

BRITISH LICHEN SOCIETY

President: T.D.V. Swinscow, M.B., B.S., F.L.S.

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Week-end Field Meeting, Market Rasen

A Meeting will be held at Market Rasen, Lincolnshire, from Friday evening, 26 October to Sunday afternoon, 28th October, 1962. Mr. M.R.D. Seaward has kindly offered to act as local secretary for this meeting. The Headmaster of the de Aston Grammar School, Market Rasen, has kindly placed his biology laboratory at our disposal and it is here that the Society will meet on Friday, 26 October at 8.0 p.m. Accommodation is scattered and somewhat limited and therefore Mr. Seaward has offered to arrange accommodation himself and all bookings should go through him. Cost will be between 23/6 and 35/- per day for bed, breakfast and dinner, and packed lunches will probably be provided by a local caterer at additional expense. Members travelling by public transport may need to change at Lincoln and travel to Market Rasen on Friday by bus or train and return on Sunday by bus. THERE ARE NO TRAINS BETWEEN MARKET RASEN AND LINCOLN ON SUNDAYS, and therefore return tickets should be booked to Lincoln only. Members wishing to attend the field meeting should fill in the form below and send it to Mr. Seaward. Early booking is advised.

Conservation

Dr. K.L. Alvin has kindly agreed to act as Conservation Officer for the Society. A list of Sites of Special Importance for Lichens is to be drawn up and reports about these Sites collected. The Conservation Officer will also examine the conservation of lichens in a more general sense (e.g. with reference to atmospheric pollution). The Society will then inform the Nature Conservancy of its proposals and we hope that this will lead to a positive approach to lichen conservation in Britain. Members are requested to inform Dr. Alvin of Sites which they consider to be of special importance for lichens, and, if possible, to include a report on such Sites. Dr. Alvin should be notified immediately of any threats to important areas. Other suggestions regarding Conservation will be welcomed.

The Lichenologist

Part 5 of Volume 1 of The Lichenologist was issued in December 1961. Any member who did not receive his copy should inform the Acting Secretary. Part 5 is the final part of Volume 1 and members wishing to have their volume bound should contact a book binder. Fisher, Knight & Co. Ltd., Gainsborough Press, Lattimore Road, St. Albans, will bind the volume with gold lettering along the spine for £1: 1: 0. Members should inform their binder of the colour of the buckram they require.

Lichen Courses 1962

- DEVON. Slapton Ley Field Centre, Slapton, Kingsbridge. 25 July - 1 August.
An introductory lichen course directed by Dr. K.L. Alvin.
- ESSEX. ~~Flatford Mill Field Centre, East Bergholt, Colchester. 22-29 August.~~
Ecology of cryptogams directed by Mr. F.H. Brightman.
- PERTSHIRE. Scottish Field Studies Association, Garth Memorial Youth Hostel, Fortingall, Aberfeldy. 1 - 8 September. Bryophytes & Lichens directed by Miss U.K. Duncan.
- SALOP. Preston Montford Field Centre, Shrewsbury. 18 - 25 August.
Lichen course directed by Mr. A.E. Wade.

1963 Meetings

It is proposed to hold the Annual General and Exhibition Meeting on 5th January 1963 at The Polytechnic, Regent Street, London. Members are especially requested to prepare exhibits for this meeting and should be considering items suitable for exhibition now so that the number of exhibits can be increased next year.

It is proposed to hold a Spring field meeting from 11 - 16 April 1963 at Wareham, Dorset and a Summer field meeting from 27 July to 10 August 1963 at Killin, Perthshire (1st week) and at Kinlochewe, Ross and Cromarty (2nd week).

Details regarding these meetings will be circulated at a later date.

Recent Literature on British Lichens

Mitchell, M.E., 1961, "L'Element Eu-Oceanique dans la Flore Lichenique du Sud-Ouest de l'Irlande." *Revista de Biologia* 2 : 177. [To be reviewed in *The Lichenologist*.]

Mitchell, M.E., 1961, "Contribution à la Lichenologie Irlandaise." *Bull. Soc. Sc. Bretagne* 35: 267. [Notes on *Anthracothecium pyrenuloides* (Mont.) Müll. Arg. (*A. hibernicum* (Nyl.) A.L.Sm.), *Cladonia strepsilis* (Ach.) Vain., *Ocellularia subtilis* (Tuck.) Riddle, *Parmelia arnoldii* Du Rietz and *P. cetrarioides* (Del.) Nyl. and on the erroneous records for *Roccella linearis* (Ach.) Vain. and *R. Montagnei* Bél. for Ireland. Four of the seven species dealt with by Mitchell are given incorrect authorities.]

Subscriptions

Members are reminded that the Annual Subscription for 1962 was due on 1st January last. Would those who have not yet done so please forward their subscription to the Treasurer, Mr. J.H.G. Peterken, 73 Forest Drive East, Leytonstone, London, E.11 at their earliest convenience.

Facilities for Members

Members are reminded to make full use of the facilities available to them. Numerous reprints are available for loan from the Librarian, Dr. D.C. Smith, Department of Agriculture, The University, Oxford, who can supply lists of the contents of the Society's Library to those members who have not received a copy. Specimens can be loaned from the Curator, Dr. T.D.V. Swinscow, 103 London Road, Knebworth, Herts., who can also supply lists of material available. Members can have specimens circulated to them by joining the Lichen Study Group which is organised by Mr. F.H. Brightman, 2 Red Oak Close, Orpington, Kent. Specimens can be examined in Museum herbaria; apart from the large lichen herbaria at the British Museum (Natural History), Kew, Cardiff, Edinburgh and Dublin there are many other museums with smaller collections (e.g. Birmingham, Bolton, Bristol, Kettering, Leicester, Liverpool, Manchester, South London Botanical Institute etc.) all of which are available for study. Dahl's Keys to British Macrolichens are obtainable from the Botany School, University of Cambridge, Downing Street, Cambridge, price 2/6 post free.

Please enclose a 3d. postage stamp for reply.

To Mr. M.R.D. Seaward, B.Sc.,
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Brigg,
Lincolnshire.

Date

*I/We wish to attend the Market Rasen Field Meeting and would be grateful if you could arrange the following accommodation for *me/us in a *hotel/boarding-house:

*single/double/twin/willingness to share/room.

I wish to have accommodation at approx. *27/6 / 17/6 bed and breakfast.

*I shall have a car and can provide seats for passengers.

Signed

Address

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