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NEWSLETTER

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SUBSCRIPTIONS The A.G.M. endorsed the decision of the Committee to raise subscriptions to £3.00. Members over 60 years of age are eligible for a reduced rate of £2.00 but would you please check your Bank Statement, and perhaps Birth Certificate, as we are still receiving several Bankers Orders at the pre 1961 subscription rate of 7/6 (= 37½p!)

EXCURSION 1980 Thanks to the efforts of Peter Cole the 'Balmoral' was absolutely full on June 7th. We had an excellent day - the weather was good - the passengers were charming - we made a welcome profit for Society Funds - and are most grateful to all who helped. We are yet again grateful to the Landmark Trust for coming to the rescue of the 'Balmoral' and for their ensuring that the steamer runs to Lundy, for 1980 at least, following the operating problems of Messrs P.S.A. Campbell Ltd.

There was a crowded congregation in the Church of St Helena on June 7th for a Memorial Service to the late Mr F.W. Gade. The F.W. Gade Memorial Fund is now closed, and the organisers will soon be able to announce what form the Memorial will take.

BOOKS! 1. The proposed LFS booklets dealing with Mammals, Wrecks, and the Castle are taking longer to prepare than was planned. They may not now appear in time for the 1980 'season' but members will be notified as soon as they appear.

2. Birds of Lundy. With this Newsletter is a notice of Dick Lyndon's long-awaited book. The Devon Birdwatching & Preservation Society are publishing the book in November but are taking orders (at reduced rate) now. To maintain this low pre-publication cost would applicants please not ask for a receipt, so as to keep the costs to a minimum. This book locally is a MUST for all Lundyites.

3. 'A Lundy Album'. Myrtle Langham has produced a Victorian-picture book of Lundy, as a non-profit making venture. Application forms are enclosed.

Off-Shore Islands Philatelic Society Would any LFS member who is particularly interested in Philately and who has spare time available, please contact, in the first instance, John Martin at 14 Hogarth Avenue, Reading, Berks.

'LOGO' COMPETITION Our present Logo - which on wearing out looks more and more like the Old Light at midnight in a thunderstorm - needs to be replaced by something more suitable for us, and for the 1980s. The committee will offer a small prize for a winning design for a replacement. Please send your ideas to the Hon. Sec.

FIELDWORKERS & COURSES. There are still a few vacancies on the August-September 1980 Field Course holidays. If you are free and would like to stay on Lundy please contact Bob Britton, our hardworking Hon. Treasurer.

Best wishes. A.F. Langham