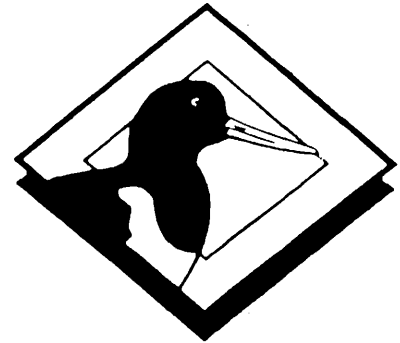


WADER STUDY GROUP



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Change of editor

As announced at last year's Annual General Meeting, with this issue of the *Bulletin* I am stepping down from the post of Editor, having assisted in some editorial capacity or other since the production of *Bulletin* 49 in 1987. Ten years is enough!

Julianne Evans, currently Assistant Editor, will take responsibility for the production of the August *Bulletin*, and will be proposed by the Executive Committee at the 1997 AGM in Denmark to take over as *Bulletin* Editor.

All notes or information items for the August *Bulletin*, or submissions of papers should henceforth be sent to Julianne Evans, *Wader Study Group Bulletin*, c/o RSPB, The Lodge, Sandy, Bedfordshire SG19 2DL, UK.

David Stroud

Notice of the 1997 WSG Annual General Meeting, Denmark

The 1997 WSG Annual General Meeting will be held at 09.00 hrs on Saturday 9 August 1997 during the annual meeting in Vester Vedsted, Denmark.

As the meeting is being held earlier than is normal, the August *Bulletin* (which would normally contain the full agenda and other matters) may not reach all members before the AGM. Therefore there will be a separate mailing in June to all members containing the AGM agenda and other papers relevant to the annual meeting.

As indicated in *Bulletin* 81, a major item of business at the 1997 AGM will be the adoption of a new Constitution for the Group. Comments on the draft Constitution, published in *Bulletin* 81, were invited from members in December 1996. Any comments received will be considered by the Executive Committee at their meeting in late April. A revised version of the new Constitution will be prepared and included in the June mailing for formal consideration at the August AGM.

1997 WSG Annual Conference, V. Vedsted, Denmark (by the Wadden Sea near Ribe)

The 1997 Wader Study Group Annual Conference will take place from Friday 8 August to Sunday 10 August, with an additional day, Monday 11 August, for a workshop on the project "Breeding Waders in Europe 2000" and maybe a further workshop on action plans for selected wader species.

The meeting will be held at "Ungdomshøjskolen ved Ribe" in the small village V. Vedsted by the Wadden Sea, 8 km south-west of Ribe. The place is a folk high school, and both the conference and the lodging will be held within the same buildings.

Delegates are recommended to arrive on Friday afternoon or early evening. Dinner is served from about 17.30 on a serve-your-self basis.

As in previous years, the formal part of the meeting will begin with the AGM on Saturday morning followed by talks for the remainder of the morning session and the rest of the day. Further talks will take place on Sunday morning.