

RAPTOR CONSERVATION NOTED IN "KINGFISHER"

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Film Prizes. The Grand Prix at the Second 'L'Homme et L'Oiseau' Film Festival, held in Paris in November, was awarded jointly to Swallows from the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, and Au Pays du Faucon Sacre by Mm. J-F. and M. Terrasse. La Faucon Pèlerin won the special prize of the Association Sportive de la Chasse Photographique.

Eagle-Owls for Sweden. Two more pairs of eagle-owls bred at the Norfolk Wildlife Park were sent back to Sweden in November to help re-establish the species in Swedish forests where it has become extinct. Eight owls have already been sent back to Sweden in the two previous years.

Birds of Prey Protected. By grand ducal decree dated June 29, 1967, all birds of prey are now protected in Luxemburg. (L'Homme et L'Oiseau, November).

. . . and Unprotected. In four months at the end of 1966 one taxidermist in the Bordeaux region received from hunters the following birds of prey to be stuffed: four kestrels, three merlins, three goshawks, two hobbies, two sparrowhawks, two common buzzards, one hen harrier and one red kite. The kite had been ringed in East Germany. (L'Homme et L'Oiseau, November).