

THE BRODIE CLUB

The 913th meeting of the Brodie Club was held in the Howard Savage Memorial Laboratory, University of Toronto on Tuesday May 21, 1996.

CHAIRMAN: Jennifer Young

SECRETARY: W. Carrick kept minutes in lieu of a volunteer meeting secretary

ATTENDANCE: There were 17 members and 3 guests present .
Joyce Aspinal guest of Don & Jennifer Young
Trudy Rising guest of Ann Falls
Mary Tasker guest of Ron Tasker

MINUTES: The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as circulated

ANNOUNCEMENTS: As the Zoo strike is still in progress it was decided to have the field outing at Carrick's facility.

Bryant offered to provide Christmas Bird Lists to members.

SPEAKER: The speaker Michael Boyer introduced himself and presented a slide illustrated talk on taxonomic problems in identifying mushrooms and other large fungi common to the Muskoka and Algonquin Park regions. He discussed some of the problems met with in field identification. A key and a descriptive list of some 90 genera of mushrooms found in Ontario was circulated.

Many questions were asked and answered concerning the evolution of poisonous species and identifications.

OBSERVATIONS:

SPEAKMAN - Baltimore Oriole consuming sugar solution from a Hummingbird feeder.

MARY TASKER - Baltimore Oriole at Manitoulin

DON YOUNG - Migrant Thrushes

BRUCE FALLS - Many thrushes at Rondeau
- Hundreds of Yellow-Rumped Warblers
- Large flock of Bobolinks
- Large wave of migrants last Saturday

GEORGE BRYANT - King Rail Saturday at Presque Isle
- Knots

RON TASKER - Old Squaws, Manitoulin, 15th May

HARRY LUMSDEN - Dead Possum, Aurora side road, 14th May (furthest north record)

FRED BODSWORTH - Gray-cheeked Thrushes, this year 17th May, last year 10th - 11th May.
- Pelee last weekend - dozen species of Warblers feeding on ground.
- Summer Tanager

MEETING ADJOURNED: at 10:20 PM

NEXT MEETING :

The 914th meeting of the Brodie Club will be held at the Faunal Lab on Tuesday Sept. 17 at 8:00 PM.

SPEAKER - Jim Rising
SUBJECT - Zimbabwe

FIELD OUTING REPORT:

The Field Outing was held at #6 Pickering Town Line Scarborough. A nesting pair of Trumpeter Swans was observed in a marsh north of the railroad track on the Pickering Town Line. This pair eventually hatched one cygnet which disappeared a few weeks later. As far as is known this was the first of the release program swans to nest in this area.