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COOPER MEETING

The Cooper Ornithological Society is meeting in Asilomar, California, on March 18-21, 1988. This 58th Annual Meeting will include a symposium on "Food Exploitation by Terrestrial Birds."

NORTH AMERICAN WILDLIFE AND NATURAL RESOURCES CONFERENCE

The North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference will be held in Louisville, Kentucky, on March 18-23, 1988. Contact: L.R. Jahn, Wildlife Management Institute, Suite 725, 1101 Fourteenth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20005 (202/371-1808).

WILSON MEETING

The Centennial Meeting of the Wilson Ornithological Society will take place at Rosemont College in Philadelphia, June 9-12, 1988. The Committee on Arrangements is being chaired by Frank Gill, Jerome Jackson chairs the Centennial Committee, and the Scientific Program chair is Richard C. Banks.

AMERICAN ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION HOLDS ITS 106th MEETING

Fayetteville, Arkansas, will host the 106th Stated Meeting of the A.O.U. August 15-18, 1988. Co-chairs of the local committee are Kimberly G. Smith and Douglas A. James.

PAN-AFRICAN CONGRESS

The 7th Pan-African Congress will take place in Nairobi, Kenya, August 28 through September 5, 1988. The Congress Chairman is Geoffrey Malory of the University of Nairobi. If you are interested in contributing a paper or proposing symposia, contact the Scientific Program Chairman David Pearson at the Department of Biochemistry, University of Nairobi, P.O. Box 30197, Nairobi, Kenya, East Africa. For general information about the Congress write to either Don Turner, P.O. Box 48019, Nairobi, Kenya, East Africa, or to Dr Lester L. Short, American Museum of Natural History, Central Park West at 79th Street, New York, New York 10024.



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WOOD DUCK SYMPOSIUM

The North American Wood Duck Symposium will be held in St. Louis, Missouri, February 20-22, 1988. Held in conjunction with the combined Atlantic and Pacific Flyway Council Technical Meeting, all aspects of Wood Duck management and ecology will be discussed. For further information, contact: Ronald E. Kirby, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Office of Information Transfer, 1025 Pennock Place, Fort Collins, Colorado 80524 (303/493-8401).

SEABIRD GROUP MEETING

The Pacific Seabird Group will meet at Asilomar, California, near Monterey, December 16-20, 1987.

TRUMPETER SWAN CONFERENCE

The 11th Trumpeter Swan Society Conference will be held at the Everett Pacific Hotel in Everett, Washington, February 3-6, 1988. For further information, write or call: The Trumpeter Swan Society, 3800 County Road 24, Maple Plain, Minnesota 55359 (612/476-4663).

NORTHEAST RAPTOR MANAGEMENT SYMPOSIUM AND WORKSHOP

The Northeast Raptor Management Symposium and Workshop, hosted by the National Wildlife Federation's Institute for Wildlife Research, will be held May 16-18, 1988 at the Hotels at Syracuse Square, Syracuse, New York.

The Symposium will feature technical papers on the status and management of northeastern raptors and land use issues which impact raptor populations. Interactive workshops will encourage participants to discuss raptor management issues in the region and develop management recommendations. For more information, contact the National Wildlife Federation, 1412 Sixteenth St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036-2266 or call (703) 790-4264.

INTERNATIONAL WILDLIFE SYMPOSIUM

The Wildlife Society of Mexico is pleased to announce its Second International Wildlife Symposium, which will be held May 17-20, 1988, at the Calinda Acapulco Quality Inn Hotel and Acapulco Convention Center in Guerrero, Mexico. Scheduled Session topics include: 1) Trends and Recent Advances in Wildlife Management; 2) Conservation and Protection Programs on Endangered Species with Economic Interest; 3) Control and Management Programs on Plague Species of Fauna and Flora; 4) Human Society and its Impact on Wildlife; 5) Hunting Activities, Consequences and Benefits; 6) International Cooperation, General Aspects.

For further information, contact: Second International Wildlife Symposium, Organizing Committee, The Wilderness Society of Mexico, Apartado Postal 13-432, Mexico, D.F., 03500 (905/553-9408).

