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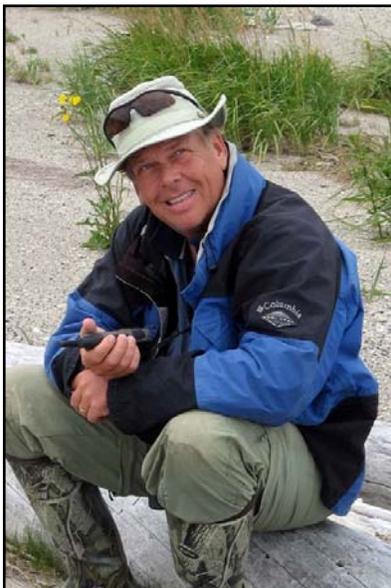
72nd PFN Annual General Meeting

Join us for the PFN's Annual General Meeting! Keep up to date on club business, elect the next executive, enter the raffle for fabulous prizes, enjoy a delicious meal and stay for an entertaining presentation. **Doors open at 5:30 p.m.**, supper starts at 6:00, meeting at 7:00, raffle at 7:30 and speaker beginning at 8:00pm. To reserve your tickets, call Don & Emily Pettypiece at 750-1145, or purchase them at the December meeting.

Note location change for this year: **Peterborough Lawn Bowling Club, 577 McDonnell St.**; food by Sous Casa Catering

Speaker: **Mark Peck, Royal Ontario Museum**
Presentation: "Tied Up In Knots!"

Since 2009, the Royal Ontario Museum, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment Canada have been conducting shore-bird surveys along the west coast of James Bay in northern Ontario. Although the program has focused considerable effort on endangered Red Knots, the teams of volunteers, students and biologists, many from Peterborough, have also taken the opportunity to track other species in the area. Learn about the results of the shorebird surveys and better understand the strange world of life in a wilderness field camp.



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Welcome New Members!

Aja, Patrick, Eagan and Clara Bax

Janice Melendez

Craig Kimmerly & Barb Whillans

Agnes Whillans

Coming Events

Wednesday December 12 th 7:30 p.m. Ptbo Library	PFN Monthly Meeting: "Members' Slide Show" The December member's' slideshow is an annual PFN tradition. Have some photos from a trip, natural event, or wildlife encounter that you'd like to "show and tell"? Contact Gina (gina.varrin@gmail.com , 705-761-7787).
Sunday December 16 th	61st Peterborough Christmas Bird Count New birders to veteran birders are all requested to volunteer for the count. Beginners will be paired with experienced birders. More eyes always result in more birds, even if help is needed in identifying the species. The count runs from dawn till dusk (or earlier if you are looking for owls) and we meet at a restaurant at 5pm to compile our sightings. Please contact Tony Bigg at (tanddbigg@symaptico.ca , or 705-652-7541) as soon as possible if you are interested.
Saturday December 22 nd	Petroglyphs Christmas Bird Count The annual Petroglyphs CBC will be coordinated by Colin Jones this year (thanks to Tony Bigg for all of his work organizing this event over the years!) Anyone wishing to participate should contact Colin at cdjonesmclark@gmail.com
Tuesday January 1 st , 2013 8:30 a.m. Ptbo Zoo parking lot	New Year's Day Birding PFN member and Ontario Field Ornithologists (OFO) trips coordinator Dave Milsom extends an invitation to join the annual OFO outing in the Peterborough area in search of winter birds. Species being sought are owls, hawks, falcons, ducks, Bohemian Waxwings and winter finches. Meet at the Parking Lot of the Peterborough Zoo on Water Street North at 8:30 a.m. The trip will last until 4:00 p.m. at the latest. Bring good hiking boots, warm clothes suitable for the weather forecast for the day, binoculars, and lunch although there will be restaurant stop around noon.
Friday January 25 th	73rd PFN Annual General Meeting For details see details page 1.
Wednesday February 13 th 7:30 p.m. Ptbo Library	PFN Monthly Meeting: "Nature's Year" Join local author and Examiner columnist Drew Monkman for a "trip through the year" highlighting the main events happening in nature each month in the Kawarthas. Drew will also highlight species at risk, a few newcomers to our area and some of the potential impacts of climate change.
Saturday February 23 rd 1:00 p.m. Ptbo Zoo parking lot	Winter Birds Along the Otonabee This half day outing, led by Sean Smith, will focus on the waterfowl which overwinter on the open waters of the Otonabee River and Little Lake during the winter months. The variety and number of birds depends on the amount of open water and ice. The outing will also visit the bird feeding stations operated by the Peterborough Field Naturalists at Beavermead Park. Meet in the north parking lot at the Peterborough Zoo, Water Street North at 1:00 p.m. Dress according to the weather forecast for the day of the outing. Bring your binoculars. This outing is part of the Heritage Week activities coordinated by the Peterborough Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee.

