



NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

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MEETINGS are held on the first Tuesday of the month at 8:00 p.m. in Meeting Room #2 in the Provincial Health Building. (Enter through the parking garage and ask the Commissionaire for directions.

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THIS MONTH'S COVER

The white spruce (Picea glauca) is found commonly on P.E.I. in hedgerows and old fields that have not been farmed for many years. The needles are four-sided and fall readily when the tree is cut and dry, so white spruce does not make a good Christmas tree unless recently cut.