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THE WILDLIFE TRADE

A slide presentation about the use and abuse of wildlife in the commercial aspects of the trade will be presented by ASE's Program Chairman Charles Dennis at our monthly meeting on March 6th at 7:30 p.m. in the West Palm Beach Garden Club Center.

Charles received his B.S. degree from the University of South Florida, majoring in Zoology, and has been with the Florida Game & Fresh Water Fish Commission for seven years.

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Plans are well underway for our Annual Dinner and Meeting. We are very pleased to have Dale and Linda Crider as our guests. The Criders compose and sing their own "folk style" tunes which accompany a multi-media slide presentation about Florida and its endangered flora and fauna. If you have seen and heard the Criders, you will want to repeat the scene; if you haven't been in their company, you are in for a big treat. (continued p. 2)

ANNUAL DINNER AND MEETING

THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 1984, 6:30 P.M.

SHERATON INN
1901 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd.

- Guest Speakers -

DALE and LINDA CRIDER
Composers and Singers of
Florida Environmental Songs

----- Cash Bar 5:45-6:30 P.M. ----- Dinner \$16.00 per person -----

Please reserve _____ Breast of Capon Dinners at \$16.00 per person.

Name _____ Phone _____

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1628 Boardman Ave., West Palm Beach, FL 33407

Among their many compositions are songs about the manatee, the Southern Bald Eagle and the Loxahatchee River. Mark your calendar, fill out the reservation for dinner, and join us for a fun-filled evening. Invite your friends, too!

Meetings and events of concern to us included a Southeastern Coalition meeting in Miami on February 26th and a meeting of the Backpumping Committee of the coalition in Ft. Lauderdale on the 28th.

Also Cissy Durando will represent ASE at National Audubon's Southeastern Regional Conference in Eufalla, Alabama March 22-24. I will attend a dinner for Jack Maloy, retiring executive director of the South Florida Water Management District.

Congratulations are in order for Cissy on her recent appointment to the county's Land Use Advisory Board.

The Board of Directors has voted to discontinue the Wildlife Film Series after this season due to extremely poor attendance. We are considering several alternatives to this program and will let you know the outcome as soon as a decision is made.

Many thanks to Dale Neuenschwander for scheduling the series of school lectures for Doris Mager's spring visit. Doris and her Birds of Prey will be in Palm Beach County the week of March 11th. In addition to 15 school talks, she will be the guest speaker at the Loxahatchee Natural History Association's annual meeting on Sunday afternoon, March 11th, and at the Pack & Paddle Club's monthly meeting on Monday evening, March 12th.

Included in this KITE are amended Bylaws for membership consideration. The most significant change is providing for continuity of leadership in our chapter. In the past, officers have been elected for one-year terms, with the president limited to two one-year terms. The office of first vice president was seldom occupied by an individual who was certain to be president at some future date. Proposed changes make provision for a president-elect, thereby assuring continuity in leadership.

If approved, when an individual is nominated as president-elect, that person is essentially committed to a minimum of four years on the Board of Directors. It's a long overdue change and will even make the Nominating Committee's job a bit easier. Another excellent proposal is the expansion of the board to 20 members.

We are grateful to Al Liberman, who has been working on these changes for some time. He has been corresponding with other chapters all over the United States in order to draft the changes which will benefit our group in a positive way. We thank you, Al, for this long and involved project. (Leah Schad)

AUDUBON EXHIBIT A WINNER

Audubon fared well during the recent South Florida Fair - the weather and the crowds were spectacular.

We won another blue ribbon for exhibit appearance, and the following were winners drawn from the 800 plus registration forms: One year membership to S. Parpard of Boynton Beach and two Wildlife Film Series tickets to Richard Rothman of Boca Raton.

Thanks to the following for manning the booth - Alette Pyknen, Joe Jackson, Chuck Potter, Linda Kobert, Judy Farkas, Leah Schad, Andrea Thomas, Ellie Maley, Rosalind Rubenfeld, Gloria Hunter, Ruth Trumpower, Michelle and Joanne Beferie, Minnie Lewis and Alan Parmalee.

