From the Secretary
Doubtless we are all now counting the cost of the prolonged drought and high temperatures of the past season. Losses have varied I recently saw a garden where $E$. vagans had come off unscathed, while carneas, cinereas and callunas had died. In my own case it was mostly young plants put out in early spring which died, not having established their roots, and the very old plants, due to be demolished anyway.

The Autumn bulletin always offers scope for reviewing what we have done during the year. There are certain high-lights, and the excellent stand on September 7 th at the RHS London, put on by our new nursery-proprietors Mr. and Mrs. David Small (with the keen support of young Ian?) won high praise. For the first time Cape Heaths featured in the exhibit and brought a touch of brilliant colour to the gentler shades of the temperate cultivars. The display earned a well-deserved Silver Banksian medal. Shortly before, the Conference in Snowdonia based at the Study Centre, Tan y Bwlch, was enjoyed greatly, especially as Mr. Arthur Jones, a member of our Society is the gardener there and had done his utmost to welcome us by providing a little sink-garden of heathers at the entrance. The events of the Conference will be described in the 1977 Year Book, which also will contain a Report on the Annual General Meeting. Interspersed among these main events, the garden visits gave great pleasure to many, but we still wish we had more groups. The latest is the Farther West Group under Mr. Roy Maltby, catering for Devon \& Cornwall too far from the Somerset centre to have been able to participate before. Membership. I cannot write for long before the Membership question must come to the fore. We must be thankful for the many who have stayed with us throughout the years, who pay their subscriptions regularly and have sent back their new 1977 Bankers Orders promptly, without need of reminders. Some of you who negotiated bankers orders in the past may not realise WHY we are asking you to take out a new one for 1977 NOW. The time has come when we must tell you that our present Treasurer Mr. Roy Turner has not sought re-election, and is in fact only functioning in a "caretaker" capacity until we can find a replacement. With his keen sense of duty he does not want to leave his task unfinished for someone else to take on. So PLEASE fill in the 1977 Bankers Orders which I am sending again to all pre1977 holders, plus any more of you who would prefer that method of payment if you will let me know. For the non-Bankers Order members a re-application form for 1977 is being sent. We ask for early payment so that your names can be included in the full Membership Lists promised for 1977.

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR: THE FINAL DATE FOR THE 1977 YEAR BOOK CONTRIBUTIONS is NOVEMBER 23rd.

## THE 1976 PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION RESULTS 10 Entries 60 Slides

 Prize Winners:Class 1: Mrs. M. M. Woods, Larchwood, Hadlow Down, Uckfield,Sussex.
Class 2: Mr. J. P. Ardron, Fulwood Heights, Harrison Lane, Sheffield。
Class 3: Mr. J. P. Ardron.
Class 4: Mr. B. G. London, 6 Roedich Drive, Taverham, Norwich.
Special Award: Mr. M.B. Sender, 12 Hodgson Crescent, Leeds.
48 of the Slides have been forwarded to The Slide Librarian, to be considered for inclusion in the Slide Library.
NOTE: We are most grateful to Mr. Fulcher and his judges for undertaking both the 1976 Competition and the one we now announce:

## THE HEATHER SOCIETY

## PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION NO. 2.

Entries should be submitted not later than June 301977.
The judging will be by independent persons, one for the photographic skill and another for heather quality, the results to be announced in the Autumn Bulletin.

The competition will be for three classes:-
A. General view of a Heather garden.
B. Heathers in the wild.
C. Close-up of a Heather spray, or a Heather flower, or a close-up of something concerning Heather.
NOTE.
In Class A competitors are asked to state whether the garden is their own, if not, whose.

In Class $B$ the location must be given.
In Class C any information regarding the subject matter for the assistance of the judges.

Each competitor may select three transparencies for each class, remembering that they should be clear, sharp, accurate in colour and good composition, and must be their own composition but not necessarily their own processing.

They should be correctly spotted (on top right hand corner as inserted in the projector), the slide to be marked with Class letter ( $\mathrm{A}, \mathrm{B}$, or C ) together with name and address of author.

