

Annual Reports and Accounts

Annual General Meeting

THE Marquess of Willingdon, President, will take the Chair at the Annual General Meeting of the Society in the new Meeting Room of the Zoological Society of London, Regent's Park, N.W.1, on Thursday, May 25th, 1967, at 5.30 p.m. At the end of the meeting Mr. Guy Mountfort will give a talk, illustrated by slides, on Conservation in Pakistan.

Agenda

1. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting, 1966.
2. Presentation and discussion of the Accounts and Auditors' Report.
3. Presentation and discussion of the Annual Report.
4. Election of Officers of the Society.
5. Election of Vice-Presidents.
6. Election of Members to fill vacancies on the Council.
7. Vote of Thanks to Zoological Society of London.

Officers and Council

Council recommend that the following should be elected as Officers of the Society for 1967-68:

President: The Marquess of Willingdon.

Chairman of Council: Mr. Peter Scott.

Vice-Chairman of Council: Sir Terence Morrison-Scott.

Honorary Treasurer: Mr. I. D. Malcolmson.

Honorary Secretary: Mr. R. S. R. Fitter.

The following Vice-Presidents, having reached the end of their five-year term, and being eligible for re-election, have signified their willingness to serve again, and Council recommends that they should be reappointed:

Syed W. Ameer Ali

Professor J. S. Baer

Lord Hurcomb

Sir Julian Huxley

The Maharajah of Mysore

Dr. Fairfield Osborn

Captain C. R. S. Pitman

Sir Landsborough Thomson

Sir Solly Zuckerman

The following members of Council retire at the annual general meetings and are not eligible for reappointment for one year:

Aubrey Buxton

Sir Hugh Elliott

Lt.-Col. P. G. Molloy

E. H. Tong

The Council has appointed the following to fill these vacancies, and their names are submitted for confirmation:

Sir Henry Abel Smith

Miss Caroline Jarvis

Mr. Anthony Smith

Mrs. Diana Spearman

The Secretary's Annual Report 1966

THE Society's main conservation effort in 1966 was made through the Revolving Fund, set up jointly with the World Wildlife Fund in December, 1965. The Fund revolved once completely, and with an outlay of rather less than £2,000 from the Society's own funds, succeeded in channeling more than £9,000 to urgent conservation projects. The Fund attracted a magnificent donation of £2,500 from an anonymous member, and smaller donations from other members totalling £313. In addition the World Wildlife Fund repaid £7,054 into the Fund under the agreement made when it was set up. The four WWF Projects aided were those designed to save the Javan rhino, the Sumatran rhino and the Persian fallow deer, and the provision of an aircraft to enable the Zambian Game Department to control poaching. Fuller details of the working of the Revolving Fund in its first year will be found in *ORYX*, December 1966, Vol. VIII, pp. 339-40.

An additional grant made by the Society during the year was one of £250 to enable Dr. Kai Curry-Lindahl, the eminent Swedish conservationist, to undertake a mission in the Congo on behalf of the International Union for Conservation of Nature, a report of which will be found in *ORYX*, August 1966, Vol. VIII, pp. 293-94.

Donations and Consultants

The Society is particularly indebted to those members who made generous donations to the Society's general funds, and especially to Mr. Ernest Kleinwort, who gave £150, and to Mrs. P. B. Tillyard, who gave £100, and to the following members who made donations of between £25 and £50: Miss Hilda Bennett, Misses Josephine and Rosemary Burton (proceeds of gymkhana), Miss Frances Glendinning (proceeds of bring-and-buy sale), Mrs. Holtby (in memory of Major Audus), Mr. Llewellyn-Taylor, Mr. B. H. C. Thomas and the Hon. Patrick Willis.

During the year Council decided to set up a panel of Overseas Consultants and Correspondents, to keep the Society and its journal *ORYX* in touch with events in countries overseas. A preliminary list of the names of the distinguished conservationists who have accepted Council's invitation appears on pages 14 and 15.

Arabian Oryx Herd

The Society's share of the World Herd of Arabian Oryx at Phoenix Zoo, Arizona, increased by one, as the result of the birth of three more calves in August and September, one of which was the long awaited first female calf. The Society now owns seven oryxes, three adults and one female and three male calves, out of a total of 16 in the herd.

