At the first Committee Meeting after the A.G.M. Mr. A.H.Bowerman was elected as the new Chairman. He has been a member from the foundation of the Society, and a member of the committee since 1969. He has taken an active part in all our meetings and functions, and been a most kindly host on our visits to his garden in Sussex. We know that in his hands, the Society will continue its success.

### From the Secretary:

The outstan ding event without doubt in the Heather Society's summer calendar of events in 1971 was the week-end conference at Grantley Hall Adult College of Education, near Ripon, Yorkshire, August 20/22.

The official account will be in the 1972 Year Book, and in this bulletin the lighter side of the week-end appears in the Members' Forum. But I would like to add a few words of appreciation myself.

In the planning, several members were involved. Mr. Ardron with tireless energy contrived a "full-house" of 60 in residence (of whom only two had to withdraw) with members coming from Scotland, Norfolk, Bucks, Kent and Surrey as well as the normal Northern Group. Of the others, members of the Northern Horticultural Society, four joined the Heather Society before the end of the conference. Others who lived near, came for some of the daily sessions.

We heard with real gratitude how Mr. & Mrs. Abbott of Leeds had made a special journey the previous week to find the best moor within reach for us to enjoy the heathers. They decided on Dallowgill Moor, and when I mentioned to the Warden that night at dinner that we had been on it, he said, dryly,

"You were lucky not to be shot. Dallowgill Moor is the finest grouse-moor in the district." Well, we didn't penetrate far into it, saw most beautiful heather but no grouse and didn't get shot.

It was with regret that we left Grantley Hall soon after lunch on Sunday but there was still Harlow Car to look forward to. We have all followed with interest, and some of us have taken some share in, the Heather Project there. Although the Superintendent, Mr. Geoffrey Smith, was on holiday, it was most fitting that Mr. Russ and Mr. Ritchie of the Recording Team (who had attended many of our sessions at Grantley Hall) should be present. Most fitting too, that it was at the Harlow Car extension to the Heather Carden that the members paid tribute to Mr. Fred Chapple with a presentation to him on his resignation as President. This took the form of a cheque and a fine, stainless steel garden hand-fork and trowel, made in Sheffield: what better gift to one who has planted, and inspired us to plant, so many heathers!

Footnote to the above: At the Brains Trust held on Saturday in the late afternoon one of the members brought for identification a piece of plant he had found on the moor. Mrs. Prew volunteered that it was Bearberry, (black), Arctostaphylos alpinus, but on the way home she began to have doubts, "and flew to my books", as she says. It was Crowberry, Empetrum Nigrum, not of the Ericaceae family but the Empetraceae. She asks me to include "this confession" in the Bulletin.

It so happened that at breakfast the next morning, there was passed round the table a newspaper cutting in which it was stated that the crowberry was proving invasive on Ilkley Moor. This bore out the observation that another member made: on their way, crossing Ilkley Moor "there was no heather in flower".

Is this plant becoming a menace? I now see that it was what Mr. Everett had brought me for identification, he having found "masses of it" on moorland north of Fife. When I reported these incidents to Mr. McClintock who is now President of the Botanical Society of The British Isles, all he said was, "We are not worried. This is not an invasive plant." He added that at one time it had been included among the ericas, so our ignorance was excusable. On Page 37 of the 1967 Year Book Mr. McClintock writes very fully on Empetrum in his article "Other Heathery Plants".

It was the 1967 Year Book you may recall that Mr. Patrick thought so highly of (Mrs. Harper was then the Editor) that he recommended members who hadn't got it to buy it. To encourage the sale of both this one and that of 1969 we have now made the price 33p, not 50, bringing it into line with Mr. McClintock's "Guide to the naming of plants". The supply of these Year Books is limited, but there are plenty of the "Guide".

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS:

A momentous decision was made at our last Committee Meeting. For some time, Mr. Ardron has pointed out the desirability of moving the <u>Annual General Meeting</u> in alternate years, away from London and into our other centres where membership is high.

