BIRDS OF THE CAROLINAS RESEARCH & PROGRAMMING GRANTS

The Carolina Bird Club, Ornithological Society of the Carolinas, announces the availability of funds to support student research concerning North and/or South Carolina birds **or** secondary school programming designed to promote an interest by students in birds. We anticipate that up to four awards will be made to institutions in North and South Carolina to support research projects or bird-related programming. The average award will be up to \$500.

Applications should be made through an educational or non-profit institution. For student research projects, applications require the sponsorship of a faculty member and approval of the institution's authorized signatory. For secondary school programming, applications require a letter of support from the school principal and approval of the institution's authorized signatory. Applications should be prepared directly by the applicant and should include a scope of work (limited to two single-spaced pages), a budget with a budget justification, biographical sketch of the applicant, indicating course work and other activities that would indicate that the applicant is capable of performing the described project, and a letter from the faculty sponsor or school principal. Allowable costs include but are not necessarily limited to laboratory supplies and limited travel to research sites. The Carolina Bird Club does not support institutional indirect costs.

Awardees must file a final report, including an accounting of expenditures and a summary of research or programming, no later than 45 days following the close of the grant period. Any unused funds must be returned to CBC no later than 45 days following the close of the grant period. Significant research findings will be reviewed for possible publication in *The Chat*.

Application receipt deadline is Friday, 10 October 2003. Grant project periods will begin 14 November 2003.

Original and five copies should be sent to:

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CAROLINA BIRD CLUB

MEMBERSHIP

The Carolina Bird Club, Inc. is a non-profit educational and scientific association founded in 1937. Membership is open to those interested in the study and conservation of wildlife, particularly birds. Dues, contributions, and bequests to the Club may be deductible from state and federal income and estate taxes. Checks should be made payable to Carolina Bird Club, Inc. and sent to CBC Headquarters, 11 West Jones Street, Raleigh, NC 27601-1029.

DUES

(Payable on a calendar-year basis)

Individual	\$20.00
Associate (in same household as individual member)	
Student	
Sustaining (open to businesses)	
Patron	\$50.00+
Life Membership (payable in four consecutive \$100 installments)	\$400.00

PUBLICATIONS

CBC members receive The Chat, a quarterly journal devoted to bird study and conservation, and the CBC Newsletter, which carries information about meetings, field trips, and club projects. Articles intended for publication in The Chat may be sent to the Editor or the appropriate editor listed in the inside front cover. Items for the Newsletter should be sent to its Editor, Karen Bearden, 1809 Lakepark Drive, Raleigh, NC 27612. Send correspondence regarding memberships, changes of address, or requests for back numbers of either publication to CBC Headquarters, 11 West Jones Street, Raleigh, NC 27601-1029.

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