

Sabine's Gull, downy young of Wandering Tattler, the same of Spectacled Eider, Bristle-thighed Curlew, and Red-faced Cormorant are among the special ones. As a bonus, some to me are high ornithological art, among them the curlew and downy eider mentioned above, and a superb portrait of an immature male Common Eider.

Olaus Murie was a productive and careful scientist with wide interests and many talents. In his later years he was a leading force in the Wilderness Society, and he had much to do with the United States Government's Wilderness Act, brief facts speaking volumes

about what he thought important. What he saw and thought and did through his life will be built upon and enjoyed for a very long time. This book of sketches should be followed by other publications based on his journals and papers, for those who know about him, and for many more who will discover him.

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### A Bird-Finding Guide to the Toronto Region

By Clive E. Goodwin, 1979. The Toronto Field Naturalists Club, Toronto. V + 97 pp. \$2 plus 50¢ postage

This guide is intended for the newcomer to bird watching in the Toronto region, either those coming from other areas or for long-time residents just getting interested in the sport of finding birds.

After an introductory chapter on the plan of the book and abbreviations used in it, there is a chapter on the habitats in the area and their associated bird species, then a chapter on these species indicating when to look for them on a month-by-month basis.

This is followed by several chapters giving helpful directions for finding specific bird sites, from the lake-shore back to the moraine country to the north, with a summary of special associated birds to look for at different seasons. I am personally most familiar with sites in the eastern part of the Toronto region where I found the author's directions to key areas straightforward and the highlights appropriate. The booklet concludes with chapters "for the newcomers" and with a systematic list with the best month and best areas suggested for each species.

This is a sturdy paperback, 6 × 9¾ in. (1 in. =

25.4 mm) with an attractive cover photograph of a Saw-whet Owl. It contains three maps, one of the Halton Region Forest, one of Metropolitan Toronto, and one of the Toronto Region as a whole, each with arrows or numbers showing the general locality of points of particular interest to bird watchers.

The book is meant to be used in conjunction with a good road map of the region, as the maps in the book are not adequate for finding specific areas, even though the written directions are very good with a map in hand. I would have preferred bar-type graphs to show the seasonal occurrence of each bird rather than the method used, but this might have added to the expense of what is now an exceptionally inexpensive guide. A title on the spine of the booklet would have been helpful in locating it on a crowded bookshelf.

This is a very helpful guide for anyone interested in the bird life of the Toronto region.

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### The Black Bear in North America

Edited by D. Burk. 1979. Boone and Crockett Club, Alexandria, Virginia. 299 pp. U.S. \$10.

This book contains the proceedings of a workshop on the management of the North American Black Bear. The goal of the workshop was threefold: First, to review the state of existing knowledge and the present status of the Black Bear in each state and province in which the species is found; second, to develop policy on all aspects of management; and third, to produce a document that will serve to assist

managers and biologists in the planning and decision-making process.

The book is divided into four parts. Part one is a summary of existing knowledge relevant to Black Bear management. There are reports from 37 states, 9 provinces, the Yukon and Northwest Territories, and Mexico. In general, representatives from each jurisdiction endeavored to review habitat, laws and regulations, protection, management, population trends, hunting, public attitudes, and current problems. The





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