When only 38 members attended it in May this year, and that on a rather special occasion, the retirement of Sir John Charrington as Chairman, whereas the Grantley Hall Conference attracted 58 in residence and about ten more to occasional sessions or to Harlow Car on the last afternoon, the logic seems irrefutable. The Committee therefore on September 8th. 1971 agreed to the proposal that in alternate years, the Annual General Meeting should be held in London and in the country. It was however pointed out that week-ends at Adult Colleges of Further Education may well not be possible to book under two years. However, we shall proceed with our enquiries, first trying to find somewhere in the Midlands where we have some keen members, and where it would be equally easy for members both from North and South to travel. There is a limit to the time: our Rules state that the A.G.M. must be held "within three months of the end of the Financial Year" which is March 31st. The Audit and preparing the Balance Sheet takes about three weeks, so the last week in April is the earliest possible time.

# Visits to Gardens: the "Starring" system.

This Bulletin is our last opportunity before we get on with producing the 1972 Year Book to review our policy over Membership Lists. First, ignore my unpopular warning that we might have to drop them from the Year Book! We shall keep them on: as has been pointed out by many, how else can we keep in touch with one another?

But we should like to have them correct. I find that titles are sometimes omitted, that some members are nurserymen and I didn't know, that some nurserymen are wholesale only and are bothered by visits from members hoping to buy retail. For the latter, the "double dagger" sign will be used for wholesalers where I know. So, if you have been listed or named wrongly, please let me know by November 30th. This includes any who would like their gardens denoted by a "star", if it is not already done.

### Visits among small groups:

Sad to say, no one has phoned Mr. London (now Code 0603, 867141) as invited to do in Bulletin No.13. But we do not give up hope: we found enthusiastic support for such informal visits while the ladies were talking together after tea at the Crown Hotel in Amersham. What Mr. London is willing to do for his part of Norfolk, Mr. & Mrs. Geoffrey Mitchell are willing

to do for their part of Bucks. I heard a rumour that Mr. & Mrs. Read of Northwood, Middx. are

similarly willing to let members see their garden.

Furthermore, a most encouraging response has come from Scotland, following my visit there in June. True, it is not at this time of the year a garden visit, but Mrs.Bezzant and Mrs.Hughes of Bearsden, Glasgow are inviting members to meet on November 11th. for an evening of slides and naturally, talk! When those members who are within reach receive, their invitations, do try to accept. Most of you are just names on a list at present, and Mrs.Bezzant cannot know whether you can manage it, but if it is at all possible, do give her your support. I who met her, can say that she is young and most enthusiastic.

### Other Scottish News

Mr. A D. McFarlane whom many of us met at Grantley Hall, sends a list of Lectures he is giving:

5.10.71 Ayr Gardening Club

11.11.71 Bridge of Weir Horticultural Society (clashes with Mrs. Bezzant's)

17.11.71 Largs Horticultural Society

21.3.72 Stevenston Horticultural Society

We would welcome more such news of lectures!

We are pleased to say that the Scottish Rock Garden Club has sought reciprocal publicity with us as they have with the American Rock Garden Club. We have members in both! The Secretary is Mrs.Boyd -Harvey whose address is in the list of new members (see page

### Feeding/Pruning Research: From the Editor

We were much encouraged by the response we got last year in our Questions and Answers about our members' past experiences in their heather gardens. Those answers were given in time to include in the next Year Book. We now have another suggestion, but it will be spread over one or more years.

The idea was sparked off by Mr. London's report of last year's <u>Calluna</u> competition when he spoke with admiration of foot-long sprays of 'H.E. Beale'. Mr.Crabbie could not agree (see From your

letters) and would like members to carry out tests on pruning and feeding.

Members who agree to take part, it is suggested, should plant <u>four similar plants</u>, one allowed to grow naturally, two fed with different fertilisers and pruned, the fourth pruned in two stages, one half each year, with or without fertiliser.

Before we began the Bulletins we had a system of sending out what we called Enquiry Letters. Very few members took advantage of the service and we found that Members' Forum took its place. With a little adaptation those forms could be used. Those who would like to participate please send to the Secretary a s.a.e. for one of them.

One more reminder: any material you would like considered for the 1972 Year Book must reach me by November 30th.

P.S. Patrick

#### HEATHERS: the Harlow Car Project.

Five years ago, almost to the day, in a two acre field along the eastern boundary of Harlow Car, a wagon tipped the first of the four hundred tons of stone which two Ukranians and myself were expected to build into a rock garden. The two mud stained wagon drivers, on being informed of the projected scheme, departed with a cryptically expressive reflection on our sanity.

