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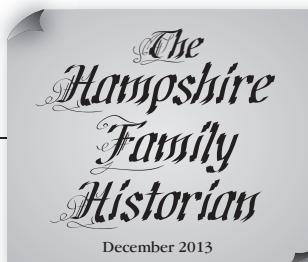
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Welcome...

It's that time of year again, and we shall soon be confining 2013 to the history books. We can now look forward with expectation and hope for what 2014 will bring beyond celebrating the centenary of the beginning of World War I.

Especially for those who may be new at this game – and perhaps even for our “veterans”, as well – I have begun another ongoing subject for the ‘In Days of Yore’ feature. As you may have realised over the last several issues, this regular series now deals with genealogical sources. We started with the Last Will and Testament, and progressed through Censuses, and now turn our attention to Civil Registration. With this current journal we examine the origins of the system in this country, and, as an addition, a list of Hampshire parishes with their registration districts (RDs) will be featured over the next few issues. This is because RDs had changed over the years and some parishes were included in a number of different districts since 1837. Furthermore, new parishes had also been created, culminating in quite a problem for researchers to sort out where their ancestors were actually born, married or died when using civil registration indexes. For example, a man who lived at Chilworth all his life would have been born in South Stoneham RD in 1900, married in Eastleigh RD in 1930, and died in Romsey RD in 1980, yet had never left his parish. So, I think this feature could be quite helpful (see pp 166-71).

As always, I wish to thank all those who have contributed something to the journal. Without your help it would not enjoy the success that it has achieved. I am pleased - and at the same



time quite astounded - at the numerous positive comments I continue to receive, especially as I enjoy the creativity side of the enterprise. Long may it continue (hopefully). I am quite sure there must be something of interest to most members in this journal, so I'm hoping it will keep you entertained.

As we are now in the Christmas and New Year season, it seems to be the right time to publicise HGS's current publications. They would surely make perfect gifts for those among your family and friends who may have an interest in family history or similar. So, please browse through pp 229-40 at your leisure in order to make up your Christmas presents list. You can always try the website, as well.

We wish you an enjoyable Christmas and success in 2014 - from all of us at HGS!

Ken Smallbone
Editor



HGS Open Day 2013

The 2013 Open Day at Horndean was held on 29 September and it seemed appropriate to make Michaelmas the theme for the day with a PowerPoint presentation and display stand on the subject.

Independent photograph, artwork and dress history specialist Jayne Shrimpton gave a talk about the working lives and clothing of various occupations, while Jane Lewis, having undertaken a study of a rural area (Headley), detailed how this project revealed ways to aid our search for our agricultural ancestors. Both were excellent talks to complement the Michaelmas theme. Sharon Hintze from the London History Centre finished the programme of talks by telling us about the freely available new-style FamilySearch website and how to get the best from it. We received excellent reviews from visitors on all three talks.

Twenty-nine exhibitors attended, including an increased number of Family History Societies

(19) and a good variety of traders and commercial stands (10), all of which reported a steady stream of visitors and good sales. 'Census Detectives' were kept busy as usual, seeking and finding those elusive ancestors!

The HGS Bookstall reported sales up from last year. The HGS Help Desk assisted the public with general advice and help with their family research, while reminding visitors of our Research Centre and Library at the office in Cosham. A new addition to the show was the Groups Table, showing visitors where their local HGS meetings are held, and some moved from this table straight to the Membership Table. A good number newly joined and others renewed their subscriptions, clearly demonstrating that they're very happy with what HGS has to offer. The Society is dedicated to helping members and visitors with their research. We are always available to assist and advise where possible.

Sue Wright, Open Day Secretary





Searchers



Compiled by **Lesley Bull**

If you would like your request to be included in this section, please submit a **brief, but specific**, email or letter of enquiry or send a 'Word' based article with relevant names (and particularly your own name and address) detailed in **BLOCK CAPITALS** to Mrs L. Bull, 'Wychwynd', Cove Road, Fleet, Hampshire, GU51 2RT.

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Abbreviations used: **b** = born, **bat** = baptised, **bd** = buried, **c.** = circa, **C** = Century, **d.** = died, **mrd** = married.

Members are reminded that these pages are compiled from letters etc. that may have been written months beforehand, so postal addresses should always be checked for up to date changes.

BULL family: Gypsies and chimney sweeps

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My husband's grandparents and their ancestors were gypsies, travelling around the Hampshire/Wiltshire borders, and I have, after thinking about it for years, finally begun compiling the **BULL** family tree. I never thought I would get back more than a generation or two because of the itinerant nature of their lives and the fact that they were always assumed to be 'record shy'.

