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Subscriptions

We would like to respectfully remind members that at the beginning of this year the annual subscription rates for Single Local and Overseas Membership were both raised to £25, from £22 and £20 respectively.

Please would members paying at the old rate either increase their Standing Orders or, better still, arrange to pay by Direct Debit. Forms for the latter are available from Candie or will be sent by post on request.

A few of our members are still paying at rates that are woefully out-of-date. We do understand that some of our long-standing members may experience difficulties in submitting the correct amount but Council has regretfully decided that due to high printing and postage costs, these members will no longer receive a copy of the Transactions.

| The current rates are: | Local | Overseas |
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| Single | £25 | £25 |
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| Corporate | £200 | £200 |
| Schools | £20 | £20 |
| Life Membership-single | £300 | £300 |
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Publication of the Transactions 2013

The Annual Report and Transactions for 2013 will be available for collection from Candie on Saturdays from **13th December between 10am and 12noon**. If elected to collect your Transactions then we would appreciate your prompt collection.

President's Report



Jennifer Jee with Past President Jurat David Le Conte – photo courtesy of Pat Costen

We were honoured and delighted to receive the most generous gift of New Naturalist books from Jennifer Jee, in memory of her late husband Past President Nigel Jee, whose collection they were. Jennifer was joined by members of her family at a reception given in her honour by Council.

Past President Jurat David le Conte who knew Nigel well (and was taught by him at Elizabeth College) received the books on behalf of La Société. The books are to be kept in the bookcase seen here in the picture, which was commissioned by Jennifer. It was made by Sark cabinet-maker Charlie Curtis, a college friend of Jennifer and Nigel's son Nic.

The collection has already been augmented by Marine Biology editions which were donated by Diana Curtis in memory of her husband Les last year, and by No.14, the beautiful *The Art of Botanical Illustration*, given the day following the reception by Tim Peet who was present with other Past Presidents.

The books may be borrowed by members once the list has been made available on the website.

Sponsorship

The Conservation Herd

Julia Henney's report on the Conservation Herd can be found elsewhere in this edition but I would like to pay tribute to those who have made everything possible: our sponsors. Mike Meinke raised a phenomenal £5268 by running the Marathon des Sables. This was so significant as it really confirmed to Julia that establishing the herd was possible. The Association of Guernsey Charities awarded £9000 from the Christmas Lottery Fund.

Sure Community Foundation who gave us £2650 to buy the stock and the hurdles

James Colmer designed the Herd's distinctive and attractive logo free of charge.

Condor manager Steve Champion-Smith has agreed to ship over a trailer at the bare minimum cost.

Isabelle Vets have agreed to treat the herd with a 30% discount.

The money has enabled Julia to buy the young steers and most of the equipment needed to transport, feed and secure them. She clearly couldn't have managed this alone and she has been supported throughout by not only her family and friends, but by members of the local farming community, States employees and members of the public who have been generous with their help, advice, and the loan and donation of equipment.

At the top of this list are Carol Allett and Roy Le Poidevin whose farm at Perelle became a second home for Julia from the day that 3 day-old Charles arrived in the back of a Land Rover driven by Sam, their herdsman. Even after the young steers left there, Carol and Roy have made their truck available to transport the herd until our own arrives from the UK and their kindness continues, backed up by an endless supply of the best cups of tea in the parish. I know because I've been fortunate to have some.

Julia met Carol and Roy in good Guernsey fashion because Roy's daughter Jackie works with Julia's mother Sue. It was to Jackie and her husband Kevin's paddock that the young herd first went before moving on to the field belonging to Howard and Jan Roberts, parents of Julia's brother Matthew's friend. In both locations they were nurtured and cared for and we are most grateful.

Grateful too to many others including Nic and Nicky Jee for hay and the offer of a loan of a water tank, and, if all else failed, a fire engine, Tony Falla who made a head collar and taught Julia to handle the calves, Jan Dockerill and Kevin Lesbirel from the States Environment Department, David Chamberlain, the States vet, Andrew Casebow, Agriculture and Environment Adviser, and many more.

Cimetière des Frères

Members of our Archaeology Section have been working in the Brothers' Cemetery for about two years now, renovating the badly damaged tombs. They have reached the stage when they need to cover those tombs where the covers are missing or irreparably damaged, to make them safe. We contacted Annandale. Not only did manager Tim Gilroy come along and measure up and advise on how best to do the work, but the company is giving all the materials free of charge. Our sincere thanks go to the company for their generosity.



