

1968

ONTARIO BIRD BANDING ASSOCIATIONFEBRUARY NEWSLETTERANNUAL AND SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual and Special General meeting of the O.B.B.A. will be held on Saturday February 10, 1968 at the Royal Ontario Museum, 100 Queen's Park, Toronto. (South-west corner of Bloor St. and Avenue Rd.) Parking at the R.O.M. is very limited. There are parking lots on Bedford, the first street north of Bloor, near Avenue Rd.

Members should congregate in the foyer of the Museum, just inside the main entrance between 9:30 and 9:45 a.m. From there they will be conducted to the Brodie Room on the fourth floor where the morning session will be held. The afternoon session will be held in Room 64.

The programme schedule is as follows:

- 0930 - Registration commences (fee \$1.00)
- 1000 - Introduction of members
- 1015 - Minutes of previous annual general meeting
- 1020 - Presidents report
- 1035 - Treasurers report
- 1040 - LPBO station highlights: LPBO Committee Chairman
- 1050 - Reorganization of LPBO and ammendment to the Constitution
- 1115 - PPBO station highlights: PPBO Committee Chairman
- 1125 - Election of Officers
- 1135 - Introduction of new executive
- 1140 - Private station reports; any other business
- 1200 - Adjourn for lunch
- 1300 - Bird room will be open
- 1400 - Research Projects for Banders - Chandler S. Robbins, Chief of Non Game Bird Studies, Fish and Wildlife Service.
- 1445 - Question period
- 1515 - Coffee
- 1530 - Migration of Empidonax Flycatchers at Long Point- D. Hussell
- 1600 - The Effect of Civilization on Raptors - J. Simonyi
- 1630 - Shorebird Banding Programme, Long Point - G. Page

Arrangements have been made for space to be available for lunch at the Swiss Chalet on Bloor Street, about 1215.

Annual membership dues for 1968 will be collected by the secretary at the meeting (see page 3).

In the evening Mr. and Mrs. W. Wasserfall will entertain members and friends at their home on 22 Roycrest Ave., Willowdale, after 8:30 p.m.

JANUARY MEETING

The January meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Woodford, Tuesday January 9, 1968, with 11 members present. Mr. J. B. Miles was appointed as auditor for 1967, along with W. Wasserfall who was appointed at the last meeting of the O.B.B.A. Executive. Mr. Wasserfall mentioned that a work party at Long Point was planned for the weekend of January 19. A report on the Christmas Census at Long Point was made by John Miles. Ken Walton, who publishes the Bird Finding Bulletin is extending its range to cover southern Ontario. Mr. John Miles showed some very interesting slides of his trip to Texas last year.

PROPOSED EXECUTIVE FOR 1968

The following is the slate of officers, suggested and approved by the nominating committee.

|                 |                   |             |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------------|
| President:      | J.O.L. Roberts    | Toronto     |
| Vice-president: | J.F. Anderson     | Dundas      |
|                 | J.B. Miles        | Hamilton    |
| Secretary:      | Anne Wasserfall   | Willowdale  |
| Treasurer:      | W.J.R. Wasserfall | Willowdale  |
| Others:         | W.A. Martin       | Scarborough |
|                 | G. Page           | Agincourt   |
|                 | Dr. A. Salvadori  | Guelph      |

LONG POINT CHRISTMAS CENSUS

The census, which was held on Saturday, December 30, 1967, was again organized by John Miles. It covered all points within a 15 mile diameter circle, centre on Long Point Inner Bay. Thirty-five observers in seventeen parties participated and recorded 15,594 individuals of 103 species. Following are some of the highlights:

|                          |                        |
|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Eared Grebe 1            | Ruby-crowned Kinglet 1 |
| Am. Bittern 1            | Nashville Warbler 1    |
| Shoveler 1               | Myrtle Warbler 4       |
| Wood Duck 1              | Northern Waterthrush 1 |
| Virginia Rail 4          | Yellowthroat 1         |
| Common Snipe 2           | Savannah Sparrow 1     |
| Eastern Phoebe 1         | Chipping Sparrow 1     |
| Long-billed Marsh Wren 1 | Harris' Sparrow 1      |
| Hermit Thrush 1          | Fox Sparrow 4          |

MEMBERSHIP DUES

The membership dues are payable now.

Single - \$4.00 per year  
 Husband and Wife - \$6.00 per year  
 Student (under 18) - \$2.00 per year

If you are not able to attend the Annual Meeting and pay your dues there, would you please send them now, to the secretary, Miss A. Wasserfall, 22 Roycrest Ave., Willowdale, Ontario.

LONG POINT BIRD OBSERVATORY RECOVERIES

| <u>BAND NO.</u> | <u>SPECIES</u>   | <u>A/S</u> | <u>DATE</u><br><u>BANDED</u> | <u>DATE</u><br><u>RECOVERED</u> | <u>PLACE</u><br><u>RECOVERED</u> |
|-----------------|------------------|------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 616-47164       | Ring-necked Duck | M          | 04-02-66                     | 12-17-66                        | Havelock N.C.                    |
| 663-55841       | Blue Jay         | U U        | 05-11-66                     | 05-00-67                        | Sandusky Ohio                    |
| 813-18555       | Blue Jay         | SA         | 05-16-66                     | H.S. 66                         | Boileau, Que.                    |
| 813-18910       | Blue Jay         | A          | 05-25-66                     | 06-22-67                        | Union Lk. Mich                   |
| 823-66950       | Common Grackle   | SAM        | 04-10-67                     | 05-00-67                        | Exeter, Ont.                     |
| 823-66763       | Common Grackle   | SaF        | 04-27-67                     | 05-21-67                        | Youngstown Ohio                  |
| 62-67404        | Slate-col. Junco | A          | 10-25-66                     | 04-03-67                        | Wheeling W. Va.                  |
| 102-03712       | Am. Goldfinch    | M          | 05-10-64                     | 05-00-67                        | Radcliff, Ohio                   |

)Note: H.S. - Hunting Season

Other recent recoveries of Ducks have been as follows:  
 Mallard: Alabama (1); Delaware (1); Virginia (1); Ontario (2).  
 Blue-winged Teal: Ontario (7); Quebec (2); New Brunswick (1);  
 Pennsylvania (1); Ohio (1); Iowa (1);  
 Michigan (2); Wisconsin (1); Minnesota (1);  
 South Dakota (2); Saskatchewan (2);  
 Colombia (1); Cuba (1).  
 Redhead: New York (2); Ohio (1); Maryland (1).

AN INTERESTING RECOVERY

was sent in by Mr. D. Dow. A Ring-billed Gull, 505-67403, banded by him at Mohawk Island as 'young' on June 15, 1957 was recovered 5 miles north of Frankston, Texas on November 20, 1966. This is the most western recovery of a Ring-billed Gull banded at Mohawk Island.

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