

3:30 P.M. Leo Reef well exposed but no ^{harbor} seal. From Bee House observed 15 common mergansers, 8 pelagic cormorant.

Jan. 9, 1990

at Fisherman Bay Causeway on W side noted ♂, ♀ Harlequin duck 2 feet from beach. As they move into deeper water, they dove and on emergence they bounced on the water as if a bag filled with air. On E side of Causeway: 18 surf scoters, 11 buffleheads, 8 of which were along shoreline at S end of bay.

at Bee House 3:20 P.M. 6 river otters fishing and resting on bank.

Jan 10, 1990

2 adult bald eagle fly S past Bee House along shoreline at daybreak and later return north past house.

Jan. 11, 1990

Two ♂ mule deer, both two points at Bee House feeder. One of them () with left side smaller fork than right side, was dominant over the other 2 point ♂ and all females. The other non-dominant ♂ accepted females at feeder.

11:45 A.M. 6 river otter swarm S past Bee House. Fish captured by otter that are too large to handle on water come to land to consume their prey. One otter spent 1 1/2 min. with a fish 8" long. The head of the fish is chewed more than the rest of the fishes body. As the fish is swallowed it progressively chews on the fish. When the tail of the fish disappears the otter immediately returns to water without licking claps or investigating the ground at the eating area. all six left the water at Lichen Point and immediately ran to pool of fresh water from recent rain among racks. All drank without changing position at the water hole. They remained in area in a compact ball, always adjusting position and preening each other. The search the hair by systematically working the hair from outer end to hair roots with pinching teeth. In three minutes they returned to water.

at the feeder at Bee House watch the chain of command that lasted 35 seconds: 2 point ♂, adult horseshoe male (antlers shed) ad. ♀, young of the year to smallest young of the year.