

Annual Report for 1970

Despite the increase in the subscription from £2 to £3, which took effect at the beginning of the year, membership rose during the year by 63 to 2,941. The 326 new members recruited during the year were offset by 33 deaths and 222 resignations or deletions.

The Revolving Fund

The Revolving Fund maintained jointly by the Society and the World Wildlife Fund (International) since 1965 comes to an end at the end of 1970, by mutual agreement, with full repayment of all advances so far paid. During 1971 Council intends to work out alternative arrangements for aiding urgent conservation projects, and a full report on the achievements of the Revolving Fund will appear in ORYX.

The following WWF projects were aided during 1970:

Abuko Nature Reserve, The Gambia (Mr. Brewer)	£3000
Aldabra Research Station launch (Royal Society)	2900
Kouprey Capture Project (Prof. Pfeffer)	1700
Seabird Rescue Operation, South Africa (South African National Foundation)	500
IUCN Crocodile Group, preliminary meeting (Dr. Bustard)	500
Mountain Gorilla Study, Rwanda (Mr. Goodall)	349

The Society is most grateful to two members, Lord Dulverton and Lt. Col. J.P. Grant for donations of £800 each towards the cost of the kouprey operation.

The following grants were made from the Society's own funds:

£300 to Mr. Keith Corbett to enable him to continue his study of a threatened British reptile, the sand lizard; £200 to the Indian National Appeal of the World Wildlife Fund to enable them to start a herd of blackbuck, a gravely threatened Indian antelope, at Rewa; £200 towards the cost of the East African Wildlife Society's translocation of an endangered herd of roan antelope from western Kenya to the safety of the Shimba Hills National Reserve near Mombasa; and £100 to the East African Wildlife Society for their project to conserve the Saiwa Swamp, Kitale, to save a group of sitatunga, which are very local in Kenya. In addition four earmarked grants, totalling £1015, were passed on to the EAWLS for various of their projects.

Legacies and Donations

A further instalment (£200) of a legacy from the late Mr. Herbert Stevens was received during the year. Generous donations from many members included the following: £250 from our Vice-President, Sir Frank Fraser Darling, being a share of his fee for the Reith Lectures; £138 from Mr. Ralph Thompson, the proceeds of two pictures; £102 from Messrs. M. K. Kendall, Ltd., and £100 from Mr. Ernest Kleinwort. To all our donors we are exceedingly grateful.

The Society's Wildlife Tours

Oryx Tour No. 8 visited Uganda and Ethiopia under the able leadership of Sir Hugh Elliott. Places visited included the Kidepo Valley, Murchison Falls and Queen Elizabeth National Parks in Uganda, and the Awash National Park and Lake Abiata in Ethiopia.

International Meetings

The Hon Secretary and Editor attended two meetings of the IUCN Survival Service Commission at Slimbridge, Glos., in April and at Zürich, Switzerland, in August. The Hon. Secretary represented the Society at the meeting of the International Whaling Commission in London in June, and at the IUCN Conference on Conservation in Madagascar at Tananarive in October. Lt Col C.L. Boyle and the Hon. Secretary represented the Society at the meeting of the International Council for Bird Preservation at Texel, Netherlands, in September.

Representation on Other Bodies

On the appointment of the Hon Secretary as Hon Treasurer of the Council for Nature, Sir Landsborough Thomson took his place as one of the Society's two representatives on the Council; the other is our Chairman. The Hon Secretary and Lt Col C. L. Boyle continued to represent the Society on the British Section of the International Council for Bird Preservation, and Lt Col Boyle also on its Oil Pollution Advisory Committee. Representation on the Biological Council (Major Scott), the Conservation Liaison Committee (Hon Secretary) and the Mammal Predators Working Party (Hon Secretary and Dr Lockie) continued as before. During the year the Society was invited to appoint a representative to the Council of the Federation of Zoological Gardens of Great Britain and Ireland, and Council nominated Lady Medway. The Society's annual subscriptions to the Council for Nature (£250) and the International Council for Bird Preservation (£25) continued as before.

Arabian Oryx Herd

Five calves were born in the World Herd at Phoenix, Arizona, during 1970, three males (two allocated to the FPS) and two females. The herd now totals 25 (14 males, 11 females), of which 11 (8 males, 3 females) belong to the FPS.

