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COMING EVENTS

- Friday, October 28, 2005, 7:30 p.m. Terry Fox School, 1065 Riddell Ave., Cobourg Speaker: Kelsi Prince. Topic: The Arctic and Antarctica. Kelsi will talk about her recent travels in the past year and a bit twice to the Arctic and once to Antarctica with *Student on Ice* Expeditions. The goal of these expeditions was to bring students to both poles and help them realize and gain a better knowledge of what environmental issues the Arctic and Antarctic have been, and are currently facing. She will share with us what she has learned about how climate change is affecting the Polar Regions and some possible solutions to take into consideration.
- Friday, November 25, 2005, 7:30 p.m. District Health Unit, Rose Glen Rd., Port Hope Speaker: Otto Peter, Topic: Thickson's Woods. Otto Peter of the Thickson's Woods Land Trust will present a slide show entitled Thickson's Woods: An Urban Treasure. Birds, plants, butterflies and history of Thickson's Woods.
- •Saturday November 26, 9 a.m.- Port Hope Harbour, A.K. Sculthorpe Marsh and Cobourg Harbour. An early winter outing to look for waterfowl. Meet at 8:45 a.m. in Port Hope at the parking lot on Lake St. at the west side of the marsh. There is a sign here for the A.K. Sculthorpe Marsh. Directions from Hwy. 2 (Peter St.): Turn south on Hope St.S. (the west end of the Peter St. plaza, across from A & P). Turn east (left) at the gazebo on Lake St. Follow Lake St. to the parking lot.
- •Saturday, December 17, 2005 Annual Christmas Bird Count. Contact Roger Frost, 905-885-9615

Watch future editions for more details of meetings and outings.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

- •Bill Logan, WBFN member and a member of the board of the Kawartha Heritage Conservancy (KHC) in Peterborough, reports that after four years of work, the "KHC has just received a three-year \$165,000 grant from the Metcalfe Foundation for work including: developing a bioregional information system, property acquisition, etc., in the Kawarthas and anticipates more money arriving for some site specific work."
- •Elizabeth Kellogg and Roger Frost did bird banding demonstrations at Presqu'ile Provincial Park on Labor Day weekend and at Thickson's Woods on Sept. 17 for the Fall Festival. **Don Davis** did Monarch tagging at Presqu'ile on the same weekend. **Margaret Bain** is on the Thickson's Woods Land Trust Board.

Welcome to New Members

Mary and Ted Wood, Cobourg

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The editor is most grateful to those who have contributed to this issue of the Curlew. Copy for the					
October 2005 issue should be received by October 31, 2005. Rare or interesting sightings should be					
reported to Ted McDonald (885-4764) or Norma Wallace (885-5552) for the November <u>Curlew</u> .					
Correspondence for WBFN should be addressed to: "The Willow Beach Field Naturalists, P.O. Box 421,					

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Free Ontario Nature Membership for WBFN

Our Club is a member of Ontario Nature (Federation of Ontario Naturalists) and this year, Ontario Nature is providing an opportunity for our Club to win free membership for a year while supporting the ongoing conservation work of Ontario Nature and the Nature Network. From now until January 15th, if our Club sells eight new memberships to Ontario Nature, our Club membership fee of \$150.00 will be waived.

Ontario Nature memberships are the gifts that give back to nature. Memberships help support Ontario Nature's conservation programs and services that protect our nature across the province.

Following are the special discounted rates being offered to our group until January 15, 2006:

- •Individual is \$40.00 (save \$5.00)
- •Student or Senior is \$35.00 (save \$3.00)
- •School/Library is \$35.00 (save \$5.00)
- Family is \$45.00 (save \$5.00)

Please contact me for an application form.

An Ontario Nature membership makes a great holiday, Christmas or Birthday gift.

Bryan Baxter, WBFN President 905-372-6273

100th Anniversary of Bird Banding in Canada

To mark the 100th anniversary of bird banding in Canada, the Canadian Wildlife Service's Canadian Bird Banding Office has just issued a special commemorative band to all Canadian banders.

