Sable Island

Through the courtesy of Ontario Nature Tours a trip to Sable Island is being scheduled for late August. Tentative dates are from August 21 - 25, 1978, leaving from Charlottetown.

For additional information about the conference write to:

Canadian Conference for Nature 1978
P.O. Box 2346
Charlottetown
Prince Edward Island
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A Bird-a-thon Anyone?

The finance committee for the Canadian Nature Conference is fledging and about to start fund raising programs, to help off-set some of the Conference costs.

Some of the ideas we have to date, are a Bird-a-thon in the spring, and a canvassing of local businesses for donations of goods and for money. If anyone is interested in helping or has other ideas on how to raise money, feel free to contact me at 887-2057.

Dave Smith
Newton
Kinkora R.R. #1

Borden, P.E.I. Christmas Bird Count
Sunday, December 18, 1977

Start: 0735 Finish: 1650
Weather: Cloudy, occasional light rain and snow; wind N-NE 15-35 mph; temp. +2°C throughout day

Observers: Trevor Goward, Bob Lamberton(compiler), Stuart Tingley

Count:

Canada Goose	16	Rock Dove	51
Black Duck	33	Horned Lark	6
Common Goldeneye	35	Blue Jay	9
Bufflehead	3	Common Raven	3
Oldsquaw	36	Common Crow	478
White-winged Scoter	1	Starling	136
Common Merganser	36	House Sparrow	129
Red-breasted Merganser	2	Common Grackle	4
Rough-legged Hawk	1	Brown-headed Cowbird	1
Gray Partridge	34	Lapland Longspur	4
Glaucous Gull	1	Snow Bunting	28
Iceland Gull	142		
Great-black-backed Gull	91		
Herring Gull	65		

1977 Total: 25 species 1,345 individuals

1976 Total: 25 species 1,150 individuals

Editors Note: Thanks go to Stuart Tingley for submitting this information.

Unusual Winter Birds Around The Dunk River

Winter on P.E.I. is not usually not associated with good bird watching; in that most of our birds migrate to warmer climates. But this winter, bird watching has provided me with a number of surprises.

Along with common winter birds such as Chickadees, Horned Larks and Snow Buntings, I have seen some unusual birds, as well as hearing about them, for the Dunk River area.