



Holderness Countryside

Journal of the South Holderness Countryside Society

Summer 2019



A Budding Entomologist perhaps!

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Chairman's report

Has it really been a full year since I volunteered to be Chairman of the SHCS? The time has passed so quickly. I hope I have kept my promises; I have certainly kept to my word of using the expertise of those members who I admire within the society. I owe them a great debt of gratitude for their patience, their guidance, and their never ending hard work to keep this countryside charity running smoothly. They know who they are. There are so many people who should be thanked: refreshments, raffle makers, editor, copier, treasurer, secretary, children's group workers, grass cutters, reserve managers, brash bashers, website coordinator, membership I've probably missed many others.

Over the last year we have had our ups and downs. Not receiving recognition reflective of the work the society has done has been a big disappointment, with other, larger charities, deciding to take all the credit. We need to advertise the huge investment we made towards the new bird hide at Kilnsea Wetlands. It's beautiful, it's huge, and it's dry!

We have been trying hard to get our name into the public domain over the last year; being interviewed twice on Radio Humberside was an excellent start, with their reporters looking at Toffling Field and also Ivy House. We now have a regular monthly column in the Holderness Gazette, the first copy each month, with our general musings on all things countryside. Plans are afoot to expand areas of our website, to keep you better informed on our plans and work done, and we now have 171 'followers' on Facebook.



Last summer took us from quagmire levels of mud hindering tree and shrub planting at Toffling to tinder dry weeks of worrying about any work on the reserves causing sparks.



Tasks included moving approximately 15 square meters of woodchip to enable our new storage container to be seated, and the cutting of 'steps' into the edge of the pond at Toffling. We survived, the new planting survived, hardworking mud shoveling tree cutting members survived! Pruning of footpaths and strimming at Hollym started early last year and has been continuing as often as busy work schedules allow. The Billy-goat cutter has been out regularly, needing a taming hand! Volunteers have been working regularly at Toffling to make the border of the property safe and to keep footpaths trimmed. It's not easy work, the reserves are difficult to approach and the work is hard and usually dirty, so why do our wonderful volunteers keep turning up – because they love the countryside and want to keep our little piece of England green and beautiful for generations to come.

Mike Coverdale and Jim Morgan carried out a moth survey at Hollym Carrs in July and produced a list of an incredible 172 different moths, many of which only have scientific names, not the more commonly used vernacular ones! They were blessed with a dry night, attractive lighting, and inquisitive moths! Clare Langrick, from the North & East Yorkshire Ecological Data Centre, NEYEDC, performed an acoustic survey at both Hollym Carrs and at Toffling Field, and Clare has offered a Naturehack Roadshow, to be held on one of our reserves, when we can tie a date down – last year we just couldn't seem to find a date when everyone could be available. This would include a drone flight above the reserve taking aerial photographs to map habitats.

So, all in all, a lot done – but a huge amount still pending. Find your wellies and give one of us a call!

Minutes of the 2019 AGM of the South Holderness Countryside Society

Held at the Patrington Church Rooms on Fri May 10th at 7.30pm.

The meeting opened with a welcome from the chair to everyone present,

The minutes of the 2018 AGM (*Published in a previous journal*) were accepted by all present. There were no "matters Arising" from those minutes.

The Annual Report of the Society (*Published in Spring Holderness Countryside*) were accepted by all present.

There then followed a reading of the Treasurer's report (*to be published In full in the journal*) He made a point of expressing his thanks to Denise, our membership secretary, our journal editor Gill, and those benefactors who had provided grants or gifts of money to the Society during the 2018/19 year. He outlined the details of the various monetary transactions, including the transfer of our Society bank account.

Acceptance of the Treasurer's report was proposed by Andy Mason and seconded by Leslie Moore

All present were in favour.

The Chair read her report of the past year's activities, and gave special thanks to everyone who gave their time to work for the Society.

Acceptance of her report was proposed by Leslie Moore and seconded by Margaret Kennedy AIF

(The Chair's report will be published in full in our Society Journal)

The Election of the Society Officers were as follows.....

