

BRITISH LICHEN SOCIETY

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AUTUMN MEETING, FOLKESTONE, 25 - 27 OCTOBER, 1963

Folkestone is a useful centre from which to explore East Kent, a Vice-County whose lichen flora has been poorly recorded, but which should prove of considerable interest. By courtesy of the Principal, we shall be able to meet on the evening of Friday, 25 October, at the South East Kent Technical College for introductory talks by local botanists on the country to be explored; we shall also be able to use a small laboratory on Saturday and Sunday, 26 and 27 October. The week-end field excursions will include visits to heathland, stable shingle, exposures of Kentish Ragstone, and woodland. The local secretary, Mr. F.H. Brightman, will be in the area all day on Friday, 25 October, and members are cordially invited to join him in the field; he will also be showing colour slides and talking about lichens to the Folkestone Natural History Society on the evening of Thursday, 24 October, and members are also invited to this meeting.

There are numerous hotels and guest houses in Folkestone (twenty are listed in the A.A. Handbook); the following are reasonably near the Technical College:-

Princes, Bouverie Road West - bed and breakfast 25/- to 37/6.
Westward Ho, Clifton Crescent - bed and breakfast 17/6 to 22/6.
Montpelier Guest House, 90 Bouverie Street West - bed and breakfast 15/- to 16/-.

Members should book direct with the hotel.

Any enquiries should be made to the Local Secretary at 2 Red Oak Close, Orpington, Kent.

Meet at the South East Kent Technical College, Shorncliffe Road, Folkestone, on Friday, 25 October, at 8 p.m.

Trains leave Cannon Street, London, at 4.52 p.m. (arrives Folkestone 6.19), 5.10 (arrive 6.34), 5.47 (arrive 7.13), 6.21 (arrive 7.47). There are also trains from Victoria at 4.0 p.m. (arrive 5.20), 7.0 (arrive 8.20), 8.10 (arrive 9.47), 9.0 (arrive 10.20).

Members intending to join this meeting are requested to return the enclosed notification form to the Local Secretary.

DISTRIBUTION MAPS SCHEME. APPEAL TO INTERESTED PERSONS

The Society expects to start a Distribution Maps Scheme for the British Isles in January 1964. The Scheme will be based on the 10 km. grid square system, using the methods adopted by the Botanical Society of the British Isles and the British Bryological Society. The recording for general purposes will be carried out on a Record Card listing easily identified lichens. Full details will be circulated to all members at a later date.

It is important that certain special groups or species, not necessarily listed on the record card, should be mapped by individual members and these maps published possibly at an early date. These individuals will be supplied with Individual Record Cards (7/6 per 1,000) on to which the records are entered, one record per card. At a later date the Society hopes to have these cards punched so that they can then be automatically sorted by punched card machinery and maps automatically produced from them. The Society therefore asks persons who wish to participate in this Individual Scheme to write to the Secretary of the Distribution Studies Sub-Committee, Mr. J.R. Laundon, Department of Botany, British Museum (Natural History), Cromwell Road, London, S.W.7 before 31st October, 1963, together with the name of a species, several species or genus (as the case may be) about which they would like to compile records.

A list of individuals and their groups will be circulated to all members so that they can receive records direct. The individuals concerned will be responsible for refereeing members records if need be and also for studying records in old literature where applicable. The latter will be of special importance for species whose distribution has been adversely affected by atmospheric pollution or other causes.

Names and groups to be sent to J.R. Laundon before 31st October, 1963.

REVISED RULES

The revised Rules were adopted at the Special General Meeting held at Wareham on 13th April, 1963.

WAREHAM FIELD MEETING

The Wareham Field Meeting was attended by 14 members. A report will be published in The Lichenologist.

SPRING FIELD MEETING, 1964

The 1964 Spring Field Meeting will be held from 3 - 9 April and based on Cardiff. Accommodation will be arranged at The University Hall, Cardiff.

Visits will be made to the coastal calcareous rocks (Carboniferous, Lower Lias and Triassic) near Cardiff, inland Carboniferous Limestone, upland Pennant Grit, and the Old Red Sandstone of the Brecon Beacons.

Full details will be circulated later this year.

10TH INTERNATIONAL BOTANICAL CONGRESS, EDINBURGH 1964

A Pre-Congress Lichenological Excursion in association with the B.L.S. will be held from 21 - 28 July, 1964 based on Bangor, N. Wales. Particulars will be circulated in due course.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Duncan, U.K. (1963). Lichen Illustrations. Supplement to "A Guide to the Study of Lichens". 142 plates. Obtainable from T. Buncle & Co., Ltd., Market Place, Arbroath, Angus. Price £1 5s. 0d.

Grümmann, V. (1963). Catalogus Lichenum Germaniae. 208 pages. Obtainable from Gustav Fischer Verlag, Strafflenbergstrasse 36, Stuttgart 7, Germany. Price 36 DM (about £3 4s. 3d.).

Kershaw, K.A. (1963). Lichens, Endeavour 22 (86): 65 - 69. 13 figures including 9 coloured plates.

Kurokawa, S. (1962). A Monograph of the genus Anaptychia, Beihefte Nova Hedwigia 6. 115 pages, 9 plates. Published by J. Cramer, Weinheim, Germany.

Lamb, I.M. (1963). Index Nominum Lichenum. 809 pages listing 15,409 new lichen names published between 1932 and 1960. Published by The Ronald Press Company, 15 East 26th Street, New York 10, U.S.A. Price \$16.00.

Poelt, J. (1962). Bestimmungsschlüssel der höheren Flechten von Europa. 272 pages. Published by J. Cramer, Weinheim, Germany. Price 20 DM (about £1 15s. 9d.).

Smith, D.C. (1962). The Biology of Lichen Thalli, Biol. Rev. 37: 537-570.

Thompson, J.W. (1963). The Lichen genus Physcia in North America, Beihefte zur Nova Hedwigia 7. 172 pages, 25 plates, 47 maps. Published by J. Cramer, Weinheim, Germany. Price 45 dm (£4). Also obtainable from A.D. Lilly, 'Charenton', Cliff Road, Hythe, Kent.

NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS IN BRITISH COLONIES AND DOMINIONS

Postal Orders issued in the Colonies and Dominions are not now negotiable in the United Kingdom. When making remittances in future, please send either your personal cheque or a banker's draft but not postal orders.

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