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I would like to wish all members a 'belated' Happy New Year, and let us hope 1979 will improve in every respect as the weeks pass. The weather has certainly succeeded in making life more difficult than in recent years, and our heather garden has once again suffered. The intense cold during the first week of the New Year has taken its toll over the majority of the taller-growing plants - the one exception is E.terminalis. Our E.arborea and E.x veitchii appear to be completely dead as does E.multiflora (a tall growing clone from Dr. Gray). E.erigena and E.lusitanica specimens have been 'burnt' on the tops of stems, whereas the lower parts appear to be undamaged.

On four nights during that first week of 1979 the minimum temperature recorded was between 10 & 12.5 °C. below freezing. However, plants which were sheltered from the N.E. wind have incurred less damage than those in more exposed parts of the garden. Other members no doubt have similar experiences. It would be interesting to hear of them, and know to what extent the plants recover.

Diane Jones.

'WANTED' - If a member is visiting Spain this year I would be grateful for cutting material and flowering shoots of E. mackaiana.

Bert Jones, Zone 8.

THE HEATHER SOCIETY RULES

Council's Proposed Amendments. At Appendix A is a copy of the rules of the Society with Council's proposed amendments. All suggested changes or paragraphs in which alterations have been made are underlined. Any comments or suggestions should be sent to the Chairman. The final draft Rules will be submitted as a Resolution at the Annual General Meeting in September 1979.

9th ANNUAL CONFERENCE, 31st AUGUST - 2nd SEPTEMBER 1979

The venue for this year's conference has had to be changed and will now be the Dorset Institute of Higher Education at Weymouth. This is a comfortable and well equipped residential college within two minutes walk of the sea front, and five minutes from the town centre.

The inclusive charges for full board and accommodation for the conference which will officially close at 5.00 p.m. are as follows:-

Friday afternoon - Sunday afternoon - £18.50 Friday afternoon - Monday morning - £24.50 Daily charge for visitors not in residence to include coffee, lunch, afternoon tea & dinner - £4.50

On the Saturday afternoon, a trip to the Dorset Heaths is being planned and will involve a fairly strenuous 'tramp' across the heath. An alternative garden visit has been arranged for those members who feel unable to join the party visiting the heath. Both visits will be made by coach, and Mr. Farrah would like to know which one, members prefer when they make their booking.

(The cost of the coach has been included in the accommodation charge for residential visitors. Day visitors wishing to join either of these trips will be charged £1.50 per head).

N.B. The College is able to cater for special diets, e.g. vegetarian and diabetic if required, but prior notice must be given. Also, some ground floor bedrooms are available.

APPLICATIONS for accommodation (stating single or double rooms) should be sent to: Mr. Ken Farrah, 7 Rossley Close, Highcliffe, nr. Christchurch, Dorset, BH23 4RR, together with a booking fee of £1 per head (cheques payable to "Heather Society Conference").

The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held during the weekend.

MINI TRIALS

Similar heathers are best sorted and evaluated by growing plants, preferably of the same age, side by side and noting how they differ in habit, vigour, flower colour, flowering-time, etc. We want more of this done, much more. It would also mean that the merit of new introductions could be assessed by comparing them with a known collection, hopefully complete, of similar ones. The plants used should be of known origin and true to name, or apparently so. But no doubt another effect of such trials may well be to show those which are wrongly named and in which nurseries.

Mr. Bert Jones in Somerset is doing just this sort of thing with all the whi forms of E.erigena (mediterranea) he can lay his hands on from any source, and has already had one very surprising result. After Mrs. Ann Parris had produced her own E.x darleyensis seedlings, she kindly gave me a set of them. These, together with Mr. Woolner's new two, have been lined out with all the 15 available named varieties behind. But by no means all such groups that need investigating will be nearly as large.

It was suggested at the conference at Losehill in September that many more members might like to participate in such mini-trials. They need only take a small part of any garden, and would themselves be interesting and decorative; and satisfy the collecting instinct.

