 41: 18-25. In Czech with English summary. Information about breeding population numbers and changes, breeding habitat, hatching success, and causes of clutch losses.

Sálek, M. 1995. (Seasonal changes in clutch size and egg size in the Lapwing (*Vanellus vanellus*)). *Sylvia* 31(1): 16-25. In Czech with English summary.

Scarton, F., Valle, R. & Borella, S. 1994. Nesting parameters of Oystercatchers, *Haematopus ostralegus*, in the Po Delta (Italy). *Gerfaut* 84: 3-6. (Naturae srl., Via Ferro 13, Mestre (VE), I-30100, Italy). In 1991 32 breeding pairs, and in 1992 38