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RINGING IN NIGERIA 1976. 19th ANNUAL REPORT

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Most of the ringing in Nigeria in 1976 was done in Kano, in a small patch of scrub in the Zoological Gardens. Thanks are due to the Kano State Forestry Department and to the Zoo Curator for allowing this work to be carried out there. The area is used mainly for growing fodder for the animals and, being inside the fenced garden, it is not disturbed by animals or small boys. Dr Best started ringing there in 1974 and caught the first Thrush-Nightingale to be recorded in West Africa. Later I ringed another Thrush-Nightingale, and also two European Nightjars.

Mr D.N. Johnson continued his ringing studies around Benin and marked 41 species of Ethiopian birds, many newly-ringed in Nigeria and some of considerable interest.

No overseas recoveries were reported during the year but I still await details of three Yellow Wagtails and also of a Garganey shot near Kano in 1972 which carried a Russian ring.

Schedule 1. Numbers of Palaearctic species ringed

		1975	Total to date
Squacco Heron	<i>Ardeola ralloides</i>	1	5
Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>	2	6
Garganey	<i>A. querquedula</i>	1	101
Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>	1	52
Black-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>	1	2
Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>	19	511
Green Sandpiper	<i>T. ochropus</i>	1	32
Common Sandpiper	<i>T. hypoleucos</i>	4	183
Dusky Redshank	<i>T. erythropus</i>	1	13
Common Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>	3	54
Jack Snipe	<i>G. minima</i>	1	20
Little Stint	<i>Calidris minuta</i>	9	331
Ruff	<i>Philomachus pugnax</i>	10	605
European Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus europaeus</i>	2	2
Wryneck	<i>Jynx torquilla</i>	5	62
Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>	1	1500
Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava</i>	33	37015
Red-throated Pipit	<i>Anthus cervinus</i>	1	132
Tree Pipit	<i>A. trivialis</i>	2	124

Whinchat	<i>Saxicola rubetra</i>	5	504
Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>	18	267
Nightingale	<i>Luscinia megarhynchos</i>	36	361
Thrush-Nightingale	<i>L. luscinia</i>	1	1
Sedge Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>	29	1996
Reed Warbler	<i>A. scirpaceus</i>	9	376
Melodious Warbler	<i>Hippolais polyglotta</i>	25	91
Olivaceous Warbler	<i>H. pallida</i>	7	149
Garden Warbler	<i>Sylvia borin</i>	246	1938
Whitethroat	<i>S. communis</i>	17	2863
Lesser Whitethroat	<i>S. curruca</i>	3	157
Subalpine Warbler	<i>S. cantillans</i>	15	198
Willow Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>	46	902
Wood Warbler	<i>P. sibilatrix</i>	7	160
Spotted Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa striata</i>	1	282
Pied Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>	4	246
Total to date of all Palaearctic species		567	54004
Ethiopian birds		659	15385
Total		1226	69389

Schedule 2. Controls

<i>Cisticola galactotes</i>	HR 47289	19 Dec 1971	3 Apr 1975	Kano
<i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>	JC 24593	29 Apr 1972	21 Apr 1975	Kano
<i>Zosterops senegalensis</i>	HN 72380	22 Dec 1970	20 Sep 1975	Kano
<i>Hippolais pallida</i>	KB 46580	5 Apr 1976	25 Aug 1976	Kano
" "	JV 93557	30 Sep 1974	9 Nov 1976	Kano
<i>Phylloscopus sibilatrix</i>	823917	23 Sep 1975	9 Nov 1976	Kano
<i>Sylvia communis</i>	HJ 35205	2 Mar 1969	24 Feb 1972	Vom
<i>S. curruca</i>	HR 45157	15 Mar 1972	13 Jan 1973	Malamfatori

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