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NEW CHECKLISTS

Checklist of North Carolina Birds, 1986, was published by the North Carolina Biological Survey. The list of 395 species officially recognized as occurring in the state and its adjacent offshore waters uses brackets to indicate species of provisional status, an asterisk for regular nesting, a plus for other categories of nesting, "I" for introduced species, and "E" for extinct species. Compiled by David S. Lee and Eloise F. Potter, the four-page list is based on the recommendations of the North Carolina Records Committee. An introduction explains the organization of the committee and the criteria for documentation of species new to the state. Copies of the list were distributed at the Fiftieth Anniversary Meeting of Carolina Bird Club, which was held at Raleigh, N.C., 1-3 May 1987. The new state checklist may be purchased from the North Carolina State Museum of Natural Sciences, P.O. Box 27647, Raleigh, N.C. 27611. The price is 25¢ each or 30 for \$5, plus 50¢ for postage and shipping. Make checks payable to the NCDA Museum Extension Fund.

Also released at the Fiftieth Anniversary Meeting was a checklist of the birds of the Raleigh area, which was compiled by Robert J. Hader and Harry E. LeGrand Jr. This pocket-sized list offers information on the seasonal distribution of the regularly occurring species. Published by the N.C. Biological Survey in cooperation with Wake Audubon Society, the Raleigh checklist is available from the N.C. State Museum. The price and ordering instructions are the same as for the state list.