

# A NOTE FROM THE NEW PRESIDENT

A newsletter should convey news, and occasionally it may be used as a podium for a newly elected Society president, such as myself.

We are indeed fortunate to have a high-quality newsletter which provides information on natural events and records of flora and fauna. Some members rarely read it, but for others, it is the chief reason for joining the Natural History Society. It is delivered to all Island schools and back issues are deposited in libraries for anyone to consult.

The editor contributes many personal touches to a newsletter, but the content is the responsibility of the members. What would you like to see in the newsletter? It strikes me that ours has become preoccupied with birds, but perhaps that is your preference. If it is not, tell the editor what you would like to read.

Finally, you might want to share your outdoor experience in the newsletter. Think about it. You can make a record of what may be a unique observation, you can let others know what you think, and you don't have to be a prize-winning novelist to be published. Your contributions are the final product.

Rosemary Curley

## SAVE SOUTH MORESBY CARAVAN

All Canadians are being called on to get aboard the Save South Moresby Caravan. It will be a coast to coast pilgrimage by conservationists and other interested people, in support of efforts to protect the South Moresby wilderness area in British Columbia's Queen Charlotte Islands. The caravan will officially originate in Newfoundland, departing from St. John's by bus March 5 and connecting with a train from Halifax to Vancouver. A rally will be held March 7 in Halifax and a series of public events along the route will culminate in a huge rally in Vancouver March 15.

There will be a presentation held in Charlottetown on Sunday, March 2, before the official start of the caravan. This will be held at 8:00 pm at the University of Prince Edward Island in Room 237 of the Kelly Building (the one with the bookstore). Greg Sheehy of the Canadian Nature Federation and Thom Henley of the Save South Moresby Committee from Ottawa will present a slide show and discussion on the situation in South Moresby. Everyone is welcome, and bring your purses and wallets as a hat will be passed with donations going to the Save South Moresby fund. There will also be buttons for sale and a petition to sign. If you would like any more information, such as how to reserve a seat on the caravan, or just how to help save this valuable wilderness area, contact Sue Stephenson, Atlantic Co-ordinator of the Save South Moresby Caravan, at 892-9127.