Driver Steve and mate Justin deliver materials while Colin Stills waits above to receive them – **photo courtesy of Pat Costen**

The Shows

The Viaër Marchi

A rather steady drizzle and no gazebo meant that our stand, manned by Lawney Martin, Pat Costen, Dorothy and David Le Conte, Kate Lee, David Cranch, Sylvia Brouard and Judy Down wasn't as successful financially as we'd hoped but there was a steady amount of interest in our posters and books. The stars of the show were the Conservation Herd (see Julia Henney's report)

The West Show

Despite poor weather on the second day we cleared over £250 this year. Many thanks to helpers: Dorothy and David Le Conte, Ann Dorey, Mary Simmons, Mike Deane, Judy Down, Jessi Jennings, Tanya Walls, Lawney Martin, Doreen and Bill Gallienne, Audrey and David Dickens, Rachel Rabey and Jane Wilson.



Rachel Rabey and Jane Wilson on a chilly second day - **photo courtesy of Pat Costen**

Obituary

Ken Hill

We were saddened to hear of the death, on Wednesday 7th May, of Ken Hill. He was Secretary of the Philology Section from 1988-92 and the reports he wrote for the Transactions are a delight to read.

He translated and edited the works of Marjorie Ozanne and he was also responsible for organising the placement, by La Société, of a simple headstone on her grave at the cemetery of St Michel du Valle.

Pat Costen

Christmas Lunch 2014

This year's Christmas Lunch will take place on **Sunday 7th December in the Pavilion Restaurant at St Pierre Park Hotel at 12.45pm**. The menu is as follows with any 2 courses priced at £16.50 and 3 courses at £19 a head to include a tip to the staff but excluding drinks.

Multi Choice Christmas Lunch Menu 2014

Ham Hock, Caper & Parsley Terrine,
Bayeux Mustard dressing

Guernsey Brie Fritter, Spiced Pear Compote (v)
Winter Soup of the day with Pavilion bread (v)

Guernsey Chancre Crab Cake with Thai Spiced dressing
Smooth Chicken Liver Parfait
with Red Onion Marmalade, Melba toast

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Traditional Roast Turkey with Trimmings,
Fondant Potato & Vegetables

Sea Bass fillet with Baby Spinach Risotto
Turkey & Ham Pie with Creamy Mash or Fries
Seared Scallops with Chorizo Sausage & Nero Risotto
Salmon & Smoked Haddock Fishcake,
Creamed Leeks, Fries or Salad

Moroccan Tagine of Lamb Shank
with Dauphinoise Potatoes

Goats' Cheese & Beetroot Risotto,
Orange & Walnut Salad (v)

Pork Fillet Medallions, Broccoli,
Torteval Blue Cheese Sauce & Fries

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Homemade Christmas pudding, Brandy Sauce
Hot Festive Sticky Toffee Pudding, Treacle Sauce
White Chocolate & Orange Cheesecake,
Cinnamon Donuts

Warm 'Mince Pie' Tart with Rum Butter Custard
Vanilla Crème Brûlée
with Christmas Pudding Ice Cream
Chocolate Chip Mint 'Arctic Roll'

Torteval Blue Cheese, Guernsey Honey Oatcake, Chutney

If you would like to join us please send your choices along with a cheque payable to La Société Guernesiaise along with the names of those attending to the Secretary Kate Lee by Tuesday 25th November. Please note there will not be a seating plan.

Other Events:

Round Table Christmas Fayre, Beau Sejour, Sunday 16th November, 10am to 4pm. Free Entry

We shall be holding a stall at the Round Table Christmas Fayre and will be selling Christmas cards, a few books, small gifts and a lucky dip so please come along and support us.

Upcoming Talk – Thursday 26th February, Frossard Theatre, Candie at 7.30pm Free Entry

Richard Hocart will give a talk on 'Cattle, Corn and Cider: Agriculture in Guernsey, 1640 to 1840'. This will bring together his research over many years on the development of farming during this two-hundred year period, and will attempt to answer some important questions.

How did such a large rural population survive on such a small landmass? Were our farming predecessors resistant to change, or were they willing to innovate? How did law and custom shape island agriculture?

New Publications

Index to the Island of Sark

Susan Synnott has recently compiled and had published an index to JLV Cachemaille's authoritative book The Island of Sark, which was originally written between 1874 and 1876 and was published in 1928. For any member who has this book and would like a copy of the index it is available free of charge but, of course, a compensatory contribution to La Société Sercquaise funds would be appreciated.

Please contact Mrs Susan Synnott – Tel: 01481 832314 or Email: synnott@cwgsy.net for more details.

Waitrose Token Scheme

We are pleased to report that Waitrose customers donated tokens to the value of £254 to the Colin McCathie Reserve Appeal during April.

