

Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

(WEST CAERNARVONSHIRE AND ANGLESEY BRANCH)

President :

THE HON. VIOLET VIVIAN

Vice President :

REV. HAROLD E. DAVIES

Hon. Secretaries :

MISS L. E. REEVES, Chellow Dene, Ffriddoedd Road, Bangor
MISS H. COLE, Highground, Cemaes Bay, Anglesey

Hon. Treasurer :

W. CHARLES JONES, Esq., Lloyds Bank Ltd., Bangor

Hon. Auditor :

D. W. E. JONES, Esq., Coedfa, Llanfairfechan

Inspectors :

Inspector THELWELL, Fairhome, Penchwintan Road, Bangor. Tel. Bangor 183
Inspector FOSTER, 2, Windsor Villas, Richmond Hill, Holyhead

Branch Committee :

The Committee comprises all Honorary Officers and Honorary Secretaries of all Auxiliaries, together with the following :—

MISS MORRISH, Plas Coch, Penmaenmawr.
MRS. BERWICK, Ceinwen, Victoria Avenue, Bangor.
MISS BRUNTON, Groesffordd, Penmaenmawr.
MRS. GOW BROWN, Belvedere, Bangor
MISS M. REES THOMAS, Rhos-y-Garreg, Bethesda.
MRS. FURSE, Penmaenmawr.

Auxiliary Hon. Secretaries :

CAERNARVONSHIRE :

BETHESDA	Councillor Noel Lloyd, Bodlondeb, Bethesda.
CAERNARVON	Miss G. E. Jones, Hengwm, Caernarvon.
CRICCIETH	Miss Stapleton, Ynysgain, Criccieth
LLANBEDROG	Miss Francis, Andleby, Llanbedrog.
LLANFAIRFECHAN	Miss Howitt, Bron-y-Garn, Llanfairfechan.
PENMAENMAWR	Mrs. Roberts, 15, St. David's Terrace, Pen'mawr.
PORTMADOC	Mrs. Starling, 12, Meadow Drive, Portmadoc.
PWLLHELI	Miss Francis, Andleby, Llanbedrog.
PENRHOSGARNEDD	Mrs. Edwards, Bryn Aethwy, Penrhosgarnedd.
ABERSOCH	Mrs. Nuttall, Pentraeth Cottage, Abersoch
ABERDARON	Mrs. Dodd, Ty Newydd, Farm, Aberdaron
NEVIN	Mrs. Wynne Griffith, Hafod Wen, Nevin

ANGLESEY :

AMLWCH	Mrs. W. R. Jones, Bryntirion, Amlwch
BEAUMARIS	Miss Greenshields, 16, Victoria Terrace, B'maris
TREADDUR BAY	Mrs. Lake, The Hillocks, Treaddur Bay
HOLYHEAD	Mrs. Addison, Cleddon, Walthew Avenue, Holyhead

HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT.

MADAM CHAIRMAN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I have pleasure in presenting my report for the year ending in December 1952.

At the Annual meeting held last year, Miss H. Cole of Cemaes Bay was appointed Honourary Secretary for Anglesey. Unfortunately Miss Cole has been seriously ill during recent months, so she is unable to collaborate with me in the writing of this report, nor can I get details from her concerning the work in Anglesey.

The Anglesey collections during 1952, however, are an indication of the excellent work done by Miss Cole and all her helpers. Holyhead alone has sent in £55 9s. 0d., which is a splendid result. Anglesey's total figure for auxiliary collections, together with a collection of £20 13s. 0d. from Amlwch, which unfortunately was received too late to be included in this year's accounts, is nearly double last year's total. I congratulate them on this very good result.

In Caernarvonshire too the branch has gained new helpers, Miss Megan Rees Thomas of Bethesda and Miss Furse of Penmaenmawr have been elected to the branch Committee. Mrs. Dodd has undertaken the work of auxiliary secretary at Aberdaron, and organised a flag-day there last July. Mrs. Nuttall, our new auxiliary secretary at Abersoch, has sent in a very good collection, and Mrs. Wynne Griffith has kindly consented to act as auxiliary secretary for Nevin. Miss Stapleton, another of our newer branch workers, has sent in a collection of £27 from Criccieth, which shows what can be accomplished even in a small town by an enthusiastic worker. Unfortunately, Miss Cope an excellent auxiliary secretary at Llanfairfechan, has now left the district. The branch is grateful to Miss Howitt and the other collectors who carry on with her work. It is unfortunate too that several auxiliary secretaries and collectors in Caernarvonshire have been unable to make a collection this year. As a result our collections from auxiliaries in this County are about £13 less than last year.

Total branch collections, however, have increased this year by £27 15s.

More flag days have been held during 1952 than in former years, and these have brought in £36 13s. 7d. more than in 1951. Thanks are due to all who have organised and helped with these. I should like to congratulate Miss G. E. Jones of Caernarvon on nearly doubling the result of her previous flag-days, and to express appreciation of her constant interest in animal welfare in that town.

Due to the efforts of so many splendid helpers the branch has been able to send £399 17s. to headquarters, which is an increase of £60 on last year's figure. This however, does not nearly cover the cost of maintaining two inspectors, so we must try to do still better next year.

I should like to express my appreciation of the conscientious work done by the two inspectors, and to thank them for their help in branch organisations. I also thank the Hon. Treasurer, the new Auditor, all Auxiliary Secretaries and Collectors, and all who have helped the branch in any way during 1952.

L. E. REEVES,

(Hon. Sec., Caerns.)

