

# NEWS AND NOTES (CON'T)

U.P.E.I. SCIENCE FAIR. The annual provincial high school science fair is scheduled for Fri., Apr. 13, 1984 at U.P.E.I. The NHS will once again be presenting prizes for the best entries in environmental and natural history themes. Society members are encouraged to support the fair by visiting the displays.

BIRDS AND WILDLIFE COURSE IN MONTAGUE. For the first time ever, the Montague Community School recently offered a course in Birds and Wildlife. Organized by the P.E.I. Natural History Society, the course was well received by the twenty students enrolled. Topics covered included wintering birds, bird feeding, Piping Plovers, colonial nesting birds, mammals, wildflowers and plants, managing woodlands for wildlife, squirrels, sand dune systems and nature photography. Society members who led the sessions were Winnie Cairns, Geoff Hogan, Rosemary Curley, Sid Watts, Dan McAskill and Andy Dean. Thanks to their efforts there now seems to be a growing nucleus of interest in birds and wildlife in the Montague area.

CANADIAN NATURE FEDERATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE. This year's annual CNF conference will be held at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver on July 6-7. Field trips are available July 1-12 and include excursions to the Queen Charlotte Islands, the Okanagan, Vancouver Island, pelagic trips to view killer whales and seabirds, etc., etc. Watch the Apr./June issue of Nature Canada for details.

ROSEATE TERNS. The Canadian Wildlife Service is seeking information on Roseate Terns in eastern Canada and/or northeastern United States. The number of Roseate Terns breeding along the Atlantic seaboard of the United States has declined by about 50% over the past decade, and a similar decline appears to have occurred here in Canada. Because of this possibility, CWS has been asked to prepare a status report of the Roseate Tern in Canada for the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada (COSEWIC).



Specifically, the information required is: details (date, location, number of birds, adult or juvenile, etc.) of any sightings or confirmed/suspected breeding records of Roseate Terns you may have noted recently or in the past. If you have any information on this species please contact the newsletter editor.

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DID YOU KNOW THAT IN EVERY CUBIC FOOT OF SNOW THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY EIGHTEEN MILLION SNOW CRYSTALS?