Enthusiasts will have their own ideas; but useful ones include the mauvey Daboecias, 'Hookstone Purple' and the like; while 'Bicolor' and its offspring 'Pink' appear in slightly different forms which could make a profitable study (for which notes in the September 1971 RHS Journal are relevant). Daboecia x scotica and its backcrosses are another idea. So are the grey-foliaged Callunas, the dwarf and bun-shaped ones, the bud-bloomers, the late bloomers, the 'H.E. Beale' type tall doubles and, separately, such coloured doubles as 'Carl Röders', 'Jimmy Dyce', 'Ide's Double' and 'Flore Plena - and are all the forms under this old name identical? Just to follow up this would be a great help. Among the Ericas are the yellow-foliaged carneas; the pale, beetroot and white cinereas (and any other group of similarly coloured flowers) and those with yellow foliage; the white tetralixe the bright pink and the white vagans and the x watsoniis.

It would be positively better if more than one member tackled the same group, so that results could be compared from different parts of the country. The list of who was specialising in what and, later, their conclusions, would be reported in the Bulletin or Year Book. These results could provide valuable evidence for the Technical Committee, the Registrar and others.

Will anyone interested in taking part in this work, write to me, saying which group of plants they propose to examine.

David McClintock, Zone 7.

PAST AND PRESENT

Diane Jones has asked me to write something for this issue of the Bulletin, and so, full of gratitude towards the many who still remember me and send me letters,

cards, photographs and pressed flower calendars etc., I am happy to do this - at the same time asking the new members who knew me not, to bear with me if I appear too nostalgic.

First it was a wonderful thing to be sent the reproduction of a portrait of our beloved 'Papa Hale', now in his 96th year. Those who are fortunate enough to own the 1970 Year Book or the 1968 Bulletin No. 8 (Vol.1) will find the delightful articles he wrote about his Haslemere garden, at its peak during those years.

Cards with a heather motif must come next on my list: Mrs. Bowerman and Mr. Bridgland had both run to earth an excellent picture in colour. So too had Mrs. Janet Wesley, now no longer a member while living in the Transvaal, but the thrill there was the fact that, going on a visit with other members of a botanical garden group, she found herself in the garden of Mr. Crewe Brown who wrote in the 1964 Year Book a fine article entitled "Heaths on the Mountains", describing the beautiful red Erica cerinthoides, one of the few South African Ericas found outside the Cape. Ted Oliver sent a "News Letter", largely concerned with his new young children Thomas and Tessa, but also finding space to refer to visits to regional herbaria in Durban, Grahamstown and Stellenbosch. Sadly, now that he has been moved from the Cape to Pretoria, he has "little time for Erica work", but hopes for better times to come.

Back now to our local members: once more envy fills me to see Don Richards' garden, with his Ericas <u>erigena</u> and <u>arborea</u> among his magnificent Cumbrian rocks. From Alan Taylor was another drawing, this time of <u>E. ciliaris</u>, by Mrs. Margaret Woods. Mrs. Ann Parris always has something to report on her Usk garden. Her <u>E.x darleyensis</u> 'J.W. Porter', usually the last to flower was fully out (and in my own garden, easily beating 'Eileen Porter'). She is still striving to create new "crosses", but had lost the ovules which "must have been eaten by those mites which disguise themselves as seed".

It would be impossible not to mention Jack London's famous hybrid Cape Heath Erica 'Limelight'. So exuberantly does it grow that it is out-stripping the brick "cloche" by which he has hitherto protected it, and it may have to take its chance out in the open.

Another thought: not promoted by Christmas but from a recent broadcast reference to a magic herbal cure for baldness which is making its discoverer a fortune in Australia: Fred Chapple wrote about "Heather Bells" old gypsy heather recipe for the cure of baldness in the 1969 Year Book. Has anyone tried it?

And lastly, lest we forget our second Year Book editor, Pamela Harper, she is making a name for herself in the U.S.A. with her Slide Library, "now 15,000 slides with a rapidly growing market".

Constance MacLeod

NOTES FROM THE SECRETARY

I would like to draw your attention to the offer on the Order Form for packs of special "Heather" motif notelets, the profits from which will go into Society funds. They feature black and white line drawings, which we owe to the artistry of Mrs. Margaret Woods of Hadlow Down, Sussex, of Calluna, Daboecia, Tetralix and Vagans. (They can be very effectively tinted if so desired). Two of them have previously been so popular with the Mid Southern Group that a reprint was necessary, and for this Mrs. Woods has kindly added two further attractive designs. Many thanks to her and to Alan Taylor for organising the printing. Des Oliver has made them up into packs of 20 - five of each design - and they will also be available at Group meetings.