On 24 September 1905, James Fleming banded an American Robin in his backyard in Toronto, Ontario, in hope of finding out where it spent the winter. This was the very first bird to be banded in Canada. Exactly one hundred years later, Long Point Bird Observatory (LPBO) volunteer Doug Brown banded a White-throated Sparrow (#1961-88899) at LPBO's Old Cut field station at the base of Long Point at 6:40 a.m. on 24 September 2005 - the first bird of the day. Since 1960, over 800,000 birds have been banded at Long Point, more than at any other non-governmental organization in the Western Hemisphere.

One hundred years after Fleming started his modest backyard banding project, over 900 licensed banders now place bands on more than 300,000 migratory birds annually across Canada - about half of which occur at field stations affiliated with the Canadian Migration Monitoring Network. Collectively, the North American bird banding database now contains over 66 million banding records and nearly 4 million band recoveries, for 980 species and subspecies. Banding and recovery data collected in Canada are now used throughout the hemisphere for ornithological research and the conservation and management of many North American species.

- reprinted from Bird Studies Canada's e-newsletter, 30 September 2005

The following press release was sent to Simone Mérey, WBFN's Ontario Nature Rep. on Sept. 28, 2005.

New TIPS MNR Reporting Line 1-877-TIPS-MNR (857-7667)

Natural Resources Minister David Ramsay officially announced the new TIPS MNR Reporting Line during a media event held in Peterborough. The TIPS MNR Line is a toll-free telephone line that will permit the public to report natural resource violations directly to the Ministry, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, all year round.

The TIPS MNR Line was established to provide better access and service for the public to report resource abuse to our Ministry. In the past, the public did not always know who to contact, where to call, what number to call, or how to reach MNR during non-business hours. The TIPS MNR Line provides direct access to MNR, at any time and at no cost to the caller.

The TIPS MNR Reporting Line is an expansion of the successful Moose Watch Line which was dedicated to the reporting of moose poaching. All known or suspected violations or abuse of Ontario's natural resources may be reported to the TIPS MNR Line.

Our natural resources are more fragile than we know. Their protection is dependent on all Ontarians and Ontario resources users that care about what happens to them and supports responsible use of our resources.

By reporting known or suspected resource violations callers will be assisting Ontario Conservation Officers in their investigations of resource abuse. By working together, we can help protect our natural resources from abuse and illegal activity.

We ask for your support and assistance in promoting the use of the TIPS MNR Reporting Line.

The Annual Baillie Birdathon "Thank You"

Friday, May 13th, it was. Sheilagh Fletcher, Jack Goering, John Beeson and I drove around 90 km. in this general area.

The Birdathon is the primary funding source for the James L. Baillie Memorial Foundation, established in 1976. It is administered by Bird Studies Canada to support bird research and conservation efforts across Canada. This year, 2005, about \$23,000 has been allocated for project grants. Last year, a national total of \$177,800 was raised. Of that, we, on behalf of WBFN raised \$880. This year: \$935. Of these amounts, the WBFN got and will get 25%.

How did we do? About average for recent years, partly because it was a "blah" sort of day. Overcast. Cool. No sun. 52 species in all.

Thank you for your supporting my Baillie Birdathon.

- Ian Tate

WBFN member, John Geale, is living in New Zealand for several years. Even from there, he did a Baillie Birdathon in May 2005. Following is the report he sent to his sponsors.

Another Baillie Birdathon Report

The deed is done, with very different results from my usual Birdathon in southern Ontario. In the lists below, native species are underlined; the others are introduced, mainly fro the UK.

