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## Summary information

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<b>Repository:</b>	Trent University Archives
<b>Title:</b>	Douglas Sadler fonds. 1996 additions
<b>Reference code:</b>	96-001
<b>Date:</b>	1930-1990 ; predominant 1952-1959 (creation)
<b>Physical description:</b>	61 cm of textual records (3 boxes)

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## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

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### Note

Douglas Sadler was born in London, England in 1916. He served in the 7th Armoured Division (Desert Rats) during World War II and with the Queen's Royal Regiment in Holland. He spent six months imprisoned in Oflag 79, Germany. It was during the World War II that Sadler met his future wife, Joan, in England. They were married in 1942. After the War, he served as a Captain in the Army and one of his tours took him to Singapore in 1947. He came to Canada in 1950 to work on Governor-General Vincent Massey's farm near Port Hope, Ontario and later worked for the Port Hope Evening Guide in advertising. This was the beginning of his newspaper career which ultimately led him to the Peterborough Examiner and the City of Peterborough in 1953. Part of his work at the Examiner included writing his now famous outdoor column, "Come Quietly With Me," which he wrote for more than 30 years. Douglas has written close to 1500 columns on every conceivable aspect of the environment. Late in his life, Douglas decided to return to school. He attended the old Peterborough Teacher's College, and upon graduation, began teaching with the Northumberland Board of Education. He later became the vice-principal of Warkworth School in 1969 and worked there for twelve years before taking a job as an outdoor education consultant. He then moved to the Peterborough County Board of Education. When the outdoor education program was cancelled in 1975, Douglas continued teaching at the Bailieboro School. At about the same time, Douglas became a member of the Peterborough Field Naturalists. After two years, he joined the Ontario Federation of Field Naturalists and was a member for sixteen years, two of which were spent as the Federation's president. Douglas has won the Frank Kortright Award twice and is an honorary life member of the Peterborough Field Naturalists. He earned a degree in geography in 1978 from Trent University and, in 1988, he was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree from the same university. In 1987 he authored the book "Reading Natures Clues."

### Custodial history

This fonds was created by and in the custody of Douglas Sadler before it was donated to the Trent University Archives.

## Scope and content

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This addition to the fonds consists of field naturalist newsletters and journals from across Ontario, with many of the publications including illustrations. Also included in the fonds are numerous bird spotting forms and error forms for the Ontario breeding bird atlas.

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## Notes

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### Title notes

- **Source of title proper:** Title based on creator of fonds

### Immediate source of acquisition

This fonds was donated by Douglas Sadler.

### Restrictions on access

None

### Accruals

This fonds, along with 95-016, and 02-007 is an addition to 90-002.

### Note [General]

Special thanks to volunteer Claire Stewart, who rehoused and re-described this accession in 2025.

### Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published
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## Access points

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- Textual records (documentary form)
- Newspapers, magazines, and newsletters (documentary form)
- Literature and Publishing (subject)
- Birding (subject)
- Environment, Ecology, and Conservation (subject)
- County of Peterborough (place)
- City of Peterborough (place)
- Trent Valley and Canal (place)

