

### Meetings of Interest (Continued)

8-14 October 1989 - Joint meeting of the **Raptor Research Foundation, Inc., and the ICBP World Working Group of Birds of Prey**, Hotel Mocambo, Veracruz City, Veracruz, Mexico. Major theme will be Biology and Conservation of Tropical Raptors. Approximate costs will be US\$420 for single and US\$300 for double occupancy, including breakfast and dinner. (Romeo Dominguez Barradas, Local Arrangements Committee, RRF/WWGBP Meeting, P.O. Box 63, Xalapa, Veracruz, 91000 Mexico).

16-21 March 1990 - **55th North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference**, Denver, Colorado, USA.

June 1990 - **Wilson Ornithological Society and the Association of Field Ornithologists** will meet jointly at Weaton College, Norton, Massachusetts.

June 1990 - Joint meeting of the **American Ornithologists' Union and the Cooper Ornithological Society**, Los Angeles, California, U.S.A.

2-9 December 1990 - **XX Ornithological Congress**, Christchurch, New Zealand. (Dr. Ben D. Bell, Secretary-General, XX Congressus Internationalis Ornithologicus, Department of Zoology, Victoria University, Private Bag, Wellington, New Zealand).

## TRAINING PROGRAMS AND COURSES

**Captive Breeding of Endangered Species**, The Wildlife Preservation Trust, Isle of Jersey, Channel Islands, England, Great Britain. Programs are available for persons with practical experience with animals; institutions with captive breeding programs, and students with interest in conservation. Those interested in the programs should send a proposal before 1 June 1988 for participation in the subsequent year. Selections are made in August. For information or to submit a proposal, contact: Training Program, Wildlife Preservation Trust International, 34th Street & Girard Ave., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19104, U.S.A.

The National Zoological Park, Washington, D.C., offers Summer Courses in **Wildlife Management and Conservation**. The principal objective of the Wildlife Conservation and Management Training Program is the scientific preparation of persons from tropical countries. Courses are also organized in these countries. The institutions interested in conducting

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such a course in their country should select the candidates for the course, identify the sites for field work and determine needed logistics. The National Zoological Park will attempt to obtain funds for implementing the course and travel funding. For field courses in the National Zoo's Conservation and Research Center for foreign students in universities in the United States or persons living in tropical countries and who want to continue with advanced courses in management of wildlife, write: R. Rudran (Program Coordinator), Department of Zoological Research, National Zoological Park, Washington, D.C. 20008, U.S.A.

**Course on the Management of Viable Populations** - The Center for Conservation Biology, Stanford University, offers a 3-day course on population viability for wildlife professionals and graduate-level students. The fundamentals of biogeography, ecology, population dynamics, and population dynamics will be taught as they relate to protection, recovery, and maintenance of populations of rare, threatened, and endangered species. The course will also cover case studies, computer simulation models, and the legal and policy aspects of population viability analysis and planning. For information, write Center for Conservation Biology, Stanford University, Stanford, California 94305, U.S.A.

## OPPORTUNITIES

**Field Assistants** needed from January through June of August 1989 for project on avian evolutionary ecology in Panama's Pearl Islands and Darien Province. Some field experience is mandatory; familiarity with mist-netting, banding, and Spanish helpful. Approx. 20 days/month in field (tent camping). Room & board provided; transportation funds pending. Independent research possible. Send cover letter outlining pertinent interest and background, and Curriculum Vitae with names and phone numbers of 2 or more references to Jeffrey D. Brawn, Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute, APO Miami, 34002-0011 (phone - 217-356-3845, Sept.-Nov. 1988 only).

**Funding for Wildlife Biology** - The Foundation for Field Research is accepting proposals from qualified researchers that need funding to undertake wildlife research in the field. Funding is available anywhere in the world and to researchers of any nationality. Proposals must be received at least 12 months before

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