

the Committee in 1973 having already served as chairman of the 'Marine science sub-committee' since 1971. Keith will continue his support for the Society by taking over from Tim Davis as Annual Report editor. Thank you for such dedication to Lundy and the LFS.

We held a committee meeting on Lundy in May and in 2018 we plan to try a number of new locations for meetings and we are experimenting with using technology to enable further flung committee members to participate in meetings. Looking to the future, we expect to publish the long-awaited guide to Lundy fungi in the autumn and Andrew Cleave is preparing a book about the island's flora.

None of what has been achieved would be possible without our members. Whether you have participated in a working party, purchased a publication or simply paid your subscription, we would not be able to undertake all of these activities without your support. Thank you.

MICHAEL WILLIAMS
March 2018

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT

A huge thank you to all members for paying their subscriptions during 2017 and also to members who have donated to the Society during the year. All donations are very much appreciated by the Society, no matter how large or small, and they all help to fulfil the Society's aims. Please remember to gift aid your subscriptions and donations as this also helps the Society.

Subscription and membership news

Subscriptions become due annually in January, and may I remind you that our preferred method of payment is by standing order, however if you prefer to pay by cheque please make your cheque payable to the LFS and post it to me at the address below, or if you would like to set up a standing order then also please contact me and I will send you the appropriate form. A reminder that the subscription rate is currently £25 for individual members and £28 for family membership. A student membership is also available to members or potential members beginning a degree course, the reduced rate for students is £15, which we hope will encourage future members.

In 2017 I sent out 51 reminder letters by post and by email to non-payers, and also to a few members who had not updated their subscription rate. At the end of the year the 28 members who had not responded to my letters had their details removed from the Society's database in order to comply with data protection rules. Those members will be welcomed back to the Society should they wish to rejoin.

Membership of the Society remains healthy, the total number of addresses on our database at the end 2017 was 357, which means that membership stands at around 463 if you count just two members for each family membership. The Society also sends its publications to 16 institutions which includes the legal deposit libraries as well as other libraries, the RSPB, BTO and The Landmark Trust.

The Society has been informed of four members who sadly passed away during 2016:

Dr Myrtle Ternström BEM – obituary page 21
Mr Keith Hand
Mr Douglas Penny
Miss Jacqueline Cummins

New members

Twenty-two new members joined the Society in 2017, we welcome them all. The list below shows the names of new members and their main interest if given.

Archaeology

Jeremy and Pamela Disley
Teresa Davies and Jane Sharkey

Conservation Breaks

Michael Lenz
Vicky Edwards
Nick and Sophie Cooper
Danielle Agnew
Anna Lenz
Megan Adams
John and Sue Hadon
Malcolm Lee
Julie Schroeder
Susan Smith
Nick Bigwood
Robert Hendry
Pat Doody
Marie Thomas
Steve Hodgson
Hannah Swann

Orthoptera
Lundy Sparrows
Frogs and Fungi
Ornithology
Lundy

Keep in touch

Please inform me if you change your postal address so that I can keep the membership database up to date and you do not miss any of the Society's annual or biennial publications that are part of your membership benefits. Likewise please let us know if you change your email address so that you do not miss any information that the Secretary might send out. Please do visit our website at www.lundy.org.uk for up to date information, where you may read or search our on-line publications and also view our list of publications available for purchase. You might also like to visit the Society's Facebook page for more informal information.

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