PROCEEDINGS AVAILABLE FOR WATERFOWL & WETLANDS SYMPOSIUM

A Symposium on Waterfowl and Wetlands Management, attended by over 200 participants, was held in September 1986 in Wilmington, Delaware. The Symposium examined wildlife management practices for waterbird habitat enhancement or restoration in tidal wetlands along the Atlantic Flyway.

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INFORMATION ON THE STATUS OF NON-NATIVE POPULATIONS SOUGHT

The California Bird Records Committee of the Western Field Ornithologists is seeking information on the status of non-native populations of the following species in California: Common Peafowl, White-tailed Ptarmigan, Ringed Turtle-Dove, Rose-ringed Parakeet, Black-hooded Parakeet, Canary-winged Parakeet, Red-crowned Parrot, Lilac-crowned Parrot, Yellow-headed Parrot, Red-whiskered Bulbul, Oriental White-eye, and Northern Cardinal. Anyone with information on the history of release or escape, population size, distribution, nesting success, attempts to manage or eradicate these populations, or other factors which bear on the question of their establishment, or of the establishment of other introduced species not on the California State Check-list, are urged to report to: Kimball L. Garrett, Section of Birds and Mammals, Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County, 900 Exposition Blvd., Los Angeles, California 90007.

CALL FOR PAPERS BY THE HAWK MIGRATION ASSOCIATION OF NORTH AMERICA

The Fifth Annual Conference of the Hawk Migration Association will take place April 7-10, 1988, at the Grand Hotels, Cape May, New Jersey. Paper sessions will be held on Friday and Saturday, April 8 and 9. The Program Committee for the Conference consists of Pete Dunne, Steve Hoffman, Seth

Kellogg, Diann MacRae (chair), and David Mindell. Paper sessions will be held on the following themes: Weather, geography, and migration; Migrations of individual species; Counting techniques; New frontiers and techniques. For further information on presenting a paper, contact: Program Chairman Diann MacRae, 22622 53rd Avenue Southeast, Bothell, Washington 98021.

INTERNSHIPS AVAILABLE

Two non-salaried internships are available for Spring 1988 from the Raptor Rehabilitation and Propagation Project, Inc. Interns will participate in the research, including behavior studies, and artificial insemination and incubation. Housing is supplied. For more information, contact: Walter C. Crawford, Jr., RRPP, Inc., Tyson Research Center, P.O. Box 193, Eureka, Missouri 63025 (314/938-6193).

NEW JOURNAL EDITOR

The Journal of Raptor Research named Jimmie R. Parrish as the new editor of their publication, succeeding Clayton M. White, beginning with Volume 21, 1988. Parrish can be reached at the Department of Zoology, 159 WIDB, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah 84602.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE AT WHITEFISH POINT

The Whitefish Point Bird Observatory monitors bird migration near Paradise at the northeastern tip of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. The Observatory censuses the spectacular spring flights of 10-20,000 raptors and 5-7,000 loons and does volume banding of hawks and owls. Next year will mark its 10th season.

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LOON FUND GRANTS

The North American Loon Fund (NALF) announces two grant programs for new or current research, management, or education projects that may yield useful information for Common Loon conservation in North America.

The Robert J. Lurtsema Research Award consists of a \$1000 stipend available annually for a suitable research project on the member of the Family *Gavidae*. Preference will be given to students and independent researchers with limited sources of funding.

The second program offers modest grants (proposals in the \$500 to \$3000 range are most likely to be considered) in support of research, management, or educational projects directly related to the conservation of the Common Loon as a breeding species.

Guidelines are available upon request from the NALF Grants Committee, North American Loon Fund, RR #4, Box 240 C, Meredith, New Hampshire 03253.

Deadlines for proposal submissions is January 31, 1988 (no exceptions). Awards will be announced by March 15, 1988.

FLORIDA SCRUB JAY LISTED AS THREATENED

On June 3, 1987, the Florida Scrub Jay (*Aphelocoma c. coerulescens*) was listed as a Threatened Species in the Federal Register by the Fish & Wildlife Service. The main threat to this species is habitat loss.

