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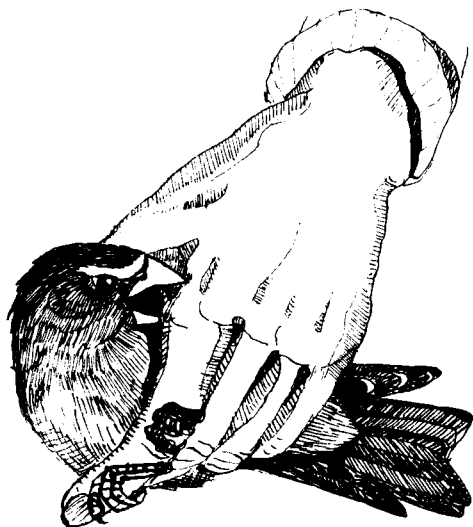
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In Appreciation



The Eastern Bird Banding Association gratefully acknowledges the many long years of service of Ruth Rose, who recently retired from the position of Circulation Manager. Ruth took on the job of assisting the Treasurer in 1961, maintaining the address files and doing the mailing of *EBBA News*. She kept the job through the terms of three Editors and ten Presidents, through the change from *EBBA News* to *North American Bird Bander*, and as the EBBA membership grew from about 350 to over 800. The tremendous extent of her contribution to this organization was documented in "EBBA News Goes to the Post Office" in *EBBA News*: 34 (3) 135-142 (1971). Photographs in that article show Ruth operating her addressograph, stuffing *EBBA News* into envelopes, sorting by zip code, and delivering the six large bags to the post office.

There are a few people who carry the bulk of the burden of work in any organization and who are therefore responsible for any success the organization may have in meeting its goals. For almost 20 years, Ruth Rose was one of those people in EBBA, and for this we extend to her our grateful appreciation.

Valerie Freer
President

History of E.B.B.A. (cont.)

We will pause in the yearly synopsis to present to you the following: (*Verbatim copy from original notes.*)

PROPOSED BIRD BANDING ASSOCIATION—April 24, 1923

On April 24, 1923, a meeting was held at the American Museum in New York, of persons interested in Bird Banding. Besides the hundred or more persons from New York and vicinity, there were present, as guests, Mr. Frederick C. Lincoln of the U.S. Biological Survey, Mr. S. Prentiss Baldwin, President of the Inland Bird Banding Association, and four representatives of the New England Bird Banding Association, Dr. C.W. Townsend, President; Mr. Laurence B. Fletcher, Secretary; Mr. A.C. Bent and Mr. Charles L. Whittle.

Mr. Lincoln and Mr. Baldwin gave talks on Bird Banding illustrated by lantern slides. At the close of the meeting a Committee was appointed to represent those present, and to represent the sentiment of bird banders of the vicinity of New York, on organizing a Bird Banding Association.

As this Committee did not wish to assume authority beyond the locality of New York, Mr. Baldwin and Mr. Lincoln were invited to assist in obtaining the cooperation of persons interested from other states.

As it was obviously impossible to assemble a meeting in one time and place, from so wide an area, this has been done by correspondence, and has necessitated a delay of nearly three months.

We may now report that the following suggestions have the approval not only of the New York Committee, but that they express the wish of many representative persons in the several states.

The intention is that sufficient officers and members of Council have given their consent to act as such officers, the organization will be declared in operation, and such officers and Council will assume their duties.

Area Included

A Regional Association to cover such parts of Eastern Canada and Eastern United States as lie between the area of New England Bird Banding Association, i.e. New England, and the area of the Inland Association, which operates in the region from the Appalachian Mountains to the Rocky Mountains.

This Association should include New York State, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland and Virginia, and may include a part of Canada and West Virginia, and other states to the south, if desired, upon organization. It is desirable to conform to migration routes in forming the regional associations.

Name

The name of the Association should be as short as possible: and at the same time of such style as not to limit it to the United States, or just to certain states; "Eastern" Bird Banding Association is suggested.

Rules and Regulations

A form of Rules will be adopted similar to the Rules which have proved successful in operation of the New England Association and the Inland Association.