Meetings of the Society

At the Annual General Meeting on June 10, Lady Lathbury showed films of East African wildlife, and Nigel Sitwell, editor of *Animals*, spoke on his recent visit to South-East Asia, and showed slides. On January 22 Professor Denys Morgan spoke on national parks and game reserves in Zambia. The annual reunion of participants in the Society's East African and Indian tours took place on September 22; the speakers were John Hopcraft, director of the Baharini Research Station in Kenya, on the wildlife of Lake Nakuru, and Dr Hugh Lamprey, director of the Serengeti Research Station in Tanzania, on conservation and management research in the Serengeti. On November 5 a joint meeting with the Anglo-Peruvian Society saw a new film of the Manu National Park in Peru, and on December 3 a packed house saw Jane Goodall

(Baroness van Lawick-Goodall) speak to her husband's superb film of chimpanzees in Tanzania.

The Last of the Wild

The Society's main contribution to European Conservation Year was to purchase a copy of Eugen Schuhmacher's fine film *The Last of the Wild* and show it first at the New Gallery Cinema in Regent Street, London in March (four showings) and later at 36 towns in various parts of the United Kingdom. The first showing was honoured by the presence of TRH the Duchess of Gloucester and Prince Richard of Gloucester; the second was to a packed house of young people. After the London showings the film was shown at Alford, Belfast, Billingham on Tees, Brecon, Bridgend, Bristol, Burnley, Bury, Camberley, Cambridge, Cardiff, Chichester, Deal, Dorking, Folkestone, Godalming, Grimsby, Harrogate, Ipswich, Kings Lynn, Lincoln, Liverpool, Llandudno, Merthyr Tydfil, Newbury, Newport (Mon.), Northampton, Norwich, Oxford, Poole, Royston, Sevenoaks, Stowe, Swansea, Ulverston and Warwick. Sixteen members of Council and other members of the Society took the chair or spoke at these meetings, and the sales stall was usually organised by either Mrs Fitter or Miss Giles, and on three occasions by Lady Elliott, to all of whom and to the numerous other helpers with the sales the Society is extremely grateful. All monies owed to the Society in respect of these showings had not been received by the end of the year, but a net profit of £215 on the film showings is available now to go towards the cost of the second copy of *The Last of the Wild*, which it will be necessary to buy to keep this important film in the Society's film library. The meetings gave us a great deal of valuable publicity and enrolled a number of new members.

Film Library

The number of bookings, stimulated no doubt by ECY, rose yet again, from 218 to 259. Two new films of Australian wildlife, *Koala* and *Marloo, the Red Kangaroo* were added to the Library.

Christmas and Other Sales

Christmas card sales totalled 33,967, an increase of 7,018 on 1969, and all cards except our new one, an attractive two-colour design of the Mexican grizzly bear, for which we are greatly indebted to Denys Ovenden, were sold out well before the end of the season. Innovations on the general sales side were a tea towel and an apron based on the attractive Arabian oryx design kindly given to us by Keith Shackleton last year and first used for a tray; notelets decorated with pictures of young serval and cheetah heads, very kindly given us by the artist, Ralph Thompson; and a car badge with the Society's oryx emblem. During the year we sold £99 worth of Red Data Books on behalf of IUCN.

The Zoological Society of London

The Society wishes once more to record its warmest thanks to the Zoological Society of London and its officers, not only for providing our office accommodation, but for much help and many kindnesses during the year.

The Auditors' Report

*To: The Council and Members of the
Fauna Preservation Society.*

Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1970

We have completed the audit of the books and accounts of the Society for the year ended 31st December 1970, and report thereon as follows:

General Reserve Account

This account has been credited with £84 14 10 profit on sale of investments, a legacy of £203 3 10 and £25 transferred from the Life Membership Fund. From this total £166 13 9, the excess of Expenditure over Income on the year's working, has been deducted leaving a balance of £8,290 7 5.

Life Membership Fund

The balance standing to the credit of the Fund is now £10,562. This is after crediting £250 in respect of Life Membership Subscriptions received during the year and transferring £25 to the General Reserve Account which represents the value of subscriptions of those life members whose memberships ceased during the year.