In May Council Members were invited to attend a teaparty given by Waitrose together with members of the Guernsey Voluntary Service. A very pleasant afternoon was enjoyed by those who could attend.

Section Reports

Archaeology

In August Guernsey Museum and the Archaeology Section carried out an excavation at Les Tranquesous, this is the site of an Iron Age settlement in fields near Les Prevosts, St Saviours. The site was identified in 1976 and partially excavated shortly afterwards. The hot, dry summer of that year led to the discovery: it was revealed by differential growth in the pasture, the grass growing more strongly over the top of buried ditches and pits cut into the rock and so retaining moisture in their soil fills. Air photographs, taken in 1976, show a large sub-rectangular enclosure with hut circles inside.

This summer was also very dry and crop marks appeared this year too, we used them to survey the ditches running across the field and to inform our choice of excavation site. The trench was 8 x 8 metres and focussed on an area where two smaller ditches appeared to converge on the main enclosure ditch. Excavation revealed a complex situation, with three ditches running into the main one and cutting it, but with only two emerging on the other side. The soil covering the bedrock was relatively shallow, in some places just 25cm deep, so it was not surprising that crop marks form over the ditches which, in the case of the main enclosure ditch, were cut around a metre down into the rock.

The dry conditions made subtle changes in the soils difficult to see, but it appeared that the large enclosure ditch is the earliest feature and the smaller ditches had been cut through it after it had silted up or been back-filled. The area excavated was on the perimeter of the settlement and some distance from the main occupation area. The 1976 excavations included one of at least eight hut circles identified from the air photographs and revealed a dark, charcoal-rich occupation soil containing quantities of pottery. We did not find this occupation layer, but did recover pottery from the ditch fills, this is mostly coarse locally-made types, but there are also finer sherds imported from the near continent. Surprisingly we found quite a large quantity of flint debris, indicating that there had also been Neolithic and Bronze Age occupation on the site.



Les Tranquesous, showing the line of the main enclosure ditch running through the trench and marked by metal posts beyond
– photo courtesy of Philip de Jersey.

The finds have yet to be properly examined and a full report on the excavation will be published in the Transactions. There was a very well-attended public open day and members of the Junior Section also had chance to help out.



Open Day at Les Tranquesous
– Photo courtesy of Jason Monaghan.

The Section is continuing with its project to restore The Brother's Cemetery and recently had a very generous donation of materials from Annandale. This will enable us to make replacements for tombs which have lost or broken lids.

Events

On Tuesday 11th November at 8pm in the Frossard Theatre there will be a lecture by Donovan Hawley - Free Entry.

Donovan is studying flint from a number of Guernsey occupation and flint-chipping sites for a doctorate from Southampton University. The subject of his lecture is 'Life beyond the monuments: what flint tools tell us about prehistoric Guernsey'. In June Donovan came to Guernsey with the Clifton Antiquarian Club and carried out an excavation of the cists at Rouse and also examined a possible new megalithic monument, now below the high tide level, also at Rouse.

Astronomy

The summer months from around May to August are a time when the evenings stay quite light, particularly in June when the sky does not darken until gone 10 o'clock. This is a bit late for telescope viewing, so for part of this period we did some badly needed painting of our shed.

On May 21st the Channel Islands Group of Professional Engineers invited us to a talk they had organized at Cobo Bay Hotel by visiting astronomer Robin Catchpole, entitled Comets and Asteroids. This was a very enjoyable evening and we thank the engineers for it.

On May 26th we staged an 'Open Morning'. Instead of looking at the stars late at night, we instead, using ultra safe equipment looked at the Sun. On this occasion we had invited the company of visiting astronomer James Fradgley who gave us some interesting talks.

The Sun was not as co-operative as it could have been and our equipment to project the Sun's image to a screen had moderate success. But everyone who came seemed to enjoy themselves, with the Guernsey Press paying an excellent tribute to the astronomy section and La Société Guernesiaise.

On July 24th we held the first of our six open evenings, each on a Thursday during the school summer holidays. This is a time when children do not have school the next day, so they can come and bring their parents. The evenings were late, but the fine weather meant clear skies. These evenings were well attended.

The last event of the summer was our barbecue. We hold this very enjoyable event to coincide with the Perseid meteor shower on August 12th when we enjoy the food, then settle down to watch the show. There was moonlight this year which prevented the sky from becoming really dark, but with very few clouds some very spectacular meteors were seen.

We are now looking forward to the autumn and winter with hopefully clear skies. Also to welcome those groups who have booked an evening with us during that time.