ENTRY FORMS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM:-
H. J. FULCHER, 30 Mousehold Lane, NORWICH.

Entrance fee - 10p. for each class to defray expenses of competition.

THE 1977 CONFERENCE WITH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.
This has been arranged for September $16 / 18,1977$, to be held at NORWICH UNIVERSITY RESIDENCES, Fifer's Lane, Norwich NR6 6DA.

The cost has been calculated with $8 \%$ VAT and $5 \%$ Service Charge at £l6 from Friday night to Sunday afternoon. Those wishing to remain over until Monday after breakfast will be charged an extra £6.24.

The half-day coach trip, 52 seater at present is priced at $£ 25$. As some members may not wish to go by coach, the fare will be taken on the journey, plus the driver's tip.

Mr. B. G. London, who has made the arrangements will kindly take the bookings for which a booking fee of 50 p will be required, for postage and programme.

It is more convenient for the 50 p to be sent when you apply to to Mr. B.G. London, 6, Roedich Drive, Taverham, Norwich NR8 6RB, and NOT included in your cheque for the week-end residence. Stamps or postal orders would be acceptable. Thirty double rooms and sufficient single ones are available.

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## HEATHER REGISTRATION

After long delays, we do now have the printed copies of the Registration forms and of the exploratory leaflet. These set out the details useful in telling one cultivar from another.

The first set has been duly completed by Mr. A. W. Cadman of Woodside Nursery, Inverness, and his Erica cinerea 'Novar' has the distinction of being the first plant to be fully and formally recorded He has the copy of his form back duly countersigned and the formal certificate as evidence. He describes the colour as soft lavender, but adds that colour is notoriously difficult to describe: in fact its colour is similar to milk mixed with bilberry juice. I hope soon to get fresh flowers I can match with the RHS Colour Chart.

I have had other requests in recent years to register plants, but have been unable to do more than make a note of the names, to ensure at least that they were not used elsewhere. So will those with unregistered cultivars please now write to me for forms, so the names and particulars can be fully and formally recorded. A charge of $£ 1$ is made for the Registration.
Bracken Hill, Platt, Kent TN15 8JH
DAVID McCLINTOCK
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From THE DISTRIBUTION and SALES MANAGER
A fascinating few months since $I$ was elevated to this imposing sounding office, my outstanding impressions are of the tremendous amount of steady publicity for Heathers going on amongst groups and individuals and the enthusiasm among our members and specialist growers.

The give-away leaflets (pamphlets) are getting well distributed. The most effective will be the ones in your pockets and handbags. Use them as an introduction to the Society, tell your friends, point to the leaflet, offer them an Application form with or without a Bankers Order, take the money off them and send it with the filled-in form yourself to Mrs.MacLeod. I am sure your friends are worth the cost of your stamp.

You will find on the last page of this Bulletin details of our Sales Service. Most groups now have a supply of the badges to sell at their meetings, but if your group has not yet had a supply phone me one evening (you can still have two minutes for less than a stamp) 0533 415535. I am nearly always at home for an hour after $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

DES OLIVER.
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## DIARY OF EVENTS.

1976
NOVEMBER 23rd: Last date for YEAR BOOK CONTRIBUTIONS to the Editor. November 25: Sheffield \& Dist: Friends Meeting House, Hartshead, $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ November 26: West Midlands,Friends Meeting House, Birmingham 7.15 p.m. November 27: Mid-Southern, Friends Meeting House, Dorking 3.00 p.m. December 16: Norfolk Branch, Social Evening, Taverham Village Hall 7.30 p.m.

## 1977

January Farther West (date to be arranged)Exeter University Gardens (provisional)
January 20: Sheffield \& Dist.Friends Meeting House,Hartshead, 7.30 p.m. February 15: RHS Winter Heath competitions.
February 26: West Midlands Social Evening (see Group news).
March 19: Mid-Southern, Valley \& Saville Gardens, Windsor, 11 a.m.
March 17: Sheffield \& Dist, as above,
March l0: Norfolk Branch, Taverham Village Hall, $7.30 \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{m}$.
May 22:
May 22:

July - :
August 13:

Sept. 6/7th RHS Heather Competitions.
Sept. 16/18 Conference \& A.G.M., Norwich.