Most passers-by remarked that they wanted Audubon to keep up the good work, while others thought we were affiliated with Everglades National Park and needed enlightening. (Susan Korzenewski)

BIRDATHON '84 -
PLEDGE NOW FOR "AN EXTRA" MORE!

The annual Birdathon sponsored by National Audubon Society has taken on extra emphasis for ASE's participants this spring. On behalf of the chapter, President Leah Schad has accepted the challenge of Father Tom Pincelli of Frontera Audubon to earn \$10,000 in Birdathon pledges.

So, local birders and sponsors, let's pledge our time and money now so that, when the final count is in, ASE's grand total will surpass that of the Texas chapter.

Pledge forms will be available later and Birdathon participants should be gathering sponsors now. We are depending on all of our counters from last year, plus a few more. Won't you please help?

As usual, Birdathon counting activities may be done in conjunction with our Spring Bird Count in April. Call Gloria Hunter at 585-7714 if you wish to join a counting team. (Dale Neuenschwander)

NEW BIRD CHECKLIST

The 1984 revised Palm Beach County Checklist of Birds is now available at ASE's Sales Table. It has complied with the many changes of names and of taxonomic order presented by the Thirty-fourth Supplement to the American Ornithologists' Union Check-List of North American Birds.

Some of the name changes that will interest us locally are: from Louisiana Heron to Tricolored Heron, Green Heron to Green-backed heron, Everglade Kite to Snail Kite, Marsh Hawk to Northern Harrier, Wied's Crested Flycatcher to Brown-crested Flycatcher, Short-billed Marsh Wren to Sedge Wren, and Long-billed Marsh Wren to Marsh Wren.

Since 1977, many birds have been added to our Palm Beach County Checklist, among them the Band-rumped Storm Petrel and the Zenaid Dove. (H.P. Langridge)

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Many thanks to David B. Tanney of Boca for his donation to our Ornithological Collection of three volumes on birds.

PROPOSED NOMINATIONS AND BUDGET

In accordance with the Bylaws of the Audubon Society of the Everglades, Article VII - Nominating Committee, and Article VI, Sec. 3 - Finance Committee, the following items have been accepted by the Board of Directors for submission to the membership for its consideration at the Annual Meeting to be held on Thursday, April 12, 1984.

PROPOSED OFFICERS
1984-1986

PROPOSED BUDGET
1984-1985

President Leah Schad
President-elect Chuck Potter
Vice President
Secretary Linda Kobert
Treasurer Terry Palmer

INCOME

Interest on Savings Account \$ 1,200
Interest from Conservation Fund 6,500
Dues 3,400
Sales Profit 400
Anticipated Donations & Bequests 7,000
Retained Excess Revenue 1,780

TOTAL ANTICIPATED INCOME

\$20,280

PROPOSED DIRECTORS
(Term lengths necessary to set up
yearly five-directors changeover)

One year - Al Liberman
Two years - Jane Hart
Ray Plockelman
Three years - Cissy Durando
Susan Korzenewski
Ruth Trumpower
Dale Neuenschwander
Sylvia Guadainoli

EXPENSES

PRESIDENT \$ 200
SECRETARY 100
TREASURER 100
EVERGLADE KITE 3,500
PROGRAMS 1,000
LEGISLATIVE 250
PUBLICITY 125
BIRD CENSUS 160
FIELD TRIPS 50
NATURE TRAIL 200
MEMBERSHIP 150
HOSPITALITY 150
EXHIBITS 600
SANCTUARIES 100
SALES TABLE - MERCHANDISE 600
CONFERENCES, CONVENTION, TRAVEL 700

Nominations may also be made from the floor at the Annual Meeting, provided consent of the nominee has been obtained. Members of the Nominating Committee are: Al Liberman, Dale Neuenschwander and Terry Palmer.

KITE STRINGS

There are a few places left in Pine Jog's Scilian Carousel from May 23 to June 6. This natural and cultural history study tour will be led by Alex Marsh, FAU Professor of Ecology. Call 686-6600 immediately for details.

