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Eastern Bird Banding Association

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EBBA'S ANNUAL MEETING

The **69th annual meeting** of the Eastern Bird Banding Association will be held **27-29 March 1992** at the Keller Conference Center in State College, PA. Members of the State College Bird Club will assist with registration, field trips, and bucket raffle.

Scheduled speakers are: Ralph Bell, Dan Brauning, Margaret Brittingham, Michael Carey, Susannah Graedel, George Hall, Jeff Hoover, Chan Robbins, Ron Rohrbaugh, John Tautin, and Judy Wink. Workshops will be presented by Shirley Fonda, Gale Smith, and S. Wood.

If you plan to contribute to the bucket raffle, let **Dorothy Bordner** know at 926 W. Beaver Avenue, State College, PA 16801. To reserve exhibit space, please contact **Cathie and Roy Slack**, RD 1, Box 532, Besaw Rd., Phoenix, NY 13135.

Members should have received program details and registration forms in early February. Questions/information? Call **Janet Shaffer** at (814)356-3553.

AN INVITATION TO EBBA MEMBERS TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE MONITORING AVIAN PRODUCTIVITY AND SURVIVORSHIP (MAPS) PROGRAM

Now in its fourth year, the Monitoring Avian Productivity and Survivorship (MAPS) program is a cooperative, constant-effort, mist netting program established by The Institute for Bird Populations (see News, Notes, Comments this issue). The MAPS program is currently attempting to enlist an additional 20-25 MAPS stations in the northeastern region to reach a total of at least 40 stations operating there in 1992. The methodology used by the MAPS program is simple and straightforward, and the program provides an excellent opportunity for banders to make an important and crucial contribution to avian biomonitoring.

We strongly urge banders from the northeastern states to become part of this exciting project. A workshop on the MAPS program will be given at the EBBA Annual Meeting March 27-29, 1992. All interested persons are invited to attend this workshop!

For more information, please write The Institute for Bird Populations, P.O. Box 1346, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956, or call (415) 663-1436.

The Atlantic Flyway Review - An Overview

The AFR is an attempt to describe and analyze fall migration in the eastern United States using banding results as the primary data source. It complements sight records, such as those that appear in *American Birds*, and provides a fairly standardized reporting mechanism which permits comparison of data within and among stations. Reports from new contributors are being recruited.

The AFR reporting of raptor bandings (Eastern region only) will be coordinated by Robert Pantle (35 Logan Hill Road, Candor, NY 13743), while passerine banding reports will be coordinated by Elizabeth Brooks (1435 Waterwells Road, Alfred Station, NY 14803).

The AFR is divided into five reporting regions to facilitate analysis and comparison. The regions are:

Region I: Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Massachusetts (east of the Connecticut River).

Region II: New York (north of I84 and east of I81), Vermont, Massachusetts (west of the Connecticut River), and Pennsylvania (east of I81).

Region III: Connecticut, New York (south of I84), Long Island, New Jersey, and Delaware.

Region IV: Canada; all areas west of I81 in New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Maryland; West Virginia; North Carolina (west of US 220).

Region V: Areas east of I81 in Maryland and Virginia; Washington, D.C., and North Carolina (east of US 220).

Stations in South Carolina, Georgia or Florida wishing to report will be assigned to Region IV or V.

During this period of reorganization, not all regions have coordinators yet. For the present, reports from Regions I, III, and IV may be sent to Elizabeth Brooks; reports from Region II to Valerie Freer (RFD 1, Box 216, Ellenville, NY 12428); reports from Region V to David Leake (113 Poteskeet Trail, Kitty Hawk, NC 27949).

First-time contributors can learn about reporting requirements and station standardization goals by studying recent AFR reports published in *NABB*. Information requested is outlined in *NABB* III (3) or can be obtained from region coordinators.

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AFR Coordinator