It started with a flight to Kaikoura with Sounds Air, one of whose two planes would not start, so they put me in with the passengers to Picton and we went on to Kaikoura from there. Actually, this was a more interesting route, as we went right through the Kaikoura Ranges, their snow-capped peaks towering above us. The pelagic trip from Kaikoura was pretty standard, except that the lone Antarctic Giant Petrel that came in to the boat was a new species for me - a very pleasant surprise! And it's always a pleasure to see any albatrossess, many species of which may well be extinct in a few years. The whole list for the sea trip:

Blackbrowed AlbatrossWandering AlbatrossBuller's AlbatrossCape PetrelHall's Giant PetrelRoyal AlbatrossKelp GullWhite-capped AlbatrossAntarctic Giant Petrel

Westland Petrel

Before heading inland to Hanmer Springs, where I intended to stay the night, I had a quick look around Kaikoura. This gained me 17 more species:

<u>Black-billed Gull</u> <u>Little Pied Cormorant</u> Song Thrush European Starling House Sparrow Yellowhammer

Red-billed Gull Chaffinch Variable Oystercatcher

White-fronted Tern Welcome Swallow Mallard

Black-fronted Tern Spotted Shag Eurasian Blackbird

Pied Cormorant Sacred Kingfisher

The drive to Hanmer Springs passed through farmland, the heart of NZ's economy. Not great habitat for birds (in fact, terrible for native species), but before sunset I did see:

Masked LapwingGray FantailParadise ShelduckEuropean GoldfinchAustralasian MagpieWhite-faced Heron

Swamp Harrier Greylag Goose

After setting up my tent in the dark, I had a walk around the park hoping to hear a Morepork, but no luck. And the same just before sunrise the next morning - maybe I should have stayed around Wellington - we hear a Morepork from our bedroom on many nights! That left me a few hours before my 24 hours were up, and in the hills near Hanmer Springs, I found only seven more species - and no Tui, no NZ Robin, no NZ Pigeon, no NA Falcon, no Tomtit, no Yellowhead, no Kaka, and no Pipipi; most of these native species have been decimated by introduced mammals and are very scarce on non-existent in most areas. Those I saw did include 3 native species:

New Zealand BellbirdDunnockGray GerygoneSilver-eyeEuropean GreenfinchEurasian Skylark

Common Redpoll

In my remaining time, I began to drive back to Kaikoura, and along the way added two final species:

Rock Dove Purple Swamphen

That makes a grand total of 44.

- John Geale

Papalotzin Team Visits Port

Papalotzin (from the Nahuatle language, meaning "tiny butterfly") is an ultralight plane decorated to resemble a monarch butterfly. It is following the monarch's migratory route from Quebec to Mexico from August 18th to November 3rd, 2005. Pilot Fancisco "Vico" Gutierrez and the team, sponsored by WWF-Telcel alliance and the Michoacan State Government want to promote knowledge and awareness of this marvelous migratory phenomenon as well as the importance of conservation. Pilot Vico is an ultralight plane pioneer with over 30 years experience. He lives in Valle de Bravo near the monarch overwintering sites. During the expedition, they well be filming a documentary about the monarch butterfly and the places and people they meet.

The journey began in a milkweed field just outside of Montreal on August 18th. On August 28th, the team had arrived in Pickering, having made a brief stop to refuel in Norwood on the trip from Ottawa. On August 29th, John Powers of Cambridge, who coordinated the Ontario leg of the trip, escorted the team to Port Hope to visit Rod and Joan Parrott's butterfly rearing facility and examine nearby monarch habitat. The team was very impressed by the rugged shoreline of Lake Ontario and the migrating monarchs they observed. Later, Rod and Joan hosted a dinner in honour of the expedition.

The Team continued their journey to Toronto, Breslau, Point Pelee and Niagara Falls, before entering the United States. At Breslau, WBFN member Don Davis was taken up for a flight in Papalotzin, with spectacular views of the rural countryside.

The expedition has not been without challenges. Tropical storms, such as Hurricane Katrina, delayed the trip. At Leamington, the ultralight was left assembled outside overnight and strong winds broke a wing, necessitating a trop back to Pickering for repairs.

As of October 11th, the team reached Eagle Pass, Texas, on the U.S.A./Mexican border. Thousands of migrating monarchs were observed overhead flying into Mexico. It has been an amazing journey. A flight log, with many albums of photographs taken from the start of the trip, can be found at: www.paplotzin.com.

