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**Blomidon Naturalists Society fonds**

**Accessions 2009.013-BNS,  
2012.047-BNS**



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**Blomidon Naturalists Society fonds. – [textual records, graphic materials, architectural drawing]. – 1974-2012. – 90 cm of textual records and graphic materials. – 1 architectural drawing**

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**1. Minutes. – 1974-2012. – 4 folders of textual records**

Series contains regular meeting minutes, executive meeting minutes, and annual general meeting minutes of the Blomidon Naturalists Society

**Note:**

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File list included

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2009.013-BNS/1 [minute book](#) (1974-1982)

2009.013-BNS/2 [minute book](#) (1982-1989)

2009.013-BNS/3 minute book: regular meeting minutes (1994-1995) and executive meeting minutes (1995-2003)

2009.013-BNS/72 minutes (2003-2008) includes annual general meeting and executive meeting minutes

2014.031-BNS/1 AGM Minutes (2008-2012)

2014.031-BNS/2 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes (2008-2012)

2014.031-BNS/3 Executive Meeting Minutes (2007-2010)

**2. Membership. – 1974-2006. – 9 folders of textual records**

Series contains lists of names of members of the Blomidon Naturalists Society that were also used as mailing lists for the Blomidon Naturalists Society newsletter. Series also contains list of executive officers, and honorary life members.

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2009.013-BNS/92 membership lists (1974) includes names of members at the first organizational meeting

2009.013-BNS/4 membership lists (November 1990-November 1992) used as mailing list for Blomidon Naturalists Society newsletter

2009.013-BNS/5 membership lists (October 1993-June 1995) used as mailing list for Blomidon Naturalists Society newsletter

2009.013-BNS/6 membership lists (October 1995-September 1997) used as mailing list for Blomidon Naturalists Society newsletter

2009.013-BNS/7 members hip lists (1997-1998) used as mailing list for Blomidon Naturalists Society newsletter

2009.013-BNS/8 membership lists (1998-2000) used as mailing list for Blomidon Naturalists Society newsletter

2009.013-BNS/9 membership lists (2001-2002) used as mailing list for Blomidon Naturalists Society newsletter

2009.013-BNS/10 list of executive and honorary life members 1974-2006 [2006]

2009.013-BNS/11 list of honorary life members 1981-2006 (2006)

**3. Blomidon Naturalists Society newsletter. – 1974-2001. – 11 folders of textual records**

Series contains indexes of newsletters, articles, and contributors. Series also contains completed readership surveys and a report on the readership survey and distribution statistics

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- 2009.013-BNS/73 newsletter article index 1974-2001 [2001] index arranged by date. Includes title, author, type, keywords, page, season, year, volume and issue
- 2009.013-BNS/74 newsletter index (1974-1989) includes membership lists
- 2009.013-BNS/75 newsletter index (1990-1994) includes membership lists
- 2009.013-BNS/76 newsletter index (1995-1997) includes membership lists
- 2009.013-BNS/77 newsletter index (1998-1999) includes membership lists
- 2009.013-BNS/78 newsletter index (2000-2002) includes membership lists
- 2009.013-BNS/79 newsletter index (2003-2004) includes membership lists
- 2009.013-BNS/80 newsletter index (2005-2008) includes membership lists
- 2009.013-BNS/46 Blomidon Naturalists Society newsletter readership survey report (1993) by Margaret R. Alliston
- 2009.013-BNS/47 completed Blomidon Naturalists Society newsletter readership surveys [1993]
- 2009.013-BNS/48 Blomidon Naturalists Society newsletter distribution statistics (November 1996)**3.**

**4. 'Nature Notes'. – 1988-2005. – 9 folders of textual records**

Series contains 9 scrapbooks full of newspaper clipping of articles entitled 'Nature Notes', which were provided to the newspaper by the Blomidon Naturalists Society

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- 2009.013-BNS/62 'Nature Notes' (October 2003-June 2005) newspaper columns provided by Blomidon Naturalists Society
- 2009.013-BNS/63 'Nature Notes' (May 2002-September 2003) newspaper columns provided by Blomidon Naturalists Society
- 2009.013-BNS/64 'Nature Notes' (January 2001-April 2002) newspaper columns provided by Blomidon Naturalists Society

2009.013-BNS/65 'Nature Notes' (December 1998-December 2000) newspaper columns provided by Blomidon Naturalists Society

2009.013-BNS/66 'Nature Notes' (June 1996-December 1998) newspaper columns provided by Blomidon Naturalists Society

2009.013-BNS/67 'Nature Notes' (December 1993-June 1996) newspaper columns provided by Blomidon Naturalists Society

2009.013-BNS/68 'Nature Notes' (August 1991-December 1993) newspaper columns provided by Blomidon Naturalists Society

2009.013-BNS/69 'Nature Notes' (July 1989-August 1991) newspaper columns provided by Blomidon Naturalists Society

2009.013-BNS/70 'Nature Notes' (January 1988-July 1989) newspaper columns provided by Blomidon Naturalists Society

#### **5. Calendar Committee. – 1998-2012. – 4 folders of textual records and graphic materials**

Series contains calendars produced by the Calendar Committee. Calendars are produced annually as a fundraiser and awareness activity.

