

THE MANTARIO HIKING TRAIL — WHITESHELL PROVINCIAL PARK

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Backpackers seeking new wilder-
ness adventures within the prairie
provinces will be excited to learn of
the Mantario Hiking Trail. Located in
Manitoba's first designated wilder-
ness zone the Mantario Trail stretches
across over 60 km of rugged Pre-
cambrian rock and forest.

Construction of the trail was fund-
ed through the Federal Local Ini-
tiatives Program with the co-opera-
tion of the Manitoba Naturalists
Society and the Manitoba Parks
Branch. Part of the project entailed
the completion of this brochure. The
brochure provides hikers with essen-
tial information and helpful hints
including a 1:50,000 map of the route,
a description of the trail, a back-
packer's checklist, safety information
and a brief description of the flora and
fauna to be found along the trail. The
brochure is made from Tyvek, a rip
and water resistant material ideal for
exposure to the elements.

The trail is recommended for experi-
enced hikers only as it crosses a
variety of terrains which are in a
constant state of change throughout
the seasons. The rewards of the trail's
challenges are many, including the
opportunity to experience the wilder-
ness of the Manitoba Canadian Shield,
to explore Jack Pine forests, hike
through an aspen and Balsam Fir
forest or observe a Bald Eagle, Moose
or one of the many wildlife species in
the area. — Reviewed by *Lin Gal-
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SOCIETY NEWS

CORPORATE DONOR PROGRAM

Recently the Executive of the Saskat-
chewan Natural History Society has
established a Corporate Donor Pro-
gram. The purpose of this program is
to encourage donations to our Con-
servation Fund from the business com-
munity. These donations will be used
to support the various conservation
programs of the society including the
Heritage Marshes Program and the
Big Gully Creek Sanctuary.

We require the assistance of our
members in making this program
known to businesses in their area.
Further information is available by
writing to SNHS, Box 1784, Saska-
toon, Saskatchewan. S7K 3S1

The Society wishes to acknowledge
a donation of \$500 from the Saskat-
chewan Mining Development Corpora-
tion.

36TH ANNUAL MEETING

Saskatchewan Natural History Society

October 26 to October 28, 1984 at

Melfort Heritage Inn

Melfort, Saskatchewan

October 26:

Registration and slides, 7:00-10:00 p.m.

October 27:

Registration 8:00 a.m.

Business meeting & program 8:30 a.m.

Banquet 6:30 p.m.

Dance 9:00 p.m.

October 28:

Tours — Waterhen Marsh

— Eagle Lake

— Fort à la Corne