-Don Davis

In early September, this note arrived from Audrey Wilson. She has been talking by telephone to Kay McKeever of the Owl Foundation in the Niagara Peninsula.

Report from the Owl Foundation

Kay McKeever called me this weekend.

She gave me an update on the Great Gray Owls. All but one that arrived were car collisions. Only 32 of 61 arrived alive, they were so badly hurt. Unfortunately, West Nile Virus has reared its ugly head again and she has lost 2 out of 3 Great Grays and 1 Northern Hawk Owl to this. These were in the specially netted enclosures, but they found that raccoons had made tiny holes in the netting which allowed mosquitoes in.

A detailed report of the die-off of northern owls at the Owl Foundation appeared in Emerging Infectious Diseases in December 2004, vol. 10 (12):2135-2142, available on the internet at http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/EID/index.htm.

WILLOW BEACH FIELD NATURALISTS FUNDRAISING DRAW

1st Prize: Limited Edition Framed Print by Saul Williams
Baby Thunderbirds - 49/125
(donated by Minnie Pennell)

2nd Prize: Framed Photograph - Owl Butterfly - by Bill Crowley 3rd Prize: Framed Photograph - Orchid - by Bill Crowley 4th Prize - Framed Photograph - Mushrooms - by Bill Crowley (all photographs donated by Bill Crowley)

> Draw: Friday, February 24, 2006 at the Annual General Meeting of WBFN Tickets \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00

Available from Michael Biggar, 905-372-7407

Michael would appreciate assistance in selling tickets or suggestions of possible locations or events at which to sell them.

Brand Creek Banding - Spring 2005

After a successful season in the autumn of 2004 banding at Brand Creek (reported in the February 2005 issue of the *Curlew*), the Willow Beach Banding Group decided to continue banding there in the spring of 2005. As last fall, we operated with 3 mist nets and 2 ground traps.

Banding was attempted on 24 days between April 8 and June 3, 2005. On most of these days, the nets were open for only 2 to 4 hours. On only one day was banding carried out for over 5 hours. At this site, the winds turn to blow off the lake by mid-morning. With no leaves on the trees and shrubs in the early spring to shelter the nets, the winds often were too strong to continue netting. Also, as difficult as this may be to remember after the dry summer, in May, we were several times closed down due to rain.

Banding was most productive in April, with lots of sparrows and cowbirds in the nets and traps. April 10 was the biggest day, with 31 birds banded. May was rather disappointing, with only a few birds being captured on most days. Unfortunately, the site is dominated by European buckthorn, locust and hawthorne, all of which leaf out very late in the spring. Thus for most of May, there was little food or cover to attract and hold migrant birds. Consequently, very few warblers, flycatchers, or thrushes were captured.

On May 3rd, netting was delayed because the nets were frozen. Frost was noted on the nets until May 17.

Overall, 318 birds of 40 species were banded. Banding highlights included Baltimore Oriole, Field Sparrow, Lincoln's Sparrow and Wood Thrush.

As usual, the banders also got to see some interesting birds as well. These highlights included Common Raven, Northern Shoveler, Great Egret, Red-throated Loon, Northern Pintail, and Red-headed Woodpecker. From April 10, a pair of Northern Harriers were observed in display flight over the field south of Lakeshore Rd.

A census route was established, which when there was sufficient manpower, allowed recording of birds that were on Lake Ontario, but not visible from the banding station.

Thanks to our assistants: Ben Walters, Martha Robinson, Kyle Horner, Pam Lancaster and Katsu Sakuma. A big thanks to Winky Thomas and to Lynn and Tony Prower for giving us permission to use the property for this project.