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#### **File List**

2012.047-BNS/1 Natural History Calendars, 1998-2001 (1997-2000)

2012.047-BNS/2 Natural History Calendars, 2002-2005 (2001-2004)

2012.047-BNS/3 Natural History Calendars, 2006-2009 (2005-2008)

2012.047-BNS/4 Natural History Calendars, 2010-2013 (2009-2012)

#### **6. Events. – 1938-2008. – 19 folders of textual records**

Series contains information on events surrounding the meetings of the Blomidon Naturalists Society, as well as events in which the Blomidon Naturalists Society participated. Series also contain scrapbooks containing newspaper clippings and information on various events

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#### **File List**

2009.013-BNS/94 evening programs (1974-1986) list of speakers and topics

2009.013-BNS/12 [Robie Tufts Young Naturalists Award winners](#) 1984-1994 [1994]

2009.013-BNS/95 guest speaker handouts on Nova Scotia butterflies (21 September, 1998) speakers  
Linda and Peter Payzant

2009.013-BNS/13 letter of congratulations from the Nova Scotia Legislature (1999)

2009.013-BNS/14 subjects and speakers for monthly meetings (1974-2005)

2009.013-BNS/15 summer program (1997)

2009.013-BNS/16 2001 meetings and field trips (2001)

2009.013-BNS/49 posters (1989)

2009.013-BNS/81 scrap book no. 1 (1938-1993) includes newspaper clippings and event information

2009.013-BNS/82 scrap book no. 2 (1989-2001) includes newspaper clippings, event information

2009.013-BNS/83 scrap book no. 3 (1991-1997) includes newspaper clippings, event information

2009.013-BNS/84 scrap book no. 4 (1997-2004) includes newspaper clippings and event information

2009.013-BNS/85 scrap book no. 5 (1989-1997) includes newspaper clippings, event information

2009.013-BNS/86 scrap book no. 6 (1986-2005) includes newspaper clippings, event information

2009.013-BNS/87 scrap book no. 7 (2004-2005) includes newspaper clippings, event information

2009.013-BNS/88 scrap book no. 8 (2005-2006) includes newspaper clippings, event information

2009.013-BNS/89 scrap book no. 9 (2006-2007) includes newspaper clippings, event information

2009.013-BNS/90 scrap book no. 10 (2007) includes newspaper clippings, event information

2009.013-BNS/91 scrap book no. 11 (2008) includes newspaper clippings, event information

### **7. Projects. – 1977-2006. – 34 folders of textual records**

Series contains information on various projects and activities that the Blomidon Naturalists Society was involved with.

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2009.013-BNS/17 [short-eared owl project](#) (1993) includes [correspondence](#), guidelines, survey kit, and [reports](#)

2009.013-BNS/18 comments regarding the [Management Plan for the National Historic Site at Grand Pre](#) (1996)

2009.013-BNS/50 pamphlets – *A Series of Self Guided Tours on the Natural History of the Wolfville Area, Nova Scotia* by J.A. Colwell and S.A. Ferguson (1992)

2009.013-BNS/53 Nova Scotia Nature Trust – The Cleveland Property (1997)

2009.013-BNS/54 World Wildlife Fund (1988-1997) pamphlets and information on funds raised

2009.013-BNS/55 chimney swifts (1990-2003) includes information on Robie Tufts Nature Centre (including [reports](#) and [updates](#)), articles, a [letter to the Friends of the Blomidon Naturalists Society](#), and information on the Blomidon Naturalists Society [Chimney Swift project and Merlin's Project](#).

2009.013-BNS/71 o/s architectural drawings "The Swifts of Wolfville" by Allen Penney (1990)

**Sub series: 7i. Bird counts. – 1977-2006. – 28 folders of textual records**

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2009.013-BNS/21 Wolfville Christmas Bird Count 19 bird report emails ([1999-2000](#))

2009.013-BNS/20 Christmas Bird Count area maps [199-?]

