# Members' Page

#### 75th Anniversary

December 1978 is FPS's 75th anniversary. Details of the events planned to commemorate this will be published in the next *Oryx*.

### Meetings

All FPS events are held in the Meeting Rooms of the Zoological Society. Please order tickets in advance from the FPS; an SAE would be appreciated.

Friday and Saturday, February 10–11, 9.30 am-5 pm: FPS and the Mammal Society will hold a joint symposium on 'Mammal Conservation at Home and Abroad'. Speakers will include Dr R.M. Laws on marine mammals, Dr R.E. Stebbings on rare bats, Dr P. Racey on Seychelles bats, Dr Keith Eltringham on Ugandan elephants, Dr E.E. Cheeseman on badgers and TB, and Jane Thornback on the IUCN Red Data Book on Mammals. Papers on the Scottish wild cat, otters and Asian primates are hoped for. The second day will end with a Chinese film on the giant panda, courtesy of the Chinese Embassy. Registration fee £1.50 (or £1 each day); lunch £3 each day.

Thursday, March 9, 5.30 pm: An Extraordinary General Meeting will be held to introduce a £3 student membership category into Society rules. 6 pm: Philip Wayre will chair a joint meeting of FPS, the Pheasant Trust and the World Pheasant Association. K.C.R. Howman will speak on 'Field Work on Pheasants Overseas', followed by a film, Vanishing Pheasants. After a wine and cheese buffet supper, Dr T.W.I. Lovel will speak on 'Scientific Research on Pheasants in Captivity'. Admission free; supper tickets £2 each in advance from the FPS office.

**Tuesday, April 25, 6 pm:** Dr G.C.L. Bertram, Chairman of the IUCN/SSC Sirenia Specialist Group. will speak on 'Sirenia Today' and show a film on manatees. A wine and cheese buffet supper will be followed by Heinz Sielmann's film on Galapagos. Admission free; supper tickets £2 each in advance from the FPS office.

### 'Oryx' Index

A few extra copies of the index for *Oryx* 1975–76, Volume XIII, are available *in addition* to those ordered by members for bound volumes. There are also a few copies of the index for Volume XII.

### 'Oryx' Back Numbers

Most numbers from Volume VI to XIII are available at 50p (US\$1.20) to members and £1 (US\$2.40) to non-members, including p&p. The following, subject to availability, are sold only to members, at £1: VI; 1. VIII; 2,3,6. IX; 1,3,4,6. X; 3. XII; 5. Copies of Volumes I–V are seldom available, and there is a waiting list. Any copies of the rare issues listed above will be gladly received by the office.

#### Bird Calendars

ICBP 1978 calendars—12 bird prints by Peter Gill—are offered at £1.50 each, of which FPS will benefit by 20 pence. Edward Wright Ltd, 5–7 Palfrey Place, London SE8.

## **Annual General Meeting**

The 1978 Annual General Meeting will be held at 6 pm on June 5, a Zoo open night. The programme will include a guest speaker and a new film. Further details in the next *Oryx*.