

CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNTS

This year's Christmas Bird Count dates have been set as follows: P.E.I. National Park Count Sat. Dec. 18, Hillsborough Count Mon. Dec. 27 and Montague Count Sun. Jan. 2. Everyone, whether beginner or old hand, is encouraged to participate in one or more of the counts. Participation fee is \$2.00 per person per count for the National Park and Hillsborough Counts. This fee is forwarded to American Birds in New York and helps to defray expenses in publishing count results from across the continent. There will be no fee for taking part in the Montague Count as it is not planned to submit these results to American Birds. Counters are once again asked to note any sightings of wild animals or their sign encountered during each count.

In accordance with tradition, at the close of each count day, participants will be gathering at a potluck supper to thaw out, share adventures and compile the day's records. Other society members are also welcome to join in the after-count gatherings. For more information about getting involved in count day activities contact Winnie Cairns at 838-3225 (weekday evenings) or 894-4095 (weekends) or Sid Watts at 838-3448.