Chair. **Tracey Netherton**. Proposed by Freddy Kennedy, seconded by Peter Cook..... AIF

Vice Chair..... **Margaret Kennedy**; Proposed Nora Garton, seconded Gill Hart.....AIF

Treasurer.....**Peter Cook**....Proposed Freddy Kennedy, Seconded Margaret Kennedy.....AIF

Andy Mason and Geoffrey Marshall continue their membership of the committee by right. **David Constantine**, regrettably has had to retire from committee work due to heavy personal commitments. We thank him for all his previous work on behalf of the Society and hope that he will remain in close contact with us in the future.

Terry Lount has now retired from the committee.

A new date and time for the next AGM will be announced in the journal/ on face-book and the Society website.

South Holderness Countryside Society
Registered Charity Number 701627
Accounts for the Year Ended 31 January 2019
Receipts and Payments Account

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total £	2018 £
Receipts				
Member Subscriptions	927	-	927	866
Gift Aid	-	-	-	-
Countryside Stewardship	1,961	-	1,961	5,302
Fundraising – General	177	-	177	187
Fundraising – Young Naturalists	29	-	29	248
Fees – Young Naturalists	108	-	108	89
Member Donations	917	-	917	729
Interest Received	11	-	11	31
Grants and Donations	1,000	-	1000	2,600
Wayleave	158	-	158	154
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Total Receipts	5,288	-	5,288	10,206
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Payments				
Services and Administration	2,368	-	2,368	2,353
IT and Website Costs	443	-	443	555
Ivy House Costs	943	-	943	2,037
Young Naturalists' Expenses	744	-	744	565
Conservation Projects - General	847	-	847	421
Toffling Hill Reserve Purchase	-	-	-	11,861
Kilnsea Wetlands Bird Hide	7,000	-	7,000	-
Lion Storage Containers	2,856	-	2,856	-
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Total Payments	15,201	-	15,201	17,792
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Net Deficit for the Year	(9,913)	-	(9,913)	(7,586)
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Cash and Bank Accounts				
Brought forward @ 1/2/18	41,552	-	41,552	49,138
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Carried forward @ 31/1/19	31,639	-	31,639	41,552
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Monetary assets				
<u>Bank and Building Society Accounts</u>				
Nat West Current Account	6,846	-	6,846	36,100
Nat West Current Account (YN)	785	-	785	1,276
Nat West Deposit Account (YN)	3,514	-	3,514	3,509
Nat West Bus Reserve Account	20,006	-	20,006	-
<u>Cash</u>				
Cash in hand	6	-	6	69
Cash in hand (YN)	482	-	482	598
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	31,639	-	31,639	41,552

Investment assets

1. Hollym Carrs nature reserve
2. Beacon Lagoons nature reserve
3. Ivy House
4. Toffling Hill reserve
5. Kilnsea Wetlands bird hide

Assets retained for the Charity's own use	<u>Cost</u>
	£
Marquee	1,423
New Projector	988
Lawn Mower	175
Generator	60
2 Stihl Brushcutters	870
Ivy House Chairs	780
Storage Containers	2,856

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the members of South Holderness Countryside Society on the Accounts for the Year Ended 31 January 2019, as set out on pages 1 and 2.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Independent Examiner

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the Accounts under Section 145 of the Charities Act
- Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145 (5) (b) of the Charities Act); and
- State whether any particular matters have come to my attention that require disclosure

Basis of Independent Examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view. The report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's report

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which give me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- The accounting records were not kept in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act; or that
- The accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, other than any requirement that the accounts give a "true and fair" view which is not considered as part of an independent examination.

