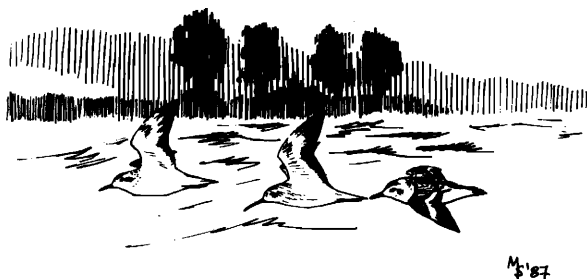


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WADER STUDY GROUP ANNUAL MEETING, IPSWICH, SUFFOLK, UK, 2-4 SEPTEMBER 1988

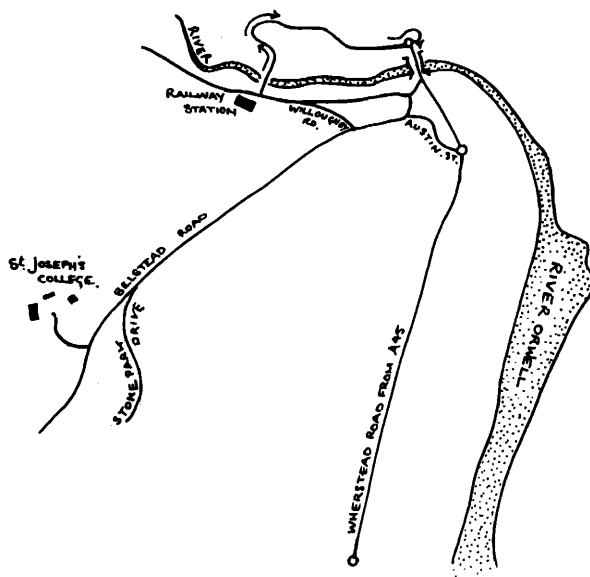
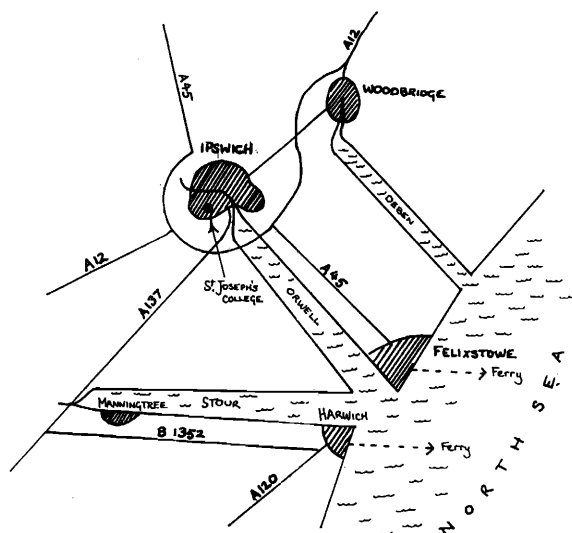
The 1988 Wader Study Group Annual Conference will take place from Friday 2 September to Sunday 4 September 1988 at St. Joseph's College situated in south-west Ipswich. The meeting will be organised by staff from the Suffolk Wildlife Trust (SWT) and Landguard Bird Observatory, two organisations active in wader research and conservation. Delegates are advised to arrive on Friday. Dinner will be at 1930 hrs and will be followed by an informal slide show by the SWT entitled "An introduction to Suffolk's birdlife". As in previous years, the formal part of the meeting will begin with the AGM on Saturday morning (3 September), and will be followed by a series of general talks on various aspects of wader biology. Saturday evening will be devoted to informal discussion and there will be a bar available. Further talks will take place on Sunday morning, with field trips to nearby Suffolk estuaries on Sunday afternoon. The field trips will end at 1600 hrs and this will mark the end of the conference.

