

wrote in preceding the meeting. Please remember, for future years, you do not have to be present at the annual meeting to make a nomination or to register a vote.

We have successfully met the dead lines in publishing the four 1949 issues of the BLUE JAY. Thanks to the aid given this year by the Museum we have met our costs without dipping too deeply into 1950 membership monies. Our confidence in the success of our society is growing. We will do better in 1950.

This is your society and it must depend on you if it is to live up to its aims and its plans for the future. Help us to keep expenses to a minimum. Send in your membership dues before special reminders have to be sent to you. Let's all get out and find new members and send in more stories. Let's make the BLUE JAY more successful in 1950 than it has been in 1949.

-- G. F. Ledingham

PATRONS FOR 1950

We acknowledge with thanks the donations received, up to the time of going to press, of those desirous of being listed as Patrons of the Saskatchewan Natural History Society for 1950.

Miss Pauline Summers, Yorkton	\$15.00
C. C. Shaw, Yorkton	6.00
Fred Langstaff, Yorkton	5.00
Stuart Houston, Winnipeg	5.00
L. T. Carmichael, Regina	5.00
Ed Brooman, Prince Albert	5.00
Regina Natural History Society	50.00
Yorkton Natural History Society	20.00

YORKTON ACTIVITY

Our thanks is extended in particular, at this time, to our Vice President, Cliff Shaw, of Yorkton, through whose untiring efforts, sixty-five new members have recently subscribed to the BLUE JAY for the coming year. Of this number thirty-one subscriptions were solicited from teachers attending institute meetings in Yorkton, during the week-end of October 28.

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A subscriber from Yorkton, who desires to remain anonymous, has paid for nine 1950 subscriptions of the BLUE JAY. Three are to go to the Nature Clubs of each of the three public schools of Yorkton; Simpson, Burke and Victoria.

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Since the publication of the BLUE JAY was taken over by the present slate of officers, the newly formed Saskatchewan Natural History Society has been functioning without a written constitution. This condition was remedied at the annual meeting on October 21st by the adoption of the following.

CONSTITUTION OF THE SASKATCHEWAN NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

I Name

The name of the Society shall be "The Saskatchewan Natural History Society."

II Object

The Society has been founded to encourage an interest in, and an understanding of nature. This, we believe, can best be accomplished by:

- (a) publishing the BLUE JAY, founded and originally edited by the late Mrs. I. M. Priestly of the Yorkton Natural History Society, later in cooperation with the Provincial Museum of Natural History, and finally, in 1949, by our provisional society;
- (b) encouraging the foundation of local natural history societies;
- (c) working in cooperation with our provincial museum;
- (d) stimulating and fostering interest in Nature among young people in Saskatchewan through various projects;
- (e) studying means by which we, as individuals and as a society, may conserve our wild life.

III Membership

- (a) Member: Any person, or organization, with an interest in and a desire to understand Nature, may, upon payment of the annual fee of one dollar, become a member of the Saskatchewan Natural History Society and will receive the BLUE JAY. Term of membership will coincide with the calendar year.
- (b) Patron: Any individual, or organization, wishing to support the Saskatchewan Natural History Society will be considered a patron for one year after payment of a minimum of five dollars. Acknowledgment will be made in the BLUE JAY and patrons will automatically receive the BLUE JAY for one year after the donation.

IV Officers

The officers of the Society shall consist of one Honorary President, a President, two Vice-Presidents, Editor, fifteen Directors, and an Executive of five members, one of whom shall be Business Manager.

V Duties

The Editor shall correspond with all members, acknowledge their membership dues, select and edit material to appear in the BLUE JAY.

The Business Manager shall be responsible for the printing of the BLUE JAY, for getting it out on time, and for paying all bills.

The President, Vice-Presidents and Directors shall be the local representatives of the Society and must be active in support of our aims. They must include the representatives from all local natural