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The cost of the meeting will be £3.50 per person. This includes morning coffee, lunch, and afternoon tea. A booking form is enclosed with this Bulletin. Please return this, with payment, as soon as possible and in any case before 12 September. We thank those who returned the preliminary booking form which was very useful in giving us some idea of the numbers likely to attend, and ask them and all others wishing to attend to return now the present form with payment. Details of access routes and programme will be sent to those booking. (To ease exchange difficulties, members from outside the United Kingdom may pay on arrival, but they should return the booking form in advance.)

As explained in Bulletin 25, to keep costs to a minimum we are not arranging conventional accommodation for the preceding or following nights. However, it will be possible to arrange camp-bed type accommodation with members living in the area for those who require it, and the need for this should be indicated on the booking form.

#### OTHER NOTICES

##### Subscriptions for 1979

If we have not received your subscription for 1979, a note to this effect will be included in this Bulletin. Unless payment is received no further Bulletins will be sent.

WSG subscriptions cover a calendar year, January to December inclusive. Thus anyone joining during the year is entitled to receive all Bulletins for that year including those already published. Because of the large increase in membership in 1978 we had some difficulty in supplying all issues to new members but these difficulties have now been overcome. Thus members who joined at any date during 1978 should pay a further subscription for 1979 and should do so now if they have not done so.

##### Back numbers of the Bulletin

Production of the reprints of numbers 1 to 20 was completed shortly after the production of Bulletin 25 and those who ordered copies should now have received them. For various reasons, the production of reprints proved to be a particularly difficult task and the Officers would like to thank Matthew Cooke and Paul Prattley for much help in this matter.

No copies of numbers 1-5 remain but there are a few of 6-10, 11-15 and 16-20. However, orders continue to come in. We are hoping to produce a few additional copies but these will be more expensive than the earlier reprinting, and we cannot yet give a date for their availability. Consequently, in future each set of reprints will cost, when available, £2 per 5 numbers (1-5 or 6-10 or 11-15 or 16-20) plus postage. Any enquiries should be directed to the Administrative Secretary, Graham Appleton (address on inside front cover). The Administrative Secretary also has some copies of numbers 21 (£1-00), 22 (£1-00) and 24 (£2-00). These are available at the price indicated, which includes postage at surface mail rates. We regret that Bulletin 23 is no longer available.

##### Third Annual Meeting of the Colonial Waterbird Group: Announcement and call for papers

The Third Annual Meeting of the Colonial Waterbird Group will be held 25-28 October 1979 at the University of Southwestern Louisiana, Lafayette, U.S.A. Field trips to the Gulf coast are planned, and a Proceedings will be published as in 1978 and 1979. For information on contributing papers, please contact P.A. Buckley, North Atlantic Regional Office, National Park Service, 15 State Street, Boston, MASS, U.S.A. 02109. Abstracts must be received by 1 September. For information on registration, please contact D. McCrimmon, Laboratory of Ornithology, Cornell University, Ithaca, NEW YORK U.S.A. 14853.

##### Symposium on Birds of the Sea and Shore, November 1979, University of Cape Town.

Organised by: The Southern African Seabird Group, The Western Cape Wader Study Group, and the Cape Bird Club.

A five-day symposium, consisting of three days of formal sessions and two days of excursions, will be held at the University of Cape Town, South Africa from 19-23 November 1979. The theme of the symposium will be "Birds of the sea and shore" and papers will be given on seabirds and waders, both inland and coastal. Papers are expected from Britain, France, New Zealand, Holland and the USA as well as from Southern Africa. The symposium forms part of the celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Southern African Ornithological Society and of the 150th Anniversary of the University of Cape Town. Excursions are planned to the Cape Gannet and Jackass Penguin colonies of Malgas Island, Saldanha Bay, Langebaan Lagoon to view waders and a half-day seawatching cruise off the west coast of the Cape Peninsula.

Persons interested in attending the Symposium should write to the Organizing Secretary, Mr. G.D. Underhill, 12 Roseberry Road, Mowbray 7700, South Africa. The registration fee, which will include the proceedings and teas, is R10.00. Costs of excursions will be made available at a later date.