and follicle which might have delayed replacement.

Yours sincerely,

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## THE RING -- REOUEST FOR HELP

This is a request for help. The RING, the quarterly international bird banding journal, would like American banders to submit for publication notes and articles on banding techniques, ideas, and unique recoveries.

At the recent XIIIth International Ornithological Congress I discussed with Prof. Dr. Rydzewski, the editor of the RING, why Americans have not been contributing as frequently as would seem warranted by the highly advanced status of banding in the United States.

Our conclusions were that Americans do have important and interesting items to contribute to the world knowledge of banding, but they have been hesitant to submit them for many minor reasons.

If you have difficulty getting your ideas into writing, both Prof. Rydzewski and I would be most happy to help you in every way we can. Your ideas, methods, and unusual recoveries are of interest to others both here in the U. S. and abroad. May we help you make them available to other banders? Please feel free to contact either:

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#### Please Note:

- 1. You do not have to subscribe to The RING to publish in it.
- The RING is published in English.
- 3. This is *not* a solicitation for money or subscriptions as most of the publicacation costs are met by the Polish Zoological Society.
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—David B. Crockett

#### XIV INTERNATIONAL ORNITHOLOGICAL CONGRESS

#### Preliminary Announcement

It was decided at the close of the XIII International Ornithological Congress at Ithaca, N. Y., that the next Congress would be held in Great Britain in 1966, with Dr. David Lack as President. At a meeting of the British members of the International Ornithological Committee Dr. N. Tinbergen was elected as Secretary-General and, after full consideration of various possibilities, it was decided to hold the Congress in Oxford. A British Executive Committee was formed.

In view of the decision of the full International Ornithological Committee that there was no need to hold the Congress in the breeding season (the intention being that, if practicable, it should be held outside the breeding season), the British Committee decided that the meeting should take place in late July. It is not possible to meet in Oxford during August.

In view of the further decision of the full International Committee that the 1966 Congress need not be preceded nor followed by excursions, the British Executive Committee decided that, if it proved practicable, only one excursion would be organised—a week's cruise of Scottish sea-bird islands in a ship of sufficient size

to accommodate most members of the Congress. The provisional dates are: 16-23 July 1966 for the cruise, and 24-30 July for the meeting in Oxford.

The British Executive Committee gratefully acknowledges a cheque for \$200.—already received from the American Ornithologists' Union towards the cost of the next Congress. If other countries wish to contribute, cheques should be sent to the Treasurer, (Mr. A. G. S. Bryson), 7, Forres Street, Edinburgh 3.

# NEBBA FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, 1961 AND 1962

### GENERAL ACCOUNT

#### Income Statement

Receipts	Year ending	Year ending
Ī	Aug. 31	Aug. 31
	1961	1962
Subscriptions and dues (current year)	\$3048.48	\$2504.06
Sales of back issues	129.25	604.50
	$\frac{129.25}{175.50}$	67.00
Contributions		
Bank interest	63.96	94.07
	\$3417.19	\$3269.63
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Expenditures	#1009 1F	#004C 94
Printing of Bird-Banding	\$1983.15	\$2246.34
Mailing of Bird-Banding	272.05	297.34
Purchase of back issues	19.00	78.25
Other printing, postage and supplies	46.18	129.94
Annual and field meetings		46.93
Incorporation expenses	148.36	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		12.00
Contribution		20.00
Bank charges	4.27	13.67
	\$2473.01	\$2844.47
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Net Surplus	\$ 944.18	\$ 425.16
Balance Sheet		
Assets		
	#9 <b>794</b> 70	\$5307.97
Cash	\$3734.76	#
Back issues of Bird-Banding	1.00	1.00
Accounts receivable	14.50	29.38
	\$3750.26	\$5338.35
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Liabilities and Net Worth		
Reserve for fourth quarter	\$698.54	<b>\$</b> 759.29
Subscriptions paid in advance Accounts payable:	96.50	838.59
July, 1961 Bird-Banding, printing	811.24	
July, 1961 Bird-Banding, mailing	73.19	
	4.38	
Annual meeting	4.00	040 50
April, 1962 Bird-Banding, printing		946.50
Reserve for index fund	<b>.</b>	131.70
Reserve for research fund	5.00	5.00
Life membership fund	625.00	750.00
Net worth	1436.41	1907.27
	\$3750.26	\$5338.35