Junior Field Naturalists

Paddling Puppetteers @ Camp Kawartha Environment Centre

When: Sunday, December 16th, 2:00 p.m.

The November JFN program certainly was jammed packed as we had chick-a-dees feeding from hands, pine cone bird feeders being made, nature games and Glen Caradus presenting some new songs he has just written.

On December the 16th, the Junior Naturalists are invited to meet again at the Camp Kawartha Environment Centre to be part of a special afternoon at 2:00 pm with the Paddling Puppetteers featuring Glen and Phil who will

be presenting a puppet show, reading the Coyote Solstice (a children's

Christmas story) along with music and Christmas crafts. The program is meant

to raise funds for the ArtsCan Circle group which works to bring art education to First nations communities so donations would be appreciated. All are welcomed whether a JFN or not. See you then!...Neil



Ontario Nature News:

Highlights from the Lake Ontario North Regional Meeting

-Lynn Smith

HELD at the Toronto Zoo

HOSTED by the Toronto Entomologists' Association

ELECTION: Kevin Shackleton stepped down as Director and accepted the position of vice president of Ontario Nature board. Otto Peter was elected Lake Ontario North Regional Director. He is a member of the Durham Region Field Naturalist Club. Welcome Otto!

2012 ROUGE PARK BIOBLITZ UPDATE: From 3 p.m. on 15June2012 until 3p.m. 16June2012, about 250 participants searched, collected, identified over 1350 species of plants and animals in Rouge Park. It was the largest Bioblitz in Canadian history, raising awareness of the diversity of species living within the GTA. Check out the species identified at www.ontariobioblitz.ca A second bioblitz is planned for September 2013 and Naturalist Clubs will be invited to participate.

AGGREGATES 101: The Ontario Aggregate Forum was founded in 2008 by members of both the aggregate industry and environmental groups (including Ontario Nature). One important goal of the Forum is to develop a certification standard for companies to extract aggregates in a greener, more sustainable way. Certification standards would take into account the natural environment when sites are selected for aggregate extraction, rehabilitation of quarries and pits and the procedure for recycling aggregates and construction materials. Talks continue.

NEWEST NATURE RESERVE : The Reilly Bird Nature Reserve, located in the Ottawa Valley, brings the total to 23 nature reserves protected by Ontario Nature and partners.

AMPHIBIAN & REPTILE ATLAS : A smart phone App is being developed which will make it very convenient to contribute sightings of amphibians and reptiles to the Atlas. More to come on this!

BUTTERFLY SIGHTINGS: Check out www.ebutterfly.ca to enter and display butterfly records.

From the Archives: 'The Orchid'

-by Martin Parker

The Archives of the Peterborough Fields contains much material about the club since its formation on Saturday, May 18, 1940. The club will be celebrating its 75th Anniversary in May 2015. This is the first of a series of articles on the history of the our club.

The initial edition of 'The Orchid' was published in February 1954. It was preceded by a newsletter known as the 'Peterborough Nature Club News'. This initial newsletter was created by J. L. (Larry) McKeever, who is better known for his role in the Owl Rehabilitation Research Foundation. Larry published the original Peterborough Nature Club News in March 1950.

