

MEMORANDUM

TO : All Banders

FROM : Chief, Bird Banding Laboratory  
Office of Migratory Bird Management  
Laurel, Maryland 20708

SUBJECT: 1. End-of-the-Year Banding Report (EOY)  
2. Subpermittees current names and addresses  
3. Banding tabulations for 1981  
4. Banding schedule preparation  
5. Completion of card request for banding data  
6. Correction for aging and sexing Prairie Falcon  
7. Reporting procedures for transplanted Canada Geese  
8. Reporting game bird banding  
9. Bird Banding Association meetings

1. Enclosed is your End-of-the-Year Banding Report form (EOY). Please complete and return this form immediately. It is due in the Bird Banding Laboratory no later than January 31, 1984.
2. Also enclosed is a listing of your subpermittees' names and current addresses. These apply only to masters who have subpermittees. Discrepancies should be reported with your End-of-the-Year Banding Report. If there are no discrepancies no action is necessary.
3. A species tabulation of your 1981 banding accomplishments is enclosed if any banding was done under your permit and the banding data were in our files by October 28, 1983. This is a check for accuracy of data in addition to Bird Banding Laboratory clerks', biologists' and computer edits. Please compare the listing data against your records and advise us ONLY IF THERE ARE DISCREPANCIES. Rebanded birds are not included in the summary and a double-banded bird is counted as one bird.
4. Please refer to BBM, Vol. I, Part 4 (especially pp. 4-16 and 4-17) for instructions on schedule preparations. SCHEDULES NOT COMPLETED IN THE CORRECT FORMAT MAY BE RETURNED FOR CORRECTIONS. MTAB 36, paragraph 7, may also be helpful.
5. Form 3-860a (Pink card Request for banding Data) should be completed with the same information and codes as those used on Form 3-860 (Schedule). Explanations are also needed for any status code which requires an explanation on the banding schedule.
6. In BBM, Vol. II, please correct the "Usually acceptable age-sex by month" Chart for Species Number 355.0 (Prairie Falcon). L-U/M/F should read L-U only.
7. Anyone involved in trapping and transplanting Canada Geese should contact BBL biologists for banding procedures and preparation of banding schedules.
8. A reminder that all banders (including "non-game" banders) should submit schedules for game birds banded January 16 through August 31 prior to September 15. In-season banding (September 1 through January 15) should be submitted monthly.

Game birds include waterfowl, cranes, doves, pigeons, woodcocks, snipe, rails, coots and gallinules. Although some states do not classify the mourning dove as a game bird, it is a game bird for our reporting purposes. This will be incorporated into our new manual.

9. The WBBA annual meeting will be at the San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge April 20-22. For information contact Michael Rigney, San Francisco Bay Bird Observatory, Box 247, Alviso, CA 95002. Phone (408) 946-6548.

The EBBA annual meeting will be in Dover, Delaware April 27-29. For information contact Walter Protzman, P.O. Box 1967, Bloomfield, NJ. 07003 Phone (201) 429-4057; or Charl Warburton, Mine Road, Box 332D, Pennington, NJ. 08534 Phone (609) 466-3322.

The NEBBA annual meeting will be April 6-8, at the Connecticut Audubon Society headquarters in Fairfield, CT. For information contact Milan Bull, Connecticut Audubon Fairfield, CT 06430 Phone (203) 259-6305.

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Enclosures