



## Queen Elizabeth II Scholarships 1987

The Society has granted a total of \$4500 to six post-graduate students to help them with their expenses in researching conservation projects.

### Mark Loeffering

is studying the relationship between soil and vegetation in South Westland, an especially topical subject with our World Heritage campaign.

### R A Hitchmough

is researching the taxonomy of geckos.

### Chris Lusk

is carrying out a study of podocarp forests.

### Neil Wright

is making a comparison of different South Island robin habitats.

### Alan Tennyson

is investigating ecological influences on petrel nesting.

### Dale McDonald

is also carrying out a study of podocarp forests.

## Easter Gatherings

Forest and Bird is organising an Easter Gathering at Haast this year. Show your support for World Heritage by visiting the region. Your stay will be at one of the most scenic motor camps in the country, with a beautiful lagoon close by. For further information, contact Kevin Smith, PO Box 57, Harihari, or phone Harihari 33-090.

The Joint Campaign Easter Gathering is to be held at Opotiki and will focus on conservation on private land, especially Maori. Field trips will visit Protected Natural Areas and there will be the usual list of interesting speakers. For further information, contact NFAC, PO Box 756, Nelson or phone Nelson 83-336.

## Honeydew: a South Island Beech Forest Resource

Teachers who wish to follow up the excellent article on honeydew which appeared in our November 1987 magazine, can do so with the help of an excellent Teaching Guide, produced by the DSIR, Department of Conservation and the Nelson Teaching Resource Centre.

The Guide is accompanied by a video and is available for \$46 (inc postage and packaging) from the Nelson Teaching Resource Centre, PO Box 444, Nelson.

## High Country Landscapes

The author of the article on *High Country Landscapes: too much change, too fast* (November 1987), points out that the iron hut appearing in the centre of a tussock landscape should be seen as a cultural asset. It was incorrectly described as an intrusion.

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## International 20th Ornithological Congress

Christchurch is to host the 20th International Ornithological Congress during the week of December 2-9, 1990. This will be just the second time that the Congress has been held in the Southern Hemisphere.

The Congress theme is "World of Birds: a Southern Perspective", and its emblem is the yellow-eyed penguin. The Congress coincides with the 50th anniversary of New Zealand's Ornithological Society. Also taking place at the same time will be a conference of the International Council for Bird Preservation (ICBP), which will happen in Hamilton in the last week of November.

Any enquiries regarding these events, please write to the organiser, Dr Ben Bell, Zoology Department, Victoria University, Private Bag, Wellington.

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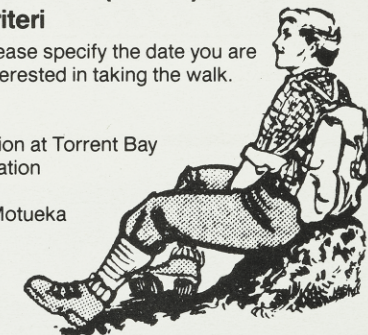
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