Travel arrangements

The registration desk at the College will be open from 1700 hrs on Friday 2 September and delegates are advised to arrive shortly after then. St. Joseph's College (Birkfield, Belfield Road) is situated in the south-west of Ipswich approximately 1 mile south of the railway station and 1 mile north of the A45 southern by-pass. If arriving by car, the college should be approached by the A45 turning north at the A137 junction into south Ipswich. If arriving by sea, either from the ports of Harwich or Felixstowe, Ipswich can be reached by train, bus or car within half to one hour. If you wish to be collected from either ferry port or the railway station then please indicate this on the booking form. Please see the maps below for further details.

Food and accomodation

The college can accomodate up to 120 people, occupying 54 single rooms and numerous other rooms with 3 or 4 beds. Please indicate on the booking form if you are unwilling to share a



room. Alternatively, if you do not mind sharing a room but would prefer to share with a friend then please say so. Single rooms will be allocated on a 'first come first served' basis, so book early. Bed linen will be provided. A three course evening meal will be provided on both Friday and Saturday evenings and a full cooked breakfast and lunch will be provided on Saturday and Sunday. Sandwiches or a cold-buffet will be available for those arriving late on Friday. Mid-morning coffee and mid-afternoon tea will also be provided. Delegates with dietary requirements (eg vegetarians) should indicate so on the booking forms. There will be a bar serving various beers, a limited selection of spirits and soft drinks on both Friday and Saturday evenings.

Talks and posters

Offers of talks should be made to Jeff Kirby, WSG, PO Box 247, Tring, HP23 5SN, UK as soon as possible. Please note that the time available for talks will be limited to 20 minutes, which includes 5 minutes for questions. We will try to accommodate all offers of talks although this may not be possible. Therefore we strongly recommend that talks are offered as soon as possible, otherwise space may not remain available in the programme. Talks will only be accepted if an abstract will be provided at the time that the offer of a talk is made. Abstracts should be in English and typed clearly on an A4 sheet of paper. This should include the title of the paper, the authors name and address and the abstract itself. Translations of abstracts into either German or French would be a welcome addition to the English version. Abstracts will be provided for those attending the conference. Authors may wish to provide a revised abstract of their talk at the conference for publication in the *Bulletin*. Talks will not be accepted after 15 July 1988. The usual projection facilities will be provided but please indicate whether you need additional facilities. Poster displays are also invited and offers of posters should be made in the same way as for talks. Please provide an abstract of your poster and indicate its size. Posters will be on display throughout the course of the conference. It is hoped that there will be a selection of books, journals and other goods for sale at the conference.

Excursions

The excursions on Sunday afternoon will either be in private cars or by mini-bus. Those wishing to go on the excursions may be asked to make a small contribution towards the costs of petrol. If you have a car available for use on the excursion, please indicate so on the booking form. Rubber boots and outdoor clothes are advisable.

Costs

The Conference will run from Friday night until late Sunday afternoon. We anticipate that most participants will wish to arrive on Friday evening although flexible booking arrangements are available. Costs will be as follows.

WHOLE CONFERENCE:

Friday dinner to Sunday dinner
including all meals and accomodation £ 35.00

PART ATTENDANCE:

Saturday morning coffee to Sunday lunch
including all meals and accomodation £ 28.00
Saturday coffee, lunch and tea £ 3.50
Sunday coffe and lunch £ 3.25

Participants should note that it will be possible to stay at the college on Sunday night at an additional cost of £ 12.00 (which includes dinner, bed and breakfast).

Bookings

Booking forms should be completed and returned as soon as possible, together with the appropriate payment, to Jeff Kirby, WSG, PO Box 247, Tring, HP23 5SN, UK. Payments can only be accepted in one of two ways:

1. By cheque made payable to the Wader Study Group.
2. By British Post Office Giro to account number 471204404. Please ensure that your name, address and the words "Conference 1988" appear on the transfer form.

We look forward to an exciting conference and to meeting many new faces; make sure you book early!!!!!!!!!!!!!!