

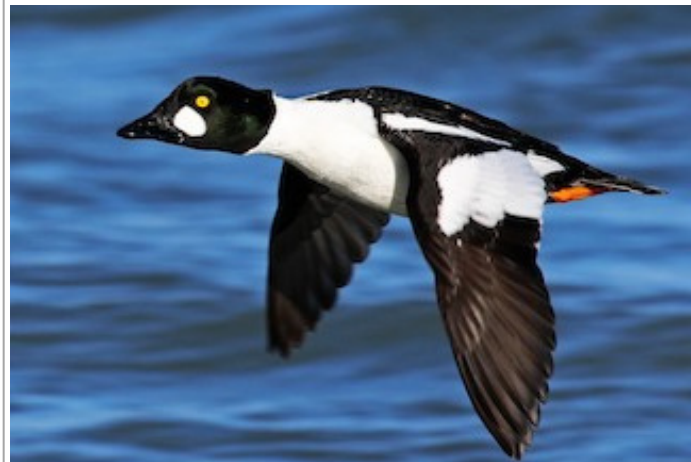
SALKELD ISLANDS

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Salkeld Islands are two 20-acre islands in Lepreau Parish, Charlotte County. In 1992, the islands were gifted to the provincial government by Saint John Terminal Ltd. Announced as a protected natural area by the department of natural resources, the Salkeld Islands are nesting grounds for Black-backed Gulls, Herring Gulls, Eider Ducks, Oldsquaw, Common Goldeneye, Great Cormorants, and Doube-Crested Cormorants.

In 1783, John Salkeld, a Quaker from Philadelphia, left his home to settle in Beaver Harbour, New Brunswick. In 1785, he applied for grants of land on the Lepreau River where he intended to build a sawmill. Sometime after his application, Salkeld became seriously ill and returned to Pennsylvania. In 1810, at seventy-five years of age, Salkeld received notice that his petition for land in Lepreau had been granted. This land included the previously named Brothers Islands, now locally known as Salkeld Islands.

John Salkeld died in 1820 and was buried on one of the islands, as he requested. To this day, the mound of his grave is still visible.



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