2009.013-BNS/21 Wolfville Christmas Bird Count (1986-2005) Digital documents available for [1986](#), [1987](#), [1988](#), [1989](#), [1992](#), [1994](#), [1995](#), [1996](#), [1997](#), [1998](#), [1999](#), [2000](#), [2001](#), [2001](#), [2002](#), [2005](#)

2009.013-BNS/22 [Wolfville Christmas Bird Count \(1975\)](#)

2009.013-BNS/23 [Wolfville Christmas Bird Count \(1979\)](#)

2009.013-BNS/24 [Wolfville Christmas Bird Count \(1981\)](#)

2009.013-BNS/25 [Wolfville Christmas Bird Count \(1982\)](#)

2009.013-BNS/26 [Wolfville Christmas Bird Count \(1983\)](#)

2009.013-BNS/27 [Wolfville Christmas Bird Count \(1986\)](#), [Dec 1986 Christmas Bird Count](#), [Christmas Bird Count 1986 \(West Halifax\)](#), includes correspondence

2009.013-BNS/28 [Report on the Wolfville Christmas Bird Count \(1987\)](#), [Report on the Wolfville Christmas Bird Count \(1987-1988\)](#)

2009.013-BNS/29 [Wolfville Christmas Bird Count \(1988\)](#)

2009.013-BNS/30 [Wolfville Christmas Bird Count \(1989\)](#), [Summary Report on the Wolfville Christmas Bird Count \(1989\)](#)

2009.013-BNS/31 Wolfville Christmas Bird Count (1990), [Report on the Nova Scotia Christmas Bird Count from Dec 1990 - Jan 1991](#)

2009.013-BNS/32 Wolfville Christmas Bird Count (1991), [Nova Scotia Christmas Bird Count \(1991\)](#)

2009.013-BNS/33 Wolfville Christmas Bird Count (1992), [Nova Scotia Christmas Bird Count \(1992\)](#)

2009.013-BNS/34 Wolfville Christmas Bird Count (1993), [Nova Scotia Christmas Bird Count \(Dec 1993 - Jan 1994\)](#)

2009.013-BNS/35 [Wolfville Christmas Bird Count \(1994\)](#), [Nova Scotia Christmas Bird Count \(Dec 1994 - Jan 1995\)](#)



2009.013-BNS/36 Wolfville Christmas Bird Count (1995), [Nova Scotia Christmas Bird Count \(Dec 1995 - Jan 1996\)](#)

2009.013-BNS/37 Wolfville Christmas Bird Count (1996), [Bird Count at Hennigar's Farm Market and Rare Bird Sighting \(1996\)](#)

2009.013-BNS/38 Wolfville Christmas Bird Count (1997-1999), [Bird Count at Hennigar's Farm Market \(1999\)](#)

2009.013-BNS/39 [Annapolis and District Christmas Bird Count \(1999\)](#)

2009.013-BNS/40 [Brier Island Christmas Bird Count \(1996\)](#)

2009.013-BNS/41 Kejimikujik Christmas Bird Count (2000)

2009.013-BNS/42 Parks Canada bird counts from Cape Breton and Newfoundland (1988-2000)

2009.013-BNS/43 West Hants Christmas Bird Count (1989-2000)

2009.013-BNS/44 Annual Cyril K. Coldwell Eagles and Raptors Count of Eastern Kings County (1977-2006), includes [Summary Report for 2002](#), Bird Counts for [1998](#), [1999](#), [2000](#), [2001](#), [2002](#), [2006](#) and a map of the [eagle feeding sites](#)

2009.013-BNS/45 Nova Scotia North American Migration Count (1992-2002)

2009.013-BNS/93 bird sighting reports (2000, 2002) from Jim's journal

#### **8. Federation of Nova Scotia Naturalists. – 1990-2002. – 2 folders of textual records**

Series contains information on information on conferences and annual general meetings of the Federation of Nova Scotia Naturalists

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2009.013-BNS/51 Federation of Nova Scotia Naturalists (1990-2002) includes correspondence, announcements, and conference and annual general meeting information

2009.013-BNS/52 Federation of Nova Scotia Naturalists annual meeting (1995) includes list of registrants, program, pre-conference info kit, registration package and evaluation forms

#### **9. Resource material. – [19-?], 1938-2008. – 21 folders of textual records**

Series contains information on Canada Geese and Neckband Geese, the "Indian Period of Nova Scotia", and on comets. Series also contains newsletters from several societies and the Canadian Wildlife Service's Hinterland Who's Who information brochures, as well as reports, articles and pamphlets on a variety of topics, and scrapbooks containing newspaper clippings and informational items