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed By:

Stephen J Morgan ACA

Date: 1 March 2019

SOUTH HOLDERNESS COUNTRYSIDE SOCIETY

Charity 701627

TREASURER'S REPORT AT 2019 AGM

Receipts

Combined membership subscriptions and donations were higher than for 2018 at £1844 vs. £1595 which is encouraging. We are indebted to Denise Failey who does a fantastic job of work in administration of membership renewals. Again, we did not claim Gift Aid for 2018 but now have the necessary machinery in place for making regular claims whilst ensuring our own compliance with GDPR. Claims for the last 3 years will show in the 2020 accounts. Countryside Stewardship payment was abnormally high in 2017/18 due to reasons explained last year but regular payments have now settled down to £1961 per annum. We were grateful to receive a donation of £1000 from the Sir James Reckitt Charitable Trust to help cover our administrative costs in running Ivy House, insurance premium payments and printing and distributing Holderness Countryside newsletter. General fundraising was slightly lower reflecting a diminishing attendance at meetings while fundraising for the Young Nats was significantly reduced, though not worryingly so. Note that interest received on our investments was only £11 and I have now taken steps to improve this by moving £20000 into an account with a ten-fold better rate of interest. In all, £5,288 was received over the year.

Payments

We spent nothing on fund raising activities yet money still came in, as detailed earlier. Spending on services, administration and IT equipment/website taken together were similar to those of last year, and at about £2,800 illustrate the importance of the contributions from the Sir James Reckitt Charity or Countryside Stewardship. Without these inputs we would not be viable unless we doubled our membership fees. Ivy House running costs were significantly lower than in the previous year, the main cost now being grounds maintenance. An unexpected cost was for the land valuation fee (£750) for the purchase of Toffling Hill in 2017. This bill had gone to the wrong address.

Analysis

Our total expenditure was £15201 and our net deficit was £9913. The most significant expenditure in 2018 was the contribution of the long-held insurance claim payment for the lost hide at Beacon Lagoons, £7000, to the overall £11.5K cost of a larger bird watching hide at Kilnsea Wetlands. We also bought a steel transport container for use as safe storage shed for heavy equipment. These two Capital items, at a total cost of £9856 and noted as assets, constituted the major part of the deficit. In real terms the Society had a deficit of only £57 and considering we settled a debt of £750 for the previous year we did rather better than 'holding our own'.

Forecast

Our Deposit account is yielding a better rate of interest; I have developed a system for regularly claiming Gift Aid from HMRC; we are using Ivy House for meetings in Winter instead of paying for the hall in Patrington; we are well stocked with consumables; we are managing costs 'smarter; and we continue to look for ways of reducing our insurance liability. By this time next year I am hoping to see Services and Administration costs reduced to below £2000.

Capital expenditure planned this year will be investment in a heavy-duty ride-on grass cutter for use on both of our Hollym reserves which will, hopefully, help to increase our volunteer base. This will replace the 30-yr-old, "written-off" Billy Goat which is still functional, and is still used by me at my own risk! Hopefully this purchase will stimulate the formation of a new volunteer base. We have been fortunate in recent years to have had unexpected cash injections, and we cannot rely on serendipity. I am afraid BREXIT has to be mentioned; we do not know how this will affect our Countryside Stewardship payments in the future, and we may have to think about future-proofing the Society against the loss of this income.

Peter J Cook, Treasurer, 10 May 2019

Front Cover Picture

This little four year old chap isn't old enough yet to become a member of the Young Naturalists club, but, no doubt he will when he is old enough. We require that the children are of primary school age both for insurance purposes, and so that they have some experience of "School" environment. In this shot, he'd discovered a Ladybird and wanted to know all about it. But then, he can ask his mum, or his "Gran" Tracey or even his "Great Nana" Margaret. "Catch 'em young" as the saying goes. And that is the whole purpose of the Young Nat's Club. To try to instil an appreciation of Nature, and the world they are a small part of into these youngsters. So far, I don't think we've done badly.

Editor's note.

The following article missed the Spring Journal so it has been included in this issue.