Tentative List of Officers

President, Dr. Arthur A. Allen, of Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y.; Vice President, Frank L. Burns, Berwyn, PA.; Executive Secretary, ?; Secretary, Mrs. J.E.B. Webster, New York; Treasurer, Maunsell S. Crosby, Rhinecliff, N.Y.

Members of Council

Beecher S. Bowdish, Demarest, N.J.; Rudyerd Boulton, Pittsburgh, Pa.; H.H. Cleaves, Clarksburg, W.Va.; John A. Gillespie, Glenolden, Pa.; R.E. Horsey, Reservoir Ave., Rochester, N.Y.; R.H. Howland, Upper Montclair, N.J.; R.J. Middleton, Jeffersonville, Pa.; John T. Nichols,

Am. Museum of Natural History, N.Y.; Dr. Lewis Rumford, Wilmington, Del; Dr. Witmer Stone, Academy of Natural Science, Philadelphia, Pa.

Informal Meeting, held at the office of John T. Nichols, in the American Museum of Natural History, on Friday April 27, 1923 at Three O'Clock P.M. to consider the calling of a conference for the organization of a Regional Bird-Banding Association.

There were present: Mrs. S.H. Grubb, Mrs. Pangborn, Mrs. Esther Timbrell, F.C. Lincoln, S.P. Baldwin, John T. Nichols, James P. Chapin, Harold K. Decker, B.S. Bowdish and James B. Stewart.

Upon motion by Dr. Chapin, seconded by Mr. Decker, and carried, Mr. Bowdish was elected Chairman of the meeting.

Upon motion by Mr. Decker, seconded by Dr. Chapin, and carried, Mr. Stewart was elected Secretary and Treasurer of the meeting.

Mr. F.C. Lincoln, in charge of Bird-Banding in the United States Biological Survey, addressed the meeting, explaining in detail this work of the Bureau.

Mr. S.P. Baldwin, President of the Inland Bird-Banding Association, was introduced and addressed the meeting with reference to the work of his organization.

After careful discussion a motion was approved that a Committee be selected to consider extending an invitation to interested organizations and individuals to a conference for the purpose of forming an Atlantic Coast Regional Association.

Mr. S.P. Baldwin presented a check for \$100.00 representing a contribution that he had received, to be applied toward the general expense for organization work. His generosity was properly acknowledged by the Chair.

The temporary Chairman then extended the thanks of those present to Mr. Lincoln and to Mr. Baldwin for their valuable assistance and advice.

Upon motion duly made and carried, adjournment was then taken.

Signed by James B. Stewart, Temporary Secretary.

1959 Minutes

Does anyone have a copy of the 1959 Minutes of EBBA? Dorothy Foy needs them for the completion of EBBA's History. Please forward them to Dottie or to the editor. Many thanks.

Constitution of the Eastern Bird Banding Association October 7, 1923

Article I. Name

Section 1. This organization shall be called the Eastern Bird Banding Association.

Article II. Purpose

Section 1. The object of this Association shall be to encourage the study and protection of birds by means of bird-banding, to disseminate information concerning bird-banding, and to co-operate to this end with the Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture.

Article III. Territory

Section 1. The field of operations of this Association shall be the Province of Ontario, and the States of New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland and West Virginia.

Article IV. Dues, Membership.

Section 1. The Association shall consist of Active Members and Sustaining Members; both classes of members shall have equal duties and privileges in the Association.

Section 2. Any person who is interested in the purposes of the Association may become an Active Member upon approval of the Council and the payment of dues.

Section 3. Any person or organization who is interested in the purpose of the Association, who pays Five Dollars or more in dues to better promote the work of the Association, may become a Sustaining Member, upon approval of the Council and the payment of dues.

Section 4. Members of the Association, who may hold Federal Bird Banding permits, agree to transmit to the Association, in such manner as may be determined by Council all records of banded birds sent to, or received from the Biological Survey.

Section 5. Annual dues of Active Members shall be One Dollar per year; of Sustaining Members, Five Dollars per year, or more as they may volunteer to pay. All dues are payable on January first of each year.