-Elizabeth Kellogg and Roger Frost

Species Banded at Brand Creek Spring 2005

American Goldfinch	18
American Redstart	1
American Robin	10
American Tree Sparrow	22
Baltimore Oriole	3
Black-capped Chickadee	4
Brown-headed Cowbird	46
Blue Jay	3
Brown Creeper	1
Brown Thrasher	1
Cedar Waxwing	11
Chipping Sparrow	2
Common Grackle	9
Common Yellowthroat	2
Downy Woodpecker	5
European Starling	2
Eastern White-crowned Sparrow	33
Field Sparrow	1
Golden-crowned Kinglet	5
Gray Catbird	1
Hermit Thrush	1
House Sparrow	1
Lincoln's Sparrow	1
Magnolia Warbler	4
Mourning Dove	11
"Myrtle" Warbler	2
Northern Cardinal	1
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	1
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	10
Red-winged Blackbird	12
Slate-colored Junco	37
Song Sparrow	34
Swainson's Thrush	1
Swamp Sparrow	2
"Traill's" Flycatcher	6
Wilson's Warbler	3
Winter Wren	2
Wood Thrush	1
White-throated Sparrow	7
Yellow Warbler	8

RECENT SIGHTINGS

compiled by Ted McDonald

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Common Loon	Sept. 30		Cobourg Harbour area; high for Sept.	CEG
Least Bittern	Sept. 11		Cobourg Harbour area	MB
Great Blue Heron	Sept. 1		Colborne area	JF, KB
Turkey Vulture	Sept. 7		over Garden Hill area, PH Ward 2	DW, MW
	Sept. 28		over Garden Hill area, PH Ward 2	DW
Canada Goose	Sept. 29		AKS Marsh, PH	GMCD
Mute Swan	Sept. 28		Cobourg Harbour area; high for Sept.	CEG
American Wigeon	Sept. 18		Cobourg Harbour; first for Sept.	CEG
	Sept. 29		Cobourg Harbour; high for Sept.	CEG
Blue-winged Teal	Sept. 30		Cobourg Harbour; high for Sept.	CEG
Northern Shoveler	Sept. 30-Oct. 1		Cobourg Harbour	CEG
Green-winged Teal	all Sept.		Cobourg Harbour	CEG
Northern Pintail	Sept. 9		Cobourg Harbour	CEG
Redhead	Sept. 26		Cobourg Harbour	CEG
White-winged Scoter	Sept. 23	7	Cobourg Harbour	CEG
	Sept. 24	5	Cobourg Harbour	CEG
Common Goldeneye	Sept. 3	1	Cobourg Harbour	CEG
Red-breasted Merganser	Sept. 26	15	Cobourg Harbour	CEG
Osprey	Sept. 18		Cobourg Harbour	CEG
	Sept. 20	2	n. of Garden Hill, PH Ward 2	DW, MW
Northern Harrier	Sept. 13	1	Cobourg Harbour	CEG
Sharp-shinned Hawk	Sept. 17	2	Cobourg Harbour; singles thro. Sept.	CEG
	Sept. 10	19	Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	BW, RF
Broad-winged Hawk	Sept. 10	10	Jamieson Rd. & 7th, PH Ward 2	LS
American Kestrel	Sept. 10	21	Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	BW, RF
	Sept. 17-18	2	Cobourg Harbour; odd birds thro. Sept.	CEG
Merlin	Sept. 6	4	Cobourg Harbour; odd birds thro. Sept.	CEG
	Sept. 10	1	Brighton	MC
	Sept. 21	1	Young St., PH	NW
	Sept. 22	2	Bloomsgrove Ave., PH	MR
Peregrine Falcon	Sept. 6	1	Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	EK, KH, BW
	Sept. 13	1	Chub Point	MJ
	Sept. 20	1	Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	BW, EK
Wild Turkey	Sept. 6	5	Woodvale School Rd., PH Ward 2	LS
	Sept. 25	17	Woodvale School Rd., PH Ward 2	LS
American Coot	Sept. 13	1	Cobourg Harbour	CEG
American Golden Plover	Sept. 3		Cobourg Harbour	CEG
Black-bellied Plover	Sept. 4	1	Cobourg Harbour	CEG
Semipalmated Plover	daily to Sept. 23		Cobourg Harbour	CEG
•	Sept. 3	7	Cobourg Harbour; high for Sept.	CEG
Greater Yellowlegs	Sept. 17		Cobourg Harbour	CEG
Lesser Yellowlegs	Sept. 6	3	Cobourg Harbour; high for Sept.	CEG
Red Knot	Sept. 6		Cobourg Harbour	CEG
Ruddy Turnstone	Sept. 12		Cobourg Harbour	CEG
Sanderling	Sept. 4-6		Cobourg Harbour; high for Sept.	CEG
Baird's Sandpiper	Sept. 5		Cobourg Harbour	CEG
BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE			Cobourg Harbour; 3rd for club area	CEG
Common Nighthawk	Sept. 16		Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	EK, BW
Chimney Swift	Sept. 2		over Young St., PH	NW
•	Sept. 18		Cobourg Harbour; last for Sept.	CEG
