

BRITISH LICHEN SOCIETY

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Tenth International Botanical Congress and Bangor Excursion

The Tenth International Botanical Congress will be held at the University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, Scotland, from 3 to 12 August, 1964. The Scientific Meetings will cover a wide range of botanical and related subjects. There will be a symposium on lichens on Wednesday, 5 August. This will deal with all aspects of lichenology, including chemistry, classification, ecology, physiology, sociology etc. Any person interested in Botany may attend the Conference, and those who wish to do so should write to The Secretary (Executive Committee), Xth International Botanical Congress, 5 Hope Park Square, Edinburgh 8, for the Final Registration Form and 2nd Circular which gives details of the Conference. Registration Fees are £8: 10: 0 for Full Membership, £4: 10: 0 for Associate Membership and £3: 0: 0 for Undergraduate Student Membership. Full Members have the right to attend meetings and will receive all Congress publications, whilst Associate Membership is open to wives, relatives and friends, who must be over 18 on 1 July 1964, accompanying Full Members. Associates may attend meetings but will receive no publications. Undergraduate Student Membership is open to all students who will not have taken their first degree at the time of the Congress; they have the right to attend meetings but will receive no publications. Accommodation may be reserved on the Final Registration Form. Completed Final Registration Forms and Fees must be returned before 31 December, 1963.

There will be a Pre-Congress Excursion for lichenology centred on Bangor, North Wales, in conjunction with the British Lichen Society. This field meeting will be from 21 - 28 July. Diverse habitats with a rich lichen flora will be seen in Anglesey, Holy Island, Lake Bala, Llanberis - Glyder Fawr - Snowdon - and Dolgellau. Mr. P.W. James will act as Leader. Participants should arrive at University Hall, Bangor, at 6.0 p.m., on 21st July, and there will be at a reception at 8.15 p.m. The cost will be £20 per person, including hostel accommodation and local bus transport. TRAVEL BY PRIVATE CAR WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE. The whole excursion fee must be paid by members attending only part of the Excursion. Members of the British Lichen Society who wish to only attend the Bangor meeting are not required to pay the Congress Registration Fee. Members wishing to attend this excursion should either notify the Secretary of the Congress on the Final Registration Form or write to the Secretary of the Congress stating that they are members of the British Lichen Society and wish to attend Excursion No. S.2. The address of the Secretary of the Congress is given above. Members are also requested to complete the enclosed notification form and return it to Mr. P.W. James. Both these notifications must arrive before 31 December 1963 and that to the Secretary of the Congress must be accompanied by an excursion deposit of £5 per place. There are many other Congress Excursions but the Bangor meeting is the only one specifically concerned with lichens.

Secretary

It is regretted that Mr. A.E. Wade is unable to continue as Secretary for the present due to an operation. Mr. J.R. Laundon, Department of Botany, British Museum (Natural History), Cromwell Road, London, S.W.7. is acting on his behalf until he is fully recovered.

Spring Meeting, 1964

The Spring Meeting proposed for Cardiff is cancelled by request of the Leader, Mr. A.E. Wade. The place of the Spring Meeting will be decided at the Annual General Meeting on 4 January 1964 and details will be circulated in the next Bulletin. Upper Teesdale is a possibility. The Council is always pleased to have suggestions regarding localities in which to hold field meetings, and these should be sent to the Secretary.

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Members are reminded that the following Annual Subscriptions take effect from 1 January 1964: Ordinary Membership 30/-; Junior Membership 15/-; Family Membership 5/-. Members who pay their subscription by Banker's Order are asked to make sure that they have instructed their bank to pay 30/- on the 1st January instead of £1 as hitherto.

Lichenologist

The Lichenologist 2(2) is due to be published in December. It is hoped to publish the third part of volume two early next year, and the Editors request that papers for the next number be submitted by 31 January 1964.

Request for Records

The Liverpool Naturalists' Field Club is compiling records of Bryophytes and Lichens in vice-counties 50 (Denbigh), 51 (Flint), 58 (Chester) and 59 (South Lancaster). All records, including notes on abundance, habitat, locality etc., would be welcome and should be sent to Mr. C. Oldham, 527 Aigburth Road, Liverpool 19, Lancashire.

Exchange

George F. Otto, Hon. Curator of Lichens, Department of Biology and Botany, University of British Columbia, Vancouver 8, Canada, would like to exchange specimens in order to improve the European lichen collections in the University Herbarium.

Recent Literature on British Lichens

Bailey, R.H., 1963. The Lichens of Ruislip Local Nature Reserve. J. Ruislip Nat. Hist. Soc. 12: 18-21 [Lichens of different habitats; 5 new vice-county records for Middlesex].

Seaward, M.R.D., 1961. Lichenology. Trans. Lincs. Nat. Un. 15: 128-129 [Brief history of lichenology in Lincolnshire].

Seaward, M.R.D., 1962. Lichenology. Trans. Lincs. Nat. Un. 15: 200-201 [21 county and vice-county records from Lincolnshire].

Authors of papers on British Lichens, other than those appearing in The Lichenologist, are requested to inform the Secretary of their work so that the references to literature which appear in this Bulletin may be as complete as possible.

Folkestone Meeting

Eighteen members and friends attended this meeting. The weather was good and the venture proved instructive and enjoyable. A report of the meeting will appear in next year's Lichenologist.