Looking at some of the boulders, over 5 tons in weight, then at our primitive, home made, sheer legs I can only conclude, now the site is completed, the age of miracles is not past. Imagine our feelings two grime bespattered, blood blistered, years later, when the Heather Society suggested filling up the near completed outcrops with a collection of plants, not carefully selected by us, but culled from gardens scattered all over the British Isles. That the co-operation has been singularly free from incident is due entirely to the enthusiasm of Mr. Russ and his recording team. I finally accepted the inevitable one miserable February day on discovering Mr. Russ, practically paralysed with cold, looking for two plants of Calluna yulgaris 'Humpty Dumpty' lost in transit from the nursery.

Having watched the meticulous attention to detail, the recording and checking of names done by the group members, in particular Mr. Russ, I have some small conception of the hours devoted to what is, after all, voluntary work.

Judging by the comments made direct, or overheard from visitors to the garden, the Heather

project is launched, but more important doing work which even in my most optimistic moments I

expected would take five years.

Last Monday, September 20th, saw the co-operation carried a stage further. Mr. Russ assisted by four ladies pegged out the field, sorted the plants into groups so that in four hours we, the staff of Harlow Car, could plant up the new 'museum' of Heather varieties. Yesterday September 23rd and today Mr. Russ has been busy checking that each plant is indeed correctly labelled, and in the right station.

The vigour of a Society is only to be measured by the quality of the working members; the

Heather Society achieves an enviable standard in this area.

Geoffrey Smith

## The Autumn Display, Sept. 7/8. in the R.H.S. Hall.

As usual, Proudley's Nursery put on a magnificent display for the Heather Society with thirty four different cultivars which won a well-deserved Banksian Silver Medal.

Of particular interest and on display for the first time was E.cin. 'Constance', a gold sport

found in their nursery on 'P.S. Patrick' and named in honour of our Secretary, Mrs. MacLeod.

A new E terminalis, 'Thelma Woolner' a much deeper pink with larger blooms that the type aroused much interest as did a very large specimen of Cal.v. 'Velvet Dome'.

In all a very good display which gained approval from all who saw it.

### The Heather Competition

64 entries were on display and helped considerably to arouse interest in heathers from remarks

overheard.

E. vagans, 1 vase, 8 entries Class 1.

1. Mrs. Potter, with Mrs. D. F. Maxwell'

2. Mrs. V. Proudley, 'Lilacina'

as class 2, 1 vase, 8 entries Class 3.

1. Mrs. V. Proudley, 'Ralph Purnell'

2. Mrs. Potter, 'C.W.Nix'

3. Sir John Charrington, 'Kynance' H.C. Mr.B.G. London, 'Underwoodii'

As class 4, 1 vase. 6 entries Class 5

1. Mrs. Potter, 'County Wicklow' (incorrect: 'Elsie Purnell.'

2.. Mr.D. Clayton-Stamm, 'Peter Sparkes'

3. Sir John Charrington, 'J. H. Hamilton'

as class 6, 1 vase. 4 entries

1. Mrs. A. Potter 'Serlei'

2. Mrs. V. Proudley, 'Alba Plena'

Daboecia, any species, hybrid or Class 9 cultivar, 1 vase. 8 entries.

1. Mrs. V. Proudley, 'Pink'

2. Mr.D. McClintock, 'Praegerae'

3. Mrs. V. Proudley, 'Atropurpurea'

Class 2. Cal. v., single, coloured 1 plant. 9 entries

1. Mrs. Godbolt, 'Mrs. Ronald Gray'

2. Mrs. V. Proudley, 'Darkness'

3. Mr.B.G.London, 'Gold Flame'

4. Mrs. V. Proudley, 'Sister Anne' H.C. Mr.A. Taylor, 'Golden Carpet'

Class 4. Cal.v., double, coloured, 1 plant. 7 entries

1. The Welcome Foundation, 'J.H. Hamilton'

2. Mr.B.G.London, 'Elsie Purnell'

3. Mr.J.W.Baker, 'Peter Sparkes'

Class 6. Cal.v. white, single or double, 1 plant. 4 entries.

