-ANNUAL ELECTION PROCESS 1998-

Dear Members:

The annual election process for 1998 has begun. There are 6 Director positions to be elected for the following terms: 1) One year term, 2) Two year terms, and 3) Three year terms. You may request which term you wish to run for. If no term is requested then you will be considered for all terms. The person receiving the highest number of votes will get the longest term unless a shorter term is requested. If you or some member you believe would be a good candidate for one of the six Directors positions please feel free to contact one of the members of the Nominating Committee (listed below) with your recommendation. A person may also become a candidate with a petition to the Nominating Committee and the requirements in item #3 of the election calendar below are met. All candidates for Director may prepare a one sheet campaign statement. The statement must conclude with a disclaimer that it is "Not prepared or reproduced at Societies expense and does not necessarily represent Societies policy and positions". The statement will be reproduced by the candidate on a 8 1/2 x 11 inch sheet of paper of any color not to exceed "20 lb. weight" and may be printed on both sides. A quantity of 1,000 copies will be needed to cover all voting members.

The statement shall set forth the candidate's views on relevant Society matters; it should not contain photographs, art work or slanderous comments about Society matters. Failure to conform may cause the Nominating Committee to return the material for a rewrite if time permits or cause the material to be omitted from the consolidated mailing.

A petition to change the Bylaws of the Society must be signed by one member in good standing and the requirements in item #4 of the election calendar below are met. Proponents of amendments from any source may prepare a one sheet statement. The statements will be signed by one author; other supporting names maybe included as part of the statement. The statements will be reproduced by and at the expense of the author(s). Statements will be reproduced on a single 8 1/2 x 11 inch sheet of paper of any color not to exceed "20 lb. weight" and may be printed on both sides. A quantity of 1000 copies will be needed to cover all voting members.

All campaign statements and bylaw arguments and rebuttal will be combined with the ballot and election instructions into one consolidated mailing. Postage for this mailing will be paid by the Society. However, members are permitted to mail their own election material at their own expense. —Tom Graham, FRRS

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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1. Nominating and Election Committee confirmed by Board	December 14, 1997
2. Nominating Committee mails information packet	January 15, 1998
3. Petitions of Nomination received by the Committee	February 25, 1998
by 3:00PM at the address below	
5. Draft candidates statements received by the Nominating	March 12, 1998
Committee by 3:00PM at the address below	
6. All proposals for amending or repealing Bylaws with	March 12, 1998
arguments are available to members with a self-addressed	
stamped return envelope on request	
7. All candidates names and statements presented to the Board	March 28. 1998
8. All Bylaws changes and arguments presented to the Board	March 28, 1998
9. All statements requested to be revised must be received by the Committee	April 9, 1998
10. Consolidated mailing (ballot, statements, and arguments)	May 1, 1998
11. Ballots received by 12:00 NOON at P.O. Box 608 at Portola, CA 96122	June 5, 1998
12. Election Committee meets to conduct vote counting	June 13, 1998
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