Frank Dowding

See the Stars with Large Telescopes

Visitors are welcome at Guernsey's Astronomical Observatory on **Thursday 30th October at 6pm:**

Visitors will be shown how the telescopes operate with viewing if clear and given illustrated talks on space related subjects. Donations are welcomed and assist with running and maintenance costs.

We suggest adults £2 and children £1. The Observatory is in La Rue du Lorier, St Pierre-du-Bois. Perry's Guide reference 21 E3. Parking is usually available at La Houquette School, Rue des Paysans. From the school go 100 yards up the road, then left onto Rue du Lorier, then immediately right, behind a large bunker. The road is dark, so a torch is advisable.

For further information and directions see www.astronomy.org.gg or Call 255215

Botany

Events

Saturday 1st November – Portelet – Walk to Pezeries – 2.15 for 2.30pm. Perry's ref. Page 32 D2.

Saturday 6th December – Lanes Walk – 2.15 for 2.30pm – meet in St Martins, opposite Valpys. Perry's ref. page 30 D2.

All venues provisional. Please refer to the previous month's newsletter for confirmation. **Contacts: Hazel Hill Tel. 244879 or Hazel Gray Tel. 239449**

Members will receive a monthly newsletter, either by post or email. Please send a cheque to Soc. Guernesiaise Botany Section with your details to Jean and Gavin Sampson, The Ferrers, 1 Milton Gardens, Rue Cauchée, St Martin, Guernsey GY4 6NU. Tel: 234430, E-mail: gavsampson@cwgsy.net. Please send your name, address, postcode and telephone number, and your email address if you wish to receive your newsletter that way.

Entomology

Any queries kindly contact: **Rich Austin on Tel: 721915 or E-mail richmond.austin43@gmail.com**

Family History

After having a break the Section Room at Les Vauxbelets is now open on the first Saturday in the month, 10am to noon and Wednesday afternoons, 2pm to 4pm. There is one exception, the College has notified us that there will be no access to the Société facilities at Les Vauxbelets from Monday 20th October to Friday 24th October inclusive.

Events

Wednesday 19th November – Frossard Theatre, Candie at 7.45pm – the talk by Angela Radford has been postponed, please note Ann Messelke will speak instead, her subject is "One Small Suitcase". This will be followed by the AGM.

Any Family History queries should be addressed to The Family History Section, PO Box 314, St Peter Port, Guernsey GY1 3TG.

Geology

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Historic Buildings

Events

Saturday 8th November – Frossard Theatre, Candie at 7.30pm- Staircases and tourelles in medieval houses, and the way they affected the layout of a house.

Saturday 22nd November – Frossard Theatre, Candie at 7.30pm - Tourelles and staircases in post-medieval houses.

Saturday 13th December – Frossard Theatre, Candie at 7.30pm - Gillian Lenfestey will be giving us a talk on Fiefs.

New members or visitors are always welcome to attend, but should contact **John McCormack, the Section's Secretary, on 720303 or e-mail mrjam@cwgsy.net** beforehand, in case of alterations or final instructions. An annual charge of £10 is due at the beginning of the year, payable by those who expect to attend regularly.

La Société Conservation Herd

At the beginning of June this year the four steers of La Société Conservation Herd were moved from their respective farms to a private field at L'Ancrese. For all of the steers who were reared indoors, this was also their first experience of grass.

Their natural instincts are strong however, and they quickly began grazing. Here they also learnt to respect electric fencing in a secure environment, a lesson which is vitally important when they are moved to more open areas of land, with greater public access. From L'Ancrese they were moved to a slightly more open field at Footes Lane, where they were able to become accustomed to noises which they will encounter on La Société land, such as traffic, passing pedestrians and dogs.

On the 13th September, they were moved to their first La Société Nature Reserve - the Bridget Ozanne Orchid fields. They are being enclosed using temporary electric fencing and water is being supplied by pumping from the dourt which runs adjacent to the field, into the water trough. The fields at the site are largely wet un-improved or semi-improved grasslands. Grazing with cattle on sites such as this must be carefully timed, too early and the livestock may damage the delicate orchids still in flower, too late and the weather may become adverse and the land water-logged.

The Shows!

This summer also gave us the opportunity to take Charles and David to shows, which not only gives them experience of public interactions (which are often noisy and may 'spook' cattle which are not accustomed to it) but were also fantastic publicity opportunities. Their first outing was to the Viaër Marchi, where they were enclosed in a small pen and the public were allowed to get up close to them. They were nervous at first, especially with lots of boisterous young children around, but they soon calmed down and towards the end of the fayre they were happily grazing.

