

ONTARIO BIRD BANDING ASSOCIATION

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The April meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 8, 1969 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Wasserfall, 22 Roycrest Ave., Willowdale at 8 p.m. This will be a members night. This meeting gives everyone a chance to find out just what has been happening over the past year. Members are asked to bring slides of their recent banding activities. Long Point Bird Observatory 1959 to 1969 will be shown through a collection of coloured slides.

MARCH MEETING

The March meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Woodford, Tuesday March 11, 1969 with 21 members present.

The speaker of the evening, Mr. J. Morgan spent from January 1965 to June 1967 in North Africa at Tripoli, located in Libya on the North African coast. He showed excellent slides of birds located in this area as well as a few of the native insects. Mr. J. Roberts thanked Mr. Morgan for an interesting and informative talk.

LONG POINT BIRD OBSERVATORY

MEMBERSHIP Enclosed with this copy of the newsletter is a brochure inviting you to become an Associate Member of the Long Point Bird Observatory. Because of the close relationship between the OBBA and LPBO, some explanation to OBBA members seems necessary. First, I would like to point out that it is not necessary for OBBA members to join LPBO in order to continue to participate in LPBO activities. Although a separate LPBO newsletter is planned, most LPBO activities will continue to be reported in the OBBA newsletter, and in the foreseeable future the annual report will continue to be published in Ontario Bird Banding. In other words the status of OBBA members in relation to Long Point will remain unchanged by the creation of a separate LPBO membership.

In the past, OBBA members have been the main supporters of the LPBO. Those of you who wish to make a positive contribution to the Observatory can now do so by becoming Associate Members. Contributions are deductible in computing income tax (in either the U.S. or Canada), and I would like to suggest that you give serious consideration to making a donation to the Observatory. Donations are particularly needed at this time, as it is necessary for us to replace the 4-wheel drive Land-Rover, which is so essential to the operation of the Observatory.

David J.T. Hussell.

Long Point cont...

Anyone who wishes to visit the observatory, to assist in the programme there, must contact Mrs. J. Woodford, 116 Three Valleys Drive, Don Mills (444-7939). The rates for accomodation and transportation are as follows:

Transportation: Adult - \$3.00
Student - \$1.00

Accomodation: Members: \$1.00 per day
\$5.00 per week
\$15.00 per season
\$25.00 per season for a family
.50 per night for a student
\$2.50 per week for a student
Non-members \$1.50 per night

MEMBERSHIP DUES

There are still some membership dues unpaid. If you are one of the delinquents, please make a point of forwarding your dues to the secretary, Miss A. Wasserfall, 22 Roycrest Ave., Willowdale, Ontario. Do it today!!

ROBINS COUNT

Dick Brown is grateful for the response he has had for Robin watchers. He has managed to set up a rather useful network with gaps in only a few areas. Anyone interested in Robin watching, north of Newmarket, west of Hamilton or in the Kinston area should contact Dr. Brown at the Canadian Wildlife Service, Post Office Building, Aurora, Ontario.

Duck Banding

During 1968, from September 28 to February 25 1969, the following ducks were banded by Marshall Field at Pinafore Park in St. Thomas, Ontario.

Mallard	555	
Black Duck	553	
Mallard x Black	11	an impressive total
Pintail	5	of <u>1170</u> Ducks
Wood Duck	24	
	20	Experimental
Gr.-wing Teal	2	

A. Wasserfall,
Secretary, O.B.B.A.