Investments

The total investments at 31st December, 1970, at cost amounted to £14,298 15 5 and the market value at that date was £17,685 18 3, showing a net appreciation of £3,387. 2.10.

Surplus

The surplus of Assets over Liabilities at the end of the year amounted to £18,915 6 10, as compared with £18,483 10 9 at the end of the previous year.

Revolving Fund

Donations and other income received during the year totalled £7,085 4 11 which together with the balance at 1st January, 1970, of £2,875 19 9 amounted to £9,961 4 8. Grants of £9,882 11 10 were made on various projects, leaving a balance of £78 12 10. The arrangement between the Society and the World Wildlife Fund terminated on December 31st, 1970, and further refunds are due to the Society.

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Chartered Accountants

BALANCE SHEET

LIABILITIES

1969							
£				£		s d	
2,034	<i>Sundry Creditors & Provisions</i>			2,332	5	7	
248	<i>Receipts in Advance</i>						
	Subscriptions			514	7	2	
<u>2,282</u>				<u>2,846</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>9</u>	
	<i>Balance, being Excess of Assets over Liabilities</i>						
	<i>Life Membership Fund</i>						
	Balance at 1st January 1970 ..	10,337	0	0			
	Add: Fees received during year		250	0	0		
			<u>10,587</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>		
	<i>Deduct: Transfer to General Reserve Account</i> ..						
10,337	Fees of deceased Life members		25	0	0		
<u>10,337</u>			<u>10,562</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>		
	<i>Film Purchases – Reserve Fund</i>						
	Balance at 1st January 1970 ..		2	8	3		
	Add: Transfer from Income and Expenditure Account ..		223	2	7		
			<u>225</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>		
	<i>Deduct: Purchases during year</i> ..		<u>162</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>5</u>		
2						62	19 5
	<i>General Reserve Fund</i>						
	Balance at 1st January 1970 ..	8,144	2	6			
	Add: Profit on sale of investments ..		84	14	10		
	Legacy received during year ..		203	3	10		
	Transfer from Life Membership Fund		25	0	0		
			<u>8,457</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>		
	<i>Deduct: Excess of Expenditure over Income for the year</i>		<u>166</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>9</u>		
<u>8,144</u>						<u>8,290</u>	<u>7 5</u>
<u>£20,765</u>			<u>£21,761</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>7</u>		

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ASSETS

1969		£	s	d	£	s	d
	<i>Sundry Debtors & payments in advance</i>						
	Income Tax recoverable on invest-						
	273 ments	263	2	3			
	<u>215</u> Other	<u>535</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>8</u>			
488						798	6 11
	<i>Stocks in hand</i>						
	(at or under cost)					1,620	0 0
1,670	<i>Office Furniture and Fixtures</i> (not valued)						
	<i>Investments (at cost)</i>						
	£1,320-10-7 British Gas 3½% Stock 1969/71	1,220	15	11			
	£2,222-4-10 3% Savings Bonds 1965/75	1,721	5	0			
	£226-15-0 Guardian Royal Exchange Assurance Co. Ltd. Ordinary Shares	1,788	5	0			
	£400 Metal Box Co. Ltd. Ordinary Shares	850	0	0			
	£728-5-0 New Investment Co. Ltd. Ordinary Shares	2,165	19	3			
	£56-5-0 Pearl Assurance Co. Ltd. Ordinary Shares	962	9	0			
	£100-0-0 Shell Transport & Trading Co. Ltd. Ordinary 5/- Shares ..	1,889	9	11			
	1,736-0-0 Standard and Chartered Banking Group Ltd. Ordinary Shares	2,635	10	0			
	350 Shares — Shipping Industrial Holdings Ltd 5/- Shares	<u>1,065</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>		14,298	15 5
14,263							
	<i>Deposits, Balance at Bank and Cash in Hand</i>						
	General Account					5,044	17 3
4,344							
<u>£20,765</u>						<u>£21,761</u>	<u>19 7</u>