1. Mrs. Potter, "Serlei"

2. Mrs. V. Proudley, 'Alba Plena'

3. Mr. B. G. London, 'Beoley Gold'

Class 8 E. cinerea, any cultivar, 1 vase. 5 entries.

1. Mr. A. Taylor, 'P.S. Patrick'

2. Mr.D. Clayton-Stamm, 'Clevennes'

3. Mrs. V. Proudley, 'Domino'

Class 10. Any Heather not specified above, 1 plant or vase. 5 entries.

1. Mr.D.McClintock, E.Tetralix 'Hookstone Pink'
2. Mrs.V.Proudley, E.ciliaris 'Mrs.C.H.Gill'
3. Mrs. V.Proudley, "" 'Corfe Castle'.

B.G. London

The Loan of Past Year Books

We had eight sets of the Year Books 1963-1966 bound together to lend to our new members, who had joined too late to get the early copies for themselves. Four sets were sent to the Northern Group organiser, Mr Ardron, who has valiantly coped with Groups 3, 4 and 5. I kept the remaining four in the South, to lend to all the rest of the Groups. It must be said that for a long time, I had few calls from our southerners, whereas Mr. Ardron could not keep up with the demand. He has in fact told me that he has a waiting-list for six months ahead, and knowing that there was less pressure on my copies, he asked if I could meet his overflow. Well, I'll do my best, but our newer members are showing more interest. At the moment all mine are out, but I have only one actual booking. This then is the warning: if you want to borrow the bound copies, it is no use asking Mr. Ardron: book with me, and it will be a case of 'first booked, first sent', whichever Group you are in.  $9\frac{1}{2}$ p. postage please!

I have also had the 1967-1971 sets bound, as before, 8 of them. But we shan't let them go out on loan until we have sold the balance of our 1967 and 1969 copies. We have reduced the price of these from 50p. to 33p, as mentioned in the footnote to my report on Grantley Hall.

It has long been evident that we ought to have an <u>Index</u> prepared of our Year Books and to a lesser extent, of our Bulletins. Is there a member with time on his hands who would like to undertake this? Can I dangle the carrot of lending a complete set to such a person for a longer time than the usual fortnight we specify?

Slide Library

I am most grateful to Slide Borrowers who have obviously noted my remarks in an earlier Bulletin. This year, "finger-printing" has varied from "all clear" to a maximum of seven slides in a 100-Box. This compares with 10 to 70 in my first year. While I still, as a routine, check all slides on return, the saving in time is considerable and I am most appreciative. Thank you.

H.C. Prew.

# MEMBERS' FORUM

Impressions of Grantley.

We arrived at Grantley intact despite the forebodings of our passenger who had vast experience of these escapades. The Hall is a quiet and beautiful place highly suited in its seclusion for our conference.

The initial 'running in' was somewhat hilarious, many of us getting decidely 'off course' in the huge building. Members were meeting old friends and making new ones and the atmosphere was extremely friendly. The scent of heather became at times intoxicating: we therefore adjourned to the garden and communed with the statuary. Bacchus we liked. He winked at us, we winked back at him: we seemed to understand one another. Later, after dinner, a lad from the heights above Sheffield showed us some splendid slides of heather, both far afield and in his own garden which seemed to overflow on to the adjoining lane, much to the delight of the canine and feline residents.

The following morning was the turn of the practical members to demonstrate their skill. A genial young fellow from Norfolk with a very famous name was experienced in growing heathers on either chalk or sand. He gave us a great deal of sound advice but one of his ways was new to us. He could make a cake of heathers set sloping in a box. Now all the cakes we know have horizontal fillings. We intend to try this one.

Next came a member with engineering skill: another Sheffield blade. Now here was a man who could apply his mechanics: do you know he could make it <u>rain</u> when and how he liked, a useful practice in a land like Britain. To see his trays of heather cuttings made us think they rolled off a carpet machine.

Last came a chap with soil on his shoes, really down to earth he was from somewhere in the Lakeland Fells. He mixes heather with jam. His poor wife tells of never having a jar in the house, so great is his collecting craze. All her fruit is wasted, she buys her jam, she fears the future for now her spouse turns the wasting fruit to wine.

