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## Notes from the Editors

### Site Guide Format Change

Two site guides have been published in *Ontario Birds* previously, and the third appears in this issue. We have had indications that these are very popular and useful features of the journal, and we hope to publish guides for more birding areas in the future.

We have received mixed signals about the preferred format for these guides, however. Some members prefer to remove their site guides, so that they may be used in the field without causing wear and tear on the rest of the journal. On the other hand, many members prefer to retain intact issues of *Ontario Birds*. Without a clear preference or consensus, we are opting to paginate the site guides within upcoming issues, rather than to format them as detachable units. This will also provide OFO with a cost saving of several hundred dollars per issue. We are willing to reconsider, if the membership expresses a clear preference. However, at the present time, we feel that fiscal restraint swings the balance in favour of direct pagination and formatting consistent with the rest of the journal.

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Bill Crins, Ron Pittaway, Ron Tozer,  
Editors

## Letters to the Editors

### W.H. Hudson review revisited

In his recent review (*Ontario Birds* 9:13-15) of **The Bird Biographies of W.H. Hudson**, Bill Walker chides an author, Judith Young, for misspelling the name of the ornithologist "de Shauensee" (sic) as "Shawnses" (sic sic). In fact, the correct name is Meyer de Schauensee, as recently

commemorated in the name of a new species of tanager from Peru, *Tangara meyerdeschauenseei*.

Incidentally, the correct generic names of the Blue-and-White Swallow and the Saffron Finch are *Notiochelidon* and *Sicalis*, respectively.

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