BRITISH BRYOLOGICAL SOCIETY

President: J. H. G. Peterken, F.L.S.

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Annual General Meeting and Field Excursion

Lyme Regis, Dorset - April 9-16

Local Secretary: Mrs. J. Appleyard.

Annual General Meeting, Saturday April 12th at

Headquarters - The Alexandra Hotel, Pound Street.

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for absence.
- 2. Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting.
- 3. Matters Arising.
- 4. To receive reports from Secretary, Treasurer, Editor and other Officers.
- 5. To elect a Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Editor Librarian and other Officers.
- 6. To elect two additional Members of the Council Mr. H.J.B. Birks and Miss M. Dalby retire at the end of 1969.
- 7. To select place and dates of the Annual General Meeting in 1970.
- 8. To confirm place and dates of Autumn week-end meeting in 1969.
- 9. Any other business.

 Nominations for Council should be received by the Secretary by March 1st, 1969.

Accommodation in Lyme Regis:

Headquarters - The Alexandra Hotel, Pound Street. Inclusive terms 15 gns. (7 single & 19 double rooms).

All meetings will be held here.

12 double rooms).

Royal Lion Hotel. A.A. and R.A.C. $17\frac{1}{2}$ gns. (3 single & 5 double rooms). Three Cups Hotel. A.A. and R.A.C. 15 gns. (4 single & 11 double rooms). Tudor House Hotel. A.A. and R.A.C. 11 gns. (4 single & 12 double rooms). St. Michael's Hotel, Pound Street. A.A. App., $13\frac{1}{2}$ gns. (2 single &

Norman House Guest House, Coombe Street. Props. Mr. & Mrs. Canfield. (3 treble, 4 double & three single rooms). 8 gns. per week - 25/6d. per day.

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Mrs. Litchfield, Portland View, 20 The Cobb. B. & B. 17/6d.

The Ship Inn. Prop. W. Edney. B. & B. 17/6d.

The nearest Youth Hostels are at Beer (10 miles west) and Bridport (10 miles east) of Lyme Regis.

The prices quoted above are for 1968.

Excursions will probably include the following areas:

Eggardon Hill (chalk grassland and Eggardon Grit outcrops); Hooke Park and Loscombe Valley (SY 59) V.C.9.

Powerstock Common and woodlands to the east (SY 59) V.C.9.

Dowland Cliffs and Landslip; cliffs west of Lyme Regis (chalk and Upper Greensand) (SY 28 & 38) V.C.3.

Woodbury Common and commons to the north (SY 08 & 09) V.C.3.

Goyles (deep valleys) east of Ottery St. Mary (SY 19) V.C.3.

Otter Estuary (SY 08) V.C.3.

Woodland and moors south of Taunton (ST21)-V.C.5.

Wet moorland in ST10 & 21. V.C.3. & V.C.5.

1" O.S. maps Nos. 176, 177 and possibly 164. Some members may like to visit The Isle of Portland on the free day. No. 178 will be needed for this excursion.

Further details will be sent to members who inform the Local Secretary: (Mrs. J. Appleyard, Sunnyside, West Horrington, Wells, Somerset) that they intend to be present at the meeting. Will these members also kindly indicate where they are staying, on what days they will be attending the meeting and whether they will have a car which they are willing to use for the excursion.

SUMMER MEETING 1969. SEDBERGH V.C.65.

August 23rd to 30th, 1969.

Headquarters:

The Bull Hotel, Sedbergh.

Both the 2 star A.A. hotels are on the very narrow main street of Sedbergh where no parking is possible. The White Hart has only limited garage accommodation for residents only. The Bull has a fairly large car park behind but with a narrow entrance. There are, however, two large free car parks within 100 yards of either hotel and it is suggested that the excursions should start from the park east of the Bull.

Other Accommodation.

The White Hart Hotel Sedbergh 205.

The Red Lion Hotel, Finkle St. Sedbergh 433 (B/B).

The Golden Lion, Main St. Sedbergh 470 (Dinner. B/B).

Cross Keys, Cautley. Sedbergh 284. 4½ miles on A683.

Miss M. Nash, Weathercock Cottage, Sedbergh B/B & Evening meal.

B/B & Evening meal. 1½ miles on A684.

