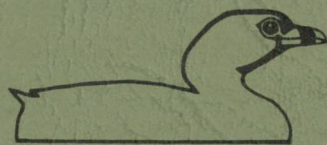


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PREFACE

The previous issue of *Bristol Ornithology* (No. 4) dealt almost entirely with some of the results of the Club's investigations into the birds of the Bristol Channel. As forecast in that number we are now presenting the first of the occasional papers on selected species. However, the main theme of no. 5 is visible migration. The Club has been carrying out simultaneous migration watches at several coastal localities along the Bristol Channel and Severn Estuary since its formation. Many members have been involved in the watches and they will no doubt be intrigued and gratified to see some of the results of their early morning vigils. There are still many problems to be solved and the watches will continue. Our coverage only stretched to Berron occasionally and so it is encouraging to see that J. V. Morley has been gathering information from that area and beyond. The paper from Bernard King on Lesser Black-backed Gulls heralds a new field venture that the Club hopes to launch in 1973. Even now very little is known in precise figures about the seasonal variations in the gull roosts in our area. In addition, knowledge of flight lines and feeding areas of the gulls will help to build a better picture of the habits of these birds away from their breeding grounds.

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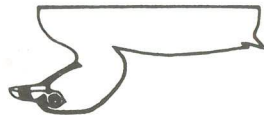
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