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A Nature Photography Workshop, sponsored by P.B. County Parks & Recreation Dept., will be held for seven Saturdays starting May 5 from 9 to 10 a.m. Pre-registration required, fee \$12. Call Debbie Thatcher, 964-4420, Monday through Friday, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

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Fisheating Creek Canoe Trip: Pine Jog's guided overnight canoe trip will be held weekend of March 30-April 1. Registration deadline is March 23, fee \$40. Call 686-6600 for details.

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Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge: Thursday, March 1, 2 p.m. - "Our Endangered Wildlife." Lecture by Refuge Biologist Jean Takekawa at Visitors Center. Sunday, March 11, 5:30 p.m. - "Night Prowl" to watch birds come in to feed and roost. Meet at Visitors Center.

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CONSERVATION
Friends of the Everglades \$ 200
Nature Conservancy 100
Florida Conservation Foundation 200
Tall Timbers Association 100
General Conservation Expenses 700 1,300

EDUCATION
Science Museum 200
Pine Jog 300
Student Education 2,400
Education Workshops 2,000
B.Bowman Scholarship/Youth Camp 75
Contingency 200 5,175

SCHOLARSHIPS, AWARDS, DONATIONS
Florida Audubon Society 500
Research Institute for Avian Med. 250
Bonnie Findlay (Bambi Sanctuary) 300
School/Library/Udell Memberships 420
West Palm Beach Garden Club 720
Awards 200 2,390

GENERAL OFFICE EXPENSES
Audit 2,000
Property Maintenance 100
Insurance 300
Stationery & Supplies 250
Audubon Telephone 480 3,130

CONTINGENCY 300

TOTAL PROPOSED BUDGET

\$20,280

(Finance Committee members are: Don Braender, Susan Korzenewski, Helen Gilmore and Charles Dennis)

BYLAWS OF AUDUBON SOCIETY OF THE EVERGLADES, INC.
(as adopted at a meeting of the membership April 4, 1966
and revised 1/3/67, 1/2/68, 4/3/73, 12/3/74 and 1/2/80)
(Portions to be changed are dashed out; changes or additions are in
() and will be voted on at the Annual Meeting on April 12, 1984.)

ARTICLE I

The Society, its Incorporation, Bylaws, and Purpose

1. Audubon Society of the Everglades, Inc. is a Florida corporation not for profit, under incorporation certificate approved by the Secretary of State of Florida, March 15, 1966. It is herein sometimes termed "the Society." These bylaws have been made, pursuant to Article VIII of that certificate of incorporation, by unanimous vote of a quorum of the directors of the Society, at the organization meeting of the board of directors held March 21, 1966 and approved by the membership April 4, 1966.

2. The purpose of this corporation shall be: to promote an understanding and interest in wildlife and the environment that supports it, and to further the cause of conservation of all natural resources.

ARTICLE II

Membership, Affiliation with Florida and National Audubon Societies, and Dues

1. Members of the Audubon Society of the Everglades shall automatically become members of Florida Audubon Society and National Audubon Society. Annual dues for such "triple" membership shall be consistent with those set by the National Audubon Society.

2. Members in default of payment of dues renewals for six months shall be dropped from the rolls.

ARTICLE III

Meetings of Members

1. There shall be an annual meeting of members during the month of April each year, and such special meetings as the board of directors may call. Annual and special meetings shall be held on not less than seven days' written notice, specifying a place within 20 miles of the West Palm Beach City Hall, and the time. The notice of the annual meeting shall include a slate of officers and directors (due to be elected that year as) proposed by the nominating committee under Article VII of these Bylaws, and a budget proposed by the board of directors under Article VI for a fiscal year running from April 1 to March 31. ~~The agenda of the meeting shall include election of officers and directors and adoption of a budget.~~ (The agenda of the meeting must include election of officers and directors due to be elected that year, and the adoption of the budget.)

2. Attendance of 25 or more members in good standing shall constitute a quorum at the annual meeting of members in April, at the regular monthly meetings, and at such special membership meetings as the board of directors may call.

