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Report of the Treasurer and Membership Secretary

The trading account for the 1984-5 financial year shows a slight excess of income/expenditure of £51.93, and the Group's assets have increased to £1383.34. This position can be viewed with qualified satisfaction: satisfaction in that we successfully ran the first of the Biological Recording Conferences (in Leicester) and produced our most substantial special publication (Report no.3) within our annual budget; qualified because there is a certain buffering effect caused by income for the second Recording Conference (in Chelsea) and this money will leave the accounts within the next two months or so. However, by that time the sales revenue from Report no.3 should have accounted for much of its production costs.

Membership is slightly down on last year, standing at 231 (178 Personal and 53 Institutional) which represents a theoretical subscription revenue of £1083.00. Much of this remains outstanding and it should finance the calculated cost of Newsletters during the coming year. However, the time is coming for a review of membership rates, which have remained constant since January 1st 1982, and I will be reporting to Committee on this later in the year.

John Mathias

15.4.1985

Recording Critical Groups in the Flora of the British Isles

A conference to be held at Liverpool on 12, 13 and 14th September, 1985.

Details of this conference were circulated to the members with the last issue of the B.C.G. Newsletter. The conference is being organised by the Botanical Society of the British Isles in association with the B.C.G. but so far few B.C.G. members had booked a place.

The final date for residential bookings is 22nd July (12th August for non-residents) and a non-returnable deposit of £7 should accompany all bookings.

Cheques made payable to "B.S.B.I. (Conference)" together with completed booking form should be sent to Mr. E.F. Greenwood, B.S.B.I., c/o Merseyside County Museums, William Brown Street, Liverpool L3 8EN.