NEW BOOKLET ON ORNITHOLOGY GRANTS

The recently published 58 page booklet "Grants, Awards, and Prizes in Ornithology" by Richard C. Banks, lists most of the available grants in the field. To order, send \$3.00 check or money order (made out to A.O.U.) to: Frank R. Moore, Assistant to the AOU Treasurer, Dept. of Biological Sciences, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, Mississippi 39406.

ICBP/PRINCETON AGREE TO CO-PUBLISH

The International Council for Bird Preservation and Princeton University Press have agreed to co-publish titles in the Red Data Book series and the Technical Publications series. Princeton will begin by distributing several ICBP titles already in print but difficult to find in North America. These include:

Status and Conservation of the World's Seabirds. Technical Publication #2, 1985, 789 pages, \$49.

Conservation of Island Birds, Technical Publication #3, 1985, 281 pages, \$35

Conservation of Tropical Forest Birds, Technical Publication #4, 1985, 332 pages, \$35.

Conservation Studies on Raptors, Technical Publication #5, 494 pages, \$45.

Threatened Birds of Africa and Related Islands, 1985, 797 pages, \$59.95

To order, write to Princeton University Press, Order Dept., 3175 Princeton Pike, Lawrenceville, New Jersey 08648.

NEW WILDLIFE REHAB CENTER IN MANITOBA

The Manitoba Wildlife Rehabilitation Organization (MWRO), a non profit group run by volunteers, is building a new facility in Assiniboine Forest in Winnipeg. The purpose of the facility will be to assess, treat and rehabilitate injured wildlife and to release to the wild those deemed capable of survival

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CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT DEDICATED TO TROPICAL RAIN FOREST CONSERVATION

The La Selva Christmas Bird Count in Costa Rica will conduct a Birdathon during this year's count. All proceeds from the Birdathon are to go to the Braulio Carrillo Protection Endowment Fund. This National Park preserves a 21-mile transect of tropical rain forest extending from the hot lowland forest at 100 feet elevation to the high montane forest at the top of Barva Volcano at 9500 feet elevation. The creation of Braulio Carrillo has meant that there is hope for the permanent protection of innumerable rain forest species, including the Bare-necked Umbrellabird and the Three-wattled Bellbird.

This is a unique opportunity to participate in a tropical conservation project either as a counter during the CBC or by pledging. Last year's La Selva count recorded 309 species. This year's count hopes to break that record. Gary Stiles, co-author of the forthcoming book *Birds of Costa Rica*, will head the Count. Teams will be counting in La Selva and in Braulio Carrillo Park at elevations up to 3300 feet.

If you are interested in participating as a counter in this exciting event, where each species seen will mean more funds for the Park Endowment Fund, write to D. Clark, La Selva Biological Station, OTS, Apartado 676, 2050 San Pedro, Costa Rica.

If you would like to make a pledge, write the amount per species you are pledging, along with your name and address and send it to: Donald Stone, Braulio Carrillo Protection Endowment Fund, OTS, P.O. Box DM, Duke Station, Durham, North Carolina 27706. Any size pledge will help and will be greatly appreciated.

COSTA RICA TO CONSOLIDATE SANTA ROSA NATIONAL PARK

In a gesture hailed by conservationists, the Government of Costa Rica moved to ensure the protection of the last sample of tropical dry forest by incorporating a 39,500 acre stretch of the Santa Elena Peninsula into the Santa Rosa National Park.

President Oscar Arias signed the decree on July 25, 1987. This critical area had been targeted for protection by conservationists since 1971 when the park was created.

Santa Rosa National Park includes tropical rain forest as well as shoreline (below). Photo/Liliana Madrigal.



Part of the Santa Elena property that was added to the Santa Rosa National Park. Hundreds of schoolchildren from nearby communities celebrated the event by planting seedlings. Photo/Liliana Madrigal.