On October 28th I had the honour and pleasure of representing the Society when we were invited by the R.H.S. to attend the "Conference on the Practical Role of

Gardens in the Conservation of Rare and Threatened Plants". There was a lively, friendly atmosphere and tremendous enthusiasm in all the discussions, with experts from many national and regional institutes and organisations taking part. Our contribution was noted in the "Gardeners Chronicle" and a full Report will be published in the April issue of "The Garden".

Pamera Lee

GROUP NEWS

NORTHERN

During October a party of Sheffield Group members visited the Sheffield Recreation Department's apprentice training garden in Meersbrook Park to examine a heather bed which had been planted early in 1978 after treating the soil with flowers of sulphur to lower the pH of the soil from 7.1. The plants so far are in good condition, and we will report their progress in future years.

It has been agreed that the number of meetings held in the Sheffield Area during 1979 should be reduced, but improved in quality. To this end, we have agreed to participate in the Sheffield Recreations Depts. Specialist Societies' Weekend on 14, 15th April when we will display E. carnea and E.x darleyensis. We will also participate in the usual September (8/9th) weekend when we will have our display garden, sales stand, slide show and Broadcast Question Time programme in conjunction with Radio Sheffield and the Fuchsia Society of Sheffield. All Zone 3 members are invited to attend a meeting during May or June; a date has yet to be arranged but the meeting will very probably be in Cumbria.

Sylvia & Peter Vickers

MIDLANDS

On Friday 24th November Robert Cole gave us an absorbing account of the development of his garden over the past few years. He showed some excellent slides of his heather plantings and of a number of other plants carefully selected as companions for them. Philip Brown had brought along cutting material of many shrubs suitable for growing with heather from which members were able to help themselves.

Social Evening. The Group's second social gathering will be held on Saturday 31st March at the kind invitation of Alan and Gwen Dudley at their home, The Spinney, Little Hay, 4 miles south of Lichfield (Shenstone 4881183). Members will be welcome to wander round the garden from 6.00 p.m. There will be a buffet supper later for which a small charge will be made. Please let our hosts know beforehand if you intend to be there.

Spring Visits. We were very pleased to receive invitations to make return visits to two very interesting Shropshire gardens on Saturday 19th May next. The first is to the home and Heather Nursery of Mr. & Mrs. J. Benson, Ridgway Wood, Horderley near Graven Arms (off the A489). It is suggested that we arrive at about noon and take picnic lunches. Mrs. Benson has kindly offered to provide coffee. In the afternoon we shall again visit Mr. & Mrs. J. Knight to see their beautiful garden at The Morleys, Wallsbank, Church Stretton.

NORFOLK

I will be pleased if those members who read this will contact either myself (Norwich 867141) or Mr. H. Fulcher (Norwich 43998) so that we can arrange a meeting to discuss future events. A happy New Year to all.

Jack London

MID-SOUTHERN

Visit to Merrist Wood Agricultural College. Over 30 of us visited this College near Guildford in somewhat unfriendly weather at the end of September. Our Chairman, Maj.-Gen. Turpin introduced Mr. Peter Stotter, Surrey County Council Horticultural Advisor, who was to be our guide for the afternoon. The College, under the auspices of the S.C.C., specialises in teaching Landscape Gardening, Arboriculture, Nursery Practices and Countryside Conservation.

Over 60 small heather beds had recently been made in the 10 acre nursery, where the soil was a heavily manured Bagshot sand with a pH of 6.8. We found little error in nomenclature - just the usual mix-up between E. carnea 'King George' and 'Winter Beauty'. I was particularly taken with Calluna vulgaris 'Beechwood Crimson' and 'Goldsworth Crimson', 'Serlei Aurea' and E. cinerea 'P.S. Patrick' which were doing splendidly, and, used as stock plants to provide cuttings for the instruction of students attending courses.

In the welcome warmth of the glasshouses we saw a lovely specimen of Chamaecyparis Cashmeriana, the Kashmir Cypress, which is fairly tender and it is wise to keep it under glass if the house is high enough. Mr. Stotter demonstrated the taking of cuttings of Fuchsias etc. in their extensive mist unit.