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	Sept. 14		Garden Hill area, PH Ward 2	DW
	Sept. 28		Westwood area, Cob.	BF
	Sept. 2		Colborne area	JF
Northern Flicker	Sept. 15		Choate Rd., PH Ward 2	MH
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Pileated Woodpecker	Oct. 2		Hwy. 401 & 28, PH	DD
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Blue-headed Vireo	Sept. 6	1	Jamieson Rd. & 7th, PH Ward 2	LS
Philadelphia Vireo	Sept. 9		Jamieson Rd. & 7th, PH Ward 2	LS
•	Sept. 18		Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	BW
	Sept. 19	2	Knoxville Rd. & 7th, PH Ward 2	LS
Red-eyed Vireo	Sept. 5		Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	EK, RF, KH, PL
Blue Jay	Sept. 18	4 500	Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	BW, EK, RF,
Dide day	Sept. 18		Cobourg Harbour	CEG
	Sept. 23		Cobourg Harbour	CEG
	Sept. 23		over Bloomsgrove Ave. & Ontario St.	KBr
Common Raven	Sept. 21		Roseneath area	DS
Cliff Swallow	Sept. 2		Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	BW, EK
			T .	CEG
Brown Creeper	Sept. 18		Cobourg Harbour; record early date	
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Marsh Wren	Oct. 1		Cobourg Harbour; 5th for harbour	CEG
Eastern Bluebird	Sept. 19		Knoxville Rd. & 7th, PH Ward 2	LS
Gray-cheeked Thrush	Sept. 16		Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	EK, BW
Brown Thrasher	Sept. 17		Colborne area	KB
European Starling	Sept. 5		Jamieson Rd. & 7th, PH Ward 2	LS
Tennessee Warbler	Sept. 30		Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	BW, EK
Orange-crowned Warbler	Sept. 18		Cobourg Harbour; rather early	CEG
Northern Parula	Sept. 19		Koxville Rd. & 7th, PH Ward 2	LS
	Sept. 21	1	Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	BW, EK
	Sept. 30	1	Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	BW, EK
Yellow Warbler	Sept. 13		Cobourg Harbour; amnicola race	CEG
Cape May Warbler	Sept. 9	1	Candlewick Woods, PH Ward 2	RF
Black-throated Blue Warbler	Sept. 4	1	Cobourg Harbour	CEG
Blackburnian Warbler	Sept. 19	1	Knoxville Rd. & 7th, PH Ward 2	LS
Pine Warbler	Sept. 10	1	Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	BW, RF
	Sept. 19	3	Koxville Rd. & 7th, PH Ward 2	LS
Palm Warbler	Sept. 9	6	Candlewick Woods, PH Ward 2	RF
Blackpoll Warbler	Sept. 9	1	Jamieson Rd. & 7th, PH Ward 2	LS
Mourning Warbler	Sept. 13	1	Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	EK, BW
	Sept. 14	1	Woodvale School Rd., PH Ward 2	LS
	Sept. 16	1	Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	EK, BW
Hooded Warbler	Sept. 16		Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	EK, BW
Scarlet Tanager	Sept. 7	2	Jamieson Rd. & 7th, PH Ward 2	LS
- G	Sept. 20		Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	BW, EK
	Sept. 30		Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	BW, EK
Grasshopper Sparrow	Sept. 6		Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	BW
Lincoln's Sparrow	Sept. 6		Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	EK, KH, BW
White-crowned Sparrow	Sept. 10		Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	BW, RF
The ordinate oparion	Sept. 23		Colborne area	KB
	- COPt.: 20			BW, EK, RF,
Dark-eyed Junco	Sept. 18	1	Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	PL
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	Sept. 5		Brand Rd. & Lakeshore, PH Ward 2	EK, RF, KH, PL
Blackbirds (mixed species)	Sept. 25		Garden Hill area, PH Ward 2	DW
Rusty Blackbird	Sept. 28		Cobourg Harbour	CEG
Common Grackle	Sept. 5		Jamieson Rd. & 7th, PH Ward 2	LS
Baltimore Oriole	Sept. 2		Garden Hill area, PH Ward 2	DW, MW
Pine Siskin	Sept. 23		Jamieson Rd. & 7th, PH Ward 2	LS
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Sightings - cont'd.