## MIDEANDS GROUP VISITS

(1) On Sunday, 23rd May, the 30 members who attended the Midlands Group visit to Leicester, having travelled from as far afield as Stoke-on-Trent and Barnet, were well rewarded by a most interesting tour of the Botanic Gardens of the University of Leicester.

The Party was fortunate in having for its guide Mr. Philip Brown, the Botanist for the University, who was able to enlarge upon the interesting features of the many rare and unusual plants which the Gardens contained. Although not the main feature of the Gardens, two large heather beds attracted our attention - one a well established bed, the other a new one in the process of planting.

The enjoyment of the afternoon was completed by the hospitality of Mr . D. B. Oliver, who invited the party to his home in Valentine Road for a very welcome cup of tea and to see his own heather garderi. Here is an excellent example of how a small garden can be laid out with an interesting collection of heathers, shrubs and conifers to produce a delightful effect.

It was intriguing to discover that the care in labelling plants had been extended to the tea table where the wonderful array of homemade cakes, made by Mr. Oliver himself, were also labelled with their latin names.
(2) On Saturday llth September Group 5 met in Mrs. Benson's delightful garden and heather nursery on a glorious hillside near Craven Arms in Shropshire. Mr. and Mrs. Benson kindly provided coffee for the picnic lunches before th party of 28 moved on to another most beautiful garden at Walls Bank, Church Stretton, where we met Mr. and Mrs, Knight. Thence on to Woolstaston Hall, Leebotwood and Mrs. A.W. Holmes' garden which again was full of interest. When we went indoors to shelter from the rain and talk about the drought Mrs. Holmes generously refreshed us with tea. But the lovely rain in no way dampened our enthusiasm for those three splendid gardens.
Two dates for your diary (1) On Friday 26 th November Group 5 invites all interested members of the Society to a meeting in Friends Meeting House, Bull Street, Birmingham at 7.15 for $7.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. when Peter Hutchinson NDH. Horticultural Lecturer of Brooksby Agricultural College, Leicester, will talk about 'Propagation of heathers and other ericaceous plants'. This will be illustrated by live material and some excellent slides.
(2) For their first purely SOCIAL EVENING Group 5 are gathering on Saturday 26 th February at 7.30 p.m. at the home of David and Rosemary Radley, 7 Ashley Close, Norton, Stourbridge, for an informal supper. If you wish to join in please let Mr.\& Mrs. Radley know and
send them a stamped addressed envelope before 10th February and they will let you have instructions for getting there.

