

# NEWS AND NOTES

OCTOBER MEETING. The first meeting of the fall season will be held on Tuesday, October 7 at 8:00 p.m. in Room 47 on the third floor of the Provincial Health Building. Program for the evening will be an illustrated talk by Winnie Cairns on the natural history of the piping plover.

Set aside Saturday October, 11, 1980 for the first outing of the fall. The outing is slated to occur at Moore's Wildlife Sanctuary, Milltown Cross. Anyone interested is requested to meet at 11:30 a.m. at the Sanctuary. Please bring your own lunch. This will be an excellent opportunity to view the various waterfowl species common to P.E.I.

SEE YOU THERE.

MUSEUM FOR TODDLERS. A cross-country tour of a special museum presentation for three to six year olds will soon be arriving on P.E.I. Two programs will be offered, one featuring a baby shale and the other about life in a frog pond. Both will include acting, singing, puppetry and participation by the children. The production is tentatively scheduled to be on the Island October 21 to October 30 with presentations in Alberton, Summerside, Charlottetown, Morell, Montague and Souris. Watch the media for more details of time and place of programs.

NEST RECORD CARDS DUE. Society members who were able to observe birds' nests during the spring and summer should now be submitting their records to the Maritimes Nest Records Scheme in Sackville, New Brunswick. Cards for reporting observations will be available at the October meeting or from Winnie Cairns. Island contributions to the Nest Records Scheme were down somewhat in 1979 from previous years so let's do our best to improve our record for 1980. Completed cards should be forwarded to A.D. Smith, Coordinator, Maritime's Nest Records Scheme, Box 1590, Sackville, New Brunswick E0A 3C0.

CNF TO MEET IN GUELPH. Organizers of the 1981 Canadian Nature Federation Conference in Guelph, Ontario are already hard at work planning to outdo the tremendously successful 1980 conference recently held in Winnipeg. First of all, the gathering has been scheduled to coincide with the peak influx of spring migrants which surge through southern Ontario each May. Birding 'hot spots', Long Point and Point Pelee, are not far away so there are bound to be some exciting field trips in store. Well known for their energy and leadership in conservation causes, our fellow naturalists from southern Ontario are busy finalizing plans for what promises to be an exciting schedule of speakers and events. So circle the dates (May 8 to 10) on your calendar and watch future newsletters for more details.