

which each species occupies in Ontario. The final report will utilize this proportion to rank the responsibility Ontario has for these species. (adapted from Long Point Bird Observatory 1996 Annual Report)

Good news has come from the short grass prairie region of Saskatchewan. Farming practices have reduced this cover type to a minimum in Canada and it is a critical habitat for many species. Mr. Peter Butala, owner of 13,108 acres located west of Clayton, combined his efforts with those of the Nature Conservancy of Canada, SaskPower, the Province of Saskatchewan, Environment Canada, and a consortium of conservation interests to preserve one of Canada's best remaining short grass prairie regions. (adapted from Nature Views 108).

The Baillie Birdathon '96 raised a record \$160,822.83 with 586 participants from 93 conservation organizations. These monies provide vital support to the Long Point Bird Observatory and fund bird research across Canada. (adapted from BirdWatch, Winter 1997)

How does \$14.4 billion sound? This is the estimated amount of money that the 63 million people who watch birds in the United States spend annually. The American Birding Association is producing two "how-to" publications, one of which will detail how a community can organize a birding festival. (adapted from *Winging It* 9:7)

The Concerned Citizens of Eastern Kings won the Island Nature Trust's award for their campaign against the East Baltic Bog peat moss mining operation. Thanks in large part to their grass roots lobbying efforts, the development proposal was withdrawn and the site is now a natural area.

The Canadian Parks Service indicated that the Piping Plover in the Park achieved the highest fledging rate in the history of monitoring in the PEI National Park. This was great news for this species which has struggled in other parts of the Island.

**WIND CHILL:**

from AES pamphlet

With the winter winds approaching again, the following table will give you some rather chilling information!

### Wind Chill - How Cold Does it Feel

Wind Speed Kph ↓	Temperature °C									Watts per Sq. Meter	Equivalent Temperature	Wind Chill Effects
	0	-5	-10	-15	-20	-25	-30	-35	-40			
10	-1	-6	-11	-16	-21	-26	-31	-36	-41	700	-3	Considered comfortable when dressed for skiing.
15	-4	-9	-15	-21	-26	-32	-37	-43	-48	1200	-11	No longer pleasant for outdoor activities on overcast days.
20	-6	-12	-18	-24	-30	-36	-42	-48	-54	1400	-18	No longer pleasant for outdoor activities on sunny days.
25	-8	-14	-21	-27	-33	-39	-46	-52	-58	1600	-25	Freezing of exposed skin begins for most people depending on the degree of activity and the amount of sunshine.
30	-10	-16	-23	-29	-36	-42	-49	-55	-62	2300	-50	Outdoor travel, such as walking, become dangerous. Exposed flesh freezes in less than one minute for the average person
35	-11	-18	-24	-31	-38	-44	-51	-58	-64	2700	-66	Exposed flesh freezes within half a minute on average.
40	-12	-19	-26	-33	-40	-46	-53	-60	-67			
45	-13	-20	-27	-34	-41	-48	-55	-62	-69			
50	-14	-21	-28	-35	-42	-49	-56	-63	-70			
55	-14	-22	-29	-36	-43	-50	-57	-65	-72			
60	-15	-22	-29	-37	-44	-51	-58	-66	-73			
65	-15	-23	-30	-37	-45	-52	-59	-66	-74			
70	-16	-23	-30	-38	-45	-52	-60	-67	-74			