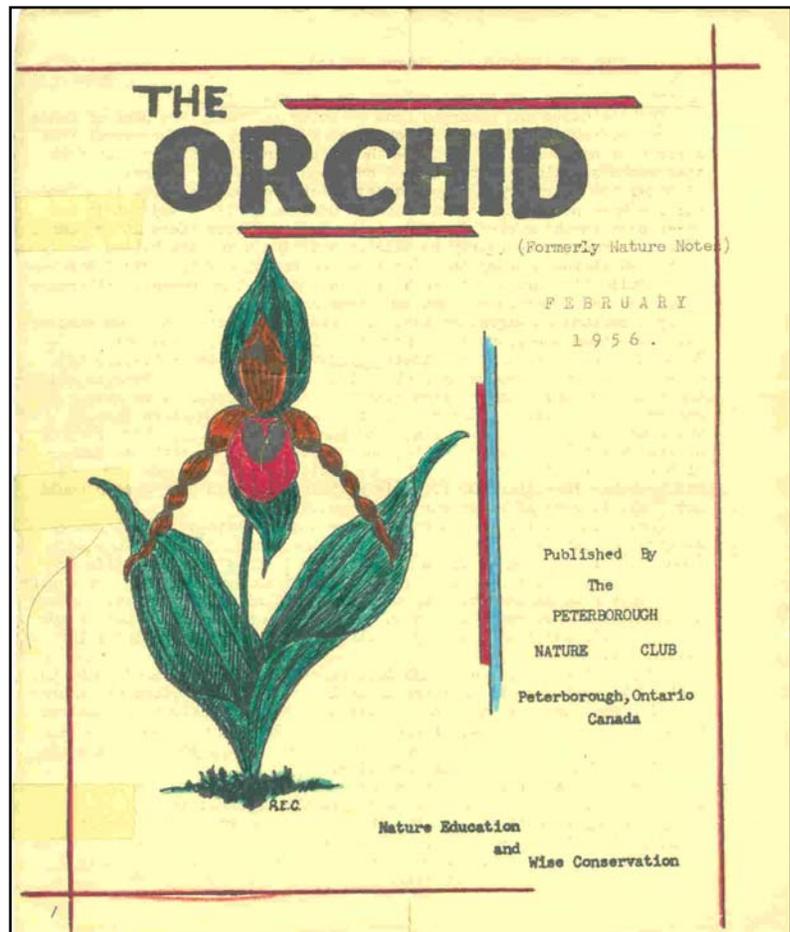
The name 'The Orchid' was adopted as the name for the newsletter to honour of Francis J. A. Morris (1869 - 1949), who was one of the people responsible for the formation of the club.

The following is from an article on Francis J. A. Morris' in the March 1956 edition of 'The Orchid'. (no author given):

"It was not long after Mr. Morris was settled in Peterborough that he chanced to meet Edward A. Eames of Buffalo whose hobby was the photography of wild orchids. These were also favourites of Mr. Morris and soon the two enthusiasts had planned to collaborate in a book for amateur naturalists on 'Our Wild Orchids'. The text to be written by Mr. Morris and the illustrations to be furnished by Mr. Eames. A most beautiful book was the outcome. Many happy hours were spent by the 'foursome', consisting of the two authors and their wives, in gathering material for this venture, and even after the book was published. Mr. Morris continued to find his greatest delight in tracking down and recording rare and little-known orchids."

In 1956 the Board consisted of the following individuals:

- Honorary President: Mrs. F.J.A. Morris
- President: Douglas Sadler
- Past President: John D. Hooper
- Vice-President: Frank R. Pammett
- Secretary: Eric Whiteley
- Treasurer: Kenneth Strasser
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- Bulleting Editor: Frank R. Pammett
- Executive Members: Miss L. Brownscombe, Morley Powell, Fritz Heilinbrunner



Cover of 'The Orchid',
February 1956

Seeds for Winter Bird Feeders

-by June Hitchcox, courtesy of the Apsley voice

It is always interesting to see birds up close so that we can have a really good look at them. Having bird feeders helps us do that. Identifying birds at a winter bird feeder is easier because many species have migrated south so there are fewer species to see. Perhaps the first thing that we note is that most of these birds have strong bills. They are birds that are seed eaters, able to crack seeds open for the “meat” inside. Evening Grosbeaks have extra strong bills that can even crack cherry pits! Sunflower seeds attract many different species – Chickadees, Blue Jays, both Red-breasted and White-breasted Nuthatches, Cardinals, Purple Finches and more. “Premium black-oil sunflower seeds” are the most nutritious. Goldfinches, Juncos and others with bills that are not as strong, need small seeds such as millet, canary seed and broken-up sunflower seeds called “chips of sunflower seeds”. Having visitors at your feeder may prompt you to try some experiments. Try hanging the feeder up high; your height; quite low; near bushes; out in the open; seeds scattered on the ground and you will find what habitat is comfortable for the different species. Also of interest is to note which species prefer to eat in the morning, throughout the day or at dusk. When the feeders are empty and the birds have become to trust you, they will come to your hand for seeds. We have had birds gently tapping on our windows when our feeders are empty, to remind us to get more seeds!

