



NEXT MEETINGS

DATES: Tuesday, March 1; Tuesday, April 5, 1977.
TIME: 7:30 P.M. NOTE TIME CAREFULLY.
PLACE: Provincial Health Building, 3rd Floor, Room 47.
Enter through garage at west side of Prov. Admin. Bldg.
PROGRAM: March 1 - Films "The Forest Watchers" and "Tara's
Mulch Garden" will be shown.

March 10 - 8:00 P.M. Dr. Steven Manley will speak
in the MacKinnon Lecture Theatre, Holland College.
His Topic: Where Have All Our Trees Gone? Can We
Get Them Back? The meeting is sponsored by the Natural
History Society and the Heritage Foundation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEMBERSHIP DUES are coming in well. By now paid-up memberships will have reached 50. Rates for 1977 are: Individual, \$3.00; Family \$4.00; Student \$1.00. Please make cheques payable to the Natural History Society of Prince Edward Island, c/o Miss Margaret Mallett, 53 Fitzroy Street, Charlottetown. CLA 1R4.

LAST CALL FOR PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION ENTRIES. Any member may submit up to six (6) nature slides taken on Prince Edward Island in 1976. Spot all slides on lower left corner of front of mount. Place slides in an envelope bearing entrant's name, address, phone number and slide category, that is, Plant, Animal, and/or Series of 3 to 5 slides that tell a nature story. Bring slides to the March meeting or submit them to Margaret Mallett, 53 Fitzroy Street, Charlottetown before March 5th. Prizes are offered. If you take nature slides, get your entries in, then come to the April 5 meeting to see all the entries and hear the judge's comments.

NATURALISTS ON THE WATCH

Jan. 26/77. John Wright saw a flock of 15 robins on the U.P.E.I. Baseball Field. From 5-15 robins have been regularly sighted in the area since then. In addition, John has reported 9 Common Grackles near his home in Montague. Mrs. Wright saw ~1000 snow buntings near Fredericton, P.E.I.

Jan. 27/77. Harry Morris, Lewis Point, reported 18 Robins, 3 Purple Finch, Red-winged Blackbirds (2 male, 4 female) and 15 Grackles.

Jan. 30/77. Ten Robins were observed at Tom Butler's, Winslow. They were pecking about on a patch of bare ground.

Feb. 2/77. Mrs. Rosemary Hill, Harbour Lane, reported three Purple Finches at her feeder. Earlier she had reported that a hawk had scared her birds all away and there was not one to be seen for about two weeks.

Feb. 6/77. Bruce Pigot of Mount Stewart reported seeing a very large flock of Snow Buntings in the Savage Harbour area. They were moving continually and impossible to count, but he estimated there were between 2100 and 2500.