Hollym Carrs Nature Reserve Annual Report 2018

General

A very warm and dry 2018 after the "Beast from the East" and "Minibeast" in February and March resulted in no real problems for this little gem of a reserve. Water levels remained surprisingly constant in all of the ponds with some drying out. Unfortunately, due to being so busy I didn't get many chances to visit the place but when I did it was instant relaxation and a feeling of satisfaction that when we give nature a chance it creates something special.

Management

Actual work on the reserve has been light touch but effective. The footpath network became quite overgrown during the spring so an evening of strimming helped to keep the access to the reserve open. Just before we needed access to collect the hay crop another evening spent lopping back over-hanging blackthorn made access easier for Paul Fisher to cut and bale the Burnham Meadow.

During November we checked and cleaned out the tree sparrow boxes. 10 out of 12 boxes had nests in however 3 were failed broods. Good numbers of woodland birds were present.

A day was spent cutting the triangle patch near to the footbridge as this is a fantastic glade area for butterflies and dragonflies. The clippings were raked off and piled up into a grass snake stack. Well worth a check in spring (trail cam position)

It has been noted that the benches and fences on the reserve are showing their age and will need replacing/repair in the warmer months. This has been added to the annual work schedule.

Overall the slow but deliberate development of this little woodland keeps going and I encourage all members to take a walk to it on a sunny day and enjoy nature.

Andy Mason.

The Young Nat's Awards

Over the last twelve months our SHCS children's group, known affectionately as the 'Young Nats', has gone from strength to strength under the guidance of Margaret and her volunteer helpers. Our longest standing members, Charley and Adam, were both awarded their RSPB Gold award for the work they had done. So we needed to find a new challenge for them whilst our newer members continued with their own work. As the SHCS is an affiliate member of the Yorkshire Wildlife Trust we were able to sign them both up for the Kestrel Award, which is aimed at children 8 years and over, and has four exciting wildlife challenges to work through; Create it!, Do it!, Record it! And Shout about it!



Along with our Kestrel award youngsters, we have two children working through their RSPB Silver award, and four new members who have just started their Bronze award. A busy program of activities has been arranged for them all to ensure they meet the needs of the award whilst having as much fun as possible – the muddier the better!

We started the year off by preparing a wildlife flower bed for the butterflies and bees during the summer, looking at different types of leaves, feeding birds safely and creating bug hotels. Our next session we will be making bird boxes, composting and putting together a nature diary.

Over the next few months we have scheduled a pond dipping activity, a trip to a private reserve for a butterfly identification walk, creative wildlife artwork, composting, a trip to Bempton cliffs and a churchyard mini-beast hunt! Phew!



All of the work done by our Young Nat's is recorded ready to be sent to the individual awarding body for certification, and we try to keep you all up to date with their activities by sharing on our Facebook site.

Expand your child's imagination, get them away from the X-box – or whatever is the newest computer game – and take them out into the country. There is so much out there to see and do. Challenges can be downloaded from many different websites to take with you including practical tasks, identification sheets, and countryside exploration.

A Whisper, Eclipse or a Universe?

With the early Spring seen over many parts of the countryside, many butterflies have already been seen fluttering around our gardens and field hedges. Colourful wisp's reflected by many in their colourful names: the Common Blue, Orange Tip, Brimstone, Red Admiral; but what about their just as wonderfully named counterparts? If you heard about a Common Swift or a Small Magpie in your garden, would you expect to see a bird? Or a Bramble Shoot? Would you run to grab the secateurs? What about a Green Pug or a Sallow Kitten? Is this something that the local vet needs to know about?

Actually, these are all vernacular, or local names, for some of the moths found on the Hollym Carrs Nature reserve by Mike Coverdale and Jim Morgan. The reserve is owned and managed by the South Holderness Countryside Society.

Moths belong to a group of insects related to butterflies, and belong to the order Lepidoptera. Moths make up by far the largest percentage of this group and it is estimated that there are approximately 160,000 species, many of which have yet to be described or be given a local name.

