

<b>HMS Diary 1925</b>	
Memoranda pages	c/o Mrs T. Richards, 24 Bridge Street, Aberystwyth H.R.Wakefield, 7 Montpelier Terrace, Swansea
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> January	3/3950 P.2 galls. Oil none
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	<u>Lake</u> . Large flock 960/70) Tufted [ <b>Duck</b> ]. Very few Pochard, few Coot <u>R'voir</u> [ <b>Reservoir</b> ]. 10.30. 1 Glaucous Gull, 6/7 Common immature [ <b>Gulls</b> ], 1 GC [ <b>Great Crested</b> ] Grebe, 20/25 Coot, 1 Pochard. <u>Lisvane</u> 12.00. Larger flock Common & BH [ <b>Black-headed</b> ] Gulls, 2/3 Herring [ <b>Gulls</b> ]. Usual flock Tufted [ <b>Duck</b> ]. Few Pochard, 1 female Goldeneye, 1 Black Necked Grebe. Coot, 2/3 Common Gulls
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	Common Scotor shot legs 3.1.25
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> January	Lake. Few Tufted [ <b>Duck</b> ]. 2/3 Pochard, Coot <u>R'voir</u> [ <b>Reservoir</b> ]. Coot, 6/7 Pochard, usual Tufted [ <b>Duck</b> ], 1 female Goldeneye (B.N [ <b>Black-necked</b> ] Grebe gone), 1 GC [ <b>Great Crested</b> ] Grebe. No gulls. Cormorant
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> January	Lake. Tufted Duck, few Pochard & Coot. <u>R'voir</u> [ <b>Reservoir</b> ]. Coot, 1 GC [ <b>Great Crested</b> ] Grebe, 1 Pochard. Flock 30 Pochard arrived 1pm. <u>Lisvane</u> . 1 female Goldeneye, 1 male Tufted [ <b>Duck</b> ], 4 male Pochard, 25 Coot, Cormorant. Gulls BH [ <b>Black-headed</b> ] & Common.
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> January	Lake. Half empty. 100 Tufted [ <b>Duck</b> ] & Coot, some Pochard. BH [ <b>Black- headed</b> ] Gulls on mud. <u>R'voir</u> [ <b>Reservoir</b> ]. 50 Coot, 10 pochard, 1 Tufted [ <b>Duck</b> ], 1 Common Gull. <u>Lisvane</u> . 1 Tufted [ <b>Duck</b> ], 3 Pochard, 1 female Goldeneye.
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	4265 4 galls P [ <b>Petrol</b> ] Lake. Many Tufted [ <b>Duck</b> ], Gulls, Coot. <u>R'voir</u> [ <b>Reservoir</b> ]. Coot. 11 Tufted [ <b>Duck</b> ], 12 Pochard, 1 female Goldeneye. Few BH [ <b>Black-headed</b> ] & Common Gulls. <u>Henso!</u> . Mallard, Teal, Shoveler, Wigeon, 1 female Tufted [ <b>Duck</b> ], 2 pairs GCG [ <b>Great Crested Grebe</b> ] breeding plumage. 1 Buzzard
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	<u>Cog</u> . Flocks Skylarks 20/30. Saw pair Ravens flying towards S.H. [ <b>Sully Hospital?</b> ]. Fieldfares & Redwings. (feathers pushed up).
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> February	Lake. Tufted [ <b>Duck</b> ], Coot <u>R'voir</u> [ <b>Reservoir</b> ]. Few Pochard & Tufted [ <b>Duck</b> ], Coot <u>Lisvane</u> . 1 female Goldeneye, Common & BH [ <b>Black-headed</b> ] Gulls. 5 Slavonian Grebes. Bill rather pinkish. <b>Drawing of Slavonian Grebe &amp; head and neck</b>
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	LBB [ <b>Lesser Black-backed</b> ] Gull at Docks.
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	Lake. Large flock BHG [ <b>Black-headed Gulls</b> ] <u>R'voir</u> [ <b>Reservoir</b> ]. Coot, Tufted [ <b>Duck</b> ], Pochard, 2 Grebes GC [ <b>Great Crested</b> ], 1 as last weeks, 1 full summer plumage <u>Lisvane</u> . 1 female Goldeneye, imm [ <b>immature</b> ] swan.
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	4602 8 galls P [ <b>petrol</b> ] <u>R'voir</u> [ <b>Reservoir</b> ]. Coot, Tufted [ <b>Duck</b> ], Pochard, GCG [ <b>Great Crested Grebe</b> ], female Goldeneye.

Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	GN 4630 petrol 7 galls. Morris 5800
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	Cog. Fieldfares & Redwings, 1 small flock.
