Shorebird-related sites on the World Wide Web

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Over the past decade, the World Wide Web has become an easily accessible resource of information on people, organisations, subjects and products. Thanks particularly to the work of Rene Navarro, the Wader Study Group has been added to this resource with the relaunch earlier this year of its own Web-site hosted by the Avian Demography Unit, University of Cape Town, South Africa (www.waderstudygroup.org).

A few hours surfing the Internet in June 2001 produced the following list of web-sites that provide information likely to be of interest to Wader Study Group members. The list is not intended to be complete on any one subject, but through links in the documented sites others can readily be identified and accessed. Readers are asked to notify the author of other particularly valuable shorebird web-sites so that updated lists can be published in future.

WADER STUDY GROUPS

Organisation/Site	Address	Comments
International Wader Study Group	www.waderstudygroup.org	
Australasian Wader Studies Group (AWSG)	www.tasweb.com.au/awsg/index	The Tattler, the newsletter of the AWSG, is posted on this site, and also abstracts from <i>The Stilt</i> , the journal of the AWSG.
Groups associated with AWSG	www.tasweb.com.au/awsg/index.htm	Contact details of Wader Study Groups in the East-Asian Australasian Flyway
Victorian Wader Study Group	http://home.vicnet.net.au/~vwsg/welcome.htm	Australian State WSG

OTHER SHOREBIRD CONSERVATION/RESEARCH ORGANISATIONS/PROGRAMMES

Organisation/Site	Address	Comments
Piping Plover recovery program	http://plover.fws.gov/	
Pan American Shorebird Program (PASP)	www.mb.ec.gc.ca/nature/migratorybirds/pasp/index.en.html	
The International Shorebird Surveys	www.im.nbs.gov/iss/iss.html	
U.S. Shorebird Conservation Plan	www.manomet.org/USSCP.htm	
Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network (WHSRN)	www.pnr-rpn.ec.gc.ca/nature/whp/whsrn /df01s00.en.html www.manomet.org/ WHSRN.htm	
Western Atlantic Shorebird Association	www.vex.net/~hopscotc/shorebirds/	Site provides for colour band and count data to be input
New Jersey Nongame and Endangered Species Program	www.state.nj.us/dep/fgw/ensp/delbay2001/index.htm	Red knot research from Tierra del Fuego to the Canadian Arctic
Arctic Birds Breeding Conditions Survey	http://www.arcticbirds.ru/	Breeding success, rodent abundance, weather conditions



DIRECTORIES TO BIRD-RELATED SITES

Organisation/Site	Address	Comments
Bird Links to the World (Bird Studies Canada)	www.bsc-eoc.org/links/	over 2000 links to bird sites (incl. scientific), a great place to start.
Internet Flyway	www.orientalbirdclub.org/flyway/	Where to find birders and birds – worldwide

RINGING RELATED SITES

Organisation/Site	Address	Comments
The Australian Bird and Bat Banding Scheme	www.environment.gov.au/bg/abbbs/index.htm	
AWSG Wader Flagging Program	http://www.tasweb.com.au/awsg/index.htm	Site for the East-Asian Australasian Flyway
US Bird Banding Laboratory	www.pwrc.usgs.gov/bbl/	The North American bird banding program
European Ringing & Migration Studies	http://fly.to/erms	Includes links to European ringing schemes and other related sites
European colour-ring birding	www.ping.be/cr-birding/cr-birding.htm	Details provided on 122 colour- ringed projects for 31 wader species. A list of colour-ring suppliers given.
British Trust for Ornithology	www.bto.org/	U.K. ringing scheme
EURING (the European Union for Bird Ringing)	www.euring.org	
EURING Conference on the results and perspectives of bird ringing Oct. 1999	http://home.t-online.de/home/O.Hueppop-IFV/abstract.htm#symp1	The abstracts of 73 oral & 54 posters presentations.
Pan American Shorebird Program (PASP)	www.mb.ec.gc.ca/nature/migratorybirds/pasp/index.en.html www.pwrc.usgs.gov/bbl/homepage/ paspflag.htm	Details on the shorebird flagging program in the Americas
Wetlands International (Australia) – Shorebird Migration	www.protoavis.com.au/wetlands/	Details on the shorebird flagging program in the East-Asian Australasian Flyway
SAFRING	www.uct.ac.za/depts/stats/adu/p_safr1.htm	South African Bird Ringing Unit

ORNITHOLOGICAL LITERATURE

Organisation/Site	Address	Comments
Recent Ornithological Literature	www.nmnh.si.edu/BIRDNET/ROL/	a serial compilation of citations and abstracts from the world wide scientific literature that pertain to birds and the science of ornithology.
Ornithological and Related Periodicals	www.nmnh.si.edu/BIRDNET/period.html	A list with links to ornithological and related periodicals
Shorebird publications by CWE researchers	www.sfu.ca/biology/wildberg/shbdpubs.html	Chair of Wildlife Ecology (CWE): A collaboration by the Canadian Wildlife Service



ORNITHOLOGICAL LITERATURE cont.