## H. Street

## NORFOLK BRANCH

5.6.'76. A visit to Denbeigh Nurseries, proprietors Mr. and Mrs. David Small, where the most interesting things were the recently planted heather beds particularly one with about thirty Southern Africa Erica species to see how they stand the Suffolk climate out of doors.
17.6.'76. A well-attended meeting at Taverham Village Hall, when Neil Brummage gave an illustrated talk on the transformation of rough woodland into Heathwoods Heather Nursery, with 8 years of arduous toil, besides trying to raise plants for sale. 25.7.'76. Ten members toured the Breckland area under the guidance of Mr. C. Lawrence, visiting East Wretham Heath Nature Reserve where the Warden Capt. P.B. Marriott gave a talk on its history, showing us three of the meres, the ancient flint mines Grime's Graves and other places of interest. The five-hour tour finished at the home of Mr and Mrs. Lawrence at Attleborough, where we enjoyed a very tasty tea.
4.9.'76. A few members took advantage of Mr. Adrian Bloom's suggestion that we visit him when both the public and his private gardens were open on September 4th. There by shouting out his name to a group of people buying heathers I found Mr.McLaughlan and his wife of Co. Tyrone who had visited our home and left a note saying they would be there. They are moving house shortly and were looking for ideas to design their new garden. In Mr. Adrian Bloom's garden was the new Calluna 'My Dream' we saw at the Conference planted against a background of 'H.E.Beale' from which it was a white sport. 16.9.'76. Just over 30 members attended our A.G.M. on Thursday 16 th September. In view of next year's Conference being held in Norfolk Mr. J.A. Marshall expressed a wish to stand down and Mr. B.G. London was elected Chairman in his place with our industrious Secretary Mr. H. Fulcher. Mr. H. Wood who has travelled South Africa extensively in search of Ericas showed some beautiful slides of various species and described their habitat. Funds were increased by a raffle and the sale of Ericas brought by Mr. David Small. 18.9.'76. On Saturday, September 18th, Messrs. London, North and their wives staged and manned a Display of Heathers at Hellesdon Hospital with cut flowers from their gardens and plants supplied by Neil Brummage. More interest was shown this year and plants and Pocket Guides were sold. Again, though the entertaining programme was read out at the meeting on September 16 th we saw no other members there.
Our Group Social evening will take place at Taverham Village Hall
on Thursday, 16 th December at 7.30 p.m. Bring own sherry glasses. Next Group meeting, Thursday, March loth 1977.

## B. G. LONDON .

## THE FARTHER WEST GROUP

The get-together of 22 members with 14 apologies at Dartington on July 16 th went off very well thanks to Terry Underhill. He took us on a short tour of the gardens then to see his stock plants and propagating house, chatting all the time, informally, relaxedly. Questions were asked and answered. Finally, there was a cup of tea and a biscuit!

It was agreed that we were interested in meeting occasionally, maybe twice or three times in a year for some similar "occasion". The future might hold a visit to Exeter University Gardens, to a group of members' gardens in this vicinity, to the Dorset heaths near Postbridge, at Soussons Down (where in 1973 the Society saw the only known stand of E.ciliaris in Devon, on the Forestry Commission's Ground, note by C.I.M.)

The idea of swopping cuttings and plants was generally wellreceived and encouraged by Terry Underhill.

I shall probably be the one to spark off the next operation, maybe when the carneas are in flower.

ROY MALTBY, Okehampton. (Later: The drought has hit Okehampton so badly that Mr. Maltby says his garden is "not worth a visit". He hopes to arrange a visit to Exeter University gardens in January. Will Farther West members contact him if they are interested. This would save his sending out enquiries unnecessarily. C.I.M.)

## GROUP NEWS FROM THE NORTH

May 16 th. The Lakeland visit was very successful thanks to Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Culley and our hosts the Lakeland Horticultural Society at Holehird, who are now welcomed to our ranks as members.
July 29th. At very short notice the nursery visit had to be cancelled locally but members from Stoke and Kidderminster who came along were entertained (and regaled with "cuttings") by Mr. and Mrs. A. Throp in their interesting garden at Dore. August 15 th at Fulwood Heights broke new ground to meet the request from new members to demonstrate the detail differences between the species of heathers we grow. This was done by typed cards describing the special features of leaf and flower set on tall canes set up alongside specimens actually growing in the garden. Similar information was set out on a viewing table, especially grouping the hybrids with their parents, using 2 year old cuttings not planted out because of the drought.

Sept. $7-9-11 / 12$ was a very busy week in Sheffield. Monday evening we met to discuss the setting up of the Heather Demonstration Show, to extend upon our previous yearly events. On the Thursday the Curator of the Gardens Mr. D. Williams gave "Focus on Heathers" a talk both afternoon and again in the evening. Both were well attended by the general public.

The Saturday morning started with pouring rain, so welcome to our parched gardens but discouraging to our setting out of plants on a sloping bank in the open. Although the week-end weather threatened a poor public attendance we were surprised by the number of visitors who came along, largely brought about by the 20 minute Heather programme we contributed for the local B.B.C. which included notice of the Show and also the times of the four showings of slides (Box X and tape) which were attended to capacity in the Lecture Room: all at the Sheffield Botanical Gardens, thanks to the facilities provided by the Sheffield Corporation Recreation Department.