3. ~~The board of directors may set up a schedule of times and places of regular monthly meetings of members of the Society, and shall notify all members of the initial schedule and of any changes in it. Scheduled monthly meetings may be held without further notice.~~

(The board of directors will set up a schedule of times and places of regular monthly meetings of members of the Society and shall notify all members of the time and place of said meetings.)

4. Husband and wife participating in a family membership shall each

be entitled to one vote, and holders of individual memberships shall each be entitled to one vote, at any meeting of members. Members not present at any meeting may vote by written proxy, ~~but each such proxy shall be restricted to one meeting and one subject of vote, to be specified in the proxy.~~

(but each such proxy shall be restricted to one meeting and the subject of the vote must be specified in the proxy.)

ARTICLE IV Officers

1. The officers shall be: president, ~~first vice-president, second vice-president,~~ secretary, and treasurer, who shall be members of the Society elected by members of the Society at the annual meeting ~~to serve until the next annual meeting.~~
(president-elect) (to serve for a period of two years.)

2. ~~The president shall preside at all meetings of the Society and of its board of directors, shall appoint all committee chairpersons, and shall administer the affairs of the Society except to the extent such administration is otherwise prescribed by the certificate of incorporation, the Bylaws, or resolution of the board of directors. The president may not hold office for more than two consecutive terms.~~
(The president shall preside at all meetings of the Society, and shall serve as chairman of the board of directors; shall appoint all committee chairpersons, and serve as ex-officio member of each committee; shall be the chief administrator of the Society, and shall execute the acts and directives of the Society and the board of directors. The president may not hold office for more than one two-year consecutive term.)

3. ~~The first vice-president shall assist the president, and shall in the president's absence preside at meetings of the Society and of its board of directors. In case of vacancy in the office of president, the first vice-president shall become president. In case of vacancy in the office of first vice-president, the membership shall vote on one or more nominees proposed by the board of directors or proposed from the floor at a monthly or special meeting.~~
(The president-elect shall assume the office of president upon completion of the term of the president. In case of a vacancy in the office of president, the president-elect shall assume the duties of the president for such a time as that officer for any reason may be unable to perform such official duties. The president-elect shall aid and assist the president at all times in the administration of Society affairs. In case of a vacancy in the office of president-elect, the membership shall vote on one or more nominees proposed by the board of directors or proposed from the floor at a monthly or special meeting.)

4. The ~~second~~ vice-president shall assume such duties as assigned by the president. In the absence of the president and ~~first vice-president,~~ (president-elect), the ~~second~~ vice-president shall preside at meetings of the Society and of its board of directors.

5. The secretary shall keep minutes of the meetings of the Society and of the board of directors, shall keep an inventory of property of the Society, have custody of all records of the Society except its financial and membership records, send all notices of board meetings, and see that all notices of monthly, annual and special meetings of members are sent.

6. The treasurer shall have primary custody of the financial records and the funds of the Society, and shall report at the annual meeting of the members, and whenever additionally instructed by the board of directors. The treasurer shall be named an authorized co-signatory for entry

to any safe deposit box of the Society, for stock certificate powers or for any other documents required for withdrawal of the Society's funds or transfer of its securities. The board of directors shall by resolution from time to time designate any two or more members of the Society as co-custodians and co-signatories with the treasurer, and may designate different members, who need not be officers or members of the board of directors, to act with respect to different funds or securities. Except in emergency the treasurer shall so co-sign, but in the event checks or other documents for withdrawal of the Society's funds or transfer of its securities are issued without the signature of the treasurer, the persons signing the checks shall report the circumstances at the next meeting of the board of directors. Failure to so report shall not affect the authority of depositaries, registrars, transfer agents or other third parties, to honor such co-signatures.

ADD (6. The books of the treasurer shall be reviewed or audited annually according to the statutes of the State of Florida.)

ADD (7. Upon the death, inability or refusal to act, or upon resignation of any officer, except the president-elect, the president is authorized to appoint an officer pro tem to serve out the unexpired term of such an officer.)