Organisation/Site	Address	Comments
		(CWS), the Natural Science and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) and Simon Fraser University
The Working Group on International Waderbird and Wetland Research (WIWO)	www.wiwo-international.org/	WIWO-reports published – details on all 72 plus ordering information

WETLANDS INTERNATIONAL

Organisation/Site	Address	Comments
Home page	www.wetlands.org/default.htm	Wetlands International is the leading non-profit organisation dedicated solely to the crucial work of wetland conservation and sustainable management.
Africa, Europe, Middle East	www.wetlands.agro.nl/	C
Asia Pacific	www.wetlands.org/ap	
Americas	www.wetlands.org/AmNotice.htm	

OTHER INTERNATIONAL SHOREBIRD-RELATED ORGANISATIONS/PROGRAMMES

Organisation/Site	Address	Comments
African-Eurasian Waterbird Agreement	www.unep-cmc.org/AEWA/eng/intro.htm	An international agreement aiming at the conservation of migratory birds.
Arctic Monitoring and Assessment Programme	www.amap.no/pd2000.htm	An overview of "who is doing what" in Arctic research and monitoring.
Birdlife International	www.wing-wbsj.or.jp/birdlife/	A global alliance of national conservation organisations working in more than 100 countries worldwide
The Convention on the Conservation of of Migratory Species of Wild Animals	www.wcmc.org.uk/cms/	Also known as CMS or the Bonn Convention
BIRDNET	www.nmnh.si.edu/BIRDNET/index.html	The site is a service of the Ornithological Council, a public information organization involving ten North American professional ornithological societies
The Ramsar Convention on Wetlands	www.ramsar.org/	The Convention on Wetlands, signed in Ramsar, Iran, in 1971, is an intergovernmental treaty which provides the framework for national action and international cooperation for the conservation and wise use of wetlands and their resources.



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UNEP World Conservation Monitoring Centre	www.unep-wcmc.org/index.html	The UNEP-WCMC provides information for policy and action to conserve the living world.
The Working Group on International Waderbird and Wetland Research (WIWO)	www.wiwo-international.org/	Includes details on all 72 WIWO-reports, plus ordering information
World Conservation Union	www.iucn.org/	
WWF International	www.panda.org/	Worldwide Fund for Nature

ORNITHOLOGICAL MUSEUMS AND COLLECTIONS

Organisation/Site	Address	Comments
Natural History Museum Bird Group at Tring	www.nhm.ac.uk/zoology/tring/ birdgroup.html	
The British Library National Sound Archive wildlife section	www.bl.uk/collections/sound-archive/wild.html	
Bird Links to the World (Scientific page)	www.bsc-eoc.org/links/links8.html#science	Links to Museums worldwide

OTHER ORNITHOLOGICAL RESEARCH AND MONITORING ORGANISATIONS

Organisation/Site	Address	Comments
Avian Demography Unit, University of Cape Town	www.aviandemographyunit.org	
British Trust for Ornithology	www.bto.org/	
Chair in Wildlife Ecology	http://www.sfu.ca/biology/wildberg/whatscwe.html	The Canadian Wildlife Service, Natural Science and Engineering Research Council of Canada and Simon Fraser University working in partnership
Institute for Bird Populations	www.birdpop.org	
National Audubon Society	www.audubon.org/	
Netherlands Institute for Sea Research	http://www.nioz.nl/	
Patuxent Wildlife Research Center, U.S. Geological Survey – Biological Resources	www.pwrc.usgs.gov/default.htm	
The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds	www.rspb.org.uk	
Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust	www.wwt.org.uk/	

BIRD CHECKLISTS

Organisation/Site	Address	Comments
Bird Families of the World – The Sibley and Monroe Classification	www-stat.wharton.upenn.edu/~siler/ birdframe.html	



BIRD CHECKLISTS cont.

Organisation/Site	Address	Comments
Bird Links to the World	http://www.bsc-eoc.org/links/index.html	Links to several bird checklists

DIRECTORY OF BIOTELEMETRY EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURERS

Organisation/Site	Address	Comments
Directory of Biotelemetry Equipment Manufacturers	www.biotelem.org/manufact.htm	Links to manufacturers' web pages

REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEERS

Organisation/Site	Address	Comments
Opportunities for Birders directory	http://americanbirding.org/opps/	short- and long-term opportunities for volunteers worldwide

OTHER SHOREBIRD-RELATED SITES

Organisation/Site	Address	Comments
Arctic Bird Library	www.unep-wcmc.org/arctic/data/birds/birds.htm	A list of 125 waterbird species (42 shorebirds) that breed in the Arctic region, as defined by CAFF. The list contains updated information on the habitat, conservation status, population size and distribution of 66 species. For 23 species, range maps taken from the UNEP–WCMC Biodiversity Map Library are also available.
Eskimo Curlew	www.npwrc.usgs.gov/resource/othrdata/curlew/curlew.htm	
Gallinago@web	http://homepage1.nifty.com/gallinago/gallinago.html	
Jacanas	www.jacana.demon.co.uk/jacana/jac0.htm	Information and biblography on Jacanas
International Shorebird Gallery	http://pw1.netcom.com/~djhoff/sbimage.html	
Shorebird Photo Quiz	www.geocities.com/Yosemite/4413/sb_quiz.html	
Shorebird Gallery	www.virtualbirder.com/vbirder/onLoc/onLocDirs/CAPECOD/gallery/index.html	
Stint Fan	http://homepage2.nifty.com/stints/StintFan.html	
The Shorebird Watcher	http://pw1.netcom.com/~djhoff/shorebrd.html	

TIDE TABLES

Organisation/Site	Address	Comments
WWW Tide and Current Predictor	http://tbone.biol.sc.edu/tide/tideshow.cgi	European tidal information not available at present