The planting at Hollym Carrs provides a perfect habitat for moths, with woodland, hedgerow and grassland areas; all providing essential food for various stages of the moth lifecycle. Nettles and brambles, despised by many gardeners, would keep the Garden Tiger, Small Magpie and the Bramble Shoot very happy. Whilst the hawthorn, blackthorn, crab apple and willow provide a delicatessen adored by the Sallow Kitten and The Green Pug.



All macro moths now have local names as well their scientific name. Some of the local names are derived from the type of plants that forms their food plant or habitat, such as the Bramble Shoot moth; others come from comparisons to carpet patterns or brocades from ages gone by, then you have the rather more obvious such as the Silver Y or the Heart and Dart, also found at Hollym Carrs. The history and meaning behind moth names can be just as fascinating as the insects themselves.



You don't need to visit a nature reserve to watch moths; it's quite possible that your back garden is already visited by up to a hundred different types already. If you would like to encourage more moths, sit back and relax a bit. Reduce the hard landscaping such as concrete and decking, leave some fallen leaves and plant debris, cut out the use of pesticides, and grow a range of large and small flowering plants, shrubs, and nectar filled blossoms.

We are left with just the decision on what to call a group of moths; a whisper, an eclipse or a universe. I think I prefer the former.

Tracey Netherton April 2019

NEWS PAGE

Peter Cook

It is with sadness that we report the death of Jean Kirk. We offer Walter our heartfelt commiserations. Jean and Walter have been members and supporters of the Society for many years.

HOLDERNESS GAZETTE LINK

For many years there was a 'Countryside Column' in the Holderness Gazette. Although written by members of this Society, for 25 years by me, it was never meant to reflect Society affairs and interests.

Following discussions with Gina Hobbs, Editor of the Gazette, Tracey now has a 'slot' in which we can publish about the Society and its activities. This started with an article about the new bird watching hide back in January and since then articles have been written by Tracey, our esteemed Chairman.

The Holderness Gazette is published every Thursday, which is more frequent than this periodical, so please follow Tracey's articles.

LITTLE TERN PROTECTION SCHEME

The Society has been wholly or partly responsible for administering the Little Tern Protection Scheme on our Beacon Lagoons Nature Reserve for a long time. Indeed it was our commitment to this project which earned us substantial funding from local industry to warden it, and for being able to pay a Conservation Projects Officer, back in the 1980/90's. The Society's early success arose from these birds. In recent years, however, we have relied upon the Spurn Bird Observatory Trust and friends to run the scheme including raising the funds to pay for a warden. A lot of volunteering is also given by people on the Spurn scene. This year the SBOT has been unable to raise sufficient money to maintain the protection scheme and have asked for our help for the first time. We have given £1000 which is a little more than the extra income we have had from Gift Aid claims on member's generous contributions. We can manage this year but will not be able to repeat this donation annually.

Members who feel that we must continue to support this important project in the future are invited to make donations or raise funds specifically for this scheme. Would anyone like to organise a sponsored bird race for example? This is how we used to fund our own input into the scheme.

There was a good write-up about the Little Tern Protection Scheme published by the Spurn Bird Observatory, in the 6th June edition of Holderness Gazette. This mentioned the SHCS but news of our recent contribution was too late to make the copy.

SOCIETY AGM 2019

The AGM this year was attended by just a quorum of members which is worrying. It is the only meeting of the year at which do we expect our members to attend to ensure that we run the Society according to our charitable aims and objectives, and your wishes. It is the one opportunity to publicly air criticisms, needs and wants and to appoint people to carry on the work of the Society. We moved the AGM back from October to May in the hope that we would attract a better attendance but this has clearly failed. We have sharpened up getting the accounts inspected but a May meeting is ill-timed to get the financial reports into *Holderness Countryside*. A later meeting would be better. If we were to move the AGM to June, July or August we would be in the holiday season. We therefore ask for feedback on the proposal to move the AGM to October in 2020.

We regret that David Constantine has had to stand down as a member of the Executive Committee for a while. He will still be available, though less so as a committee member. We thank him for his contributions and look forward to his return in full.