We then visited a large new house, equipped with mist, where underfloor heat is provided by copper water pipes embedded in concrete. There were many sorts of plants here, including heather cuttings and junipers for the National Trust, and hundreds of Tsuga keterophylla (Western Hemlock) being grown in Japanese paper pots. Members greatly appreciated being invited to help themselves to rooted cuttings from the boxes.

On our way to tea, we passed the main building, part of which had recently been set on fire (I understand by one of the residents) - a great pity - and it was sad to hear of precious and irreplaceable records lost and see what was left of a magnificent Magnolia grandiflora on a wall. The trees in the grounds, mainly huge oak, are in perfect condition, due no doubt to the efforts of students on the ten-week course in tree surgery.

In all it was an instructive and happy afternoon and in thanking Mr. Stotter for giving up his Saturday afternoon, Mr. Roy Turner paid tribute to the splendid work being done by the College to encourage students to take up one of the careers in horticulture.

Hugh Nicholson

Visit to Milton Hutchings Nursery. On 3rd December, 19 hardy stalwarts plus two from the Norfolk Group, braved the cold to visit Milton Hutchings Nursery at Iillingdon, Mddx. We were greeted by Mr. Aubrey, who gave us a brief history of the firm, and Mr. FitzGerald. The growing of Cape Heaths was started in the 1950s, when considerable hybridisation was carried out by Mr. Fred Esgate. From this pioneering work, a large variety of Erica x hyemalis cultivars has been produced with a flowering period from October to May, in a colour range of white, yellow, salmon, mauve and soft purples and combinations thereof. Some of the cultivar names are well known, e.g. 'Limelight', 'Snowfall', 'Majestic' and 'Dusky Maid', others have really exotic names after members of the 80 strong staff; other cultivars simply have code numbers – such is the extent of the range.

All these cultivars were seen during our tour of the glasshouses, where we saw rows of Cape Heaths, Azaleas, Cyclamens and Primulas. We were even taken into the Boiler House which was most impressive with three enormous boilers to heat the glasshouses. The potting-on area, where the secret formula compost was mixed, intrigued us, as did the automatic potting machine. We also saw an area where Cape

Heaths were kept in unheated cold frames last year, without any losses from frost. At the end of the tour, our hosts very kindly presented each of us with two Cape Heath plants in full bloom. After thanking them for giving up their Sunday afternoon and providing us with a most informative time, we returned home, resolved more than ever to make a success of growing Cape Heaths. David & Ann Small

Garden to Visit: Mr. & Mrs. E.R. Turner are opening their garden at Filma Dene on three afternoons in May - 12th, 13th and 20th (2.00-6.00 p.m.) - under the National Gardens Scheme, following a recent visit from Lady Heald, Chairman of the National Committee. Heather Society members will be especially welcomed and I do urge you to support this excellent cause, while at the same time meeting your friends. I will be there each day, and perhaps, with your help, we may recruit some new members.

SOUTH WEST

Having hibernated during the winter, our Group's first meeting of the New Yar will be a business meeting at Otters' Court, West Camel, nr. Yeovil on Saturda 17th March at 2 o'clock by kind invitation of Diane and Bert Jones.

Then from 2.00 p.m. on 28th April we are fortunate in being able to visit the garden of Professor Broadbent at The Dell, Church Lane, Widcombe, Bath. The garden is on alkaline soil and is largely shrubs and trees with some E. carnea, E.x darleyensis, and E. terminalis plantings.

Our second garden visit of the season will be to MacPenny's Nursery, Bransgore, near Christchurch on the Hampshire/Dorset border on Friday 18th May at 6.30 p.m. This nursery deals predominantly in shrubs and trees, but also has a large selection of heaths and heathers. Adjacent to the nursery is a woodland garden with walks amongst acid loving trees and shrubs.

We are grateful to both Professor Broadbent and Mr. D. Lowndes (MacPenny's Nursery) for making possible these two visits. Further details including directions will be sent to Group members. Other interested members should contact me (address in Year Book). Phil Joyner

FARTHER WEST

We are indebted to Mr. & Mrs. Hurrell for a most interesting visit to their garden on the edge of Dartmoor on 13th September last. Everyone greatly enjoyed the display of heathers, and the discussions on conservation and natural history in the area, ending with a much appreciated tea.

