

News and Comment

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The summer 2003 issue, volume 3, number 2, pages 21-36, contains: White-faced Ibis: New to Point Pelee (Alan Wormington) — Noteworthy Bird Records: March to May 2003 — (Alan Wormington) — White-winged Dove: New to Essex County (Stuart A. Mackenzie) — In the Field [Pileated Woodpecker; Hermit Warbler; Swallows grounded; Red-throated Loon] — Upcoming Events and Outings.

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Canadian Species at Risk May 2003

Issued by the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada (COSEWIC), the list is 43 pages containing: About COSEWIC (mandate, membership, definitions) — Summary Tables (COSEWIC species designated in five "risk" categories and in Not at Risk, and Data Deficient categories (Tables 1-3), — Results of May 2003 COSEWIC meeting (Tables 4-5) — COSEWIC Assessment Results — Explanation of symbols — Species examined in five "risk" categories (Table 6), Not at Risk (Table 7), and Data Deficient (Table 8) — Record of Status Re-examinations — Record of Name

Changes. Listed now are 12 extinct, 21 extirpated, 153 endangered, 102 threatened, and 143 of special concern. Of the 431 forms in these categories, 64 are mammals, 56 birds, 31 reptiles, 19 amphibians, 807 fishes, 13 lepidopterans, 18 molluscs, 136 vascular plants, 8 mosses, and 6 lichens. In addition 152 forms have been considered and found not at risk, and 29 to be data deficient.

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Marine Turtle Newsletter (101)

July 2003. 56 pages: ARTICLES: Sea Turtles in Spanish Mediterranean Waters: Surprises in 2001 — Confirmed Leatherback Turtle (*Dermochelys coriacea*) nests from North Carolina, with a summary of Leatherback nesting activities north of Florida — Monitoring nesting Loggerhead Turtles (*Caretta caretta*) in the central Caribbean Coast of Colombia — Incidental capture of Loggerhead Turtles (*Caretta caretta*) on Boa Vista (Cape Verde Islands) — Observations on Sea Turtles in the state of Paraíba, Brazil — Epibiotic associates of ocean-stage Loggerhead Turtles from the southeastern North Atlantic — NOTES: The first report of oral tumors associated with fibropapillomatosis in Florida, USA — The first records of Olive Ridleys in Florida, USA — Olive Ridley Sea Turtles in Porto-Novo, Tamil Nadu, India, with an observation of an Asian Giant Softshell Turtle — Green Turtle with living tag captured in the southern Bahamas — Second

record of a Green Turtle (*Chelonia mydas*) tagged in Brazil and captured in Nicaragua — When a turtle is worth a hook — Possible factors leading to non-occurrence of 'Arribada' at Gahirmatha, Orissa, India in 2001-2002 — MEETING REPORTS — BOOK REVIEWS — ANNOUNCEMENTS — NEWS & LEGAL BRIEFS — RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

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Froglog: Newsletter of the Declining Amphibian Populations Task Force (58)

Number 58, August 2003. Contents: Status of Amphibians at the Zoige Wetlands, Sichuan Province, China (Gary M. Fellers, Wang Yuezhao, and Liu Shaoyin) — DAPTF Seed Grants 2004 (Tim Halliday) — Gren Frogs are Greatly Endangered in Serbia and Montenegro (Katarina Ljubisavljevic, Georg Dzukic & Milos Kalezic) — Amphibian Monitoring Standards: a Workshop for African Students (Stefan Lotters) — Amphibians in Guatemalan Pine-Oak Forests (Daniel Ariano Sanchez and Alejandro Del Valle Moreno) — DAPTF — Kenya Working Group: Review of Activities June 2002 — June 2003 (Damaris Rotich) — Froglog Shorts.

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