

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

Herring Gulls ranging in age and plumage from first year through fourth year are being individually marked at sanitary landfills at Groton and Stonington, Conn. The gulls marked at the Groton dump have blaze orange dumb-bell shaped wing tags. The tags have a 1/4 inch black border with a black letter painted over

the number, ie. 1 - 9, through letter (F). The letter-number system has been reversed with letters H through Z, ie. H - H etc. Stonington gulls have blue wing tags with a 1/4 inch white border on the edge. The same letter-number

sequence as Groton has been used, ie. 1 - 9, through letter F. The tags can be read with a spotting scope up to a distance of 100 yards. Reports of sight records of these marked gulls would be greatly appreciated. Please include date, time and location of sighting, color of tag, and letter-number series. Reports should be sent to: FRANK R. HAENI, *Thames Science Center, Center Gallows Lane, New London, Conn. 06320.*

Autumn Hawk Migration Monograph.—Research and the writing of a comprehensive book detailing autumn hawk migrations in eastern North America is nearing completion. An exhaustive literature search has been conducted, and many unpublished data have been gathered from institutions and private individuals. Persons who have not yet forwarded unpublished data for 1971 or earlier are urged to do so immediately if they wish to have their work recognized and considered for inclusion in this monograph. Please send all information to: DONALD S. HEINTZELMAN, *629 Green St., Allentown, Pa. 18102.*

NOTES AND NEWS

NEBBA Spring Meeting, 8-9 June 1973

Ipswich River Sanctuary of the Massachusetts Audubon Society

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING—8 June 1973 at 20:00.

Councilors present were Youngstrom, Hagar, Kraus, Kennard, Howard, Anderson, Seamans, Fiske, Harrington, Davis, and Regan. It was **MOVED, SECONDED and VOTED** that the Minutes of the Council Meeting and the Minutes of the Business Meeting on 4-5 November 1972 be waived, as the Councilors had all received these in the mail. The Secretary then read the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting on 10 March 1973 at the home of Deborah Howard.

No Secretary's or Treasurer's reports were available.

The **Fall Meeting** will be held on 3 November 1973 at the University of Rhode Island at Kingston. Messers. Baird, Kraus and Kennard form the Arrangements Committee. Dr. Davis suggested that the program be mailed out ahead of the meeting if possible. Dr. Kennard suggested that one section of the fall meeting be devoted to short papers on interesting returns and recoveries by NEBBA members.

The next order of business was a report of the Mist Net Committee from James Seamans. He stated that the Committee, as authorized by the Council, has concluded arrangements with Manomet Bird Observatory to act as an agent for NEBBA in the Mist Net business as Alexander Bergstrom's death had left no one to handle the business. He said Manomet Bird Observatory is going ahead, doing a good job, and the business is continuing. Brian Harrington, an employee of MBO and a NEBBA Councilor, authorized as an Assistant Treasurer for the Mist Net account, reported that their only problem at this time was a shortage of nets as no reorders had been placed between November 1972 and May 1973. Mr. Seamans stated that they will be putting out a new net price list shortly. He said that they planned to stock only tethered extra full nets in the future and that Mr. Baird and Mr. Hallett had agreed to a list of new base prices. The prices will be published in *Bird-Banding* soon. An increase in prices is necessary because of a 24% devaluation of the dollar relative to the yen. It was noted that the agreement for MBO to act as an agent for NEBBA runs from April 1973 to 31 March 1974, which will give the Net Committee and the Council time to decide on future arrangements in the fall.