The afternoon this day was spent amidst the heather. Some members gathered minute sprays hoping to make their names. This we should not repeat, but one lady's feet were so hot with

tramping she damped them in a puddle, but the worst offender was the man whose trousers were ruined with kneeling among the heather, or so his lady said. Now all this time from the far south a lady of the clan was recruiting hard and fast -- -- -- (here the lady expostulates: she did no such thing). How many members she gained we do not know, but we are sure the list will steadily grow. We also had this afternoon to trust our brains or so it was said, and worst of all, to talk on them. Now having little brain to trust, we are afraid our thoughts were mostly on dinner.

This night again other slides were shown of heaths both beautiful and rare, from both east

and west. They made a splendid show.

The third day came and now we had a new approach from N.W.Wales where so they say, the Isle of Druids was pushed into the sea. A man of skill and brawn explained how he had made an Eden from the rocks and clay. Again our lad from Sheffield's heights was not to be outdone. He had made a garden through the years with little soil or dung.

After lunch we had a run with the harriers. Up hill and down dale we kept those lads in sight. Once lost amongst their lanes we should have been in a sorry plight. And so to Harlow Car, where a halt was called with views of heather beds that were new and pots and pots of strong young plants waiting

to fill the vacant plots.

From Mona's Isle had flown a modest and kindly man. Three legs were not enough for him, so faster he must come. We knew he had worn out his tools scratching among the rocks of his Isle so we gave him a new set, and when these are done, we'll do the same again.

By now we had spent three days in Yorkshire and feeling de-hydrated thought it best to return like the fish to our natural element.

We thank you, one and all for a week-end we shall never forget. I.R.T.

(Mr. Tyson's jam-jar technique is described in the 1970 Year Book. Sec.)

### A Day Out, North of the Thames

When the 25 of us arrived in Windsor Great Park at the Saville Gardens entrance on Sept. 4, we were most kindly received by Mr.J.D.Bond, Keeper of the Valley Gardens which take in the Heather Garden, and his foreman, Mr.Musson. We were spared the long walk which most of us faced on our former visit because Mr.Bond unlocked a special gate in the Car Park, enabling us to drive right to the heather gardens. Cries of delight greeted the first view of the wide approaches to the gardens, the short, springy turf allowing "heather paths" such as we dream of but seldom achieve, with callunas flowering at not more than 2 or 3 inches height from the ground.

The appearance of these heather gardens is well known to most of us from the frequent colour pictures that have been taken of them, or from our visits there. To those who do not know them, we point out the naturalness of the setting, in former gravel pits. With no elaborate rockeries, the contours have been formed entirely by the extent of the gravel diggings. No pruning is done. We learnt that it is no use trying to rejuvenate a <u>Culluna</u>. All the other species will come again if cut back, but an old <u>Calluna</u> never. Root it out and replant <u>without</u> adding more soil. "Foreign" soil will lack the necessary mycorrhiza. Mr. Bond was unhappy about one bed which had held C.v.'H.E. Beale'. All had died and efforts to re-stock the bed had failed. Was this another case of Phytophthera cinnamomi, we wondered.

After spending about an hour and a half in the heather gardens, and after Mr. Bowerman had thanked Mr. Bond and Mr. Musson for making our visit so interesting, we returned to the car park for a picnic lunch before setting off just after 2 p.m for Amersham. As we had Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Stow to pilot us, we did not need the careful instructions that Sir Frank Morgan had given us. We hope that they were made use of by the other section of the party. These had reached Hyde Heath Farm before we did. This was the first time a garden visit had been arranged for North of the Thames and we were most grateful to Sir Frank and Lady Morgan for inviting us.

The 36 of us gathered on the terrace in front of the house while Sir Frank gave us the story of how he had made the heather garden in what had been the tennis-court: <a href="half">half</a> a tennis-court, he said, the rest of it having become lawns. He had been successful in taking cuttings when he first began, thus furnishing the garden economically. He also grows a delightful selection of Asiatic gentians, some of which

were in flower.

