

The Facts of Rural Life

A new book on wildlife management.

The Veterinary Association for Wildlife Management (VAWM) has commissioned *The Facts of Rural Life* to address a number of concerns it has on the management of wildlife in the countryside such as:

- the loss, or potential loss, of many vulnerable species;
- the consequences of ill-thought through legislation;
- the problems created by over protectionism;
- the failure to recognise, or even understand, any need for pro-active management of certain dominant species.

VAWM is particularly frustrated by the simplistic vision of the countryside and its wild inhabitants that is so often portrayed on television and in the popular press.

The author, Charlie Pye-Smith, is a respected writer on environmental topics, both in the UK and the developing world. Charlie has undertaken an extensive research programme of field visits and interviews with scientists, veterinarians, landowners, farmers and wildlife practitioners including conservationists, gamekeepers and huntsmen.

The Facts of Rural Life provides a valuable resource for politicians, the media and anyone genuinely concerned about conservation, animal welfare and the future of Britain's countryside..

Copies of *The Facts of Rural Life* may be purchased at £10 per book, or £40 for 5 books, with cheques payable to VAWM through Brian Fanshawe, Old School House, Ashley, Tetbury, Glos. GL8 8SX.

The book will be on sale at the Duke of Beaufort's Puppy Show tea on Sat 20th June.