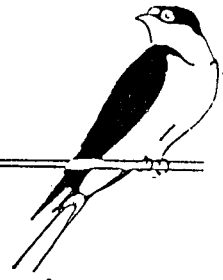


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PABC Field Trips 1995

Social Night: Date: Wed., March 22, 1995. Special Guest, Mark Stabb, MNR biologist will offer a slide presentation on **biodiversity** in relation to the Timber Management Plan. You've heard the latest catch-phrase, now join me in discovering what it is! Social begins at 7 PM. Mark will begin his talk at 7:45 in Room 201, Algonquin College, Pembroke. Bring your family and friends, it's free. Coffee, goodies and door prizes will be available.

A Trip to Bellow's Bay: (Westmeath PP) Date: Saturday, April 22, 1995. Time: 9AM. Trip Leader: Manson Fleguel, 732-7703. Meet at the marina in Pembroke, at the mouth of the Muskrat River. We can car pool if desired. Bring rubber boots. Some past sightings have been Snow Goose, Gadwall, Norther Shoveller, Canvasback, Redhead and Rusty Blackbird.

PABC Annual Meeting. Wed., April 26, 1995, Room 201, Algonquin College, Pembroke. Business meeting from 7 PM-7:30 PM. Our feature presentation will be by Mike Runtz, author, photographer and naturalist. Mike is an excellent and popular speaker. His topic will be on animal defenses, the subject of a new book due out in Autumn '95. He will start at 7:45.

A Walk in the Pembroke Crown Game Preserve (Fish Hatchery) Date: Sunday May 7, 1995. Time: 5 PM. Trip Leader: Myron Loback.

Meet at the lower parking lot of the premises, which is on Laurentian Drive, just East of Petawawa. Take old 17 (Pembroke Street). Some early migrant songbirds as well as waterfowl can be expected. Good outing for children as Canada Goose will be present. Myron: 735-1278

Lake Dore Butterfly Count

Date: Sat. July 1, 1995 (Rain date, Sun. July 2. Call me if in doubt.) Time: 9 AM
Organiser: Chris Michener, 625-2263. Meet at the parking area Hwy. 41 and County Rd.30. Bring butterfly field guide, binoculars, net (for catch & release). A map of the 7.5 km. radius circle will be available as well as a species list. A participants fee (under 12 free) of \$2 is asked to cover publishing costs of the North American results (North American Butterfly Association).

Hog Island Butterfly Count

Date: Sat., July 15, 1995 (lousy weather day, Sun., July 17). Time: 9 AM.
Organiser: Chris Michener. 625-2263. Meet at Mullen's Esso, Pembroke St. E. (Old Hwy.17, near the turn to Quebec). This butterfly Count is half in Ontario and half in Quebec. See previous event.

Marina /Waterfront Bird Walk.

Date: Saturday, August 26, 1995. 8 AM.
Trip Leader: Chris Michener, 625-2263
Meet at the Pembroke marina at the mouth of the Muskrat River. River view and riparian habitat. Warblers, sparrows and ?

The following is an alphabetical listing of all those feeder watchers who contributed so much data to the count. Without their data, the species count would have been much lower.

Marg Anderson	Nancy Armstrong	Lorraine Bertrand	Ron Bertrand
Lucille Brown	Ann Clarke	Jim Clarke	Alice Currie
Keith Currie	Roland Demers	Lucy Dickerson	Bea Doran
Ken Gorr	Moe Guimond	Gerry Howe	Parnell Howe
Edna Kingsley	Germaine Klatt	Joe Klatt	Allan Levoy
Ivy Levoy	Beth Loback	Wes Loback	Myra Lovisa
Francis Marcotte	Joe Mask	Theresa Mask	Erna Maves
Atty Milton	Floyd Milton	Viola Nitschke	Elva Oelke
Chrissy Potts	David Potts	Nora Potts	A J Recoskie
Karl Remus	Judy Seigel	Lois Seigel	Frank Sexsmith
Donna Sullivan	Ned Sullivan	Diane Thrasher	Marc Thrasher
Art VanWinckle	Krista VanWinckle	Shirley VanWinckle	Tim VanWinckle
Barb Veaudry	Harold Wirth	Minerva Wishman	Judy Wolfram

The birds counted were as follows:

