

Porcupine Marine Natural History Society

A Society to promote interest in the ecology and distribution of marine fauna and flora of the North East Atlantic region and the Mediterranean.



The name 'Porcupine' is taken from the naval survey vessel HMS Porcupine which was engaged on scientific expeditions in the N.E. Atlantic and Mediterranean in 1869 and 1870. She made the first ever deep ocean dredge for living creatures in 1869 resulting in the naming of the Porcupine Bank off the west coast of Ireland.

The Society warmly welcomes anyone interested in marine biology and ecology.

Its main aims are:-

- To promote a wider understanding of the biology, ecology and distribution of marine organisms;
- To stimulate interest in marine biodiversity, especially in young people;
- To encourage interaction and exchange of information between those with interests in different aspects of marine biology, amateur and professional alike;
- To publish a regular Newsletter.

Meetings take place at venues throughout Great Britain and Ireland and may in the future be held Europe-wide. These include:-

- An Annual Conference involving the presentation of papers, progress reports and discussion on a particular theme;
- Workshops on topical issues or identification of particular taxonomic groups;
- Field meetings which provide an opportunity to learn to identify marine species, and to appreciate the ecology and geographic variation of marine communities;
- Joint meetings with other Societies.

The **Newsletter** provides information through reports of meetings, articles on a wide range of issues, short items of scientific interest and importance which may not be appropriate for publication in a major journal. Contributions also comprise reviews, notices of forthcoming events, personal and joint research projects, letters and requests for information. Occasional publications, including monographs, are also produced.

Membership

Full Members£10.00

Students/OAP/Unwaged Members£5.00

Subscriptions are due at the beginning of each calendar year (January), and may be paid by cash, cheque (made payable to 'Porcupine Marine Natural History Society') or by Banker's Order.

For more information about the Society see the 'Porcupine Marine Natural History Society' Website: <http://www.pmnhs.co.uk/>

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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Title: Name:

Address:

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..... Post Code:

Telephone:.....

E-mail:.....

Marine natural history interests:

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I enclose a total of £10.00/£5.00 (Full/Reduced Membership – delete as appropriate) for one year's subscription to The Porcupine Marine Natural History Society. I agree to the Society storing the above details on a computer database for the purposes of Society business.

Signature:

Date:

Please return this form and payment to:

Seamus Whyte,
Membership Secretary
Porcupine Marine Natural History Society
The Cottage
Back Lane
Ingoldsby
Lincolnshire
NG33 4EW

N.B. The collection of future subscriptions by the Treasurer will be greatly facilitated if members pay by Bankers Order using the attached Bankers Order form.

Please tick one of the following:

- Cash/Cheque enclosed
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Porcupine Marine Natural History Society

Account No. 00780226 Sort code 80-02-24

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32A Chambers Street

Edinburgh

EH1 1JB

The £10 annual payment to start on **1st January next year** (or next working day) until further notice.

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Also please cancel any existing Bankers Orders with respect to **Porcupine** or **Porcupine MNHS**

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Date:

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