

Caching Eurasian skylarks *Alauda arvensis* by the Montagu's harrier *Circus pygargus*

Vytváranie zásob zo škovránkov *Alauda arvensis* u kaní popolavých *Circus pygargus*

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Abstract: We observed caching Eurasian skylarks by a radio-tracked male Montagu's harrier in eastern Poland. This strategy, in combination with the courtship feeding of the female, was an important element of courtship. Frequent food transfers to the female could reflect a good condition of the male and its good hunting abilities.

Abstrakt: Pozorovali sme vytváranie zásob potravy zo škovránkov telemetricky označeným samcom kane popolavej na východe Poľska. Táto stratégia vytvárania zásob potravy v kombinácii s kŕmením samice počas svadobných letov bola dôležitým prvkom hniezdiaceho páru. Častý prínos potravy samici mohlo poukazovať na dobrú kondíciu samca a dobré lovecké schopnosti.

Key words: food caching, courtship feeding, Poland

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