Suet for Winter Birds

-by June Hitchcox, courtesy of the Apsley voice

Last month’s birding article was about “Seeds For Winter Birds”. Birds also select other types of food. In the cold of winter, birds must have food to sustain them - it becomes the fuel to keep them warm, which they desperately need, especially overnight. During the short daylight hours of the winter, it can be quite a challenge to find enough. Winter feeders may make the difference between life and death. Offering bread is not the answer. Studies have shown that bread swells up in their stomach; they feel full with low-value food and can actually starve to death by not having room for the food that fuels their bodies. Suet, on the other hand, is great – Blue Jays, both species of Nuthatches, Woodpeckers and many more. Although mesh onion bags or the like are often used to hold and hang suet, birds can get their feet entangled, particularly as the mesh frays – we have had to rescue a few. We switched to firm, ½ inch, bendable, green, plastic netting from hardware stores. Make a bag by cutting the netting double the desired size; fold to form a bag; tie 3 edges together; fill with suet and tie the last edge. With a string attached, the suet bag is ready to hang from a branch. A “suet log” works well, too. Drill 1” holes in a short log; stuff the holes with suet and hang from a branch. You will soon have lots of birds, some hanging up-side-down, right-side-up or whatever, thanking you for your generosity.

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“Double Trump”

-by Janice Melendez, from <http://janicesbirdingblog.blogspot.ca/2012/12/double-trump.html>

I enjoyed my first official outing as a new member of the Peterborough Field Naturalists as several of us explored the Rice Lake area on Sunday, November 25th. This was a first for me on *many* fronts, as I am only usually in this area in April to see dozens of Osprey return to Ontario for the breeding season to fight over the best nest locations that are well-established along the shoreline of Rice Lake. It was an odd feeling to see so many abandoned Osprey nests, but instead we enjoyed seeing several species of waterfowl, including Common, Red-breasted and Hooded Mergansers, Common Goldeneye, Buffleheads, Common Loons, and Canada Geese.

Martin and Jerry shared with the group some of their special birding spots along the shores of Rice Lake as well as the Otonabee River, but for me the unexpected highlight of the day was our final stop. Martin

had a lead on a pair of Trumpeter Swans that had been reported in the area, but upon our arrival, the distant pair of swans were seen only through our scopes, but the homeowners showed us photos. Much to my surprise and delight, it was J83 and J86, two of the record number TEN cygnets born at Sturgeon Lake in 2011, aka my "Trumps"!!



In October, 2011, this massive family appeared out of nowhere in our back swamp at my family cottage:

Dad is tagged as 902, and at that time mom was "naked", having lost her 131 tag but has since been re-tagged. There were ten cygnets in all, go ahead, count them!! I decided to report my sighting to the Ontario Trumpeter Swan Restoration Group and it turned out that this was a record number of cygnets for the province! They over-winter each year at LaSalle Park in Burlington, which was where mom and dad were tagged by a dedicated group of volunteers.



Even though October marked the end of cottage season for me, for the next several weeks I kept track of "my" Trumps through good friends from the Kawartha Field Naturalists. I learned that my Trumps had taken up temporary residence across the lake, having scored an excellent food source with Sharon and Joe who provided corn to them, in an effort to "tame" them up so they could eventually be tagged and banded at LaSalle Park where they would presumably go with their parents.

