

Minutes of a Committee Meeting held at 3, Silver St,
on Friday Jan 24th 1969. Those present: - Mrs Macdonald,
Mr Saunders, Mr Stillwell, Mr Henchaw, Mr Reed, Mrs Mrs Shus,
Mr & Mrs Litschi and Mr Sauphier.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.
Matters Arising

The Secretary regretted that she had not yet written her
Memorandum re the island, as certain difficulties had arisen
when the retaining wall was being built & she had

considered it diplomatic to wait until these had been
erected. This wall had presented a problem
as the ducks could not get out at their usual
place to go to their coop for the night. Mr Sawille
had agreed with Mr Saunders that a stone be taken
out to enable the ducks to get up on the bank,
but when Mr Saunders did this, the stone
continued to be replaced. With the erection
of the wall the boys had been unable to get the
ducks in at night, and Mr Saunders had kindly taken
over. The Committee expressed a vote of thanks to
Mr Saunders for taking over this difficult task.

Mr Kitchie reported that a gift of a box of chocolates
value 2/- had been made to Mrs Branton in
gratitude for her feeding of the ducks. The Secretary
read out a letter from Miss Green, donor of
the four white ducks, in which she wrote how
glad she was to have found them such a
happy home. Mr Kitchie said that should the
Society wish for more ducks he would be able
to procure them. The island was next discussed.
It was felt that it could be improved upon
by planting large clumps of water plants &
possibly shrubs - Mrs Macdonald offered some
plants. It was thought best that Mr Branton
should be approached since he was knowledgeable
on these matters and would be able to contact Mr
Sawille more easily. The Society would of course pay
for the plants and plant them.

The Proposed Christmas Party

Mr Shires reported that Mr Buchenough had
professed willingness to officiate but difficulties
of a suitable date and finding a priest had
arisen, and it would have meant holding it
a considerable time after Xmas, and it had been

decided to let it drop.

Mrs Shier stated that she had visited the Planning Office she had been allowed to see the Register without any difficulty. She had found it most interesting to read why certain plans had been rejected and was most impressed by the consideration and care given to all plans submitted. She felt that the Society must be more confident in dealing with local law-officers and must politely insist on giving our views. She proposed that every month or so the Planning Register be inspected + note taken of grounds for refusal.

Country-side Act.

Mr Sampson had attended the meeting and had asked that we be notified as to the committee's deliberation. He would write them on this point.

Any other Business

Mr Sampson had redrafted the rules and copies would be sent out with newsletters. The news letter would advertise the A.G.M. and Mr Ricketts talk + sent to members + non members with a cover note for nonmembers.

The A.G.M. would be held on Tues. March 15th and the Committee Meeting on March 12th at 3. Silver St.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

L. Sampson
7/3/69.