

LOOKING BACK

In this issue we have presented some articles that may give readers new ideas for summer weekends and holidays. For instance, places to go: the Killdeer Badlands provincial parks, areas, particularly national parks, described in books and maps. Local libraries are a few suggestions. And don't forget the summer outing at Hudson Bay. As for things to do, have you considered photography, painting and sketching, feeding hummingbirds in your yard, counting nighthawks in your city or town, building and setting out nest boxes in your area. There are additional ideas in the library book list, such as, identifying stars, camping, canoeing, fossil collecting and others. Finally, with less than 1,600 individual members, it is obvious that, where you go, you'll be meeting people who are not SNHS members. If they are interested in nature and conservation, you may be doing them a favour by letting them know about the Society and the *Blue Jay*.

Questionnaire: Many thanks to the 211 people who took the time and trouble to return completed questionnaires. We have them partly tabulated and will give you a summary of the results in the September issue. Already, however, we are wondering if the age of respondents is the same as the age of our readers. Less than 10% of those replying were under 20 years of age. Does this mean that only 1 out of 10 readers is under 20 or that public and high school students did not reply at the same rate as older members? If we really have that few younger readers, we are probably failing to get an appreciation of nature across to those who will make the difference in the future.

S.N.H.S. SUMMER MEETING — 1973

June 15 and 16 at Hudson Bay, Saskatchewan

See the newsletter for details but here they are briefly:

Headquarters: Red Deer Hotel, Hudson Bay.

Registration: Friday evening.

Field Trips: To three areas, including the wilderness area of the Pasquia Hills
— cougar country.

Guest Speaker: Hugo Maliepaard, Saskatchewan Department of Environment.

Organizers: Tom White and Stan Riome.