

MARYLAND ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY, INC.



**MD/DC Records Committee
1997 Skins Workshop
March 29, 1997**

Minutes

The MD/DC Records Committee held its annual Skins Workshop at the National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, Department of Birds on March 29, 1997. In attendance were Harvey Mudd (Chair), Phil Davis (Secretary), Mary Gustafson, Rob Hilton, David Holmes, Willem Maane, Paul O'Brien, Bruce Peterjohn, Paul Pisano, Sue Riccardi, and Mary Ann Todd.

Willem Maane served as our host. The members assembled at 9:30 a.m.

Skins studied were:

#1 Gray Kingbird and Eastern Phoebe.

#2 Bullock's Oriole and Baltimore Oriole.

#3 Common Murre and Thick-billed Murre.

#4 Hoary Redpoll and Common Redpoll.

#5 Nelson's Sharp-tailed Sparrow and Saltmarsh Sharp-tailed Sparrow.

#6 Bicknell's Thrush, Gray-cheeked Thrush, and Swainson's Thrush.

Action items:

1. Send the **Not Accepted** (96-41) Bullock's Oriole report to Jim Rising for an outside opinion. If his opinion is that it is a Bullock's Oriole, then this would constitute new information for reopening the report. If he thinks it is a Baltimore Oriole, then the committee will let the decision stand. Rob Hilton will forward copies of Rising's papers to the Secretary for the committee's files.

2. Review all sharp-tailed sparrow records and reports for classification by the new species taxonomy. Change database classification from *Not Reviewable* to *Reviewable* as necessary.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p. m.

Next year's meetings are scheduled as follows:

Annual Meeting	Saturday	February 14, 1998
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Skins Workshop	Saturday	March 28, 1998
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Respectfully submitted,

Phil Davis
MD/DCRC Secretary
March 30, 1997

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