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1. New enrolments to the ROS

N.W. Barker (Sby), Mr. & Mrs. A.J.C. Bethune (Shabani), Miss C. McLeod (Byo), Maj. S. Muus (Selukwe), T.C.L. Symmes M.B.O.U. (Lusaka), J.A. Whellan (Sby).

The following have applied for membership. P. Freeland (Gwelo), T. Lennon (Byo), Mrs. Mennell (Inyazura), Mr. & Mrs. N. Musgrave (Selukwe), Mrs. M. Parkinson (Selukwe).

2. The following attended the 2nd Annual General Meeting in Salisbury on October 23rd

Mr. & Mrs. G.D. Attwell, N.A. Barker, R.K. Brooke, Dr. N.A. Campbell, K.H. Chapman, G.K. Donald, A.B. Fletcher, M.P.S. Irwin, P. Linton, H.M. Miles, C.S. Mitchell, B.V. Neuby-Varty, R.W. Rankine, R.H.N. Smithers, A.W. Stander, Capt. R.H.R. Stevenson, J.A. Whellan, Messrs A.C. Butler & A.D. Fraser attended as prospective members.

The AGM has been quite fully written up in the next 'Bok' notes for the ROS (December). We were lucky in having Mr. Smithers in the chair and with Mr. Chapman also elected again the close touch with our two museums has been maintained. The office-bearers to serve on the central committee for another year were elected: R.H.N. Smithers, President; K.H. Chapman, vice-president; H.M. Miles, Secretary; Mrs. G.D. Attwell, Asst. Secretary; R.K. Brooke, Treasurer; and Messrs' E.H. Ashton (Byo), B.V. Neuby-Varty (Marandellas), D.C.H. Plowes (Byo), R.W. Rankine (Headlands) new member, Capt. R.H.R. Stevenson (Selukwe) new member and C.M.N. White (Lusaka).

3. During the meeting ...

the Hon. Secretary read out a letter from Capt. C.D. Priest who, being no longer active in ornithological matters has decided to resign from the SAOS and, therefore, it was also necessary for him to resign from the ROS. This was noted with regret and the Secretary was asked to write to Capt. Priest. Answering this letter Capt. Priest states he is glad that his work for ornithology in S Rhodesia has been fulfilled and he hoped that any members who came to Marandellas would call on him.

4. The target for 1952 is 500 Nest Record Cards

There were 400 up to the end of October. Members are asked to send me all completed cards by December so that a summary of the first year's work can be made in the next *Bulletin*. Since the last *Bulletin* cards have been added by the following: E.A. Edwards 73, K.W. Greenhow 52, A.W. Stander 24, B.V. Neuby-Varty 13, F. Matthyser 8, Mrs. G. Attwell 4, N.A. Barker 3, H.B. Masterson 10 per A.N.B. Masterson, A.B. Fletcher 2, Capt. G.L. James 2, R.K. Brooke 1, Mrs. R.V. Collins 1, P. Ellenberger 1, H.M. Miles 1 and Capt. R.H. Stevenson 1.

Congratulations to both Greenhow and Edwards for each sending in over a hundred to date.

5. A meeting will be held on Saturday 29th November 5.30 p.m. at the usual conference room

in Jameson Avenue, Salisbury. Mr. G.D. Attwell will show some of his bird films, there will be a short talk on Nest Record Cards by the Hon. Secretary, and Mr. A.W. Stander will show some of his egg collection.

6. Stop Press

The newspaper Rhodesia Herald gives prominence this month to the news that 3,000 Red-billed Queleas have been ringed in Matabeleland and are on the wing. Any information on recoveries to the National Museum, Bulawayo, please.

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