

PROGRAMME SECRETARY'S REPORT for 2016

The programme for 2016 consisted of five indoor meetings held at the Natural History Museum in London, one indoor meeting held at Cardiff Museum, ten field meetings and two indoor workshops, as set out below:

Saturday 23rd January 2016: INDOOR MEETING: Demonstrations, exhibits and lecture.

Guest Speaker: Brian Eversham, - 'Climate change and habitat management for invertebrates, with special reference to molluscs'.

Saturday 27th February 2016: INDOOR MEETING: Demonstrations, discussion, exhibits and lecture.

Guest Speaker: Simon Taylor, - 'The marine gastropod family Haliotidae'.

Saturday 9th April 2016: FIELD MEETING (marine and non-marine): Harwich area, Essex.

Organiser: Simon Taylor.

Monday 11th April 2016: FIELD MEETING (non-marine): Little Malvern area, Worcestershire / Herefordshire border.

Organiser: Rosemary Hill.

Saturday 16th April 2016: ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

Speaker: The President, Peter Topley, - 'Martin Lister - pioneer conchologist'.

Saturday 23rd April 2016: FIELD MEETING (non-marine): Brookwood Cemetery & Basingstoke Canal, Woking, Surrey.

Organisers: June Chatfield.

Saturday 18th June 2016: FIELD MEETING (non-marine): High Farm, Wilden, Bedfordshire, MK44 2PX.

Organiser: Peter Topley.

Sunday 3rd July 2016: FIELD MEETING (marine (and non-marine)): Lundy Bay, Cornwall

Organiser: Bas Payne. Joint Bioblitz meeting with National Trust.

Sunday 7th August 2016 : FIELD MEETING (non-marine): Lower Winskill Farm, Settle, North Yorkshire.

Organiser: Terry O'Connor.

Monday 8th August 2016: WORKSHOP MEETING: Leeds Museum Discovery Centre.

Organiser: Terry O'Connor.

Wednesday 10th August 2016: FIELD MEETING (non-marine): Thatcham, Berkshire RG19 3FU.
Organiser: Tom Walker.

Saturday 10th September 2016: FIELD MEETING (non-marine): Aqualate Mere National Nature Reserve , Shropshire.
Organiser: Mags Cousins.

Saturday 17th September –Saturday 24th September, 2016: FIELD MEETING (marine): Plymouth area, Devon.
Organiser: Bas Payne.

Sunday 16th October – Thursday 20th October, 2016: FIELD MEETING (marine): St. VAAST area, Normandy.
Organiser: Jan Light.

Saturday 22nd October 2016: INDOOR MEETING: Demonstrations, exhibits, and lecture.
Guest Speaker: Matt Shardlow. Mollusc Conservation Collaboration Experiences and Prospects – The work of Buglife and the Conchological Society.

Saturday 19th November 2016: REGIONAL INDOOR MEETING: National Museum Wales, Cardiff.
Organisers: Anna Holmes, Harriet Wood, Jen Gallichan and Ben Rowson .

Saturday 26th November 2016: WORKSHOP MEETING : Woking, Surrey.
By kind invitation of Judith Nelson.

Saturday 10th December 2016: INDOOR MEETING: A Christmas miscellany

The Society is grateful to all those who contributed to the above programme, as speakers, field meeting leaders, and meeting and workshop organisers and tutors.

Bas Payne
Hon. Programme Secretary