

PROGRAMS

- October 3, 1974 "The Birds of Trinidad" - Elmer G. Rowley
Tropical ornithology captured in color movies
- October 17 "Nesting of 'Some Birds' of Mt. Desert Island, Maine" - James Bond
Dinner Meeting 6:00 P.M.
- November 7 "New Jersey's Whales and Dolphins" - Fred Ulmer
Cetaceans are high on the list of mammals needing "conservation"
- November 21 "Costa Rican Expeditions" - David Rentz and Stephen Harty
Our bag of bugs and birds
- December 5 "Churchill, Manitoba" - Alan Brady (Panel Chairman)
The June 1973 DVOC Expedition
- December 19 "Alaska" - Philip Street (Panel Chairman)
The June-July 1974 DVOC Expedition
- January 9, 1975 Annual Meeting, Christmas Count Reports
Refreshments!
- January 23 Annual Slide Contest: Bring three slides
1. Birds 2. Scenery 3. General Natural History

All meetings at the Academy of Natural Sciences at 8:00 P.M. Note that the dinner meeting on October 17, starts at 6:00 P.M.

Stephen Harty, Program Chairman

ANNUAL BANQUET

On October 17, 1974, the distinguished ornithologist, James Bond, an Honorary Member of the DVOC, will be featured speaker at the traditional dinner meeting. Reservations (\$10.00) should be sent to George Reynard, 105 Midway, Riverton, New Jersey 08077.

CONGRATULATIONS

The Julian K. Potter Award for 1973 to Stephen Harty

Elected Fellows of the DVOC: Sid Atkinson, Frank Hubbard, Steve Wylie

New Councillors of the DVOC: Joe Cadbury, Harry Franzen, Al Kronschnabel

FIELD TRIPS

- September 15, 1974 New Sharon, New Jersey, Sod Farms
Meet at Route 539 and N. J. Turnpike overpass
7:00 A.M. (K. Richards)
- October 5 - 6 Barnegat Light to Cape May Point
Barnegat Lighthouse, 7:00 A.M. (The Brady Bunch)
- October 26 - 27 Boat Trip: 1 Mile Out -- Leave 10:00 P.M. Saturday on the Super
out of Atlantic Highlands, N. J. Call Alan Brady for further
information.
- November 3 Bake Oven Knob
Come early -- stay late!
- November 24 Bombay Hook Refuge
Headquarters, 7:00 A.M.
- December Christmas Counts
More information later
- January 12, 1975 Shark River
Pat's Diner on Route 35 at 7:30 A.M. (H. Todd)
- January 26 Owls
More information later
- February 14 - 17 New England
More information later
- March 2 Long Beach Island
Barnegat Lighthouse, 7:00 A.M.
- March 16 Middle Creek Refuge
Headquarters, 7:00 A.M. (J. Grantham)
- April 6 Lower Bucks County
More information later
- April 25 - 27 Delmarva (Pocomoke)
More information later
- May Round-up Time
More information later
- June Broadkill, Delaware
More information later (K. Richards)

1974 Pelagic Bird Trips out of Atlantic City, N. J. (Reservations necessary)
September 15, October 20, November 24, December 15 (Jim Akers-609-266-7859)

For directions to the various rallying points and for up-dated information on any trip
contact our Field Trip Chairman, Harry Todd-215-SU-9-9046.

HELP WANTED

Jim Meritt is interested in receiving general notes or short articles for the next issue of Cassinia. Contact him at 809 Saratoga Terrace, Turnersville, N. J. 08012.

Donald Heintzelman needs volunteers for the Bake Oven Knob hawk count. He rather ambitiously would like to see about 50 club members each take responsibility for one day. Who knows, he may share the royalties from his next hawk book with the volunteers. Contact him at 629 Green Street, Allentown, Pa. 18102 .

Frank Gill, the chairman of the Department of Ornithology at the Academy, feels strongly that the DVOC should compile a list of Endangered or Threatened Birds in Eastern Pennsylvania. He points out that the New Jersey Fish and Wildlife Service has compiled a list of New Jersey species of vertebrates that are endangered, threatened, or whose status is uncertain but possibly precarious. Such lists are of great importance for the potential defense and protection of areas being considered for development. As the accepted official lists, they will carry a certain factual authority, which is a far more effective conservation weapon than emotional arguments. The project would involve drawing up a short list of candidate species and then solicitation of comments or recommendations from DVOC members most familiar with particular areas or particular species. The list could be published in Cassinia with reprints made available to conservation organizations. Surely, here is the kind of project worthy of the DVOC's efforts. Ideas on how best to proceed in this matter should be brought to the attention of the club president, Stephen Wing, 1001 Great Springs Road, Rosemont, Pa. 19010.

BIRD FINDING NOTES

Many of the members of the DVOC travel far afield in their search for birds. We all know how useful it can be to talk to someone who has recently been in an area we are planning to visit. Perhaps this Newsletter can assist such personal contact by listing the most recent excursions of our members. Send this information to the editor, John LaVia.

Trinidad and Tobago (January 1974) Harry Franzen, Frank Hubbart, Frank Newmann

Alaska (June-July 1974) Nome, St. Lawrence Island Mt. McKinley Park
Jim Meritt, Bob Sehl, Phil Street, et. al.

Southern California and Arizona (August 1974) Stephen Harty.

Rare Bird Alerts:

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| Washington, D. C. -- 202-652-3295 | Columbus, Ohio -- 614-299-7833 |
| Massachusetts (Boston Area) -- 617-259-8805 | San Francisco -- 415-843-2211 |
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Please remit to the treasurer, Jim Woodford, Cedar Run Lake, Marleton, N. J. 08053. Please have prospective members contact Alan Brady, P. O. Box 103, Wycombe, Pa. 18980

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