

ENVIRONMENTAL CALENDAR:

Note: All Society presentations and field trips are open to the public.

YN = young naturalists encouraged to attend or participate

- Mar. 5** - Bruce Smith will be speaking on "Community Wildlife Enhancement Projects on PEI" and help you plan your own project at the Natural History Society's meeting. The meeting starts at 7:30 pm at the Farm Centre on University Avenue in Charlottetown.
- Mar. 6** - The Public Forest Council will host its 1st public meeting on forest wealth creation initiatives in Island's 33,200 ha of public forests. The evening will commence at 6:30 pm at the Whim Inn at Poole's Corner with displays of various wealth creation possibilities followed by a public meeting at 7:30 pm to allow the public to express its thoughts, ideas, and concerns over various wealth creation initiatives. Visit the Council's web site at www.gov.pe.ca/af/public_forest_council/index.php3 for more information on the Island's Public Forest Lands.
- Mar. 11** - The 2nd Public Forest Council public meeting will be held at the Howard Johnston's Dutch Inn at North River. Displays of various wealth creation possibilities will open at 6:30 pm followed by the public meeting at 7:30 pm. (see March 6th info)
- Mar. 13** - The 3rd Public Forest Council public meeting will be held at the Rodd's Mill River Resort at Woodstock with displays of various wealth creation possibilities opening at 6:30 pm followed by a public meeting at 7:30 pm. (see March 6th info)
- Apr. 2** - Leslie Hartling will be the guest speaker at the Natural History Society's meeting with the presentation "Amphibians and Small Mammals on Prince Edward Island". The meeting starts at 7:30 pm at the Farm Centre on University Avenue in Charlottetown.
- Apr. 7 to 13** - National Wildlife Week: the theme is "Climate is Changing. Help Wildlife Weather the Storm?" This year, in addition to the school kits, a community kit is available and these can be obtained from the Fish & Wildlife Division. Contact Diane Arseneault at 368-4683.
- Mid-April** - Glen Kelly will lead a Natural History Society field trip to help us see the awakening of the wood frogs and salamanders in the Pisquid area. Sign up at a Society meeting or telephone Eric at 675-3056 (evenings). Participants will meet at the junction of Routes 21 and 22 near Pisquid River Bridge.
- Apr. 19** - Island Nature Trust's 18th annual fund raising dinner and auction at the Delta Prince Edward beginning at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$40 each and may be ordered by calling 892-7513.
- April 22** - Earth Day's 32nd Anniversary. Earth Weeks 2002 run from April 14 to 29th. All are invited to implement an environmental activity or project in their community. You can register projects online at www.eathday.ca.
- Apr. 29** - Hike the beautiful Dune Trail in the Greenwich adjunct to Prince Edward Island National Park. A National Park guide will discuss dune ecology and the describe the rare dune formations found at this site. Meet at the Greenwich Visitor Reception Centre at 1:00 pm. Numbers are limited so please pre-register by calling 672-6350, Monday to Friday between 8 am and 4:30 pm.
- Apr. 30** - Application deadline for the Young Ornithologists Workshop youth aged 13 to 17 (see article on page 8)
- May 7** - Ben Hoteling will thrill the Natural History Society audience with his presentation "Island Wildflowers". The meeting starts at 7:30 pm at the Farm Centre on University Avenue in Charlottetown.
- May 11** - International Migratory Bird Count day and the North American Migration Count Day. Submit results to Dan McAskill (see inner cover for contact instructions)
- May 25** - Bain Bird Count. Please submit your lists of sightings to Dan McAskill (see inner cover for contact instructions)
- Jun. 4** - Bill Oehlke will speak on the "Butterflies of Prince Edward Island" at the Natural History Society's meeting. Bill has raised, studied, and sold moths and butterflies for many years and brings a wealth of enthusiasm and knowledge to this presentation. The meeting starts at 7:30 pm at the Farm Centre on University Avenue in Charlottetown.
- Mid-June** - Gerald MacDonald will lead a Natural History Society field trip to visit an Island bog. Sign up at a meeting or contact Eric at 675-3056 or Meike at 961-2737 (evenings).
- Jun. 20 to 23** - Canadian Nature Federation Annual Conference in Ottawa with the theme Nature Power