But for a few weeks, there was also quite a bit of drama with the Trumps, as one of the cygnets went missing and was presumed dead. We were all quite saddened when suddenly she returned to the family. Sharon and Joe and I were thrilled, but the parents, 902 and 131, not so much, as they chased off the wandering cygnet any time she got too close to the rest of the family. I named her "Outcast", as she truly was an outcast now, and any attempt to feed her corn was met with a relentless attack by a parent. But with time she was allowed closer proximity to the family, but even when they all arrived at LaSalle Park, she was always a bit separate from the family, but easy to pick out amongst the few hundred over-wintering Trumpeter Swans.



Beverly Kingdon and her volunteers from the Ontario Trumpeter Swan Restoration Group notified me when my Trumps arrived at LaSalle Park and allowed me the honour of watching them catch up, tag and band two of the cygnets. Ten consecutive tags for this special family had been selected, J80 through J89, and the first cygnet caught up was destined to be J86:

Julie fed corn to one of the unsuspecting cygnets and suddenly grabbed it up, no easy feat when you consider their weight, which I know first hand from my *own* volunteer experience at the Toronto Wildlife Centre:

It was then banded, tagged, and sexed (male) by both Julie and Kyna...and then released, notice the amount of brown on its wings and back!!

A *second* cygnet was caught up next before we lost our light for the day and was now J87. A few days later, and not surprisingly the *last* cygnet from this record family, "Outcast", was caught up and tagged as J89. I returned to LaSalle later that winter to see my Trump family again, but did not see them at all *this* year on Sturgeon Lake at my cottage, even though I knew the parents, 902 and 131, had nested again in the area with a paltry six cygnets, perhaps a more manageable number for them to cope with!



Until last Sunday, that is, on Rice Lake, just before sunset, here were both J83 and J86!

They looked wonderful and healthy, and soooo white now, with any of their brown and gray feathering from last year virtually gone: And here's J86, the very same male that I had the pleasure of seeing tagged almost a year ago, how crazy is *that??*

I would imagine that they will soon return to LaSalle Park to spend their winter, so I look forward to perhaps seeing them again soon, especially "Outcast" that I admittedly have a soft spot for.

By coincidence, I received a press release in the mail yesterday from the Ontario Trumpeter Swan Restoration Group, drawing attention to a proposed marina expansion at LaSalle that may in fact threaten their wintering habitat. For more information please contact Beverly Kingdon bev.ki@sympatico.ca

Looking for a unique Christmas Gift which represents our area and will last?
The Peterborough Field Naturalists book '**Nature in the Kawartha**' is an ideal choice!

At the next two meetings copies of Nature in the Kawarthas will be available for purchase at a special cost of \$30.

If you can not attend a meeting contact Martin Parker at 705 -745 -4750 to order your copy (s) and arrange for pick-up or delivery.

NATURE IN THE KAWARTHAS



PETERBOROUGH FIELD NATURALISTS



The **ORCHID DIARY** for **Oct 29 - Nov 29, 2012**

Compiled by Tony Bigg, 652-7541, tanddbigg@sympatico.ca

It appears that this is going to be a good winter in our area for finches and Bohemian Waxwings. Numerous reports are shown below. Several late migrants have also been reported.

