

The Bird Banders' Association of Australia

Annual General Meeting

The Ninth Annual General Meeting of the Association was held in the Hallstrom Theatre, The Australian Museum, Sydney, on Saturday 16 January 1971. The Chairman, Dr A. M. Gwynn was unavoidably delayed and Mr S. G. Lane who deputised pending his arrival, welcomed all present, particularly interstate and country members.

Dr F. H. Talbot, Director of the Museum, was then asked to officially open the meeting. In doing so, Dr Talbot said he was pleased that the Museum was able to assist natural history organisations such as this Association, even if only in a small way. He congratulated the Association on its excellent progress and hoped that this would continue. The acting chairman thanked Dr Talbot for his remarks and for his very helpful assistance and co-operation.

Mr Lane apologised for the absence of the President (Mrs Pauline Reilly) who had expressed her deep regret that she could not be present. Other apologies were received also.

Dr Gwynn then took over the chair and apologised for his unavoidable lateness.

After adoption of the Hon. Secretary's and Hon. Treasurer's reports, the following officers and committee members were elected:

President: Dr A. M. Gwynn (N.S.W.)

Vice Presidents: R. K. Carruthers (N.S.W.)

M. D. Murray (N.S.W.)

P. Balmford (Vic.)

Past President: Mrs P. N. Reilly (Vic.)

Hon. Secretary: H. Battam

Hon. Asst. Secretary: B. A. Speechley

Hon. Treasurer: R. G. Lonnon

Hon. Editor: S. G. Lane

Hon. Asst. Editor: H. J. de S. Disney

Committee Members: E. Lindgren (T.P.N.G.)

J. Liddy (Qld)

J. St G. D. Rawlins (N.S.W.)

S. J. Wilson (A.C.T.)

The Chairman thanked the honorary auditors, Messrs G. T. Bush and M. T. Murn for their assistance. Mr Murn was re-appointed but as Mr Bush had asked to be relieved of this duty, the appointment of a second auditor was left to the Committee.

The Scientific Meeting followed the closing of the Annual Meeting. Mr Peter Balmford pre-

sented a very interesting resumé of the Penguin Survey being carried out by the Victorian Ornithological Research Group on Phillip Island, Victoria. Slides and photographs were used to show various aspects of the work, and maps to indicate recoveries and seasonal currents in the vicinity of Bass Strait.

Mr Roy Mackay spoke of birding and banding in New Guinea. He also used slides to indicate some of the difficulties of terrain and the problems associated with it. A few of the birds encountered were screened.

The speakers were thanked for their very interesting presentations.

Secretary's Report

Membership showed an increase of 11% on 1969 figures, the details being as follows:

	31.12.69	31.12.70	Increase
Full Members ..	162	185	23
Associate Members	221	249	28
Junior Members	68	68	—
TOTALS	451	502	51

The *Australian Bird Bander* volume 8, consisted of four parts totalling 96 pages to which 17 authors contributed three major and 12 short articles. There was in addition a four page index and a flyleaf for volume 7.

Recovery Round-up listed 233 items of 79 species including many longevity records and distant recoveries. The most interesting of these was a Sacred Kingfisher, banded near Mudgee, N.S.W. and caught in the Trobriand Islands off north-east New Guinea. "Bird in the Hand" described characters of 12 species from five families.

The Committee expresses its appreciation to those who assisted in various ways during the year.

H. BATTAM, Hon. Secretary.

Income And Expenditure Account For Year Ended 31 December 1970

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
1969		1970		1969		1970	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
	Cost of <i>The Aust. Bird Bander</i>			1,066	Subscriptions		1,215
1,211	Publication	1,264			Sales of:		
143	Distribution	163		161	<i>The Aust. Bird Bander</i>	253	
		1,427		28	"Bird in the Hand"	30	
9	"Bird in the Hand"	20					283
19	Miscellaneous Expenditure	26		200	Advance from Mist Net Service		200
	Depreciation:			38	Donations		68
15	Addressograph Plates	—		21	Bank Interest		16
133	Excess of Income over Expenditure	309		16	Miscellaneous Income		—
1,530		1,782		1,530			1,782

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 1970

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
1969		1970		1969		1970	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
132	Subscriptions paid in advance	310		340	Cash at Bank		729
	Accumulation Account				Stock on Hand:		
857	Balance as at 1 January	990		592	<i>The Aust. Bird Bander</i>	698	
133	Excess of Income over Expenditure	309		130	"Bird in the Hand"	152	
		1,299					850
				—	Stationery		30
				60	Addressograph Plates		—
1,122		1,609		1,122			1,609

R. G. LONNON, Hon. Treasurer.

NEW MEMBERS

Full Members:

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