In the meantime there is a vacancy and we are in a position to co-opt anyone willing to help us in any way to maintain our continuing success.

PHOTOGRAPH PUBLICATION

Modern digital photography and reprographics have made illustrating *Holderness Countryside* much easier and less expensive. There are, however, copyright legalities, safeguarding concerns, value for money considerations and publishing conventions to observe. Please submit photographs as a .jpg as we may have to size them into the text.

We should not publish a photograph without first obtaining permission or acknowledging the source. This is the responsibility of the submitter please. Do not plagiarise internet sources as we have no way of checking copyright. Photographs taken by a member should be attributed e.g. "Photo {name or initials} year" will do. We should not publish pictures of children or vulnerable adults without permission of their parents or guardians.

In the world of publishing we used to say a photo or figure should save a thousand words. Unfortunately, some pictures say very little! Photos should be correctly annotated with the name of the subject. From an economy viewpoint we should avoid publishing large photographs (more than 25% of a page as a guide) for they are costly ink* thirsty and slow to dry. Holiday snaps submitted without explanation of what, where, why and how they relate to Holderness are not suitable.

*laser cartridge replacements are £160 for each colour!

Rare Hawfinch Sighting – from a member...



On the 17th of April I spotted a Hawfinch feeding on the ground in a shaded area under pine trees, at Cottingham cemetery where I work. This is unusual as this bird usually feeds in the tree tops.

I only saw it once on that day. The following day I saw it a number of times feeding in the same area and on this make shift bird bath.

In the cemetery there are various species of tree including Pine, Conifer, Oak, Beech, Hornbeam, and many others, which makes this the ideal habitat for the Hawfinch.

This was the first time I have seen this bird, as they are known to be quite shy. The Hawfinch is a red-listed species in the UK, with a population of possibly less than a thousand breeding pairs. I thought this would be of interest to other members, and I wondered if anyone else had spotted one in this area before. Charlie Eldred.

SHCS Privacy Policy.

THE South Holderness Countryside Society is committed to the protection of your personal data. The personal data you provide will only be used by the Society for the purpose of administration of your membership and for communicating with you with regard to the business of the Society to keep you informed about news, events and activities. This data will be held until October 31st each year (two months after the renewal date of your membership) whereupon it will be securely erased from our records. Processing is also necessary for carrying out legal obligations in relation to Gift Aid. This data must legally be kept for a period of six years. We will never sell your data nor share it with any other organisation. You have a number of rights, including the right to access your data, right to rectification, and the right to object. You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner's Office if you feel there is a problem with the way the South Holderness Countryside Society is handling your data. The data controllers are the Officers, the Membership Secretary and the General Secretary of the Society.

The next membership renewal form will ask you to confirm once again the details you would prefer us to use to contact you for SHCS business as above.

TWO SIMILAR MINIBEASTS AT IVY HOUSE

Peter Cook

The 'Pill Bug' has been seen at Ivy House many times before over the years and is one of the five different woodlice recorded there. In the last week of June 2019 I discovered its look-alike, the 'Pill Millipede', hiding beneath one of the traffic cones that we have scattered around the grounds. The Pill Millipede is common but often ignored.



Photos from internet gallery, not attributed except (c) c.baral

Pill Bug

(Armadillidium vulgare)

This species of woodlouse is identified by its habit of rolling into a loose ball, apparently by folding itself in half. Its final segments of 'shell' at the tail end are made up of several closely packed plates.

Pill Millipede

(Glomeris marginata)

This species of millipede is identified by its habit of rolling itself into a tight ball with the head and tail ends overlapping. Its final segments are made up of one narrow and one very broad curved plate.

SECURITY MARKING

Over the last few years the Society has acquired new items of equipment and although storage for them is secure, there is always the possibility of losing them to the most determined of criminals or simply losing them in transit. To assist their recovery and protect our insurers we have marked our most 'at risk' items with an inexpensive, invisible, indelible chemical substance. We are hoping that this act will earn us 'brownie points' to reduce our insurance premiums.

