

PRINCETOWN ROAD WALK. Tentative dates for a hike along the historic Princetown Road from Charlottetown to Malpeque (Princetown) are Sept. 25 and 26. The project is being undertaken in conjunction with the P.E.I. Heritage Foundation and is still in the planning stage. Look for more details in the June newsletter.

HAWK OBSERVERS WANTED. The Hawk Migration Association of North America wants volunteers in Atlantic Canada. Any time you could devote to watching and reporting migrating raptors would be useful, but the weekends of April 25-26, May 2-3, August 29-30, September 12-13 and October 3-4 are suggested for special attention so simultaneous reports from a number of sites can be obtained. For full details and hawk watch forms write to David Christie, RR # 2, Albert, N.B. E0A 1A0. The Hawk Migration Association was formed in 1974 to promote and coordinate studies of raptor migration in North America. The association's newsletters contain summaries of spring and fall migration in 13 regions of the continent, news of special projects and recent publications, notes on hawk watching techniques, etc. To join send \$8.00 US (\$5.00 student) to the treasurer, Nancy Clayton, 95 Martha's Point Road, Concord, Mass. 01742. However, you don't have to belong to participate; what this region needs most is observers.



BIRDATHON '81. The fourth annual Francis Bain Birdathon will be held Saturday May 30, 1981. The purpose of this project is to promote bird watching on P.E.I. as well as to record as many different birds from as many habitats as possible on P.E.I. Participants are encouraged to cover the areas that they were in last year although interested parties and new birders may investigate additional areas as well. Those who wish to participate in a field outing but who do not have transportation should contact Geoff Hogan. All participants will record the different species seen, the time spent birdwatching, the general area and habitat types covered, and the number of persons in the party. The actual number of individual birds of the more common species does not have to be recorded but please record their status as VC (very common, 50 or more birds per day) or C (common, 10-49 birds per day). The actual number of individuals of the less common species should be noted. Copies of the Field Check-List of the Birds of P.E.I. will be available at the May 5th NHS meeting for recording this information. As in previous years backyard birders are encouraged to submit their observations as well. Participants may either submit their results at the pot-luck supper following the Birdathon (location to be announced at the May 5th meeting) or mail or phone them to Geoff Hogan, Birdathon Organizer, 153 North River Road, Ch'town (tel 894-3559). Last year's total was 107 species so we are aiming to better that. Good birding!

SCIENCE FAIR. The provincial High School Science Fair was held April 9-10 in the Robertson Library at U.P.E.I. A large number of projects was entered so that for the first time the fair overflowed its allotted space. Winston Johnston, Debbie Peters and Bill Glen were on hand to judge natural history entries for the NHS prizes. Kelly Murphy's insect collection was awarded first prize and Sheila Malcolmson's display on acid rain received second. Both entries were from Queen Charlotte Junior High in Charlottetown.