

# Gifts and Grants to ffPS

ffPS is most grateful for the gifts of £25 and over listed below, and also for many smaller donations, between June and November 1981.

## Oryx 100% Fund

	£		£
Ian D. Malcolmson, legacy	5000	Conder Conservation Trust	500
People's Trust for Endangered Species (for Operation Scimitar-horned Oryx)	5000	St Katharine's Fund	500
Conder Conservation Trust (for Cameroon 21 Wildlife Education, Korup Reserve and Comoro Fruit Bat Study)	2000	Miss L. Samiloff	120
St Katharine's Fund (for East African Wildlife Society)	500	Arthur Guinness & Son, Mrs M.J. Hayne, Miss E. Hickox, Lloyds Bank Personnel Division, National Westminster Bank, Spirax-Sarco Group Charitable Trust, Ch. van der Elst, each	100
Ancaster Trust, T.D. Goody, J.S. Johnstone, each	100	H.P. Bulmer Holdings Ltd, Dr R.G. Glover, each	50
Ardea London Ltd, J.H. Ballantyne, M.G. Gotts, C.W. Marsh, Mrs M.E.L. Nobles, Miss G. Parlier, each	50	Anonymous	40
M.I. Weitzner	36		
B. Scarlett	25		

## Mountain Gorilla Fund

Sarah Jackson Will Trust	£200
Mrs E. Wardley	£200
P.J.N. Bury	£411
G.A. Vause	£ 50

## 100% Fund Grants

The following 100% Fund grants were approved at the July and October ffPS Council meetings:

- £500** to the International Council for Bird Preservation to carry out their cat eradication programme to help save the magpie robin *Copsychus sechellarum* on Frégate Island, Seychelles;
- £500** to Stephen Homewood for his ground survey of the northern boundary of the proposed Mahari Mountains National Park in Tanzania;
- £300** to Dr Charles A. Woods to study the status and conservation strategy for the hutia *Plagiodontia aedium* in the Dominican Republic: see *Oryx* October 1981, page 146;
- £250** to the International Council for Bird Preservation to investigate the status of the endemic bullfinch *Pyrrhula pyrrhula murina* on the Azores island of Sao Miguel, and help draw up plans for a national park;
- £250** to the Wildlife Society of Zimbabwe for an impact assessment of the proposed Mupata Gorge hydro-electric scheme;

- £200 to Jane Blunden to investigate *Equus przewalskii* in China;
- £200 to the Sierra Leone Nature Conservation Association towards the development of the Mamunta-Mayosa Wildlife Sanctuary;
- £200 to buy books for the Uganda Institute of Ecology;
- £100 to buy books for the Ayya Nadar Janaki Ammal College in India;
- £ 20 towards postage costs of books to the Rio de Janeiro Primate Centre.

## ffPS Annual General Meeting

The President, Lord Zuckerman, took the chair at the Society's 77th Annual General Meeting in the Meeting Rooms of the Zoological Society of London on September 2 1981. Lord Zuckerman expressed his wish to resign the Presidency of the Society and proposed Sir Peter Scott as his successor. This was unanimously approved, and in accepting the position Sir Peter paid a generous tribute to Lord Zuckerman and thanked him for his contribution to the work of ffPS. The other five officers were re-elected: Lord Craigton, Chairman; Richard Fitter, Vice Chairman; T.A.P. Walker, Hon. Treasurer; David M. Jones, Hon. Secretary; Maisie Fitter, Hon. Editor.

Four members of Council retired by order of seniority: Dr Malcolm Coe, G.T. Corley Smith, Miss A.G.C. Grandison and Stuart Johnstone, and were warmly thanked by the President for their services. Three new members were elected: Dr Keith Banister, Dr C. Humphries and Dr David Macdonald. [Since the Annual General Meeting Council has co-opted an additional member, Jeremy Mallinson.] The Meeting approved in principle the Treasurer's proposal that the annual subscription should be increased to £15 for existing members in 1983 and for new members in 1982. The Annual Report and Accounts were approved.

The institution of an ffPS Roll of Honour to recognise those who had given the Society distinguished service was reported, and also the first name to be inscribed, that of Ian D. Malcolmson, Hon Treasurer for 29 years.

The new President, Sir Peter Scott, thanked the Zoological Society of London for accommodation and services and much help throughout the year, and also warmly thanked the ffPS staff for their excellent work.

After the business meeting Lord Melchett, Chairman of the CoEnCo Wildlife Link Committee, gave an illuminating talk on the Wildlife and Countryside Bill. A wine and cheese supper was followed by the film *Namib*, and members and friends were able to walk in the Zoo.

## World Heritage Sites

Since 1978 22 natural sites in 12 countries have been given World Heritage status by UNESCO, a process in which IUCN's National Parks Commission advises. The 22 are (NP National Park):

Dinosaur Provincial Park, Nahanni NP and Burgess Shale Site, Canada; Galapagos NP, Ecuador; Simien NP, Ethiopia; Tikal NP, Guatemala; Sagarmatha NP, Nepal; Bialowieza NP, Poland; Ngorongoro Conservation Area, Tanzania; Ichkeul NP, Tunisia; Redwood, Grand Canyon, Everglades, Yellowstone and Mesa Verde NPs, USA; Durmitor NP, Lake Ohrid, Plitvice Lakes NP, Yugoslavia; Garamba NP, Kahuzi-Biega NP, Virunga NP, Zaire; Kluane-Wrangell/St Elias NP, Canada/USA.