ARTICLE V Board of Directors

~~1. The board of directors shall consist of the five officers and ten other directors, who shall be members of the Society. Directors shall be elected for a term of three years so that one-third of the board members are replaced each year. To effect the transition to staggered terms starting April 1980, the directors who are also nominated as the 1980-81 officers shall be elected as directors for a period of three years. The other elected directors shall be selected by lot to determine which half shall serve for one year and which half shall serve for two years. As of April 1981, and thereafter, one-third of the directors shall be elected each year.~~

(The board of directors shall consist of five officers and fifteen directors, who must be members of the Society. One third of the directors shall be elected each year for a three-year term of office.)

2. The board of directors shall, by resolution, set up a tentative schedule of its meetings. Each meeting shall adjourn to a definite time and place for the next meeting, ~~subject to earlier call.~~

~~3. The president, or any two other members of the board of directors, may call special meetings of the board of directors on reasonable notice. If the notice is not by mail, the minutes of any special meeting of the board of directors not attended by all directors shall recite the nature of the notice given to absent directors.~~

(The president, or any two other members of the board of directors, may call special meetings of the board of directors on reasonable notice.)

~~4. A quorum of the board of directors shall consist of a total of eight directors, including any two officers, for the purpose of taking any action. Two consecutive unexcused absences shall be grounds for removal as a director.~~

(A quorum of the board of directors shall consist of a total of eleven directors, including any one officer, for the purpose of taking any actions.) (members of the board)

5. In emergency not permitting consideration by scheduled or noticed meeting, the board of directors may act by telephone or other communication, without meeting, on unanimous consent of the number of directors

constituting a quorum. The ~~director-or-directors~~ (board member or members) proposing the action shall make diligent attempt to communicate with all the other ~~directors~~ (board members), and the action shall not be taken except upon unanimous consent of all board members communicated with, nor unless those communicated with constitute a quorum for the purpose of the action taken. The minutes of the board meeting next following the action shall recite the action taken, the names of the board members approving it, and the nature of the attempt made to communicate with any board member not communicated with.

6. ~~Resignation-of-a-member-of-the-board-of-directors-shall-be-in-writing-to-the-president,-who-shall-present-it-to-the-board-of-directors.~~
(Two consecutive unexcused absences may be grounds for removal as a member of the board of directors.)

7. ~~To-fill-vacancies-on-the-board,-other-than-president-or-first-vice-president,-the-president-shall-recommend-a-replacement-to-the-board-of-directors-for-its-action.~~
(Resignation of a member of the board of directors shall be in writing to the president, who shall present it to the board of directors for its action.)

ADD(8. To fill vacancies on the board of directors, other than the officers, the president shall recommend a replacement to the board of directors for its approval.)

No changes were proposed for Articles VI thru XI, therefore the remainder of the Bylaws are not included here. Complete copies will be available after changes are acted upon.

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Dear ASE Members and Friends:

It has been brought to our attention that at least four recent field trips had no one to act as leader.

We are sorry for any inconvenience you may have experienced and hope the remaining trips will be enjoyable.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Leah Schad
President

CONSERVATION REPORT

My theme for this month is "First Things First!" I don't believe one could deny that if sufficiently protective wetlands legislation had existed several years ago, many of our problems, such as diminished seafood and sport fishing resources, bird life (including the plight of Everglades National Park), and even hunting resources, would not have occurred. I

don't believe one can deny severe problems of future water shortages for farming (including cane, vegetables, horticulture) and for residents (including those who might have invested in a car wash enterprise) if we don't get protective legislation in place.

Three elements must be added to Florida Statutes governing dredge/fill: (1) a clear state policy requiring wetlands protection, (2) authority to consider fish and wildlife habitat impacts in the evaluation of all permits for dredge/fill. Currently DER (Chap.403) is not concerned with habitat protection. The agency may consider only chemical water quality. Only in areas adjacent to navigable waters (Chap.253) does consideration for fish and wildlife come into play. This must be broadened. (3) Increased jurisdiction for DER's dredge and fill permit program must happen.

