

The Entomological Section

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THE activities of the Entomological Section have been in abeyance since 1938 owing to the lack of sufficient support. An informal meeting, to discuss the resumption of the Section's activities, was held at Taunton Castle on 31 October 1949, Mr. P. Sturdy, F.S.A., representing the Council of the Parent Society, in the chair ; it was decided to hold the thirtieth Annual General Meeting at Taunton Castle on 10 December 1949. The Annual General Meeting was well attended ; the existing officers from 1938 having intimated their wish to retire, the officers noted above were elected ; Mr. W. W. Macmillan was elected an Honorary Member, in appreciation of his being the sole remaining member who had joined the Section at its foundation in 1909 and who had continued his membership to the present day ; thirty-six new members were elected. A discussion on the organization and policy of the Section ensued, and the meeting agreed that more attention should be given to biological observations, and in principle that records of the county fauna should be assembled and filed at the County Museum and the entomological collections extended, particularly in groups other than the Lepidoptera. It was decided that a total of seven meetings a year should be held, three in the winter and four field-meetings during the rest of the year, this annual programme if necessary to be revised at the end of a year's experience. The annual subscription at the existing rate was retained, 2s. 6d. for members of the Parent Society, and 5s. for others.

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