East African Tours

In late January the first of the Society's highly successful Oryx Tours took place. Two parties totalling 45 members, led by our Vice-President, Captain Pitman, and the Hon. Secretary, assisted by the Editor and Mr. John Wightman, visited Lake Naivasha, Lake Nakuru, Treetops, the Mara Game Reserve and Tsavo West National Park in Kenya, and the Ngorongoro Crater and the Serengeti, Lake Manyara and Ngurdoto Crater National Parks in Tanzania. A reunion meeting of members who had been on the two tours was held in London in September.

British Mammals

During the year the Society continued its close interest in the conservation of British mammals, through its participation in the Working Party set up to produce a booklet on the control of mammal predators, to be published in 1967, and by taking part in preliminary discussions on new legislation to conserve the stocks of British seals, and on methods of stopping the needless slaughter of badgers without recourse to legislation.

International Meetings

The Hon. Secretary attended three international gatherings during the year, two of them on behalf of the Society and the third at the invitation of the San Diego Zoo. These were a meeting in Washington, D.C., in April of the Steering Committee appointed at the London meeting in September, 1965, to prepare the ground for the proposed intergovernmental conference on wildlife conservation; the General Assembly of IUCN in Lucerne in June; and the celebrations of the 50th anniversary of the San Diego Zoo at San Diego, California, in October. The Editor also attended the IUCN Lucerne conference. In addition the Hon. Secretary attended three routine meetings of the Survival Service Commission, at Morges in March, at Lucerne in June and at San Diego in October.

Field and Indoor Meetings

Two field meetings were held in England, at Stansted Wildlife Reserve, Essex, by invitation of Mr. Aubrey Buxton, and at Mole Hall with Mrs. P. Johnstone on June 4, and in the New Forest, Hampshire, on October 21/22, when members were entertained to lunch by Sir Dudley Forwood, and Mr. Eric Ashby showed some of his excellent films of wildlife in the Forest. To Mr. Buxton, Mrs. Johnstone, Sir Dudley and Mr. Ashby, the Society is most grateful.

At the Annual General Meeting on May 11, the Hon. Secretary described his travels, mainly on behalf of the Society, during the previous twelve months, under the title of "A Year for Conservation," illustrated by slides. There were six general meetings: on January 20, recent additions to the film library were shown; on March 15 Dr. J. Morton Boyd on Research and Management in East African Wildlife;

on September 13, Colonel Mervyn Cowie with Sir Malin Sorsbie's film "Escape to Samburu"; on September 20, Mr. Roger Wheeler on Management Problems in Uganda National Parks; on October 27, Dr. David Harrison on the Status and Conservation of the Larger Mammals in Arabia; and on December 1, Mr. James Hancock on the Everglades National Park in Florida.

Film Library and Oryx

The Society's film library continued to be extensively used by members and others; 150 films were issued during the year. Four new films were added to the library: "Escape to Samburu" kindly presented by the Munitalp Foundation, "Lake Wilderness" and "To Catch a Rhino," kindly presented by the South African Tourist Corporation, and "The Swallowtail Butterfly" purchased.

The usual three issues of ORYX were published, covering a wide range of subjects—dugongs, elephants, turtles, thylacines, rhinos and Przewalski's horses were some of them—in all parts of the world, including Malaya, Sudan, Antarctica, Tasmania, Peru, Israel, Mongolia and the North Atlantic.

Christmas Cards

The Christmas card sales were most successful, and the Society was once more indebted to Mr. David Shepherd for making available one of his superb paintings, of a puku, for its colour Christmas card, and to Mr. Maurice Wilson for his striking picture of orang-utans for the black-and-white card. Total card sales were 24,620, including 16,620 pukus, 3,000 orang-utans and all cards remaining from the previous year. Sales of ties were well maintained, with a new colour, green, available, and we are much indebted to the British National Appeal of the World Wildlife Fund for making it possible to sell on the Society's behalf 63 of their attractive coffee trays.

Membership

During the year 182 new members joined the Society, and as a result membership of the Society increased by 84. As a result of a recount of the cards, the Society's membership now proves to be 2,354, made up as follows: ordinary members 1,834, life members 492, honorary members 28.

The Society wishes to record once again its cordial thanks to the Zoological Society of London for providing office accommodation.

The Auditors' Report

To the Council and Members of the
Fauna Preservation Society

20th March, 1967.

Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1966

We have completed the audit of the Books and Accounts of the Society for the year ended 31st December, 1966, and report thereon as follows:—

General Purposes Account

The balance on this account at the end of the year was £86 13s. 2d., after transferring £60 from the Life Membership Fund and deducting £600 7s. 11d., being the excess of Expenditure over Income on the year's working.

The total donations received, amounting to £1,216 6s. 8d. have been credited to this account. In order to show a more realistic figure for subscriptions, amounts paid by Members in excess of the subscriptions prescribed in the Rules of Society have this year been included under donations.

In the previous year there was an excess of Expenditure over Income of £719 0s. 1d.

General Reserve Fund

The balance on this Fund at the 31st December, 1966, was £6,414 14s. 11d. after adding a legacy received for £799 6s. 11d., transferring £1,997 8s. 6d. to the Revolving Fund and deducting £677 6s. 0d., being the loss on sale of investments.

Life Membership Fund

The balance standing to the credit of the Fund is now £8,230. This is after crediting £790 in respect of Life Membership Subscriptions received during the year and transferring £60 to the General Purposes Account which represents the value of subscriptions of those Life Members whose membership ceased during the year.

Revolving Fund

A transfer of £1,997 8s. 6d. was made to this Fund from General Reserve Fund which, together with donations and other income amounting to £9,975 10s. 3d. produced total receipts of £11,972 18s. 9d. Grants of £9,105 were made on various projects, leaving a balance at 31st December of £2,867 18s. 9d.

Investments

The total investments at 31st December, 1966, at cost amounted to £12,338 19s. 11d. and the market value at that date was £12,144 18s. 10d., showing a net depreciation of £194 1s. 1d.

Surplus

The surplus of Assets over Liabilities at the end of the year amounted to £14,731 8s. 1d., as compared with £16,417 3s. 7d. at the end of the previous year.

(Signed) W. B. KEEN & Co.,
Chartered Accountants.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

		GENERAL PURPOSES			
		EXPENDITURE			
1965		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
£					
1,640	To Salaries			1,947	18 11
300	Editor's Honorarium & Expenses			386	14 6
1,713	Production of Journal (3 Issues)			1,512	0 8
174	Stationery			170	19 8
	Rent of Offices—				
	Regent's Park	250	0 0		
	Less Donation from Zoological Society	250	0 0		
—					
321	Office & Miscellaneous Expenses			297	1 0
104	Telephone			177	1 10
9	Advertising			11	4 0
103	Propaganda Leaflets			62	2 9
355	Postages			480	16 2
131	Films—Purchase			64	5 0
56	Films—Maintenance & Postage			90	9 10
523	Miss Clarke's Pension—Premium	873	16 1		
—	Miss Clarke's Retirement Gratuity	850	0 0		
				1,723	16 1
	Accountancy and Audit				
	Audit Fee, 1966	36	15 0		
	Accountancy, 1966	36	15 0		
	Income Tax Claims, 1965 (Balance) and 1966	47	5 0		
79				120	15 0
459	Grants and Subscriptions			262	11 5
41	Conservation Conference			39	15 11
142	Secretary's Travelling Allowance			150	0 0
	Secretary's Expenses—				
	Attending Meetings of Survival Service Commission of I.U.C.N. at:—				
	Morges, Lucerne & San Diego	145	13 4		
	Attending Conservation Meeting in Washington	155	18 0		
1,036				301	11 4
15	Office Furniture and Fittings				
£7,201				£7,799	4 1

for the year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1966

ACCOUNT

INCOME

1965				£ s. d.	£ s. d.
£	£				
		By Subscriptions—			
	177	Arrears	100	9	9
	3,392	Current	3,450	19	0
	—	Tax Recovered on Covenants for years 1965 and 1966	781	6	2
3,569	—		4,332	14	11
1,343		Donations		1,216	6
752		Interest on Investments (Gross)		708	7
		Journals—Sales and Advertisements		303	3
225	921	Christmas Cards—Sales of .	1,035	3	4
		Less Cost of Production and Postage	543	7	7
511	—		491	15	9
11		Sundry Sales—Net		50	6
71		Films—Handling Charges .		96	1
6,482			7,198	16	2
		Balance—Excess of Expen- diture over Income, car- ried to Balance Sheet . .		600	7
719				719	11

