## **Project Update: March 2010**

On 3rd March 2010, in Administration "Education" of Karasuksky area ecological centre "Strizh" we organised an inter-regional seminar *School ecological clubs - the world of children's conservation ideas!* The participants included 34 schools from the Karasuksky area of Novosibirsk region, 19 schools from the Bagansky area of Novosibirsk region and one school from the Blagoveshsky area of Altay territory.

The seminar included a course of lectures on basics of techniques for the study of birds, methods of acquaintance of children with environment, preparation and realization of projects, working with mass media, and undertaking educational campaigns. Within the limits of a seminar to teachers of schools, lycées, the children's centres of Bagansky, Karasuksky area and Altay territory was transferred the information textbook of methods for ecological education of children. Each schoolboy received the colourful information textbook of methods *Conservation of rare species of birds and places of their dwelling*. A total of 3000 copies of the poster about white-headed duck have been distributed to educate schoolboys about the conservation of a rare bird.

The project partners are Rufford Small Grants Foundation, Department of Education of Novosibirsk range, Administration "Education" of Karasuksky area of Novosibirsk region and Administration "Education" Bagansky of area of Novosibirsk region

## Plans for the future

- Carrying out with schoolboys of these areas of actions for studying birds.
- Creation of two ecological clubs. Resource and information support of these clubs.