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	<u>Hensol</u> . Teal, Shoveler. Wigeon many. Not so many Mallard. 2 prs [ <b>pairs</b> ] GCG [ <b>Great Crested Grebe</b> ], 1 Little Grebe. Few Tufted Duck in morning. (Snow).
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	To Berts To Nash light [ <b>house?</b> ]
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	7am Wild Pk [ <b>Park</b> ]. Robin building. Kingfishers about by bridge. Redwings. No Chiffchaff
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	<u>Flemingston Moors</u> . Herons Coed Colwn, 5 nests, 4 young, 1 probably eggs. Eight birds in field while at nests.
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	To Bishopstone. Saw Raven nest & pair. 1 Buzzard. Goldcrest building. Barn Owl 4 eggs.
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	<u>Coed y Colwn</u> . 1 nest 3eggs. Put up framework of hide.
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	6525 2galls <b>Mileage/gallon calculations underneath</b>
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	<u>Coed y Colwn</u> . <b>Xxxx</b> Herons hide. 4 young in nest feathered & large.
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> April	<u>To Bishopstone</u> . Chiffchaffs at St Mellons. Ravens, young about 10 days old. <b>Xxxx</b> Woodlarks.
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> April	5am. To heronry. Finished hide. 1 Swallow <b>xxxx xxxx</b>
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	8am. To Heronry
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> April	2.30pm. To Cwm Du. Raven robbed. Peregrine <b>xxxx</b> ready. Wheatear, Ring Ouzels.
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> April	8am. To Heronry. Several Willow Warblers. 2 Swallows ( <b>xxxx xxxx</b> )
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	To Capel-y-ffin. Raven, Peregrines
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	<u>Cwm du</u> . Peregrine 2 eggs. No sign of Raven.
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	Cable broke at 7306, 6 galls left. To Abergavenny, raining
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	To Heronry
Memo.	Cable broken 19/25 <sup>th</sup> . Used 5 ½ galls @ 28.2 mpg = 15.5 miles
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	To Capel-y-ffin. Raven photos. Saw Redstart. Met Brook & Gilbert. <b>7306 + petrol info</b>
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	<u>Dinas Powis</u> , Tree Pipit. <b>Milage &amp; petrol figures</b>
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	To Heronry. Geoff in hide.
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	<u>W.Pk [Wild Park]</u> . 2 Redpolls building, 4 birds at nests. Blackcap, Tree Pipit <u>Reservoir</u> . 3 GCG [ <b>Great Crested Grebe</b> ], 2 pairing. Swifts, Sand Martins, 1 House Martin. <u>Llanthony</u> . Peregrines in old Raven nest. Flock of about 15 Fieldfares near Monestry.
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	<u>Little Garth</u> . Jay 4 eggs. Stock Dove nest in mine. Many Wood Warblers
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	H.M.Hallett, Corncrake, Penarth

	<p><u>Wild Pk [Park]</u>. Redpoll in Yew 4 eggs. Marsh Tit, eggs. G.S.W [<b>Great Spotted Woodpecker</b>] nest. Blue Tits building. Young Grey Wagtails &amp; Creepers [<b>Treecreepers</b>] fledged.</p> <p><u>Reservoir</u>. Nil</p> <p><u>Little Garth</u>. Jays, 2, 4 eggs &amp; <b>xxxx</b>. Missel T [<b>Thrush</b>] 5 eggs.</p>
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	<u>Garth</u> . Jays deserted. 2 gone. Other 5
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Fixed stand. Redpolls
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	<u>WPk [Wild Park]</u> . Photo Redpolls
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	<u>Little Garth</u> . N.D [ <b>no idea what this is</b> ] at Stock Dove
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	<u>WPk [Wild Park]</u> . Marsh Tit sitting. Redpolls. <u>Aft [afternoon]</u> wet. Stock Dove.
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Heronry. 1 young dead in nest. Bird flew from nest, young? Another new nest built, bird sitting. Young in nest (Mar [ <b>March</b> ] 29) fledged. Dead young one under another nest. Sparrowhawk 4 eggs, male sitting, female with kill. Pigeons in flocks. 1 bird probably sitting. Jay 5 eggs.
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	<u>Wild PK [Wild Park]</u> . Redpolls gone. Photo'd Marsh Tit (young). GSW [ <b>Great Spotted Woodpecker</b> ] sitting – changed places. <u>Little Garth</u> . Geoff in hide for Stock Dove (young Doves). Missel Thrush hatched (photos). Peacock [ <b>butterfly?</b> ]
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Corncrake Radyr.
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	<u>Coed-y-Colwn</u> . Sparrowhawk sitting 4. Jay sitting. Green Woodpeckers young.
Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup> May	Wild Pk [ <b>Park</b> ] 7.45. Spotted Flycatcher. Photo'd GSW [ <b>Great Spotted Woodpecker</b> ]. <u>Later</u> to Flemingston. Green Woodpeckers. Coot nesting. Nightingale. C [ <b>Common</b> ] Whitethroat nest 3 eggs 2 young.
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Wild Pk [ <b>Park</b> ]. 7.30. Photo GSWs { <b>Great Spotted Woodpeckers</b> } 8305 7 galls [ <b>plus mpg calculations</b> ]
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	<u>Aft [afternoon]</u> Kenfig. Lapwing, Redshank, Shelduck, Teal, Mallard, BH [ <b>Black-headed</b> ] Gull
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	<u>Coed y Colwn</u>
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	<u>Wild Pk [Park]</u> . GSW [ <b>Great Spotted Woodpecker</b> ] flown. Geoff photo Kingfishers. Photo GSW [ <b>Great Spotted Woodpecker</b> ] hole.
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	<u>Wild PK [Park]</u> . Tried Kingfishers. NS [ <b>No success?</b> ]
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	To Gower
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	<u>Worms Hd [Head]</u> . High tide S'sea [ <b>Swansea</b> ] 7,8am, 7.20pm, 37'
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	<u>To Coed y Colwn</u> . Woodpigeon 2 eggs near Rly [ <b>Railway?</b> ]. Sparrowhawk young feathers just showing. Another in wood, bird sitting on empty nest. High Tide S'sea [ <b>Swansea</b> ] 11.27am, 11.42pm., 33.7'
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	9169 6 ½ galls. [ <b>plus mpg calculations</b> ]
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	<u>To Coed y Colwn</u> . Pigeon [ <b>Woodpigeon</b> ] near Rly [ <b>Railway?</b> ], eggs gone. Another in wood, 2 eggs. Put up tent. Speckled Wood, Large Skipper, Ringlet, many Meadow Browns.

Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Pigeon
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Pigeon ok. Another 2 eggs. Sparrowhawk s just leaving. Another Heron nest on drive, young.
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Gower. Young GBB [ <b>Great Black-backed</b> ] Gulls
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Leys. Terns feeding young. Redshank.
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Speedometer cable broke. 9587 7 galls, 3 in tank. [ <b>mpg calculation</b> ]
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Used 9 ½ galls @ 29.5 mpg = 280 miles
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	9587.5, 8 ½ galls. Speedometer on (4 galls in same day)
Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> August	<b>Petrol and mileage calculations</b>
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> August	Royal exhibits to be <b>xxxx</b>
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September – Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>Series of mileage and petrol calculations</b>
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> September	Swift, Penarth <b>xxxx</b>
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> September	Swift ( <b>xxxx</b> ) Penarth
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	<b>Series of mileage and petrol calculations</b>
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	<b>Series of mileage and petrol calculations</b>
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Finished all shell (?). Started on ROP. 24 galls, 10823.7
Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Cog. Redwings few. Fieldfares 2/3.
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	<u>Lake</u> . 5 Little Grebe. <u>R'voir [Reservoir]</u> . BH [ <b>Black-headed</b> ], Common & H [ <b>Herring</b> ] Gulls. 1 LLB [ <b>Lesser Black-backed Gull</b> ], ?2. 70/80 Pochard, 20/30 Tufted [Duck], 12 Coot. <b>Series of mileage and petrol calculations</b>
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	2 Swallow Penarth (white?)
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	Swallow (white?) Penarth
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	City <b>xxxx</b> Dinner Committee Meeting
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	<u>Reservoir</u> . 150/200 Pochard, 40/50 Tufted [ <b>Duck</b> ], 1 female Goldeneye, 16 Coot. Common, BH [ <b>Black-headed</b> ] & H [ <b>Herring</b> ] Gulls
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Kenfig. 4 ad [ <b>adult</b> ] Bewick Swans, 1 Goosander. Teal, Pochard, Coot many, Shoveler, Mallard, Tufted [Duck] fair numbers. Lapwing, 2/3 Redshank, Wigeon few.
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	<u>R'voir [Reservoir]</u> . 150 Pochard, 70/80 Tufted [Duck], 1 <u>immature</u> Goldeneye, 80/90 Coot, BH [ <b>Black-headed</b> ] & Common Gulls. <u>Goldfinches</u> . <u>Lake</u> , 7/8 Pochard, 1 Coot
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	Cardiff City <b>xxxx</b> Dinner Committee
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Cog
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	50/60 Golden Plover at Radyr
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	24 galls ROP finished. <b>Mileage and petrol calculations</b>
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	Cog. Goldfinches
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	<b>Series of mileage and petrol calculations</b>
Notes for 1926	2-28 + 3 ½ Coot. <u>2-16-9</u> each(?)
Cash Accounts	<b>Full of figures for each month, some in code.</b>

