

ONTARIO BIRD BANDING ASSOCIATION

JANUARY NEWSLETTER

JANUARY MEETING

The January meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 11, 1966 at 8 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Woodford, 76 Glentworth Road, Willowdale. The speaker will be Mr. Brock Fenton, who will speak on "Bat Banding in Ontario". His talk will be illustrated with slides.

DECEMBER MEETING

The December meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Martin. Ten members attended.

The President, Bruce Westcott, has been promoted and transferred to Vancouver. The Westcotts will be leaving about the middle of January. Bruce has been a hard-working member of the OBBA executive for several years so all the members want to thank him for the contribution he has made to the association in the past and send him their best wishes for his future in the West. We hope that he will be east again in a few years.

Dr. J. Murray Speirs spoke on "Bird Watching by Radar." He showed films of the radar sets at Malton and Fort William airports which were taken for the study that Dr. W. W. H. Gunn is conducting to try to prevent the collisions between birds and aircraft. Dr. Speirs gave an interesting and informative interpretation of the films.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, February 12, 1966 at the Royal Ontario Museum in Toronto. The business session will be in the morning and papers will be presented in the afternoon. Any member wishing to present a paper should contact D. Hussell, 1916 Cambridge Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan. Papers will be 15 minutes in length (or shorter). All nominations for the 1966 executive should be sent to the Nominating Committee, Chairman - J. Woodford, 76 Glentworth Road, Willowdale. The program for the meeting will be in the next Newsletter.

CHICKADEE INVASION

The chickadee invasion was mentioned in the last Newsletter, and banders were urged to band as many as possible this winter. Experience at Long Point indicates that the spring return movements may extend to late May and early June, so intensive banding might profitably continue well into spring. If large numbers are banded some recoveries may be obtained which indicate the direction of movements during the winter and spring.

It is hoped that a large number of Chickadees will be banded at the Long Point Bird Observatory during the spring, as has been the case in some previous years.

Banders who are banding Chickadees this winter and spring are asked to send their totals to the secretary for publication in the Newsletter.

WARDEN REQUIRED FOR LONG POINT BIRD OBSERVATORY

Applications are invited for the position of warden at the Long Point Bird Observatory for the 1966 season. The period to be covered is from April 1 to October 31, but it is realized that a suitably qualified person may not be available for the entire period, so applications and inquiries are invited from persons available for a substantial portion of this time. Remuneration will be up to \$250.00 per month, depending on qualifications. Duties will include observational work and banding during the migration seasons, with the help of OBBA members when available; making a study of the breeding swallows during the summer; and routine maintenance of the facilities of the Observatory at all seasons. A university student in biology, with banding experience would be suitable for this job, but applications will be considered from anyone who feels that they are adequately qualified.

Before applying further details should be obtained from W. J. Wasserfall, 22 Roycrest Ave., Willowdale, Ontario. (Telephone 221-9676). Applications, stating qualifications, experience and time available should be made in writing to D. J. T. Hussell, 22 Roycrest Ave., Willowdale, Ontario - before February 21, 1966.

LONG POINT BIRD OBSERVATORY RECOVERIES

<u>BAND NO.</u>	<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>A&S</u>	<u>BANDED</u>	<u>RECOVERED</u>	<u>PLACE RECOVERED</u>
657-76297	Mallard	A F	24 Sep 64	June 65	Sioux Lookout, Ont..
524-76323	B.W. Teal	A F	9 Sep 63	12 Sep 65	Aspinwall L., Minn.
534-05042	"	A M	21 Aug 64	"	Cedar Falls, Iowa.
585-83463	"	A M	23 Aug 64	26 Aug 65	Last Mt. Lake, Sask.
534-05228	"	I M	"	16 Sep 65	Harsen's Is., Mich.
585-83542	"	A M	25 Aug 64	17 Sep 65	Bay Port, Mich.
585-83607	"	A M	27 Aug 64	24 Sep 65	Morris, Ill.
534-05673	"	I M	31 Aug 64	13 Sep 65	Ringo Lake, Minn.
663-55274	Blue Jay		19 May 64	17 Sep 65	East Angus, Que.
552-98309	Robin		23 Apr 65	5 May 65	Brantford, Ont.

FOREIGN BANDED BIRDS RETRAPPED AT LONG POINT

<u>BAND NO.</u>	<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>A&S</u>	<u>RETRAPPED</u>	<u>BANDED</u>	<u>PLACE BANDED</u>
607-64955	Canvasback	A M	28 Mar 65	18 Mar 62	Gibraltar, Mich.
707-85610	"	A F	28 Mar 65	15 Jan 65	Bayard, Delaware.
107-32112	G.C. Kinglet		23 Apr 65	13 Oct 63	Island Beach, N. J.
103-68875	Bl-thr Gr Warbler	IM	26 Sep 65	21 Sep 63	Orchard Lake, Mich.
26-164160	Wh-thr Sparrow	M	22 Apr 65	12 Nov 61	Richvale, Ont.

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Secretary, OBBA.