

ONTARIO BIRD BANDING ASSOCIATIONOCTOBER NEWSLETTEROCTOBER MEETING

The October meeting will be held Tuesday October 14, 1969, at the home of Mr. & Mrs. H. Richards, 37 Killdeer Cres., Toronto 17, at 8 p.m. The speaker of the evening, Mr. Don Baldwin will give an illustrated lecture on 'Bird Migration'.

SEPTEMBER MEETING

The September meeting was held at Point Pelee on Saturday, September 13, 1969. Mr. J.O.L. Roberts, organizer of the hawk banding activities at Pelee was our chairman for the meeting. He mentioned that about 20 Sharp-shinned Hawks had been banded the previous week at Pelee.

Mr. D. Brewer reported that very few birds were moving through Long Point. Mr. W. Wasserfall reported activities from the Central Erie banding station in Elgin County. Kestrel's (Sparrow Hawk) were the main species trapped. Ruth Erickson and Gerry Wolcott, who operate the Banding Station at Bradley's Marsh mentioned that they had been catching mainly warblers during the past few weeks. Mr. J.O.L. Roberts observed about two hundred shorebirds on the point. A number of the Sanderling seemed stunned and allowed passers-by to pick them up.

The Speaker of the evening Mr. D. Brewer, gave an excellent illustrated lecture on the birdlife of Arizona. He used slides taken in that area while attending the University of Arizona. The slides related the birdlife to the altitudes, or life zones.

Thanks to Mr. M. Field for the above minutes of our
September Meeting.

DUCKS

As part of a study of the duck populations in Lake St. Francis near Dundee, Quebec, W.G. Alliston has web-tagged approximately 1000 ducklings. The tags are 3/16" fingerling fish tags, numbered M1 to M500 inclusive, C501 to C700 inclusive, and M701 to M1000 inclusive. They are usually placed on the right web of the right foot. Tags have been placed on Black Ducks, Mallards, Pintails, Redheads, Ring-necked Ducks, Lesser Scaup, Gadwalls, Shovelers and Blue-winged Teal.

Should you encounter any of these ducks in your banding operations please contact W. George Alliston, Fraser's Point, R.R. #2, Ste. Agnes de Dundee, Quebec, and enclose the following information if possible; Web tag number, Band number, Sex, Date banded and the Location banded.

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The following ducks were recaptured at Pinafore Park in St. Thomas, Elgin County by Mr. M. Field.

<u>BAND NO</u>	<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>PLACE BANDED</u>	<u>DATE BANDED</u>	<u>DATE RECOVERED</u>
857-04013	Mallard	M	Stone Mills, New York	08-22-67	11-06-68
917-50325	Mallard	M	Oshawa, Ont.	10-06-68	01-04-69
927-16608	Mallard	M	Barbeau, Mich.	08-27-68	11-18-68
837-01341	Mallard	F	Saginaw, Mich.	09-25-68	10-28-68
787-76495	Mallard	M	Greenwood, Ont	09-03-68	12-05-68
817-99461	Mallard	M	Oshawa, Ont.	08-22-68	01-04-69
627-18902	Mallard	M	Foxboro, Ont.	10-07-68	12-04-68
827-20593	Mallard	M	Oshawa, Ont.	07-30-67	12-13-68
817-21157	Black Duck	M	Gibraltar, Mich	01-27-68	11-03-68
857-41700	Black Duck	M	Bear Spring, Tennessee	02-20-68	11-01-68
397-32767	Black Duck	M	Montreal, Que	08-17-68	12-17-68
727-63202	Black Duck	M	Langston, Alabama	02-06-67	12-03-68

The following are birds banded at Pinafore Park in St. Thomas by Mr. M. Field up to September 15.

Canada Goose -----	10
Greater Snow Goose -----	1
Blue Goose -----	1
Mallard -----	163
Black Duck -----	11
Wood Duck -----	111
Blue-winged Teal -----	2

N.B. Some of these birds were hand-reared but all are free flying now.

Total 299

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