The Group's first visit of 1979 will be to the gardens of Knightshayes Court near Tiverton, on Sunday 22nd April at 2.00 p.m. (meet at the Gift Shop). Lunca may be obtained there after 12.30 p.m. June Randall

OVERSEAS - 'PACIFIC NORTHWEST' (U.S.A./CANADA)

Since our inaugural meeting at the end of August we have enrolled 36 members and have another 20 on our mailing list.

As our membership is distributed from British Columbia to San Francisco Bay, frequent general meetings are impracticable, and we therefore have to rely on our newsletters. These will keep members in touch with news, book reviews, helpful hints on cultivation etc. We send our best wishes to all our friends in Britain.

Dorothy Metheny

SCRAP BOWL

He Chose Heathers - On Sunday 21st January 1979 the B.B.C. Radio programme 'Gardeners Question Time' came from Kingsclere in Hampshire. The first

questioner asked the panel what flower each member of the panel would grow, if they could choose only one. Bill Sowerbutts chose Citrus mitis, the Calamonda Orange. Fred Loads put his money on the Camellia. But Clay Jones came down firmly in favour of Heathers, giving as his reasons that they provide flowers in every month of the year and that there was so much diversity among the Ericas.

Pulverised Bark - With reference to Sidney Bale's note on pulverised bark in the Autumn Bulletin, may I just say that my experience of its use has been exactly the same. Some time in October I thoroughly cleaned a big bed before applying pulverised bark very liberally. That bed is now one mass of weeds and I have had the same difficulty in getting the bark to mix with the soil. In fact the bed looks a real mess, which it never did when I was using peat. Miss I. Rvan. Zone 8.

A Nudge from Nature? - My first plant of E, carnea 'Ann Sparkes! is curiously no bigger now than it was when I bought it several years ago, whereas later acquisitions have romped away. It was to have been moved in the Autumn, but during September a number of Shaggy Ink Cap fungi (Coprinus comatus) made their appearance, and one of them came up under the plant in question and pushed it completely out of the ground! (P.S. One day when my wife was away I fried and ate some of these fungi. Not bad, but not really worthwhile. Harold Street, Zone 8.

DIARY OF EVENTS

Mar. 17th S. West: Business meeting at Otters'Ct., W. Camel, Yeovil, 2.00 p.m.

Mar. 17th Mid Southern: Slides on N. India, Friends' Meeting Hs. Dorking, 2.30 pm.

Mar. 31st Midlands: Social evening, The Spinney, Little Hay, nr. Lichfield, 6 p.m.

Apr. 14/15th Sheffield: Display stand - Recrn. Dept. Specialist Societies Weekend.

Apr. 22nd Fartherwest: Visit to Knightshayes Court, nr. Tiverton, 2.00 p.m.

Apr. 28th South West: Visit to Prof. Broadbent's garden, Widcombe, Bath, 2.00 pm.

Apr. 28th CLOSING DATE for Summer Bulletin material.

May 12/13/20 Garden Open Days, Filma Dene, Burstow, Surrey (see Group News).

May 18th S. West: Visit MacPenny's Nursery, Bransgore, nr. Christchurch, 6.30.

May 19th Midlands: Garden visits (see Group News).

May 23/25th Chelsea Show: S.A.E. for tickets from our Hon. Sec. Pamela Lee.

Heather competitions, R.H.S. Hall, Westminster. Aug. 7th

Aug. 26th Mid Southern: Visit Peter Davis' Nursery, Haslemere, 2 p.m., and

(Sun.) Dr. Laing's garden, Upper Rake Hanger, Rake, Hants. Aug. 31/Sept. 2nd - 9th Annual Conference and A.G.M., Weymouth, Dorset.

NEW MEMBERS (to 4th December 1978)

Zl SHAW, Dr. M., l Brown Road, Kirkcudbright, Scotland.

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Z2 COULTER, B.S., Kilclief, Forestry Rd., Forth Commons, Wexford, Ireland.

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" MARTIN, Mr. & Mrs. J.S., 207 Darras Rd., Ponteland, Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

" MUSTARD, Mrs. G.M., Penton House, off Sunderland Rd., E. Boldon, Tyne & Wear

" PARTINGTON, R.S., 8 Chinley Close, Heaton Moor, Stockport, Cheshire.

" POTTER, W., "Pine View", School Lane, Norley, Warrington, Cheshire.

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