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- 2009.013-BNS/96 "Geology at Acadia – The Early Years" by Reg Moore [19-?]
- 2009.013-BNS/98 article: "The man behind 'The Birds of Canada'" by Phil Jenkins (1986) with annotations
- 2009.013-BNS/56 Canada Geese and [Neckband Geese](#) (1987-1990) includes a [field notebook](#), newspaper clippings, correspondence, photographs and reports
- 2009.013-BNS/57 newsletters from other societies (1979-1997) includes newsletters from Manitoba Naturalists, Annapolis Field Naturalists Society, Prince Edward Island Natural Historical Society newsletter, and others
- 2009.013-BNS/97 John Erskine (1994) biographical articles
- 2009.013-BNS/95 guest speaker handouts on Nova Scotia butterflies (21 September, 1998) speakers Linda and Peter Payzant
- 2009.013-BNS/58 reports, articles and pamphlets (1978-2001) on a variety of topics, including [an article on invasive birds](#), a [BNS pamphlet](#) and a [Kentville Ravine Foot Path pamphlet](#)
- 2009.013-BNS/59 "The Indian Period of Nova Scotia 1,400 BC – 1500 AD" by J.S. Erksine [19-?]
- 2009.013-BNS/60 information on comets (1974, 1997) Hale-Bopp and Kohoutek
- 2009.013-BNS/61 Canadian Wildlife Service – *Hinterland Who's Who* information brochures [197-?]
- 2009.013-BNS/81 scrap book no. 1 (1938-1993) includes newspaper clippings
- 2009.013-BNS/82 scrap book no. 2 (1989-2001) includes newspaper clippings, information on lunar cycles and environmental issues
- 2009.013-BNS/83 scrap book no. 3 (1991-1997) includes newspaper clippings, information on fossils and endangered species
- 2009.013-BNS/84 scrap book no. 4 (1997-2004) includes newspaper clippings and information about student scientists
- 2009.013-BNS/85 scrap book no. 5 (1989-1997) includes newspaper clippings, information on animals and Nova Scotia scientists
- 2009.013-BNS/86 scrap book no. 6 (1986-2005) includes newspaper clippings, and information on marine animals
- 2009.013-BNS/87 scrap book no. 7 (2004-2005) includes newspaper clippings and bird stories
- 2009.013-BNS/88 scrap book no. 8 (2005-2006) includes newspaper clippings and information on fossil finds and wildlife
- 2009.013-BNS/89 scrap book no. 9 (2006-2007) includes newspaper clippings, information on wildlife and bird watchers
- 2009.013-BNS/90 scrap book no. 10 (2007) includes newspaper clippings, and information on wildlife
- 2009.013-BNS/91 scrap book no. 11 (2008) includes newspaper clippings, and information on the decline of species populations

### Administrative History

The Blomidon Naturalists Society (hereafter BNS) is a field naturalists club centered around the eastern Annapolis Valley of Nova Scotia. The primary objective of the BNS is to encourage and develop in its members and the public, an understanding and appreciation of nature which is interpreted broadly and includes the rocks, plants, animals, water, air and stars. The Society is organized under the Society's Act of Nova Scotia and began in March 1974. Since then it has grown in membership to about 250 individual and family memberships. The Society organization is directed by an executive plus directors. The BNS is a registered charity and has applied for conservation easement status with the province of Nova Scotia. The Society is affiliated with Nature Nova Scotia (Federation of Nova Scotia Naturalists), Nature Canada, and Sable Island Preservation Trust. (Blomidon Naturalists Society website <http://www.blomidonnaturalists.ca/>)

### Scope and Content

The fonds consists of 8 series and one sub-series:

1. Minutes (1974-2008)
2. Membership (1974-2006)
3. Newsletter (1974-2001)
4. 'Nature Notes' (1988-2005)
5. Natural History Calendars (1997-2012)
6. Events (1938-2008)
7. projects (1977-2006)
  - i. bird counts (1977-2008)
8. Federation of Nova Scotia Naturalists (1990-2002)
9. resource material ([19-?], 1938-2008)

### Notes

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Original order maintained

Further accruals are expected

Selected items available digitally

See also "Newsletter (Blomidon Naturalists Society)" [SPCOLL QH1 .B56 v.36]

See also "A Natural history of Kings County, Nova Scotia / The Blomidon Naturalists Society"  
[SPACAD QH106.2 .N68 N38 1993]

See also "Nature walks within the view of Blomidon / written for the Blomidon Naturalists  
Society" [SPCOLL QH106.2 .N5 G5 2006]

See also Blomidon Naturalists Society website [<http://www.blomidonnaturalists.ca/>]

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