CYPRUS RINGING SCHEME

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SCHEME

Ringing first started in 1957.

The scheme was originally part of the Cyprus Ornithological Society (1970) a non governmental organisation.

This changed in February 2003 when the society became a member of BirdLife International and changed its name to BirdLife Cyprus.

Licences are issued by the Ministry of the Interior.

STAFF

Voluntary basis only. There is no permanent salaried staff.

RINGERS

A major problem area as there is a serious lack of active resources. A small number of ringers visit in Spring which is very helpful.

RINGS

Currently 14 sizes in use. Rings are sourced from Porzana.

COLOUR RINGING

Coordinated by the ringing scheme. Six projects started in 2002.

DATA MANAGEMENT

All ringing data since 2000 computerised using the non-U.K. version of the B.T.O. software package Integrated Population Monitoring and Reporter (I.P.M.R.).

It is planned to input all the ringing data from the schemes beginning in 1957.

RINGING AND RECOVERIES

Annual total 2001 - 1190 Recoveries 2 (Local)

Annual total 2002 - 2195 Recoveries 1 (Foreign)

Grand Total 1957 – 2002 37,133

Total Species 188

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