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BOOK REVIEW . . .

A Bibliography of Parasites and Diseases of Ontario Wildlife, by L. M. Smith and E. M. Addison. Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources, Research Section—Wildlife Branch, Maple, Ontario, Canada. Wildlife Research Report No. 99. 1982. 267 pp.

The bibliography includes 768 citations on natural and experimental studies of parasites and disease of wildlife species native to the Province of Ontario, Canada, published between the late 1800's and 1981. In addition to works in primary journals, some historically valuable material appearing as research reports of the Ontario Veterinary College (now O.V.C., University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario) and of the Ontario Department of Lands and Forests (now Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources) is also included. Titles refer to 63 species of mammals, 200 species of birds, 15 amphibians, and 14 reptiles.

Indexing by parasite and disease and by host (both scientific and common names) makes accurate and rapid search possible. The parasite and disease index is arranged by parasite taxonomic group plus the following: Anatomical Disorders, Environmental Contaminants, Genetic Disorders, Nutritional Disorders and Reproductive Disorders.

The Bibliography suffers the shortcomings of any such work limited in scope by geographic or political boundaries but constitutes a very useful reference for wildlife people working in and adjacent to the Province of Ontario. Copies are available free while supplies last from Dr. E. M. Addison, Wildl. Res. Section, P.O. Box 50, Maple, Ontario L0J 1E0, Canada.

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Wildlife Disease Review, B. Zimmerman-Haynes and E. A. Edwards, eds. Western Wildlife Laboratories, Inc., 1322 Webster Avenue, Fort Collins, Colorado 80524, USA. 1983. \$195.00 (US) in USA and Canada; \$250.00 (US) outside USA and Canada.

This is a monthly annotated index to the recent world literature on diseases of captive and free-ranging wildlife. The citations are arranged by major taxonomic groupings of hosts. The preface of the 1983 volume (Volume I) states that "Wildlife Disease Review is a specialized publication designed to provide current, updated literature to veterinarians, wildlife biologists, animal behaviorists, curators, administrators, researchers and students requiring access to the world literature of wildlife diseases." Each entry includes title, author(s), year of publication, journal, volume (number), page(s) and an abstract. Tab divisions for Mammals, Birds, Fish and Reptiles are provided so that new pages can be added conveniently each

month to the loose-leaf notebook which is supplied. Each month more than 6,000 international scientific journals are searched for articles concerning wildlife diseases. English abstracts on articles in other languages are given when available. There are four alphabetical indices: (1) a subject index (diseases, etiologic agents, common names of hosts, etc.); (2) a geographic index (countries, regions, areas, states, provinces, etc.); (3) a taxonomic index (scientific names of host species); and (4) an author index. Pages are not numbered, but each citation is assigned a number and they are indexed to those numbers. The format is attractively done on tan paper. This new reference index should prove valuable to anyone interested in keeping up with the literature on wildlife diseases.

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