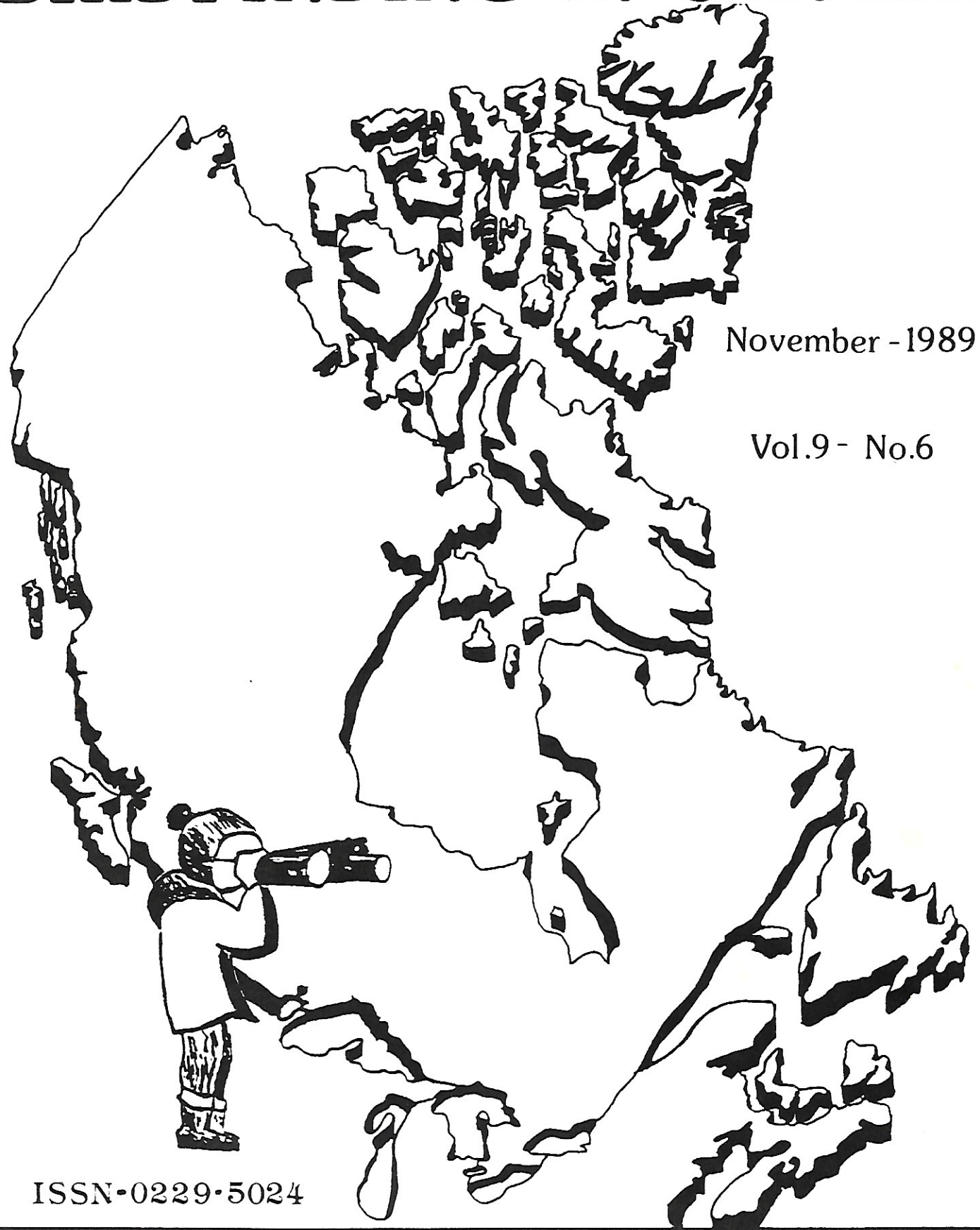


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Wayne Neily, Winnipeg, Man.	2574	Bill Crins, Alcove, N.Y.	1405
Peter Hamel, Toronto, Ont.	2193	Gordon Grief, Winnipeg, Man.	1340
Roger Foxall, Halifax, N.S.	2175	Ian Roseby, Dollard-des-Ormeaux, Q.	1304
Alex Gray, Mississauga, Ont.	2135	Bill Zufelt, Orillia, Ont.	1276
Bruce Mactavish, St. John's, Nf.	2062	Dick Cannings, Vancouver, B.C.	1221
Blake Maybank, White's Lake, N.S.	2030	Terrie Woodrow, Port Ryerse, Ont.	1207
Hue MacKenzie, Surrey, B.C.	1984	Rolph Davis, King City, Ont.	1201
Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey, B.C.	1973	Ken Thorpe, Cote St. Luc, Que.	1153
Roger Burrows, St. John's, B.C.	1959	Peter Gilchrist, Toronto, Ont.	1144
Roger Taylor, Ottawa, Ont.	1873	Harv Lane, Saskatoon, Sask.	1142
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David Stirling, Victoria, B.C.	1768	John Olmsted, Hamilton, Ont.	1102
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CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNTS

On page 7 of our September, 1989 issue, we referred to some Christmas Bird Count figures compiled by John Miles of Jarvis, Ont. They referred to John's participation in 124 counts, 28 of them as compiler, with a composite total of 150 species.

We wondered if anyone had higher figures or, if not, was anyone close?

Winnipeg's Wayne Neily cites some impressive personal records. Says Wayne: "I have not kept a cumulative list of species, so that record is safe, at least for now. So is John's total of 124 C.B.C.'s"

Wayne has participated in 87 C.B.C.'s at 35 locations, starting in 1965, counting only those published in Audubon Field Notes, or its successor, American Birds. (Miles' figures are the same, only those officially reported.) Wayne has been compiler on 35 counts (33 in Canada; 2 in U.S.A.) at 11 sites - 10 in Canada. He has participated in 8 provinces or territories in Canada, and in 7 of Canada's National Parks. His U.S. counts were in Alaska.

Miles referred to taking part in 25 counts at Hamilton, Ont. Neily advises that Herb Copland has taken part in 26. Well, we (Gerry Bennett) can easily beat that as we've taken part in 36 Toronto C.B.C.'s although we can't touch either John or Wayne in total counts and have acted as compiler only once.

But, we don't claim that 36 is a record. Our guess is that Fred Bodsworth has likely taken part in more Toronto counts. And, very likely, someone, somewhere else can eclipse that.

It usually happens that when you start looking for performance records, some almost incredible figures surface.

Whatever the records really are, there is no doubt that participation in Christmas Counts, for some reason or either, appeal to many birders, record-seekers or otherwise.

So, just in case we don't see you sooner - Merry Christmas!