WEST CAERNARVONSHIRE AND ANGLESEY BRANCH

Annual Report for Year ending December 31st, 1952

Mr. CHAIRMAN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

In presenting my report I beg to submit the following details of work performed in the Branch during the year :—

CATTLE MARKETS AND SPECIAL SALES.

All the Cattle Markets and special Sales in the Branch have been frequently visited by me—careful watch being kept on the treatment of all animals during unloading and loading in lorries and Railway trucks. In many instances my interference and advice prevented what would have led to unnecessary rough treatment, overcrowding and neglect of animals.

RIDING SCHOOLS.

Riding Schools at Abersoch, Morfa Nevin and Butlins Holiday Camp at Pwllheli are frequently visited, horses are inspected for saddle sores etc. and observation is kept as to the manner in which they are ridden.

SLAUGHTER HOUSES.

All the Slaughter Houses in my area have been frequently visited, humane pistols examined and in many cases attended to. I have had no cause to interfere with the running of any of these premises.

STRAY ANIMALS.

I am pleased to report that a large number of the better class stray dogs brought to my notice were found suitable homes. I would like to point out to all dog owners to see that they have their address affixed to the animal's collar. Otherwise the animals when taken in by the Police are treated as "definite strays", and humanely destroyed if not claimed or homes found within nine days.

It would, I suggest, be far more humane and prevent a great deal of unnecessary suffering, disease and neglect to such unwanted cats and dogs if they were humanely destroyed after birth, and not given to undesirable homes, to be turned adrift for lack of food and other causes. Such animals not only give the Society a great deal of unnecessary work but also the Police.

CONVICTIONS, CAUTIONS ETC.

Verbal cautions	32
Cases reported to Headquarters	7
Convictions	6
Monitions sent from Headquarters	1
Complaints received, investigated and reported to Headquarters	37

DESTRUCTION OF ANIMALS.

The following animals were humanely destroyed as a result of investigations, by request of owners, or found injured etc.

Cats	353
Dogs	117
Swan	1
Miscellaneous (Injured Birds etc.)	18

In conclusion I beg to thank all who have assisted me in my duties, especially the Flag Day Helpers, the Police and Fire Service, for their ready assistance, also the Press for their fair and accurate reports.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,

T. E. THELWELL.

Inspector.

BRANCH ANNUAL REPORT, ANGLESEY, 1952.

MR. CHAIRMAN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to submit a report of the work carried out in Anglesey during the year ending December 31st. 1952.

During the year under review twelve convictions were obtained in the local courts for various offences. Two other cases were dismissed, but in each case the Society's costs were remitted. Two further cases are pending for the next Court. Forty-six persons were issued registered cautions for lesser infringements. Complaints were fully investigated and reported to Headquarters.

The following animals and birds have been humanely destroyed as being unwanted, injured or badly diseased-238 cats; 128 dogs; 1 donkey; 9 hens; 1 Swan 2 rabbits, 5 pigeons, 3 ducks, 1 heron, 1 crow, 1 Jackdaw.

First Aid has been rendered to numerous injured animals and good homes have been found for a considerable number of animals whose owners have been unable to keep them.

I have visited as regularly as possible all Slaughterhouses, Markets, Railway sidings, Docks and all such places where animals are normally gathered. Invaluable assistance has been rendered by the appointment of a Market Inspector (Inspector Williams) to carry out duties in two of the largest of the local livestock markets.

In conclusion I wish to render my sincere thanks to all ranks of the local Police for their wholehearted co-operation, also to the Press, Fire Service and, local Authorities for their able assistance at all times, and finally and especially to all Branch Officials and to the many members of the Public without whose aid this work would not have been possible.

R. FOSTER,

Inspector, 112.

SUMMARY OF COLLECTIONS PER AUXILIARIES.

	£	s.	d.
HOLYHEAD & RHOSNEIGR (per Mrs. Addison and Mrs. Owen)	55	9	0
CAERNARVON (per Miss G. E. Jones)	8	13	6
BEAUMARIS (per Miss Greenshields)	16	14	4
CRICCIETH (per Miss Stapleton)	27	0	0
BANGOR (per Mrs. Berwick)	3	17	0
ABERSOCH	7	14	0
ST. TUDWAL'S HOTEL (per Mrs Nuttall)	1	14	9
VALLEY (per Mrs. Walker)	12	18	6
TREADDUR BAY (per Mrs. Walker)	10	0	3
LLANGFNI (per Mrs. Walker)	2	0	5
CEMAES BAY (per Miss Cole)	23	2	0
PENRHOSGARNEDD (per Mrs. Edwards)	2	1	6
BETHESDA (per Miss Megan Rees Thomas)	3	3	6
PENMAENMAWR (per Mrs. M. Roberts)	10	5	6
BELMONT, BANGOR (per Mrs M. E. Roberts)	5	5	3
LLANFAIRFECHAN (per Miss Cope)	16	8	0
UPPER BANGOR (per Miss Reeves)	4	15	0
LLANBEDROG (per Miss Francis)	9	0	0
	£220	2	6

PAYMENTS

The Chief Secretary wishes to thank all Members, Collectors and Subscribers for their excellent support during 1952.

Audited and found correct :—

24/2/53. L. E. REEVES, *Hon. Sec.*
D. W. E. JONES, Coedfa, Llanfairfechan. W. CHARLES ONES, *Hon. Treas.*

The Chief Secretary wishes to thank all Members, Collectors and Subscribers for their excellent support during 1952.

Audited and found correct :—

24/2/53. L. E. REEVES, *Hon. Sec.*
D. W. E. JONES, Coedfa, Llanfairfechan. W. CHARLES ONES, *Hon. Treas.*