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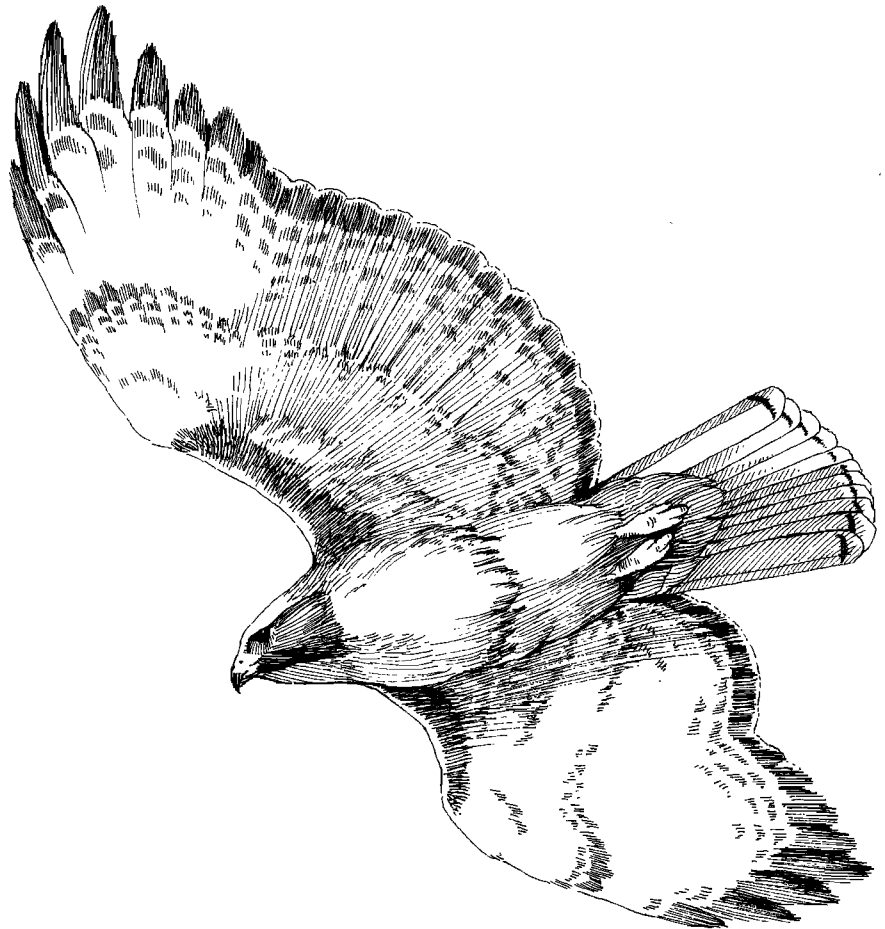
The Osprey's Nest, a computer bulletin board for birders in the Washington area, is now available. Primarily oriented to birding in Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia, the bulletin board operates 24 hours a day and features weekly summaries of bird sighting information, user-provided comments on equipment, books, and other material, and a calendar of events. For more information, contact Norm and Fran Saunders, 1261 Cavendish Drive, Colesville, Maryland 20904 (301/989-9036).

EXPLORING MICHIGAN

The Michigan Audubon Society has conceived and prepared a pamphlet on birding in Michigan—"Bird Watching at Its Best—Exploring Michigan." Printed and financed by the Department of Natural Resources, the color pamphlet is available free-of-charge from the Non-Game Wildlife Fund, P.O. Box 30180, Lansing, Michigan 48909.

CORRIGENDUM

In the Spring 1987 issue of *AMERICAN BIRDS* (Volume 41, Number 1), in ". . . from the editor's desk," it is stated that the color photos presented on the covers of that issue of *Phegornis mitchellii*, taken by Robert S. Ridgely, are the first color photos to appear in print. This, however, is not true. Color photos entitled "The Habitat," "The Bird," "The Eggs," and "A Newly Hatched Chick," appeared in the 1972 publication of A. W. Johnson, entitled *Supplement to the Birds of Chile and adjacent Regions of Argentina, Bolivia and Peru*, page 77. Those photos were taken by R. K. Templeton in January 1972, after attempts to attain photos by Johnson and J. D. Goodall *et al.* (who found and photographed, albeit rather poorly, the first nest in December, 1961) had failed. *AMERICAN BIRDS* regrets that in extolling the achievements of our contemporaries, we overlooked the considerable contributions of the dedicated pioneers, Johnson and Templeton.



Red-tailed Hawk (Buteo jamaicensis). Illustration/Julie Zickefoose.