Mrs. F. Robinson, Holebeck Farm, Frostrow. Sedbergh 538. B/B & Evening meal.

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There are a number of addresses of Bed and Breakfast accommodation which I can supply on request. The nearest Youth Hostel is at Dent approx. 6 miles away. There are two licenced Caravan sites near the town.

1" O.S. Maps 83. 89. 90. V.C's 64. 65. 69.

Local Secretary: Miss M. Dalby, 9 Cleasby Road, Menston, Ilkley, Yorks.

Further details will be sent to members who inform the local Secretary that they intend to be present. Places likely to be worked include Cautley Crag, Crosby Gill, Whernside, Wild Boarfell, High Seat and Mallerstang Edge, etc.

FIELD DAY IN SURREY: March 22nd, 1969.

The Secretary is leading a L.N.H.S. meeting for Bryophytes in the Dorking area. Meet at Dorking North Station 11 a.m. B.B.S. Members and cars welcome.

The Autumn week-end meeting will be held in Birmingham - October 25th and 26th, 1969.

Members wishing to present papers at Autumn week-end meetings should write to Dr. R. E. Longton, Dept. of Botany, The University of Birmingham, P.O. Box 363, Birmingham 15.

BRYOPHYTE COUNTY FLORAS:

The Biological Record Centre has asked if the Society could compile an up-to-date list of counties currently being studied bryologically. Could all members who are interested in any county or counties and are working on a bryophyte county flora, please notify Mr. H. J. B. Birks, Botany School, Downing Street, Cambridge.

SLIDE COLLECTION:

The Society has received a most generous donation of colour transparencies of bryophytes from Mr. Gillis Een. The slides are of a most outstanding and original nature, and members should be grateful to Mr. Een for his gift.

H. J. B. Birks.

My monographic studies of the hepatic genus $\underline{\text{Metzgeria}}$ have been under way for some ten years and I am now preparing for publication a complete monograph giving a full taxonomic treatment of the world's species.

I would be grateful for the opportunity to study and review further collections of Metzgeria from any geographic area of the world, especially unidentified specimens, in order to make a better presentation of the nature and distribution of this genus.

Yukinobu Kuwahara, Professor of Biology, Kurume Shin'ai Jogakuin Catholic Women's College, Kurume, Fukuoka Prefecture, Japan.

SCOTTISH FIELD STUDIES ASSOCIATION

KINDROGAN FIELD CENTRE

The programme for 1969 is now available. Courses of particular interest to B.B.S. members are:-

August 27th - September 3rd

The Ecology of Cryptogams - flowerless plants and their habitats.

Tutor: Frank H. Brightman.

September 17th - 24th

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Autumn Bryophyte Course - the identification and ecology of bryophytes.

Tutor: Ursula K. Duncan.

Kindrogan provides comfortable accommodation (single rooms available on request), pleasant library and common rooms and well-equipped laboratories.

Enquiries and applications for courses and for the full programme, including courses in Archaeology, Birds, Natural History, Painting, Photography, etc. should be made to The Warden, Kindrogan Field Centre, Enochdhu, Blairgowrie, Perthshire.

NEW MEMBERS, July 1968 - January, 1969

Miss M. A. S. Burton, Paris House, East Malling, Maidstone, Kent.

- K. Diersen, 3252 Bad Munder-Deister, Wermuthstr. 31, West Germany.
- J. R. Edmondson, 31 Emesgate Lane, Silverdale, Carnforth, Lancs.
- A. R. Hall, 92 The Heights, Northolt, Middx.
- Dr. J. Harper, M.B.E., M.B., F.R.C.P., 62A Billing Road, Northampton, NN1 5DE.
- R. Jahn, Alter Sportplatz, 466, 4931 Heiligenkirchen, West Germany.
- Mrs. A. Yolande Jones, B.Sc. 116 Windermere Road, Ealing, London, W.5.

Rijksherbarium, Schelpenkade, 6, Leiden, Netherlands.

Selene Community, Bryn Villa, Ffarmers, Llanwrda, Sir Gaerfyrddin.

