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ONTARIO BIRD BANDING ASSOCIATION

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

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The November Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 10, 1970 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Richards, 37 Killdeer Cres., Toronto 17 at 8 p.m. During the last few years, our Speaker of the evening, Dr. A. Middleton from the University of Guelph has been studying the American Goldfinch in great detail, not only in the field, but in captivity as well. At the meeting he will lecture on some of his methods of study and their results.

F.O.N. CHRISTMAS CARDS

The 1970 Christmas card of the Federation features a White-footed Mouse painted especially for the Federation of Ontario Naturalists by Robert Bateman. The price is \$2.63 per dozen including tax.

These cards may be ordered at the next meeting or by mail from the Secretary - Miss A. Wasserfall, 22 Roycrest Ave., Willowdale, Ontario. (221-9676)

NOTES

W. George Alliston of Fernow Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y. 14850 writes:

"During 1970 I continued my study of the ducks of Lake St. Francis, Quebec. The "web-tagging" of young ducklings has also been continued."

"The redhead was more intensively studied during 1970 and "web-tagging" of ducklings was confined almost entirely to this species. Ducklings were tagged either a few hours before or immediately after hatching. About 400 ducklings were marked in this manner in 1970. Thirty-seven females were captured and equipped with numbered "nasal saddles" so that they and their tagged broods could be readily identified in the field."

"Once again I would be most interested in receiving any tags reported as well as date, time and location where the bird was taken. Reports will be acknowledged and the person reporting the tag informed of the history of the bird."

During 1970 web tags coded 0 1 to 0 400 were used in my study.

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