- Oct 29 Jerry Ball found an **American Kestrel** on Scriven Line in the south of the county..
- Oct 30 A **Carolina Wren** that had been coming to his feeder periodically for the past year and a half was at Luke Berg's feeder at Benson Ave and Kingan St.. Luke also saw two **American Woodcocks** at the Harold Town CA at the Old Norwood Rd and Drummond Line. Tony Bigg saw a late **Double-crested Cormorant** swimming in Lake Katchewanooka just north of the Lakefield Marsh.
- Nov 01 A small flock of **Red Crossbills** was seen by Tony Bigg, landing in the tall Hemlocks in the MS Burnham PP in the morning. Luke Berg had an **Eastern Phoebe** in his backyard.
- Nov 03 Luke berg's **Carolina Wren** was joined by a **Common Yellowthroat** on the ground below his feeder., and a small flock of **White-winged Crossbills** in his cedar trees.
- Nov 04 Don Sutherland had some **Pine Grosbeaks** at the Lakefield SL and near Clarina on Cty Rd 6 south of Stony Lake.
- Nov 05 Cassie (?) reports that she has had about ten **Evening Grosbeaks** coming to her feeder in Cavan, for about a week. On Patricia Crescent in the north end of Peterborough Lowell Lunden photographed a flock of about seventy-five Bohemian Waxwings in his backyard. This report prompted other reports of **Bohemian Waxwings** hanging around Charlotte & Monaghan sts, at Mount Julian-Viamede on the north side of Stony Lake (Don Sutherland), near Warsaw (Chris Risley & Erica Nol), and others in the NW part of the city.
- Nov 07 On Little Lake Sean Smith saw a **Northern Pintail** dabbling with **Mallards**, a single drake **Hooded Merganser**, **Common Mergansers**, and **Common Goldeneyes**. Just outside the county in Emily PP, Dave Milsom saw two female **Pine Grosbeaks** feeding on Balsam Fir buds. Tony Bigg watched three **River Otters** in Lakefield Marsh. They were climbing out onto the thin ice and promptly falling back through. Tony also saw a **Beaver** in the Otonabee River north of Lock 23.
- Nov 08 Drew Monkman reports that 10 a.m. this morning, there were at least six **Pine Grosbeaks** feeding in Balsam Firs and a Tamarack, two houses south of 51 Maple Cres. They were making their gentle whistling call all the while. In the Ecology Park at Bevermead Sean Smith observed a late **Swamp Sparrow**. Also around Beavermead he saw a couple of **Common Redpolls** and a **Belted Kingfisher**. The **Evening Grosbeaks** reported last month by Tony Bigg were around his yard until this date, eleven days.
- Nov 10 Sean Smith saw a juvenile **Northern Harrier** over Pioneer Rd farm fields just east of Trent University. Jerry Ball had **Bufflehead** and **Hooded Merganser** on Little Lake.
- Nov 12 A single, singing male **Pine Grosbeak** was in Sean Smith's backyard. Sean also saw a female **Lesser Scaup** on Little Lake.
- Nov 14 Six **Buffleheads**, four male and two female, were seen by Sean Smith on Little Lake.
- Nov 15 In Beavermead Park Sean Smith saw a single immature/female **White-winged Crossbill** and a couple of **Brown Creepers**. On Little Lake he had female **Common Merganser** and **Red-breasted Merganser**.
- Nov 16 On the Hilliard-Bridgenorth trail Tony Bigg saw one **White-throated Sparrow** and two **Swamp Sparrows**.
- Nov 17 A flock of about fifty **Bohemian Waxwings** appeared in Tony Bigg's garden in Lakefield.
- Nov 18 Tony Bigg saw a **Northern Shrike** on the rail trail just east of Base Line at Nelson Rd.
- Nov 19 On Rice Lake Jerry Ball found more than a hundred **Common Mergansers**, one **Hooded Merganser**, five **Common Loons**, and one **Bonaparte's Gull**. On Duncan's Line he saw two **Eastern Bluebirds**.
- Nov 20 On the Hilliard Rd-Bridgenorth trail Jerry Ball found one **White-crowned Sparrow** and one **Red-winged Blackbird**.
- Nov 21 Two **Winter Wrens** were seen by Luke Berg on the Pencier trail in the Trent Wildlife Sanctuary. More **Bohemian Waxwings** were in Lowell Lunden's backyard.