- A. J. Silverside, 68 Carlton Road, Gidea Park, Romford, Essex.
- J. Szweykowski, Dept. for Experimental Taxonomy, Adam Mickiewicz University, Dabrowskiego 165, Poznan, Poland.
- Mrs. A. Walker, 89 Peel Road, Thorntonhall, Glasgow.
- Miss F. B. M. Woollon B.Sc., 3 Pennine Drive, Hendon Way, London, N.W.2.

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RECENT CHANGES OF ADDRESS

- C.F. Ablethorpe, 56 Woodleigh Avenue, Leigh-on-Sea, Essex.
- Miss F.G. Bell, Dept. of Botany, The University of Leeds, Leeds 2.
- T.J. Bines, Dept. of Botany, The University of Newcastle Upon Tyne, NEI 7RV.
- Dr. P.D. Coker, F.L.S., Kings College Field Station, The Red House, Rogate Petersfield, Hampshire.
- Miss B.J. Crandell, Dept. of Botany, University of Texas, Austin, Texas 78712, U.S.A.
- Miss A.C.M. Folan, An Foras Forbartha, 4 Kildare Street, Dublin 2, Irish Republic.
- Dr. L.J. Gier, Division of Science, Missouri Southern College, Joplin, Missouri 64801, U.S.A.
- P. Hackney, Assistant Keepter, Botany, The Ulster Museum, Stranhills, Belfast B.T.9 S.A.B.
- Dr. R.M. Harley B.A., F.L.S. and Mrs. Harley, 10 Vicarage Road, Strawberry Hill, Twickenham, Middx.
- Dr. G.R. Hoffman, The Missouri Botanical Garden, 2315 Tower Grove Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri, 63110, U.S.A. (To July 1969).
- I.S. Hornsey B.Sc. Barking Regional College of Technology, Longbridge Road, Dagenham, Essex.
- S.T. Licence, Green Mead, Toothill, Ongar, Essex.
- Dr. J.W. Mullin D.Sc. 4 Milton Road, Ickenham, Middx.
 - P.J. Myerscough, B.A. The School of Biological Science, The University of Sydney, Sydney 2006, N.S.W., Australia.
 - Dr. A. Pettet B.Sc. 23 Cole Park Road, Twickenham, Middx.
 - R. Spare, Home Farm, Milton Bryan, Woburn, Bletchley, Bucks.
 - Dr. R. Stotler, Dept. of Botany, University of Wisconsin Milwaukee, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53201, U.S.A.
 - D.T. Streeter B.Sc. School of Biology, The University of Sussex, Falmer, Brighton, Sussex.
 - K. Thompson, Botany Dept. The University, Glasgow, W.2.
 - D. Walton, 75 Highbury Road, St. Annes, Lancs.

B.B.S. Reading Circle.

Mr. B. Goater, 22 Reddings Avenue, Bushey, Herts, is now secretary of the Reading Circle for the Bryologist and Revue Bryologique, and enquiries should be sent to him.

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Distribution Maps of Bryophytes In Britain. Reprinted from the Transactions. Standing orders 4d. each plus postage; individual maps 6d. each plus postage. Obtainable from Dr. A. J. E. Smith, School of Plant Biology, U.C. North Wales, Memorial Buildings, Bangor, Caernaryonshire.

Records of the following Hepatics are requested by Mr. J. G. Duckett, Dept. of Botany, University College London, Gower Street, London, W.C.l.

Diplophyllum taxifollum

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Marsupella alpina, stableri and varians, Sphenolobus Helleranus. Maps being prepared for publication in 1970.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS OF BRYOLOGICAL INTEREST

Flora of Berkshire - H.J.M. Bowen, contains Bryophytes, Edited by Dr. E.W. Jones.

Flora of Norfolk - C.P. Petch and E.L. Swann, contains Bryophytes by E.L. Swann.

A check list of the Flora of the Culbin State Forest - M. McCallum Webster, contains Bryophytes compiled by Dr. R. Richter.

British Mosses and Liverworts 2nd Ed. by Dr. E.V. Watson. C. U. P. £4.0.0d.

B.B.S. LIBRARY

Enquiries and requests to borrow should be sent to E.R.B. Little, Esq. Kingston Upon Hull College of Education, Cottingham Road, Hull, Yorks.

Mr. A. J. Pettifer is relinquishing the care of the Library after February, and a new Librarian will be appointed at the A.G.M.

E. C. Wallace Hon-Sec.

15th January, 1969.