

EURING GENERAL MEETING - CHEMNITZ 21ST AUGUST 2003

NORWAY – NATIONAL REPORT

1. Organisation

The Norwegian Ringing Scheme is, since 1987, run by Stavanger Museum (NOS). The former schemes NOO, NOA, and NOU were then closed down.

2. Economy

Apart from N.kr. 290.000 from the Directorate for Nature Management, the Norwegian Ringing Scheme is financed by Stavanger Museum.

3. Annual fee

We have no annual fees, and the ringers do not pay for the rings.

4. Staff

We have one academic (Olav Runde) and one non-academic (Else Aasland) working full-time, and one volunteer (Morten Kersbergen) four days a week.

5. Ringers

There have been no major changes. Approximately 350 ringers are organized in appr. 40 ornithological stations and ringing groups. Most of our ringers are amateurs. All our ringers have to pass a basic ringing course, and those using mist-nets, an additional elaborate course.

6. Ringing activity

280.315 birds were ringed in 2001, and 2.654 new recoveries/retraps were added to the files. At the end of 2001, the different Norwegian Ringing Schemes have ringed 5.425.981 birds.

7. Recoveries

All the Norwegian recoveries have been computerised. This data base holds 110.861 recoveries at the end of 2001. Most of our recoveries have now been transferred to the EURING data base. We have also computerised all foreign ringed birds found in Norway - as far as we know!

8. Ringing data

We get appr. 80% of the new ringings on floppy or e-mail. The last 20% are computerised at the ringing centre.

All the ringings with Stavanger rings of the sizes 1-6 have been computerised. The ringings of the old scheme NOU, NOO, and NOA have all been computerised.

9. Atlas-project

The Norwegian recovery atlas project started in 1998. The first volume, Divers to Auks (430 pp), is now in the hands of the printers, and all the European Ringing Schemes will get a free copy. Responsible for the first volume are Vidar Bakken (Oslo), Olav Runde (Stavanger), and Even Tjørve (Lillehammer).

10. CES-project

We have, unfortunately, only one locality.

Stavanger, 2003-08-14

Olav Runde