Canada Goose	4	Am Black Duck	4
Gadwall	1	Harlequin Duck	1
Oldsquaw	1	Common Goldeneye	174
Barrows Goldeneye	1	Bufflehead	2
Hooded Merganser	8	Common Merganser	7
Sharp-shinned Hawk	1	Red-tailed Hawk	1
Rough-legged Hawk	4	Ruffed Grouse	10
Rock dove	210	Mourning dove	125
Snowy owl	1	Downy Woodpecker	28
Hairy Woodpecker	33	Three-toed Woodpecker	1
Pileated Woodpecker	7	Blue Jay	167
American Crow	154	Common Raven	62
Black-capped Chickadee	599	Boreal Chickadee	1
Red-breasted Nuthatch	33	White-breasted Nuthatch	22
Brown Creeper	4	Golden-crowned Kinglet	14
Northern Shrike	2	European Starling	423
Northern Cardinal	1	American Tree Sparrow	44
White-throated Sparrow	1	Dark-eyed Junco (s.c.)	4
Snow Bunting	726	Red winged Blackbird	1
Purple Finch	205	House Finch	41
Red Crossbill	3	White-winged Crossbill	52
Common Redpoll	65	Pine Siskin	6
American Goldfinch	460	Evening Grosbeak	920
House Sparrow	214		

The 1994 Pembroke Christmas Bird Count

The date was December 17; The weather was less than ideal with snow and mild temperatures; The birds were about average in numbers with a few exciting new species. 4 new-to-the-count birds were added this year.

As in the past, the Pembroke count circle (7 and one half miles in radius) was divided into 6 sectors with a crew of birders in each. Sectors 1E and 1W are on the Quebec side of the river, while the balance, 3E, 3W, 2S and 2N occur on the Ontario side in a clockwise fashion starting with the area around old Hwy 17 and Cotnam Island and rotating westward and northward to the Ottawa River at the Petawawa Fish Hatchery.

Best Birds? Probably the female Harlequin Duck, Gadwall, Bufflehead and Red Winged Blackbird because they were the new birds added to the Pembroke CBC list; Prettiest bird goes to the Northern Cardinal; Most counted bird went to the Evening Grosbeak with 920 individuals but it wasn't that far ahead of the Snow Bunting with 726 individuals, and hardest-to-find-easy bird goes to Snowy Owl. Honourable Mention Birds go to Three-toed Woodpecker, Boreal Chickadee and White-throated Sparrow.

This year the count total was 47 species with 4848 individual birds. Rock Doves, Hairy and Downy Woodpeckers, Blue Jay, American Crow, Common Raven, Black-capped Chickadee, White breasted Nuthatch, European Starling, Snow Bunting, Purple Finch, American Goldfinch, Evening Grosbeak and House Sparrow were seen in every sector.

Total species by sector were:

1W with 18 species, found by Alain Vallieres and Robin Cunningham with the at-home support of 1 feeder watcher;
1E with 30, found by Martin Roncetti and Manson and Judy Fleguel and 2 feeder watchers;
2N with 27, found by Carey and Gwen Purdon and 10 feeder watchers;
2S with 21, found by Chris Michener, Jean Brereton and Bernd Krueger and 6 feeder watchers;
3E with 29, found by Ken and Pat Hooles, Teresa Frechette, George Young, and Susan Ellis, as well as Merv Fediuk, and Bob Harnish and 12 feeder watchers, and
3W with 26 found by Myron Loback and Stuart, Theresa, and Michael Tremblay and 10 feeder watchers.

Everyone that participated in the count was invited to a PABC pizza supper at Judy and Manson's after the day was over. 25 hungry birders sampled the fare while reviewing the days findings. Teresa Frechette's prizes made all the winners a happy lot.

Eganville Christmas Bird Count Results

18-Dec-94

Compiler: Bernd Krueger

Species	Green Lk.	Micksburg	Mink Lake	Hwy. 41 S.	Augsburg	Golden Lk.	Feeders
Common Loon					1		
American Black Duck	1				[2]	3	
Mallard	1		1		[1]	1	
Greater Scaup							
Common Goldeneye							
Hooded Merganser							
Common Merganser					[1]	1	
Sharp-shinned Hawk							
Northern Goshawk	1						
Red-tailed Hawk			2		2		
Rough-legged Hawk		1					
Gray Partridge			6				
Ruffed Grouse			3	3		1	
Rock Dove	7	1	39		3	20	2
Mourning Dove		4		2	1	1	39
Great Horned Owl	2				1	2	
Barred Owl						5	
Belted Kingfisher		1	2	1	1		
Downy Woodpecker	6	1	1		1	9	10
Hairy Woodpecker	3	1	2		1	3	10
Black-backed Woodpecker							
Pileated Woodpecker	3	2	5	1	2	6	2
Horned Lark			15				
Gray Jay	2				3	7	
Blue Jay	34	16	12	6	21	55	93
American Crow	8	31	29	52	5	10	2
Common Raven	3	1	5	2	17	28	
Black-capped Chickadee	111	53	29	4	22	154	113
Red-breasted Nuthatch	19	7	15		5	18	2
White-breasted Nuthatch	3	5	1		2	4	6
Brown Creeper						1	
Golden-crowned Kinglet	2				1	4	
American Robin			1				
Bohemian Waxwing							
Northern Shrike				1	[1]		
European Starling	3	15	9		16	25	18
Northern Cardinal							
American Tree Sparrow	4	10	4		5	7	10
Dark-eyed Junco					1		3
Common Grackle							
Snow Bunting	15		261		1	90	50
Pine Grosbeak						1	
Purple Finch	24	3	11		2	13	41
House Finch							18
Red Crossbill		2			1		
White-winged Crossbill		42	15				
Hoary Redpoll							
Common Redpoll		47			16	10	8
Pine Siskin	22	7	10			42	2
American Goldfinch	96	27	36		35	71	156
Evening Grosbeak	97		17		68	109	240
House Sparrow	70	68	8		5	8	14
Totals	537	345	539	72	239	709	839