Section 6. A Member whose dues are six months in arrears, automatically forfeits his membership.

Article V. Officers, Committees.

Section 1. The officers of the Association shall be a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, Executive Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer and at least five Councillors. The Officers and Councillors together shall constitute a Council to manage the affairs of the Association.

Section 2. The Officers shall perform the customary duties of such Officers.

Section 3. The officers and Councillors shall be elected by a majority vote of those present at an Annual Meeting; their term of office to begin at the close of the meeting at which they are elected and to continue until their successors are elected and installed.

Section 4. Upon nomination by the President, the Council may appoint such Committees and such additional Officers as may be calculated to further the work and purpose of the Association.

Article VI. Meetings, Quorums.

Section 1. The Annual Meeting shall be held in the latter quarter of each year at such place and time as may be determined by the Council. A notice of the meeting shall be mailed to each member at least two weeks before the meeting.

Section 2. Special meetings may be held at any time, upon two weeks notice, either at the call of the President or at the call of the Executive Secretary upon written application of ten voting members.

Section 3. Other special, general or local meetings, not open for the transaction of business, may be called, without formal notice, at any time or place approved by the Council. Such meetings may be devoted to social and scientific purposes for the promotion of the objects of the Association.

Section 4. At any meeting of the Association, fifteen members shall constitute a quorum. Decisions by less than a quorum may become valid, if ratified by a majority vote of members by mail or otherwise.

Article VII. Amendments.

Section 1. Amendments to the Constitution and By-laws may be made by a majority vote of the members present at any meeting, provided that written notice of the proposed change shall have been sent to every member of the Association not less than two weeks prior to the meeting at which such action is taken.

Adopted: October 7, 1923, New York, NY (from — The Department of Manuscripts and University Archives, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York 14851).

All of this History submission has been taken directly from copies of the original documents.

Dorothy J. Foy, Past Historian

EBBA/NEBBA Joint Annual Meeting

Barbara Belanger

The 57th annual meeting of the Eastern Bird Banding Association was a joint meeting held with the Northeastern Bird Banding Association at the Silver Bay Association Conference Center, Silver Bay, NY, 25-27 April 1980.

A very informative weekend was spent attending workshops, slide programs, a paper session, bird walks, field trips, and exhibits. There were 175 people registered and they were as follows:

New Jersey — Ms. C.E. Warburton, Mrs. K. Davis, Allen Lubchansky, Hannah Suthers, Walter Protzman, Chris Rose, Ruth Rose, Don Schwab, Mary Doscher, Grace Doscher, K.W.F. Clark, Jo Kixmiller, Richard Kixmiller, Mr. & Mrs. Howard Spendelow, Alice Woodcock, Aileen Rashkin, Eileen Kokorsky, June Smith, Jeff Climpson, Will Merritt.

Pennsylvania — Mrs. B.J. Warburton, Walter Bigger, Margaret Bigger, Clark Bigger, Robert Daniels, Fred Hartman, Dorothy Bordner, Blanche Bordner, Wilde Mellencamp, Rebecca Cregar, Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Gross, Merrill Wood, Helen Wood, Christine Schaefer, Jack Schaefer, Mr. & Mrs. William Pepper, Robert Sagar, Barbara Petorak, Ralph Bell, Mary Bell, Bob Leberman, Walter Fye, Annabelle Fye, Robert Merritt, Joe A. ImBrogno, Thomas Nicholls, Kathleen Stuart, Elaine Mease, Bruce Fortman, Randy Phillips, Marie McDonald.

Vermont — Kristine Fister, Marion Metcalf, Marjorie Eastman, Betty Downs, Betty Gatewood, Nancy Martin, Sally Laughlin.

Maryland — Dorothea Malec, Dorothy Mendin-hall, Gladys Cole, Margaret Donald, Fran Pope, Kathleen Klimkiewicz, Glenda Weber, Barbara Bilborough, Heidi Hughes, David Johnston, Chandler Robbins, Danny Bystrak, Richard Bray.

Ontario, Canada — Len Simser, Jan Simser, Mr. & Mrs. Martin Wernaart.

