



HELP SAVE ENDANGERED AND SPECTACULAR HUMMINGBIRD

Team Bristlehead/Kowa is a group of conservation-minded birders who formed in 2007 to compete in The World Series of Birding. The WSB is a "bird-a-thon" organized by the New Jersey Audubon Society and Cape May Bird Observatory. On 10th May 2008, our team will compete with dozens of others to observe as many bird species as we can in the state of New Jersey...all within a 24-hour period. Team Bristlehead/Kowa is dedicated to resource conservation, and we will be using alternative fuel, hybrid vehicles, and human power during our outing and on the day of the competition. We're seeking out generous people to pledge funds towards our efforts, which we will donate to charity devoted to bird conservation.

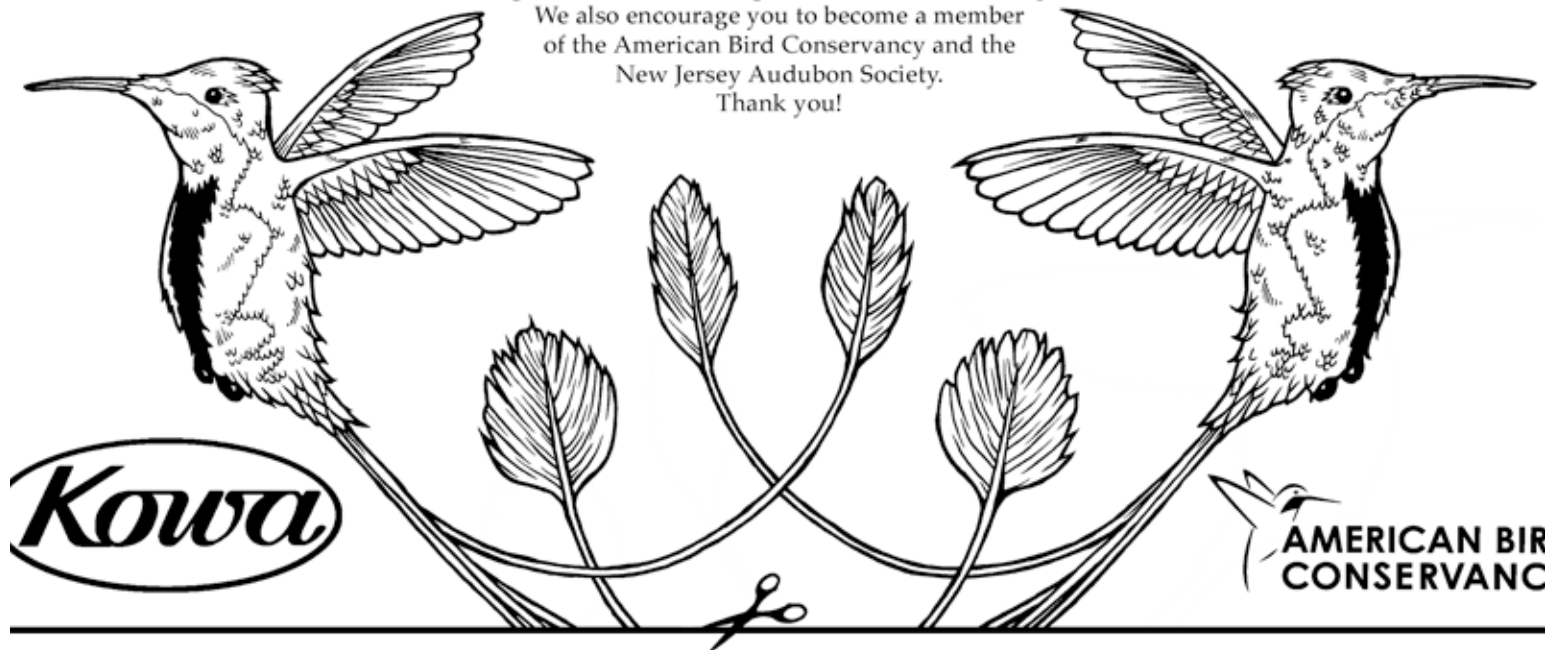
This year, we are pleased to announce that we will be raising funds for the American Bird Conservancy, in support of their Marvelous Spatuletail Project. We first heard about ABC's efforts when Team Captain Tony Croasdale met a member of ABC's partner organization in Peru, Asociación Ecosistemas Andinos, who informed him of this ongoing initiative and took him to see a wild population of Marvelous Spatuletail.

The Marvelous Spatuletail (*Loddigesia mirabilis*) is perhaps one of the world's most interesting and unusual hummingbirds. This species, which is declining within its limited range in northern Peru, is listed as Endangered on the 2007 IUCN Red List. ABC and ECOAN have signed a conservation easement with the local community, and are in the process of creating a local reserve. Their efforts include planting thousands of native flowers used by foraging hummingbirds, maintenance of a community tree nursery capable of producing 80,000 saplings, outreach and education work with schools and community leaders, establishment of a visitor's center and reserve, and encouraging local eco-tourism. This project is vital to habitat protection within the most threatened area of the Marvelous Spatuletail's range.

We ask that you support this project by pledging either a fixed amount or an amount per bird species located by Team Bristlehead/Kowa during the WSB. Our 2008 goal is to locate 200 bird species.

We also encourage you to become a member of the American Bird Conservancy and the New Jersey Audubon Society.

Thank you!



Name _____ Address _____ Email _____ Phone _____

I would like to pledge .10__ .25__ .50__ .75__\$1__\$2__ per bird species located
or donate _____ to the American Bird Conservancy's Marvelous Spatuletail project.
Make check out to American Bird Conservancy. Put "Bristlehead" in memo space.