

The Canadian Field-Naturalist

Editors' Report for Volume 132 (2018)

Mailing dates for the four issues in volume 132 were: 24 October 2018, 31 January 2019, 2 May 2019, and 31 July 2019. Summaries of the distribution of paid subscribers to *The Canadian Field-Naturalist* for 2018 are provided in Table 1, along with comparison numbers for volume 131. This list does not include free copies distributed to Honorary Ottawa Field Naturalists' Club (OFNC) members or online access, which is included in OFNC membership dues. Institutional subscribers potentially represent many thousands of users. The number of articles published in volume 132 increased by 10 over the number published in volume 131 while the number of notes decreased by 10, with the same number of manuscripts published both years (Table 2). Not surprisingly, 25/45 (56%) of the manuscripts in 132 were on amphibians and reptiles, given the first two issues of 132 were Special Issues: studies on Canadian amphibians and reptiles in honour of Dr. Francis Cook. The three manuscripts in the "other" category were on alvars, Arctic slumps, and fungi (Table 2). The number of book reviews and new titles published in volume 132 were slightly up and down, respectively, over the numbers in volume 131 (Table 3). The total number of pages published increased by 36 for volume 132 over volume 131 (Table 4) with articles contributing 69% to the page count and 76% of manuscripts published (Table 2). There were no thematic collections (editor-selected compilations of previously published contributions in both *The Canadian Field-Naturalist* and the regional OFNC publication, *Trail & Landscape*, on a central theme with internet links to each article) nor articles on Greatest Canadian Field Naturalists, the latter of which were included in News and Comment in 131.

TABLE 2. Number of research articles and notes published in *The Canadian Field-Naturalist*, Volume 132 (Volume 131), by major field of study.

Subject	Articles	Notes	Total
Mammals	3 (3)	0 (8)	3 (11)
Birds	3 (10)	2 (6)	5 (16)
Amphibians and Reptiles	19 (3)	6 (2)	25 (5)
Fishes	0 (1)	1 (2)	1 (3)
Plants	4 (3)	1 (2)	5 (5)
Insects	1 (1)	0 (0)	1 (1)
Non-insect invertebrates	1 (2)	1 (1)	2 (3)
Other	3 (1)	0 (0)	3 (1)
Total	34 (24)	11 (21)	45 (45)

TABLE 3. Number of reviews and new titles published in the Book Review section of *The Canadian Field-Naturalist*, Volume 132 (Volume 131), by topic.

	Reviews	New Titles
Zoology	26 (15)	148 (155)
Botany	7 (7)	24 (43)
Miscellaneous	9 (18)	122 (111)
Total	42 (40)	294 (309)

Sixty-five manuscripts were submitted to *The Canadian Field-Naturalist* in 2018, eight more than in 2017; there were also two initial enquiries about suitability of topics for submission, one of which submitted formally in 2019. All except one manuscript was submitted using the Online Journal System, some ($n = 9$) after an initial email submission. Thirteen of the 65 were for the Special Issues on Canadian amphibians and reptiles. Only 11 of the 65 submitted manuscripts were not accepted for publication upon initial submission or review or were insufficiently revised to warrant publication. The remainder, 83.1%, were accepted or are undergoing revision and review. In 2017,

TABLE 1. The 2018 (2017) circulation of *The Canadian Field-Naturalist*. Compiled by Eleanor Zurbrigg from the subscription list for 132(4). This list does not include copies distributed to Honorary Members or online access which is included in OFNC membership fees.

Subscriber Type	Canada		USA		Other		Total	
OFNC Members	43	(51)	1	(4)	0	(0)	44	(55)
Subscriptions:								
Individual	26	(26)	7	(7)	0	(0)	33	(33)
Institutional	66	(73)	90	(106)	12	(12)	168	(191)
Total	135	(150)	98	(117)	12	(12)	245	(279)

TABLE 4. Number of pages per section published in *The Canadian Field-Naturalist*, volume 132 (131), by issue.

	Issue				Total
	1	2	3	4	
Editorials/Editors' Report*	3 (0)	4 (0)	3 (2)	0 (1)	10 (3)
Articles	51(67)	86 (47)	74 (47)	94 (42)	305 (203)
Notes	12 (7)	2 (17)	11 (30)	12 (27)	37 (81)
Thematic Collections	0 (5)	0 (8)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (13)
Tributes	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Book Reviews†	18 (14)	18 (15)	18 (15)	8 (13)	62 (57)
News and Comment	2 (2)	2 (1)	2 (6)	2 (12)	8 (21)
Reports‡	12 (19)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	12 (19)
Erratum	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Index	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	8 (9)	8 (9)
Total	98 (114)	112 (88)	108 (100)	124 (104)	442 (406)

*Includes introductions to Special Issue Parts I and II.

†Includes reviews and new titles.

‡Includes Annual Business Meeting Minutes, Annual Committee Reports, and Awards, including the James Fletcher Award for best paper published in the volume; Financial Statements are only available online beginning with 132.

89.5% of the 57 submissions were accepted for publication and either published or underwent further revision and review.

Guest Editors William Halliday and Dave Seburn received the manuscripts submitted for the Special Issues, assigned reviewers, handled the review process, and passed the accepted manuscripts to Dwayne Lepitzki, *Editor-in-Chief*, and Amanda Martin, the *Assistant Editor*, for the rest of the publication process. Amanda edited content, proofread galleys, and sent and received author order and transfer of copyright forms; she also prepared the News and Comment. Sandra Garland and John Wilmshurst proof-read and copy edited manuscripts. Wendy Cotie typeset galleys, provided corrections for page proofs, and created pdfs. Barry Cottam, *Book Review Editor*, requested books for review, selected reviewers, edited submitted reviews, and prepared the new titles listings. Ken Young sent page charge invoices to authors and tracked the budget while Eleanor Zurbrigg managing subscriptions and mailed printed copies. William Halliday, *Online Journal Manager* and *Webmaster*, provided digital content to subscribers, posted tables of contents, abstracts, and pdfs on *The Canadian Field-Naturalist* website, and prepared the Index. Our *Associate Editors* managed manuscripts, provided reviews and recommendations, and guided authors through the revisions process. Dave Seburn, our *Map Editor*, reviewed and provided suggestions for all the maps. The Publication Committee, chaired by Jeff Saarela and consisting of Annie Bélair, Dan Brunton, Carolyn Callaghan, Paul Catling, Barry Cottam, William Halliday, Diane Kitching, Dwayne Lepitzki, Amanda Martin, Karen McLachlan Hamilton, Dave Seburn, Ken Young, and Eleanor Zurbrigg effectively guided the operation of the journal. We are indebted to our very dedicated team.

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As with many other journals, *Associate Editors* are at times having difficulty finding suitable reviewers; without dedicated *Associate Editors* and reviewers there would be no journal. As such, a heart-felt thanks and gratitude is extended to the following who reviewed manuscripts published in volume 132 (number of manuscripts reviewed >1 in parentheses): Carl Anthony, John Carroll University; Andréanne Beardsell, Université du Québec à Rimouski; Christine Bishop, Environment and Climate Change Canada; Sean Blaney, Atlantic Canada Conservation Data Centre (2); Ernie Brodo, Research Associate, Canadian Museum of Nature; Ron Brooks, University of Guelph (2); Dan Brunton, Brunton Consulting (2); Jacob Burkhart, University of Missouri; William Busby, Kansas Biological Survey; Rob Cannings, Royal British Columbia Museum; Pauline Catling, North-South Environmental Inc.; Tony Chubb, Department of National Defence; Stephen Clayton, New Brunswick Museum; Justin Congdon, University of

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