

ONTARIO BIRD BANDING ASSOCIATION

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER MEETING

The December meeting of the Ontario Bird Banding Association will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Martin, 5 Larwood Blvd., Scarboro, on Tuesday, December 8, 1964 at 8 p.m. The speaker at this meeting will be Mr. John Miles. He will discuss the extensive banding program which he been operating in the marsh at Hamilton.

NOVEMBER MEETING

The November meeting of the O. B. B. A. was held on Tuesday, November 10, 1964 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Wasserfall. Fourteen members and guests attended. Business from last month was discussed. J. Roberts gave a report of the Point Pelee Bird Observatory (see last Newsletter). He also stated that there were 24 Saw-whet Owls banded on the night of October 16 and that there was only one on the night of the 15th and three on the night of the 17th, using the same number of nets. W. Wasserfall reported for the Long Point Bird Observatory that the Land Rover was in Toronto being overhauled and that two seats were being installed in the back. The old fog building at the end of the point was being taken down and a new one was being constructed. Members were all saddened to hear of the sudden death of Harry Gadd of Coburg at the beginning of November.

The speaker of the evening was Mr. J. Simonyi. He has been studying Peregrine Falcons for 16 years. He is surveying the Peregrine in Ontario for the American Ornithologists' Union, and has travelled all over the province locating eyries and banding young. The trapping methods which he uses for catching the adult, he also described. The president thanked the speaker for his very interesting talk.

CHRISTMAS CENSUS AT LONG POINT

The bird census will be held on Saturday, December 26, 1964. It is being organized again by John Miles. Anyone who is able to co-operate on this census should contact John, at 656 King Street East, Hamilton.

CONTRIBUTIONS

The current edition of Contributions of the O.B.B.A. is in the mail. Mr. Les Gray has agreed to be the new editor. Any member who has an article now or who would write one in the future should contact the new editor, at 5081 Ashland Dr., Burlington. This publication must have articles from members.

The Annual Meeting of the O. B. B. A. will be held at the Royal Ontario Museum in Toronto on Saturday, February 13, 1965. An interesting program is being planned and the details of will be published in later Newsletters. Make arrangements now to attend this meeting.

FON Christmas Cards for 1964 are still available. The card was painted by T. M. Shortt of the Royal Ontario Museum. It depicts two Redpolls on a Hemlock branch and is in full colour. The cards sell for \$1.50 per dozen (plus 5¢ tax). The O. B. B. A. receives 25¢ for each dozen we sell so please purchase yours at the next meeting, or from Mrs. P. Woodford, 76 Glentworth Rd., Willowdale.

Long Point Bird Observatory Recoveries

<u>Band No.</u>	<u>Species</u>		<u>Date Banded</u>	<u>Date Rec</u>	<u>Where Recovered</u>
524-76585	Blue-winged Teal	A♀	8 Sep 1963	Jun 1964	Janesville, Minn.
585-83189	"	I♂	16 Sep 1963	29 Apr 1964	Racine, Missouri
585-83274	"	I♂	22 Sep 1963	May 1964	Coloma Area, Mich.
657-75977	Mallard	A♀	10 Sep 1963	19 Mar 1964	Kingston, Ont.
623-21621	Blue Jay		7 May 1962	14 Jun 1964	Naperville, Ill.
623-21817	"		15 May 1963	21 Jul 1964	Berkley, Mich.
29-104252	Song Sparrow		5 Apr 1964	May 1964	Toronto, Ont.
29-104306	"		13 Apr 1964	May 1964	"

(N. B. 29-104252 and 29-104306 were both on the one Song Sparrow)

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