Thanks are due to Mr. Julian (Whaley Bridge) and the members he organised with Mr. Abbott (Leeds), to tackle the weeds which are a constant menace to the Harlow Car Trials.

J. P. ARDRON .

## THE MID-SOUTHERN GROUP

In May of this year the Group visited three gardens on clay soil near Gatwick Airport. The five hosts and hostesses welcomed thirty members, a gratifying number in our newly-formed Group.

Our Membership Secretary, Mrs. Constance MacLeod, was the first to receive us in her compact and secluded garden, where heathers of many varieties were examined and admired, particularly a well-grown specimen of E.vagans 'Valerie Proudley', measuring some $26^{\prime \prime}$ across. It was pleasing to see the E.cinerea 'Constance' flourishing, as this plant which sported on 'P.S. Patrick' was named by the Proudleys in honour of our hostess in recognition of the work she has done for the Society since its inception. Before leaving, some of us took a peep into the historic cottage "Yew Trees", which dates back some 4 CO years, adding further interest to our visit.

Next we were welcomed by Mr and Mrs. Eric Cook to Orchardlea, Tinsley Green. Whilst heather did not predominate, the many specimen trees and shrubs were much admired as was the greenhouse with magnificent pelargoniums in full bloom. Mr. Cook gave a short history of his garden, explaining how he used graph paper to plot the layout of the beds, and by means of scale drawings was able to plant trees and shrubs in their exact and permanent places as they arrived from nurseries, leaving them sufficient room to develop, to produce the meticulous and well-kept garden that has resulted from such careful planning.

A third large and interesting garden, featuring many restful vistas belonged to our Treasurer and Mrs. Roy Turner at Burstow. Mr. Turner told how he and his wife, with no outside help, had gradually expanded and developed the garden over a period of fifty years from a neglected pasture and rough orchard until they had $3 \frac{1}{2}$ acres of all-the-year-round garden under cultivation. The majority of the trees and shrubs at Filma Dene had been raised from seed or cuttings by the owners, or acquired in exchanges with other enthusiasts. After everyone had enjoyed exploring further hidden parts of this well-maintained garden, the afternoon ended with a delicious tea prepared by Mrs. Turner, which was greatly appreciated by us all.

ERIC WISEMAN.
On Sunday August 8 th the Group visited the gardens of two nembers in west Surrey. The first, that of Mr. and Mrs. Scantlin, facing Cobham Common, although small was packed with many well-known heathers. Choice shrubs were included and the skilful lay-out with lawn and lily pool were so framed with trees and tall shrubs as to form the illusion of a much greater area.

After picnic lunch in the sunshine with coffee served by our hosts, we moved on to visit the garden of Major General and Mrs. Turpin at West Clandon. In this spacious sloping garden we were able to see the excellent collection of heathers from which our hosts have been able to gain so many awards in the RHS competitions. Great interest was shown in the nursery area and in the methods used for propagation. Cameras were very busy and some very good photographs show that it was indeed a very good garden-party, with an excellent tea served by the family.

## ROY TURNER.

COMB INED MID-SOUTHERN/WEALD \& THANET VISIT to the CAMERONS' GARDEN at GREAT COMP, BOROUGH GREEN, KENT.
As a double attraction, we are arranging the garden visit in conjunction with one of the July concerts held in the hall at Great Comp. Although they have a big demand for tickets they would be willing to offer the Heather Society $50 \%$ of the seats in advance of the official booking date if there was enough interest. The concert will comprise popular excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan and tickets at $£ 2.00$ would include coffee and cakes afterwards and entry to the 7 acre garden. I have a list of members interested, but to guarantee our participation, I need more names by the beginning of December, then the Camerons can include this special concert on their new programme. (Please phone me at Hindhead 4947)

PAMELA LEE.

## NEW MEMBERS to September 3Oth 1976

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> G.P. VICKERS.
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DES OLIVER.

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