Even the most dedicated heather gardener can appreciate other plants, so it was not surprising to see people drifting over to the herbaceous beds. There Sir Frank's gardener gave a demonstration of lawn cutting, riding on a small powered machine. Some of our mechanically minded members, men I need hardly say, began to show more interest in the machine than in the garden, and with difficulty were rounded up to go to tea. This Sir Frank (and Mrs. Mitchell) had arranged for at the lovely old inn, The Crown. With great courtesy, Sir Frank joined us for tea, which was set out in the most attractive barparlour, old beams adding to its charm.

Thus for most of us, ended a very enjoyable day. For myself and my escorts the Turners, there still remained a visit to the fine garden of Mr. & Mrs. Mitchell at Chalfont St. Giles. This is one of the gardens which will be "starred" in the next Year Book, indicating the Mitchell's willingness to let members see it. C.I.M.

### YOUR LETTERS

From Mr. B. C. F. Reynolds, Woking, Surrey

I am only too sorry that I did not join the Heather Society sooner when the practical demonstra tions of propagation, according to references in the Year Books of the 60's seemed to be a feature of visits to members' gardens. I appreciate that the vast majority of the members now have this skill at their finger tips, but what an encouragement to the new members if a demonstration could be arranged, say once every other year. And how valuable a guide, however brief, on propagation if a photocopied sheet could be presented (or sold!) to each newly enrolled member.

(Yes indeed, a most useful afternoon was spent in the garden of Mr. H. C. Ellis in 1965, and again the next year at Miss Ryan's. In the former case, members brought their own cutting material which was exchanged with one another's, a trowel and a flower pot or seed-box. Mr. Ellis provided sand and peat. We will see what we can do again.)

From Mr. J. H. Lynn, Co. Antrim, N. Ireland

Perhaps some of the more experienced members of the Society could guide me on the use of raw seaweed, i.e. straight from the sea to mulch heath beds. My soil is heavy clay, inclined to be limey, but fortunately I am able to get unlimited quantities of peat from a local bog (£3 for a 5-ton load), and the net result is I have raised all my beds with anything up to 6 to 8 inches of peat. Would a top dressing of seaweed be beneficial, particularly if it is put on straight from the sea? Mr. Patrick has had three letters from Mr. D. Crabbie of Peebleshire who thinks "spikes one foot long on H.E. Beale most unnatural, comparable to dahlias twelve inches across, carrots three feet long and deformities in prize dogs." He would like members to carry out tests on pruning and feeding, questions to be asked in this bulletin and answers published in a Year Book.

(In another section of this bulletin, Mr. Patrick suggests how this might be done.)

A letter from Mr, Harold Copeland of Chatham, Massachusetts to Mr, Patrick

"You are held in such esteem that I would never reduce correspondence with you to a strict

exchange, writing only when I "owed" a letter.

This has proven the most disastrous year in the Erica bed experienced in the 16 years we have been here. Last winter we had an 80 miles per hour wind for 2 days with temp. at 50Fahrenheit. It killed half of our E. cinereas and Daboecias. This spring we put in new plants and a drought of 21/2 months has pretty well destroyed these. It is an impossibility with our acreage to keep things properly watered. Oh well, another year is coming and all will be well. Yes, we believe that the application of lime helped the carneas; certainly it didn't harm them any.

Glad you saw Pamela Harper again. In herself she is a prize package and she has proven most

gracious and helpful and generous.

My birthday, 75th, is Sept.21st. The head of the cardiac division in one of this country's foremost hospitals told me he was especially interested in my case because for 30 years there was every

reason why I could not live.

It is always a joy to hear from you. What a time we could have together exchanging experiences"

From Mr. Lionel R. Woolner, Devon.

I am glad to know that the dark-flowered terminalis is now available. You will have noticed that it throws out a great deal more growth from the base and makes a more compact plant than the type. I have some four-year-old plants which hold themselves quite firmly instead of falling about as a result

of the top-heaviness of the stems. For the record, the original cuttings were taken in September 1967 from plants in a small colony in a stony valley at 3000ft. on Monte Arqueri in the Gennargentu Mountains in Central Sardinia. All the plants in the colony were dark-flowered in various degrees but the plant from which the cuttings were taken was the darkest. I know Sardinia quite well but have found only a few small colonies of terminalis.

## NEW MEMBERS. July 17 - September 30

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