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

GENERAL PURPOSES

EXPENDITURE

1969			£	s	d	£	s	d
	£							
3,093	To Salaries – Administrative Secretary and Secretarial Staff					3,898	3	4
370	" Editor's Honorarium & Expenses ..					362	13	3
	" Production of Journal (3 issues) ..		2,485	9	3			
	Postages		371	19	6			
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						2,857	8	9
228	" Stationery					716	17	9
	" Rent of Offices							
	Regent's Park		250	0	0			
	Less: Donation from Zoological Society		250	0	0			
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327	" Office and Miscellaneous Expenses					587	13	11
290	" Telephone					338	0	6
27	" Advertising					6	0	0
415	" Postages					526	1	9
23	" Films – Insurance					31	10	0
133	" Accountancy and Audit					90	0	0
26	" Income – Tax/Accountancy Charges & Legal costs					146	15	0
946	" Grants and Subscriptions					1,038	0	0
112	" Secretary's Travelling Allowance ..					138	15	0
	" Secretary's Expenses including Attending Meetings of Survival Service Commission of I.U.C.N. overseas					626	12	11
653	" Office Furniture & Fittings					-	-	-
57	" Conference Expenses					85	12	0
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	£ 9,395					£11,450	4	2
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for the year ended 31st DECEMBER 1970

ACCOUNT

		INCOME						
1969			£	s	d	£	s	d
£								
	By Subscriptions –							
	Arrears	44	46	0	6			
	Current	4,415	6,819	13	3			
	Tax Recoverable on Covenants 1969/70	775	811	4	10			
5,234						7,676	18	7
1,378	” Donations					1,582	3	6
957	” Interest on Investments (Gross)					1,011	2	6
	” Journal – Sales and Advertisements	521				247	8	10
	” Christmas Cards – Sales	1,220	1,438	3	8			
	Less: Cost of Production & Postage	980	1,350	3	9			
240	” Sundry Sales – Net					87	19	11
517	” Films – Handling charges – Net Income		7	19	7	677	17	1
	“Last of the Wild” – Net In- come to date		215	3	0			
			223	2	7			
	Less: Transferred to Film Pur- chases Reserve Fund ..		223	2	7			
	” Balance – Excess of Expenditure over Income carried to Balance Sheet	548				166	13	9
<u>£9,395</u>			<u>£11,450</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>			

REVOLVING FUND ACCOUNT

Period to 31st December 1970

INCOME				£	s	d
Balance at 1st January, 1970	..	..	..			2,875 19 9
Income for year –	..	..	..
World Wildlife Refunds	..	..	..	5,271	0	11
Donations	..	..	..	25	10	0
" Koupfrey project	..	..	..	1,600	0	0
Bank Interest	..	..	..	188	14	0
				7,085 4 11		
				£9,961 4 8		

GRANTS				£	s	d
452	Abuko Reserve – Part payment	..	..	2,600	0	0
583	Koupfrey project	..	..	1,700	0	0
555	S. African Sea Birds	..	..	500	1	3
629	Mountain Gorilla	..	..	349	8	0
538	Aldabra Reserve Station launch	..	..	2,900	0	0
392	Pakistan Wildlife – Land Rover	..	..	333	2	7
496	Somali Wild Ass	..	..	1,000	0	0
638	Crocodile Group, Meeting	..	..	500	0	0
				9,882 11 10		
Balance at 31st December, 1970	..	..	..	78 12 10		
				£9,961 4 8		

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 various funds.

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4th March 1971

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PLEASE USE THIS FORM TO GET A NEW MEMBER



Application for Membership

The Fauna Preservation Society

c/o The Zoological Society of London, Regent's Park, London NW1

Please enrol me as a member of the Society

Name (BLOCK LETTERS) Please state Mr/Mrs/Miss or title

Address

I enclose £ : :
being my subscription as a Life/Benefactor/Ordinary Member.

The minimum subscription for Ordinary Members is £3, US \$7.75, for Benefactors £10, US \$25, payable on January 1st. A Banker's Order saves time, expense and reminders. The value of any subscription is greatly increased if it is paid under a seven-year Deed of Covenant (UK standard-rate income taxpayers only) and this entails no extra cost whatever: write for Covenant forms to the Secretary.

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Life membership fees:

Age: Under 41, £200, US \$485; age 41-60, £150, US \$365; age 61 and over, £75 US \$185.

Banker's Order

Bank

Address of Bank

Please pay for the Credit of The Fauna Preservation Society, Barclays Bank Ltd., Camden Town, London NW1, my subscription of £..... due on 1st January, 19 , and a similar amount on 1st January each year until further notice.

SignatureDate