A few weeks later, Charles and David were entered into the West Show, where they won 3rd and 4th place respectively in their class. Charles was also walked around the arena for the Young Handlers class.



Charles and David at the Viaër Marchi – photo courtesy of Pat Costen

The Launch

On Saturday 20th September we held a small reception to mark the launch of the herd. This also afforded us an opportunity to publicly thank all our sponsors and supporters. Since the last newsletter Isabelle Vets have offered a discount on all treatments and medicines the cattle may need, and Condor Ferries have kindly offered to sponsor the importing of equipment we are not able to purchase on island.

We have also received a fantastic response from the public and we have now recruited the first members of a team of stock checkers, who will help keep an eye on the cattle and ensure that they are all safe and well.



Pat and Julia with Peter Rose of the Association of Guernsey Charities being photographed by the Guernsey Press at the herd's official launch - photo courtesy of Mike Deane

The Future

Over the next few weeks, they will be moved around the fields at the Bridget Ozanne Orchid fields until the weather turns and they become too wet to graze, at which point they will be moved onto a drier site. Towards the end of the year, when the winter weather prevents them being able to graze any of La Société's delicate Nature Reserves, they will be moved to their layback land – a combination of sites owned by Private individuals and the States of Guernsey Environment Department. The variety of this land will mean that no matter the direction of the harsh weather, they will always be able to be placed on a sheltered field.

If you would like any further information or would like to get involved with the Herd **contact Julia Henney at conservationherd@societe.org.gg or head to our Facebook page.**

Marine Biology

The Marine Biology Section took to the sea on Saturday 27th September; we ventured out to The Humps, Grande Amfroque in particular.



A number of the local resident population of Grey Seals (*Halichoerus grypus*) were visible, sunning themselves on exposed rocks and calmly watching us as we observed them in return. We saw approximately six individuals; three fully hauled out and the rest bobbing about in the water nearby. A number of these were identified as juveniles, distinguishable by their beautiful shimmering mottled brown coats and size.

A very enjoyable section event, and many thanks to section member Dan Courtney who was our Captain for the afternoon. We hope to see the seals again soon!



Photos courtesy of Jessi Jennings

The Section has a number of events going on throughout the year. For more information visit the website, the Facebook page, or e-mail Jessi Jennings marinebiology@societe.org.gg

Ornithology

Our promising Spring delivered and the birds I wrote about in the summer issue indeed enjoyed a good breeding season. As I write the Autumn migration is well underway; already we are seeing swallows and house martins en route for warmer climes, the swifts have long gone.

The 'grapevine' has been busy too—the most exciting finds so far have been a Barred Warbler at Bordeaux, an Icterine Warbler at Grand Pre and at the beginning of August an Aquatic Warbler at Claire Mare. The latter is becoming increasingly rare and endangered through loss of habitat.

It is mostly found in Eastern Poland and winters in West Africa so those who saw it here were very fortunate. It was ringed by Chris Mourant so hopefully we may learn more about where it goes and if it survives its long detour.

Birds of the same species have been seen here before so it might just visit us again.

The Code of Conduct for Birdwatchers and Photographers is now available from its authors, Mike Cunningham on 725368 and Royston Carre on 254624, who were supported and assisted by Jamie Hooper, Vic Froome, Tony Bisson and Judy Down. It gives much information about birds in Guernsey as well as being a code of conduct and is worth a read. The kind sponsors of the publication were Shani and Martyn Torode of Barras Car Centre. It contains some stunning images of birds seen here taken by Mike and Royston. If you watch Countryfile on BBC1 you will have seen Mike's photograph titled 'Blackthorn Blackcap' in the final 12 from 32000 entries for the 2015 calendar. Many congratulations go to Mike from us all.

Members who attended the section barbecue on September 6th had an enjoyable evening while raising funds for the section. These are always needed to help fund maintenance of hides and other projects and initiatives which the section supports. **To learn more join us on the first Thursday of each month at 8pm in the Frossard Lecture Theatre at Candie Gardens.**

Nancy Ogier



Aquatic Warbler – photo courtesy of Chris Mourant

Legacies and donations in lieu of flowers

Members are reminded that it is possible to make La Société a beneficiary of their will. Money or property can be left for general use, or if desired for a specific purpose. They are also reminded that donations in lieu of flowers can be made in memory of members who have died.



Environment Guernsey is the wholly owned company of La Société Guernesaise. • We manage La Société's nature reserves and undertake numerous land management contracts for various States of Guernsey Departments, the National Trust and private individuals. • We also run the Guernsey Biological Records Centre and provide an environmental consultancy service. For all aspects of conservation advice and contracting, please contact us.

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