Species highlighted like this line are new to the count this year.

Total Species this Year	43
Total Individuals this Year	3280

Pembroke & Area Bird Club

PABC 1995/'96 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP, PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM WITH YOUR DUES TO:
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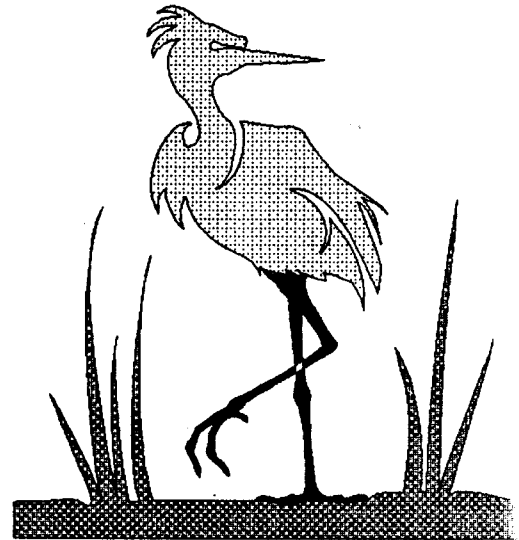
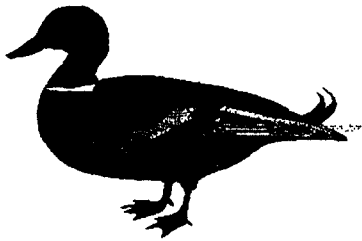
Your membership in the Pembroke & Area Bird Club runs from April 1 to March 31. There will be two (please note this change) newsletters per year in which all the Club outings are advertised. Articles include members sharing their experiences while traveling and while on field trips, results of the Pembroke Christmas Bird Count (CBC), the Eganville CBC, the two July Butterfly Counts and results of the Club's field trips. Special articles appear from time to time; examples: bird-finding information, bird occurrence charts. The PABC is an affiliate member of the Federation of Ontario Naturalists (FON) and the Canadian Nature Federation (CNF). We hold liability insurance through the FON which gives us a good rate. Please encourage other bird-interested friends and relatives to join the PABC and attend our field trips.

Notice of Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, April 26, Room 201, Algonquin College, 315 Pembroke St. E.

<p>Agenda: 7 PM to 7:30 PM,</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">7:45 PM to 9:30 PM,</p> <p>Inquiries: Chris Michener, 625-2263 or Manson Fleguel, 732-7703.</p>	<p>business meeting including election of officers.</p> <p>Social time, refreshments and slide presentation by Mike Runtz on Animal Defenses, subject of a new book</p>
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1995 Birdathon



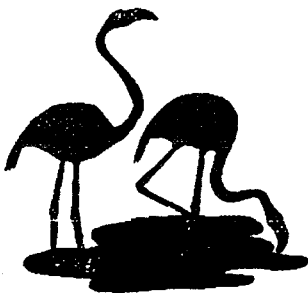
A PABC team of avid birders will be hitting the trails to try and identify as many species as possible in a 24 hour period. Myron Loback, Carey Purdon and Manson Flequel will be birding for 24 hours on May 21\22 1995. The purpose of the birdathon is to raise money for the Bird Club and with your help they can do it. By sponsoring the team for an amount per species, or a flat fee, you can help the Club and get a tax receipt for your donation. In the past, this team has found over 120 species in one day. (Record is 136 species) They will be trying for a new record: the more pledges, the harder they'll try!!

PLEDGE FORM

I wish to sponsor the birdathon team at _____ cents per species found OR a flat fee of \$_____. Your pledge, (cheque please) can be sent in along with this pledge form if it's for a flat fee basis. This will assist in cutting costs.

Results will be provided to all sponsors.

Please mail this form to the PABC at Box 1242 Pembroke, ON.



Signature of sponsor

Address: _____

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