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SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF NATURAL HISTORY

At a Special General Meeting on the 28 March 1983 the Society for the Bibliography of Natural History, founded in 1936, decided to change its title to the Society for the History of Natural History. The decision was not taken lightly, and had been the subject of deliberation and consultation over a number of years. The word 'bibliography' had originally been chosen to cover members' researches into the dates of publication of taxonomically important works. Much of that task has now been completed, and the specialised current use of the word 'bibliography' in modern librarianship and the tremendous upsurge in interest in the history of science in the last decade indicated that a change in name was desirable. The motion proposing the change was carried by a large majority. The Society is always pleased to welcome new members, and its activities are particularly relevant to those involved with natural history collections and the life and work of collectors. A leaflet on the Society's activities and publications is enclosed with this copy of Biology Curator's Group Newsletter.

BULLETIN OF PLANT GALLS

The subject of Plant Galls, involving many branches of botany and invertebrate zoology, has no settled place in the literature. A Bulletin is now being produced, twice yearly for the present, and a copy of the first issue (Spring 1984) will be sent to any individual, society, museum or other institution on request.

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