To continue to remove wetlands will increase the risk of flooding residents in flood plain areas, will overload our present drainage system

and thus jeopardize old residential areas, overload present ocean outfall systems, resulting in more estuary degradation, and overload systems that move water south, resulting in possible degradation of Water Conservation Areas 1-3 and Everglades National Park.

At this time it would be most appropriate to get in touch with Senator Harry Johnston especially. We have some real local leverage there! Write to Pat Neal, chairman of Senate Natural Resources Committee, and to Jon Mills, chairman of House Committee on Natural Resources. One letter, with copies to others, would do.

Senators: Harry A. Johnston, 310 Okeechobee Blvd.; W.P.B. 33401; Pal Neal, P.O. Box 89, Bradenton 33506; Tom McPherson, 523 S.W. 106 Ave., Ft. Lauderdale 33328.

Representatives: Jon Mills, P.O. Box 12607, Gainesville 32604; Ray Liberti, 2300 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd., Ste.304, W.P.B. 33409; Eleanor Weinstock, 319 Clematis St., Ste.617, W.P.B. 33401; Joe Allen, P.O. Box 4044, Key West 33041; Tom Armstrong, 21 E. Acre Dr., Plantation 33317; Iro Bronson, P.O. Box 2469, Kissimmee 32741; Elaine Gordon, 12100 N.W. 16th Ave., North Miami 33161; Fred Lippman, 2620 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood 33020.

I feel that if proper management of these vital areas was mandated by a representative group of Florida voters, our secondary major problem of growth management, so recently given much publicity, would substantially be solved.

Of special interest to our north county members: a public meeting presenting a Loxahatchee River-Lake Worth Creek Aquatic Preserves Management Plan will be held Wednesday, March 7, at 7 p.m. in Tequesta Village Hall, 357 Tequesta Drive. I will cover this briefly at ASE's March 6th meeting. Next Conservation meeting: Wednesday, March 14, at 7:30 p.m. at Ruth's. (Cissy Durando)

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WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

Boynton Beach: Cash & Kaye Feindel, Dorothy S. French, Esther McCarthy, Mr. & Mrs. J. Raymond McMahan, Norma J. Short

Juno Beach: Gregory M. Mundie

Jupiter: Christopher Kempton, Susan B. Lowry Eyleen D. Simpson, Grace Young

Lake Worth: Jane Aalto, Dorothy Brindle, Mrs. Eleanor L. Maley, Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Mancus, Harold & Muriel Marsch, M.M. McConnaughay, Ross Scheinbaum, Claire & Harry Sewell, Betts Shettenhelm, Robert W. Terry, Dr. & Mrs. George P. Warner

Lantana: Ruth N. Caddell, Leslie Jarriell, Jim & Anne Macon, Mrs. Jane Panell, Robert Peltes

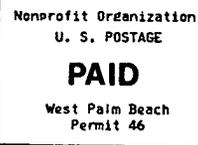
North Palm Beach: Mrs. J. Bondy, Ms. Robin Sortor

Palm Beach: Mr. & Mrs. R.I. Ballinge, Mrs. Barbara G. Blanchard, Kindra Cooley, Miss Anne H. Francis, Mary S. Ritter, Mr. & Mrs. James Winston

Palm Beach Gardens: Richard D. Nadel

Tequesta: M. R. Loehr

West Palm Beach: David & Judith Bloom, R. A. Brewbock, Kenneth L. Bryan, Gregory Burdick, D. Devenski Family, Barbara Durrer, Michael Eagan, J. Michael Fehr, R. M. Madeiros Ferreira, Clayton Fischer, N. Glathar, Judy Hall, Rosalind Haltrich, John Hill, Miss Evelyn A. Kelly, Alyson Lee, James Michael Lee, Malavasai Family, Daniel W. O'Connell, John & Lori Peek, Michael Rafferty, Catherine Rotroff, Miss Kimberly Schneider, Janet Schreiber, Ms. S.J. Scott, Darlene Schiller, Mardie Shorter, M.E. Spuart, Sharon Stone, Mr. & Mrs. H. Stonehouse, Lee Timmerman, Fredroc Wagmer, Ruth W Whalin



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