NEWSLETTER EDITOR AND SOCIAL MEDIA REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT

During 2019, two editions of the newsletter have been produced successfully and distributed. They also feature on the RAFOS website.

The Newsletter relies entirely upon RAFOS members to provide articles and pictures for publication. Obviously, it is important to publish articles and photographs concerning society activities, but stories and pictures of other birding trips and holidays are also welcome. The Editor is most grateful for the contributions received this year.

Two articles are already in hand for the first Newsletter of 2020, and it is hoped that the flow of interesting contributions will continue.

The RAFOS presence on Facebook consists of a closed group, where members are welcome to ask questions and discuss points of mutual birding interests. There are 69 members of the group, some more active than others. A public page concerning the Society has more than 100 followers. Details of our activities, especially participation in scientific work, can be publicised this way.

Similarly, the Society is also present on Twitter, where the activities of Expeditions SIMMER DIM to the Orkneys and Shetlands have attracted attention from several external organisations and individuals.

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