## Series descriptions

Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
96-001/001(01)	<b>File - The Orchid / published by The Peterborough Nature Club v. 2-7, scattered issues</b>	1957-1962	1 folder of textual records
96-001/001(02)	<b>File - The Orchid / published by The Peterborough Naturalists Club v. 14-18, scattered issues</b>	1969-1973	1 folder of textual records
96-001/001(03)	<b>File - The Orchid / published by The Peterborough Field Naturalists v. 19-20, scattered issues</b>	1974-1975	1 folder of textual records
96-001/001(04)	<b>File - The Orchid / published by The Peterborough Field Naturalists v. 21-22, scattered issues</b>	1976-1977	1 folder of textual records
96-001/001(05)	<b>File - The Orchid / bulletin of the Peterborough Field Naturalists v. 23-30, scattered issues</b>	1978-1984	1 folder of textual records
96-001/001(06)	<b>File - The Orchid / bulletin of the Peterborough Field Naturalists v. 31-33, scattered issues</b>	1985-1987	1 folder of textual records
96-001/001(07)	<b>File - The Orchid / bulletin of the Peterborough Field Naturalists v. 34-36, scattered issues</b>	1988-1990	1 folder of textual records
96-001/001(08)	<b>File - The Wood Duck / Hamilton Nature club, v. 6-15, scattered issues, and "A Bibliography of the Natural History of Hamilton" by W.W. Judd (1960)</b>	1953-1961	1 folder of textual records
96-001/001(09)	<b>File - The Heron / Kitchener-Waterloo Field Naturalists and the Kitchener-Waterloo Field Naturalists meeting booklet, v. 1, issue 1</b>	1957-1958	1 folder of textual records
96-001/001(10)	<b>File - The Blue Bill / Kingston Nature Club, v. 1-6, scattered issues</b>	1955-1959	1 folder of textual records
96-001/001(11)	<b>File - Nature News and Notes: Official Publication of the Oshawa Naturalist Club, v. 3, issue 2</b>	1957	1 folder of textual records
96-001/001(12)	<b>File - Richmond Hill Naturalists meeting programmes, bulletin no. 20, 21, 24, and 34</b>	1957-1959	1 folder of textual records
96-001/001(13)	<b>File - The Bulletin / The Sault Naturalists' Club, v. 3 issue 5 and v. 4 issue 1</b>	1957-1958	1 folder of textual records
96-001/001(14)	<b>File - K-W [Kitchener-Waterloo?] Field Naturalists (2 copies)</b>	1955	1 folder of textual records
96-001/001(15)	<b>File - The Curlew / Willow Beach Field Naturalists, v. 2 issue 4 and v. 3 issue 3</b>	1957-1968	1 folder of textual records

96-001/001(16)	<b>File - Newsletter of the Thunder Bay Field Naturalists Club, Port Arthur - Fort William, v. 11 issue 4 and v. 12 issue 1</b>	1957-1958	1 folder of textual records
96-001/001(17)	<b>File - Toronto Field Naturalists' Club meeting programmes, and newsletters, v. 117, 149, 151, 154, 155, 163, 167, and 172</b>	1953-1959	1 folder of textual records
96-001/001(18)	<b>File - Intermediate Naturalist / Toronto Intermediate Naturalists (2 copies), with original illustrations</b>	1952	1 folder of textual records
96-001/001(19)	<b>File - The Cardinal Newsletter / London's Nature Club, numbers 4, 9-15</b>	1952-1954	1 folder of textual records
96-001/001(20)	<b>File - The Cardinal Newsletter / London's Nature Club, numbers 16-19, 24-27, 32, and 40</b>	1955-1961	1 folder of textual records
96-001/001(21)	<b>File - The Auk: A Quarlerly Journal of Ornithology: v. 69 issue 3 by Paul A. Stewart and v. 69 issue 4 by V.C. Wyne-Edwards</b>	1952	1 volume
96-001/002(01)	<b>File - The Auk: A Quarlerly Journal of Ornithology: v. 70 issue 1 by Lawrence H. Walkinshaw</b>	1953	1 volume
96-001/002(02)	<b>File - Audubon Field Notes published by the National Audubon Society, v. 7, issues 3-6, and v. 8, issues 1-2</b>	1953-1954	1 folder of textual records
96-001/002(03)	<b>File - Bird Lore by D. Appleton and Company, v. 32, issue 6, and v. 33, issues 1-2</b>	1930-1931	1 folder of textual records
96-001/002(04)	<b>File - Owl Magazine for children about snakes in Canada, vol 1, issue 3</b>	1976	1 folder of textual records
96-001/002(05)	<b>File - Federation of Ontario Naturalists newsletter and catalogue, v. 11-13, scattered issues</b>	1970-1972, 1990	1 folder of textual records
96-001/002(06)	<b>File - The Grey Goose Newsletter / Brockville Nature Club, v. 1-2</b>	1957-1958	1 folder of textual records
96-001/002(07)-/003	<b>File - Ontario breeding bird atlas spotting forms and data</b> <i>Scope and content:</i> File includes record cards, rejected or modified unusual species report forms, and error report forms for the Ontario Breeding Bird Atlas from 1980 to 1986.	1980-1986	10 folders of textual records
96-001/003(03)	<b>File - Federation of Ontario Naturalists: field check-list of birds (4 blank copies), and sticker</b>	1974	1 folder of textual records