A GOOD YEAR FOR...

The wetter than often Spring appears to have benefitted marsh orchids with numerous seen in never-before recorded places including Hollym Carrs Nature Reserve where several plants of Common Spotted-orchid appeared this year. More than 200 plants of Northern Marsh-orchid were found growing together with a few Southern Marsh-, Common Spotted- and Heath Spotted-orchids at a site in Driffield and a single Southern Marsh-orchid popped up in East Park, Hull. In mid June there was a sudden influx of Painted Lady butterflies with many seen on garden flowers in Withernsea. Two were seen examining nettles on our Toffling Hill Reserve where nettles have been left for butterflies such as Painted Lady, Red Admiral, Small Tortoiseshell and Peacock butterflies. On the other hand the weather has been terrible for Little Terns and we will report on this in our next issue.

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YOUNG NATURALISTS CLUB

The Young Naturalists' ("Young Nats") Club meets twice monthly at our Ivy House Centre in Hollym. Supervisors have Enhanced DBS certification. Members must be of primary school age, 5 – 11 years. Young Nats are taught and encouraged to take a more positive interest in natural history and to publish articles in *Holderness Countryside*. Articles should be sent to the Editor via email or a telephone call to arrange collection.

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Corporate membership will be considered.

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The South Holderness Countryside Society was first registered as a Charity No 701627 on 30th May 1989. Defined objectives of the charity are;

- (1) *Work principally within the area of Holderness, (East Riding of Yorkshire) for the region's natural and local history.*
- (2) *Educate the public in the natural and local history of the area.*
- (3) *Secure the preservation and protection and improvement of natural history.*

Management of the Society's affairs is by elected Trustees.

The restoration of Ivy House, our headquarters, was part funded by the National Lottery.



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FUTURE PROGRAMME

PLEASE NOTE OUR CHANGE OF VENUE

In future, unless specifically stated otherwise, all of our events, illustrated talks and “hands-on” drop-ins will take place at our **IVY HOUSE CENTRE in HOLLYM.**

Ivy House, post code HU19 2SQ is approached from the main A1033 Patrington to Withernsea road.

From Patrington the Ivy House **WOODLAND** is clearly visible from the main road. As this road turns sharply to the Right, turn off Left down Church Lane, then Right at the small cross roads. Ivy House is on the Right.

From Withernsea, after passing through Hollym, on the A 1033 the woodland is clearly visible behind the commercial waste site, just after the first steep bend .Turn Right along South Carr Dales Road. Ivy House is on the Left

**A full programme is being planned for this year. Dates and times will be advertised on our website and on face-book, or ‘phone 01964 671492; 01964 623261; 01964 614466
These events will not necessarily take place on an evening.**

Watch out for illustrated talks on.....

New Zealand.
Cowden Nature Reserve
The Isle of Arran.

We also offer “Drop Ins”, a hands-on experience and/or short power-point talks on the following...

Fossils and Shells
Herbaria
Collections.

Identification workshops on.....

Bird-song (from software)
Botanical

There is also the possibility of Claire Langrick’s Soundscape (Sounds from our own Nature Reserves)

Aerial photos of our new Reserve at Toffling Hill and of HCNR Taken by Drone.

Fungus Foray.

A visit to our new Bird Hide at Kilnsea Wetlands

Practical Tasks at Toffling Nature Reserve and Ivy House

Visits to Spurn; Flamborough; Hornsea Mere; Bugworth; Paull Holme Strays

These events take many hours to prepare Therefore the above are offered subject to sufficient interest, otherwise they will not take place.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS ARE DUE ON 1ST SEPTEMBER.

The membership renewal form, sent out with this issue, may be used, if you wish to renew your membership which becomes due on 1st September.

The Executive Committee hopes that you will feel able to renew but, if you are unable to remain a member we thank you for your past support.

Please send your renewals to :

Denise Failey, Demswood, Boreas Hill, Paull. HU12 8AX.

Thank you