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**CHANGES IN NEW MEXICO ORNITHOLOGY AS A RESULT OF
THE THIRTY-EIGHTH SUPPLEMENT TO THE AOU CHECK-LIST**

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Since the 6th edition of the AOU Check-list (AOU 1983) various supplements have resulted in significant changes in taxonomy, distribution or common names of birds that occur or have occurred in New Mexico. The thirty-eighth supplement (AOU 1991) was not one of those.

One change was with one of New Mexico's two species of cormorant. The Olivaceous Cormorant, *Phalacrocorax olivaceus* is changed to Neotropic Cormorant, *Phalacrocorax brasilianus*. This was a result of Browning (1989). The common name change reflects the widespread use and greater acceptance of the name Neotropic Cormorant throughout Central and South America.

The only other change moved the Prairie Falcon, *Falco mexicanus*, to a position immediately preceding the Peregrine Falcon, *Falco peregrinus*.

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Festival of the Cranes

The annual fall festivities at the Bosque del Apache National Wildlife Refuge and Socorro will be held November 22-24 and will be called The Festival of the Cranes. The Socorro Chamber of Commerce has planned an outstanding list of activities, including presentations by Roger Tory Peterson. 50% of the proceeds will go to the New Mexico Chapter of The Nature Conservancy for wetlands preservation. The NMOS will assist with field trips and an information booth. For more information call 835-0424.

NOTICE OF BOARD MEETING

The NMOS Board of Directors will meet Saturday 25 January 1992 at 1:00 PM in Room 163 of the UNM Biology Building. Items on the agenda will include:

1. Final plans for the annual meeting (29 Feb. 1992).
2. With the election of officers coming up, the possibility will be explored of assigning each officer elected a specific job and adding ad hoc directors to get new insights into the organization.
3. Field Notes report from Rollie Goodman.
4. Update on the data entry/management of Field Notes.
5. Progress report on the revised New Mexico Bird Finding Guide. Will it be ready for sale at the annual meeting?
6. The possibility of receiving and reviewing annual collecting reports of State and Federal agencies.

Board meetings are open to the membership.

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1992 NMOS ANNUAL MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The 1992 Annual Meeting of the New Mexico Ornithological Society will be held on Saturday 29 February 1992 at the New Mexico Museum of Natural History in Albuquerque. Following the business meeting (9:00-10:00 AM) professional papers will be presented. Dr. Kit Matthew, Director of the Museum, has been asked to give the opening address. Greg Farley, a doctoral candidate at UNM, will coordinate the paper sessions. (Abstracts for a 15-20 minute paper can be sent to him at the Department of Biology UNM, Albuquerque 87131.) The featured evening speaker will be Dr. J. David Ligon, Department Chair and Professor of Biology, UNM, speaking on "The Evolution of Cooperation in Birds." An awards banquet is scheduled at the Sheraton Old Town Hotel, and field trips are scheduled for Sunday morning.

HIGHLIGHTS OF SEPTEMBER BOARD MEETING

The NMOS Board of Directors met Saturday 14 September 1991 at the Bosque del Apache NWR. The Annual Meeting held in Las Cruces in April was a huge success. Excellent papers, exceptional facilities, and an enthusiastic local committee all contributed to the success. The cost to the NMOS was about \$100.

The revised New Mexico Bird Finding Guide is proceeding well. Typing has begun and a January 1992 publication date is hoped for. A photo and biography of Boyd McLeod have been received from his daughter to be used in the dedication. Two copies of the final manuscript will be used to obtain a new copyright. The number of new Guides to be printed and the use of recycled paper were discussed. If sufficient funds for the printing are not available in the treasury a loan may have to be secured.

Rollie Goodman explained the problems involved with the publication of the Field Notes. Few realize what a huge undertaking this is and what it entails. Anyone with editing experience (or willing to learn) and wishing to help Rollie with this project should contact him or Mary Alice Root.

Ross Teuber has prepared an index to the Field Notes, Vol.17-28, No. 3. It will be printed and distributed soon. This index will be very helpful for those who will be entering data for the

Database.

Burt Lewis explained the progress made on the Field Notes Database. Advanced Revelation was selected as the software. A grant may be obtained to help NMOS finance this project. A prototype may be ready this fall.

Arrangements made so far for the next Annual Meeting were announced. The Board approved the awarding of Life Memberships to three long-time professional members: Drs. Dale and Marian Zimmerman, and Dr. J. David Ligon. Jackie McConachie and Mary Alice Root are heading up the meeting details. Volunteers are needed – please contact them.

The president announced that the Texas Ornithological Society will meet November 7–10 in Carlsbad. Also, the NMOS will assist at the "1991 Festival of the Cranes" November 22–24 by manning an information table and leading field trips to Water Canyon. Sei Tokuda will organize the field trips.

The last two Bulletins have been put out by Paul Steel, Mary Alice Root and Jim Travis since there is still no editor.

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