Massachusetts — John Fiske, Rosalie Fiske, Edith Andrews, Kathleen Blanchard-French, Thomas French, Trevor Lloyd-Evans, Linda Leddy, Kathleen Anderson, Laurie Suda, Eldeen Suda, Elisa Landre, William Giezentanner, Brian Harrington.

New York — Valeria Freer, Barbara Belanger, Susan Blackshaw, Bob McKinney, Margaret McKinney, Amanda Cannell, Peter Cannell, Carol



Slatkin, Anne Yunick, Robert Yunick, Sallie Rupert, Fred Schaeffer, Mickie Mutchler, Tom Mutchler, Jerald Farrell, Susan Farrell, Marilyn Grant, Gerald Church, Bob Pantle, Rita Pantle, Ronda Engman, Steve Kress, John DeCuevas, Paul Bishop, William Kilidnicki, Helen Lapham, Jim Covert, Rob Covert, William Keeton, Kaye Anderson, Vaughn Morrison, Harriet Marsi, Fred Marsi, Joseph DiCostanzo, Diane Emord, Susan Drennan, Richard Kreemer, Richard Roberts, Nancy Roberts, Seldon Spencer, Natasha Atkins, Philip Norman, John Peterson, Evelyn Weinstein, William Perron, Dorothy Hughes, Marilyn Grant, Mr. & Mrs. Walton Sabin.

Virginia — John Buckalew, Harriet Gilbert, Edgar Smith.

New Hampshire — Dr. John Kennard, Mrs. Kennard, Connie Manville, Dave Erler, Branda Erler, Pauline Merrill, John Merrill, Scott Sutcliff.

Connecticut — Elise Lapham, Jeffrey Spendelow, Linda Spendelow.

North Carolina — Margery Plymire, Marilyn Hiller.

Maine — Charles Huntington, Joseph Cadbury, Lucille Cadbury.

Illinois — Dorothy Flentge.

Indiana — Helen Hitchings.

Unknown — Nancy Martong, Ken Cail, Beth Morrison, Charles Smith, Bob Tompkins.

On Friday night a slide and film presentation entitled, "Establishing Atlantic Puffins and Arctic Terns at a Former Breeding Site" was given by Stephen W. Kress of the Laboratory of Ornithology at Cornell. This project is being funded through the Fratercula Fund — National Audubon Society.

The following workshops were presented on Saturday:

Introduction to Bird Banding for Beginners — Fred Schaeffer

Aging and Sexing of Common Birds Other Than Vireos, Warblers, and Tanagers — Kathy Klimkiewicz

Sample Size — How Do I Know If I Have Enough Data? — Chandler Robbins

Skull Ossification — Trevor Lloyd Evans

Aging and Sexing of Vireos, Warblers, and Tanagers — Kathy Klimkiewicz

Bird Houses — Ralph Bell

Catching and Handling Shorebirds — Brian Harrington

New York's Breeding Bird Atlas Project — Natasha Atkins

Presenting Your Slides to Friends and/or Foes — Walter Protzman



The following reports were given during the Saturday afternoon paper session:

"The Biennial Rhythm in Southward Migration of Seed-eaters" — John H. Kennard

"Geographical Variation in the Genetics of Red-winged Blackbirds" — Jeffrey A. Spendlow

"The Gauthreaux Theory" — Ralph K. Bell

"Biological and Habitat Facts of Mourning Doves Nesting in Pennsylvania" — Fred Hartman

"Old Field Succession and Changing Bird Life" — Hannah Suthers

Report from the Banding Laboratory — Kathy Klimkiewicz

The banquet program was entitled, "The Continuing Mystery of Bird Navigation," by William T. Keeton, professor at Cornell University and author of one of the most widely published college biology texts in the United States.

Those who participated in the Sunday morning field trips went to Jenny Lake Banding Station, led by Bob Yunick, and to the Ticonderoga Marsh and Mount Defiance, led by Mike Peterson and Susan Drennan.



1981 EBBA Annual Meeting

EBBA's Annual Meeting for 1981 is tentatively set for 24-26 April in Chincoteague, Virginia. Make plans now to attend!