 £7,201

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BALANCE SHEET,

1965	LIABILITIES		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
£				
726	<i>Sundry Creditors</i>			640 13 11
	<i>Receipts in Advance—</i>			
282	<i>Subscriptions</i>			204 9 6
<u>1,008</u>				<u>845 3 5</u>
	<i>Balance, being Excess of Assets over</i>			
	<i>Liabilities—</i>			
	<i>General Reserve Fund</i>			
	Balance at 1st January, 1966	8,290	2 6	
	Add Legacy Received	799	6 11	
		<u>9,089</u>	<u>9 5</u>	
	<i>Deduct Transfer to</i>			
	Revolving Fund	1,997	8 6	
	Loss on Sale of			
	Investments	677	6 0	
		<u>2,674</u>	<u>14 6</u>	
8,290				<u>6,414 14 11</u>
	<i>Life Membership Fund</i>			
	Balance at 1st			
	January, 1966	7,500	0 0	
	Add Fees received			
	during year	790	0 0	
		<u>8,290</u>	<u>0 0</u>	
	<i>Deduct Transfer to General</i>			
	Purposes Account—			
	Fees of deceased Life Members	60	0 0	
7,500				<u>8,230 0 0</u>
	<i>General Purposes Account</i>			
	Balance at 1st January, 1965	627	1 1	
	Add Transfer from Life Member-			
	ship Fund	60	0 0	
		<u>687</u>	<u>1 1</u>	
	<i>Deduct Excess of Expenditure</i>			
	over Income for the year	600	7 11	
627				<u>86 13 2</u>
<u>£17,425</u>				<u>£15,576 11 6</u>

31st DECEMBER, 1966

1965		ASSETS						
£			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	<i>Sundry Debtors</i>							
194	Income Tax recoverable		123	6	7			
10	Others		57	1	7			
						180	8	2
160	<i>Payments in Advance</i>					159	13	2
100	<i>Stock of Christmas Cards in hand</i>					40	0	0
	(at or under cost)							
—	<i>Office Furniture and Fixtures</i> (not valued)					—	—	—
	<i>Investments</i> (at cost)							
	£1,724 19s. 2d. 2½% Savings Bonds							
	1964/67		1,602	6	8			
	£1,320 10s. 7d. British Gas 3½% Gtd. Stock 1969/71		1,220	15	11			
	£1,046 6s. 0d. 3½% Conversion Stock 1969		990	5	3			
	£250 Watney Mann & Co. Ltd., Ordinary Stock		752	15	9			
	£206 5s. 0d. Guardian Assurance Co. Ltd. Ordinary Shares		2,008	3	3			
	£496 15s. 0d. New Investment Co. Ltd. Ordinary Shares		2,165	19	3			
	£965 Standard Bank Ltd. £1 Shares		2,636	4	10			
	£37 10s. 0d. Pearl Assurance Co. Ltd. Ordinary Stock		962	9	0			
15,013	(Market Value at 31st December, 1966: £12,144 18s. 10d.)					12,338	19	11
	<i>Deposits, Balance at Bank and Cash in Hand—</i>							
1,948	General Account					2,857	10	3
			£17,425			£15,576	11	6

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and accompanying Income and Expenditure Account, and the Receipts and Payments Account relating to the Revolving Fund, with the books and Accounts of the Society and with the information and explanations supplied and certify them to be in accordance therewith. We have verified the Bank balance and the Investments of the various Funds.

FINSBURY CIRCUS HOUSE,
BLOMFIELD STREET, LONDON, E.C.2.
20th March, 1967.

W. B. KEEN & CO.,
Chartered Accountants.

REVOLVING FUND

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT TO 31st DECEMBER, 1966

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Transfer from General Reserve Fund	1,997	8	6				
<i>Donations</i>							
Anonymous	2,500	0	0				
For Persian Fallow Deer	198	15	0				
Other	115	0	0				
			2,813	15	0		
World Wildlife Fund—Refunds	7,054	11	0				
Bank Interest	107	4	3				
			11,972	18	9		
<i>Grants</i>							
Persian Fallow Deer					800	0	0
Sumatran Rhino Project					230	0	0
Javan Rhino Project					5,800	0	0
Zambian Aircraft (half)					2,275	0	0
					9,105	0	0
Balance at 31st December, 1966					2,867	18	9
			£11,972	18	9		
			£11,972	18	9		