- Nov 22 Walking by Little Lake Cemetery Karen Moone was amazed to see a flock of several hundred **Bohemian Waxwings** high in the trees and eating berries from a Mountain-Ash. Also Kathleen Fields was walking the trail in East City (just north of Hunter St. for a block) and saw masses of **Bohemian Waxwings** in the high mature trees, calling in such a soft voice.
- Nov 24 Martin and Kathy Parker saw two large flocks of **Wild Turkeys** on Cty Rd 25 (Young's Point Rd), one of sixty-five birds was near the south end, two individuals hit wires whilst crossing the road, and the other flock of thirty-five birds was near the outflow of Miller's Creek.
- Nov 25 Carol Horner saw a large flock of **Bohemian Waxwings** near the intersection of Spenceley's Lane and Abbey Lane in East City, Peterborough. Martin Parker led a PFN trip to the north shore of Rice Lake. Birds reported by Jerry Ball for the trip were a **Common Redpoll** on Hannah Rd; **Common Merganser, Mallard, Bonaparte's Gull, Hooded Merganser, Red-breasted Merganser, Bufflehead, Great Black-backed Gull, Belted Kingfisher, and Herring Gull** on Rice Lake at Scriven Rd; **American Black Duck, Cedar Waxwing, and Redhead** on B.B. Beach Rd at Rice Lake; **Red-bellied Woodpecker** and **Sharp-shinned Hawk** at Wood Duck Drive; **Common Goldeneye** by the Bensfort bridge; a **Pileated Woodpecker** on Campbelltown Rd, and two **Trumpeter Swans** at Hiawatha. **Bohemian Waxwings** were seen in the SSFC area.
- Nov 26 At the Highland Park Cemetery on Bensfort Rd, Ken Rumble saw between 175 and 200 **Bohemian Waxwings**. He also noted a **Merlin** and a **Pileated Woodpecker** in Little Lake Cemetery. Sharon Simpkins reports that the beautiful **Trumpeter Swan** is still at Hiawatha. The tag reads "283".
- Nov 27 Jerry ball saw thirty-five **Bohemian Waxwings** on Wood land Drive in the north end of Peterborough
- Nov 28 Ken Rumble found that the **Bohemian Waxwings** in Highland Park Cemetery had increased to more than 300 birds. Jerry Ball saw more **Bohemian Waxwings**, flocks of fifty. and twenty-five birds on Monaghan Rd.



Northern Shrike, Base Line rail trail, November 18, 2012. Photo by Tony Bigg.



ORCHID SUBMISSIONS WANTED

Deadline for submissions for the Jan/Feb issue: Saturday, December 29th, 2012
Please send all submissions to: **Rebecca Zeran, PFN, PO Box 1532, Peterborough, ON, K9J 7H7** or via e-mail to: rebecca.zeran@mail.mcgill.ca



PETERBOROUGH FIELD NATURALISTS

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membership application form

Memberships may be obtained by mailing completed form and cheque to

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Name (s):		Home Tel:	
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		Email(s):	

MEMBERSHIP TYPE & FEE SCHEDULE

Please make cheques payable to *Peterborough Field Naturalists*

1. Single Adult \$25 2. Single Student \$15 3. Single Child* (age 5-12) \$10

4. Family (couple or family with children*) \$30

*Please give the name(s) and age(s) of the children you wish to be enrolled in the PFN Junior Naturalists

Name	Age*	Name	Age*

MAIN INTERESTS

<input type="radio"/> Birds	<input type="radio"/> Butterflies/insects	<input type="radio"/> Botany (Wildflowers/trees/shrubs)
<input type="radio"/> Astronomy	<input type="radio"/> Aquatic Life	<input type="radio"/> Geology <input type="radio"/> Field Trips
<input type="radio"/> Hiking	<input type="radio"/> Conservation	<input type="radio"/> Other (specify)

I (name _____) am knowledgeable in the following areas _____ and would be prepared to

- lead an outdoor session
 give a presentation
 prepare an article for The Orchid

I am interested in the following:

- Joining the PFN Executive
 Sitting on research or conservation committees
 Working on field projects
 Helping with refreshments at meetings
 Please have a member of the executive call me

AGE GROUP

This information helps us to understand the needs of our members. If a family membership, please check for each adult

Under 20
 20-29
 30-39
 40-49
 50-59
 60-69
 70-79
 80< over

DONATIONS

Membership fees cover the general operating costs of the club while other sources of revenue are needed to fund special projects such as ecological restoration. You can assist the club by making a donation to help further our work in such areas. The PFN is a registered charity and issues receipts for income tax purposes. All donations are gratefully received and any member of the executive will be happy to speak to you concerning the use of such funds.

LIABILITY WAIVER

In consideration of the Peterborough Field Naturalists (PFN) accepting this application, I hereby for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns forever release and discharge the PFN, their officers, directors, servants and agents from any liability whatsoever arising from my participation in PFN activities, whether by reason of negligence of the PFN or its representatives, or otherwise. I affirm that I am in good health, capable of performing the exercise required for field trips or other activities in which I participate, and accept as my personal risk the hazards of such participation. As a member of the PFN and/or as a parent/guardian of a member under 18 years of age, I have read and understood the above, and accept its term on behalf of all of my underage children.

Signature: _____