Butterflies & Moths				
Monarch	Sept. 6	50	Garden Hill area, PH Ward 2	DW
	Sept. 28	7	AKS Marsh, PH	MH
Pandora Sphinx Moth	Sept. 12	1	Young St., PH	NW
Alfalfa Sulphur	Sept. 6	1	Garden Hill area, PH Ward 2	DW
Common Sulphur	Sept. 6	1	Garden Hill area, PH Ward 2	DW
Cabbage White	Sept. 6	1	Garden Hill area, PH Ward 2	DW
Inornate Ringlet	Sept. 6	1	Garden Hill area, PH Ward 2	DW
European Skipper	Sept. 6	6	Garden Hill area, PH Ward 2	DW
Pearl Crescent	Sept. 6	1	Garden Hill area, PH Ward 2	DW
Viceroy	Sept. 16, 18	1	Jamieson Rd. & 7th, PH Ward 2	LS
Hop Merchant	Sept. 17	1	Jamieson Rd. & 7th, PH Ward 2	LS
Painted Lady	Sep. 18	1	Jamieson Rd. & 7th, PH Ward 2	LS
Mammals				
Red Fox	Sept. 20	1	Bloomsgrove Ave & Hope St., PH	SB
Herptiles				
Red-bellied Snake	Sept. 6	1	Woodvale School Rd., PH Ward 2	LS

Observers: MB=Margaret Bain; KB=Kim Braat; KBr=Kelli Brooking; MC=Maureen Campeau; SB=Susan Baillie; GMCD=Geoff Dale; BF=Brad Foster; JF=Jo Foster; RF=Roger Frost; KH=Kyle Horner; MJ=Mike Jones; CEG=Clive Goodwin; MH=Marguereite Huggins; EK=Elizabeth Kellogg; PL=Pam Lancaster; MR=Martha Robinson; LS=Louise Schmidt; DS=Dave Shirley; NW=Norma Wallace; BW=Ben Walters; DW=Doug Watkins; MW=Marie Watkins

Other Coming Events

- •Saturday, October 29, 6-9 p.m. **Halloween Hike** at the Ganaraska Forest Centre. Get into the Halloween spirit during this spooky guided night hike. Other activities include carving pumpkins and creating Halloween crafts. Warm up by the campfire with hot chocolate afterwards. Pre-registration is required. Rate: \$20 per family, \$8 per adult or \$4 for children, students, and seniors. To register call (905) 797-2721 or e-mail gfc@eagle.ca. Check the website at www.grca.on.ca
- •November 5th and 6th and November 12th and 13th, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 14th Annual Christmas at Presqu'ile. Juried arts and crafts show, arts show by Doug Comeau, Michael Dumas and Brent Townsend. Visit the website www.friendsofpresquile.on.ca for more information.

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