NOTICES

On the recommendation of the Fauna Protection Advisory Council a status study of the kiwi is being undertaken by the Wildlife Service. A history of the distribution and numbers of all species will be built up from published records and first-hand accounts.

The latter are the more difficult of the two to obtain so a request for help on this aspect is addressed to all members. In particular, the information required is the date and location of any kiwi record, the species concerned (if known) and any short or long term trends in numbers. Please send any such records to:—

M. Harrison, Research Section, Wildlife Service, Internal Affairs, Wellington.

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

At Kaikoura during the 1968-69 breeding season approximately 500 breeding pairs of Red-billed Gulls *Larus novaehollandiae scopulinus* have been individually colour marked.

Would members of the Ornithological Society who sight these colour marked gulls please send the combination, date and place

sighted to:-

James A. Mills, Zoology Department, University of Canterbury, Christchurch.

If any member is willing to search regularly for colour marked Gulls in their locality would they contact me at the address given for further particulars.

An example of how the band should be read:—

GULL LEFT LEG
Green over Yellow over
Aluminium Band

GULL RIGHT LEG White

White

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