



# NEWSLETTER

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## 1974 ANNUAL REPORT

We apologise for the late arrival of the 1974 Report - apparently there has been some technical holdup - but from the content I think you will agree that the wait has been worthwhile as this must surely be one of the best Annual Reports produced so far.

## 1975 SUBSCRIPTIONS

This Newsletter and Annual Report is being sent to all those members who have subscribed by cheque for 1974 or for whom we know we have Bankers Orders, but now, halfway through 1975 there are many members who normally pay by cheque who seem to have overlooked their subscription for this year.

In order to keep valued members, the committee has made a deliberate point of holding subscriptions as low as possible. To keep things afloat at the uneconomically low level of £1.00 per annum we rely on member's support. If a little red cross appears here  it means that you appear to be one of those whose cheque for 1975 has not yet been received. Those of you who pay by Bankers Order may be entered here if your Order has not yet been processed, and of course our records may be in error. I apologise if we have made a mistake but any outstanding subscriptions should be sent to the Hon. Secretary at the address at the top of this Newsletter, and cheques should be made payable to the 'Lundy Field Society'.

## 1975 CONSERVATION FUND DRAW

As you know we hoped to interest members by holding a Raffle to support the Conservation Fund of the Society. This fund is to be used for projects on the island designed to protect the unique environment for the future, and to enable this environment to be studied. Unfortunately the response to the great effort involved was disappointing and it seems that this experimental Raffle will not be repeated.

The winners of the Raffle were:

1. Mr Tamara, 45 Ladbroke Rd .London W.11
2. Mr Stocker, 43 Hartop Rd. Torquay
3. Mr R. Burrough, 6 Overlands, Ruishton, Taunton.

The Prizes, with our Congratulations, have already been dispatched.

### 1975 EXCURSION.

Our fifth year of Excursions was a great success. The weather was good, all tickets were sold, and we were able to provide a memorable trip which included a gentle circumnavigation followed by a long spell ashore with the usual guided tours led by expert members of the Society - and all this at less than the usual steamer daytrip fare! Many members have already been on every Excursion we have run, but if you cannot hope to equal this, do please give us your support if (as we hope) we run an Excursion in 1976.

Great value, great fun, and a great benefit to our funds.

### 1975 ACTIVITIES

There are two awardees of LFS Grants working on the island this year and we have arranged a series of fieldwork courses based on, but improved by experience gained from, those held in 1974.

Members or friends wishing to learn more about places on these courses, please contact the Hon. Treasurer who is in charge of arrangements.

### 1975 CHRISTMAS CARDS

To further Conservation Fund finances and as a service to members, we are introducing Christmas Cards for use in 1975. These will be approx.  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " by  $4\frac{3}{4}$ " in size and be supplied with envelopes. The cover will be one of the delightful line drawings made by John Dyke for the Society - inside the cover a small note will mention that the cards are sold in aid of the LFS Conservation Fund - and facing this will be the main greeting: 'A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from...'

The cards will be produced in monochrome and will sell at only 5p each (postage extra). Final details and examples have not yet been prepared but members should contact our Hon. Information Officer, and if possible give orders as soon as possible, to enable us to judge demand and to ensure delivery at the beginning of November. Obviously we shall not commit ourselves to print thousands of these cards if there is insufficient demand, but we do urge you to give this scheme your serious attention and support.

### 1976 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The committee meets on July 27th to prepare advance plans for this meeting, but we can already advise that it will be held in Exeter on Saturday March 6th 1976 when we hope to have an interesting and optimistic programme for you!

Finally, thank you again for all your help - remember that as we are without a Warden we rely solely on visitors and members to keep us supplied with information and observations, so please let the Hon. Secretary know if you plan to study anything on Lundy this year; please let him know if you hear of anybody else who plans to study anything on Lundy this year; and please let any sympathetic friends you have know of our existence in the hope that they might join our ranks!

Best wishes,

A.F. LANGHAM Hon. Sec.