Through the Romany and Traveller Family History Society I have made contact with Amanda Ball, a distant relation of my husband's and an enthusiastic family history researcher. She has been generous enough to share the results of her many hours at HRO and sent me a descendant tree going back to 1690. I believe there are other researchers also descended from Stephen Bull bc1690;



one lady in particular from Titchfield is descended from Stephen Bull and Eve Mason, my husband's 2 x great grandparents, but her contact details have been lost. Perhaps she will read this? Is anyone else researching this family? I am happy to share more details with anyone interested.

Part two of my query goes out to anyone with a collection of old (pre 1997) Hampshire Family Historians. I once picked up at a family history fair an old HFH with a picture of Hampshire gypsies on the front cover. I believe it was of Ellen Bull and ? **AYRES**. Now

I have got around to researching the Bulls I cannot for the life of me find it. Does anyone please have a collection of old HFH that they could search through and hopefully copy the relevant picture for me? I will reimburse any costs involved.

LB: So, only two queries (including mine) this month. Are you sure HGS members can't help with your research queries? Any family history brick walls that they could perhaps break down or suggest another route to try? I look forward to being inundated with queries for the next issue!

Can you identify this picture?

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Can any readers/members help identify this picture? In the front seat is my mother Hilda with her father Harry **WOODRIFFE** and her mother Rosina. The picture's right hand side has been cut off for some reason, to remove something or someone! Who knows? Harry was a well known figure in Portsmouth as he was Chief Mortuary Attendant for the city and was well liked. I'm interested to know where it is and whether it was some kind of outing?





The changing of the shape of England

The Local Government Act of 1932 brought about great changes in the shape of this country. Following on from the Local Government Acts of 1894 and 1929 - which established parish councils and then transferred the powers of the Boards of Guardians (of workhouses) to local authorities - it went a major step further towards the modernisation of England and Wales.

The 1932 Act was intended to consolidate the rural and urban districts, thus ending the anomalies that had been caused by single land conveyances throughout history – whereby isolated islands of foreign parishes existed within larger parishes.

Before 1932 the situation was that it was quite possible for people to have had to travel a distance in order to attend services in their own parish church - for example, to marry or have children baptised - even though not actually dwelling outside that parish at the time. To illustrate this further I use two examples in northern Hampshire.

If one visited Wootton St Lawrence near Basingstoke, they would have found that on the other side of St Lawrence's church they would pass through Monk Sherborne parish for about 100 yards, and here was located the village's National (Church of England) School – oddly representing the parish of Wootton, but actually situated in an alien parish! Wootton St Lawrence parish then continued to be interspersed with islands belonging to Monk Sherborne parish until it reached its northern limit at West Heath next to Ramsdell. The main parish of Monk Sherborne at this point was to the east of Ramsdell. The answer to this conundrum was purely

manorial. The foreign islands dotted through Wootton St Lawrence belonged to the Manor of Woodgarston, whereas much of the lands in Wootton parish came under the Dean and Chapter of Winchester's Manor of Manydown. As already hinted above, land conveyances had altered the shapes of manors – through marriage settlements, land purchases or forfeitures, etc – and sometimes these would then also affect the physical compositions of parishes (but not always, it must be noted).

Another parish equally affected was Hannington, Wootton's westerly neighbour and fellow tithing of the Manor of Manydown. The photo here shows Hannington village green, complete with the parish church of All Saints in the background. However, to the left of the picture, and just out of sight, is a low wall that marked the boundary between Hannington ecclesiastical parish and that of Kingsclere. Over the wall is Hannington Farm in that latter parish, and part of the ancient Manor of Hannington Lancelevy. Isolated small islands of this manor and parish snaked northwards and eastwards, leaving odd gaps in the parish map for Hannington.

Yet, Hannington village itself was actually divided between three manors – the third being the Manor of North Oakley, which also stood within Kingsclere parish, causing more fractures to Hannington parish. Residents of those parts of the village not in Hannington parish were often described in various records as living at "Hannington in Kingsclere". Under such circumstances they would have more likely attended the regular services of worship in All Saints' church rather than travel four miles across the Downs to St Mary's in Kingsclere.



Hannington village green

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As if this does not appear to be complicated and confused enough already for uninformed modern minds to fathom, then, ultimately, it naturally leads to a much greater enigma for them. We have dealt only with parishes up to this point. On a much larger scale we now have to consider that a number of parishes make up a county – and it is here that the problem becomes magnified.

For example, if you travel northwards from Basingstoke to Reading (in Berkshire), once you had passed the Wellington Estate at Stratfield Saye, you would soon be entering Spencer's Wood and Three Mile Cross if using

the old Reading Road. This area and another small island at Farley Hill to the east were in the past within the County of Wiltshire! Strangely, they were part of the Hundred of Amesbury, some 50 miles or more away to the southwest, and were probably attached to Amesbury Abbey.

Nevertheless, all these weird and wonderful eccentricities were vanquished with the Local Government Act of 1932. Yet, it does demonstrate that - for the greater length of time - most things were not as they may seem to have been to our modern eyes. The lay of the land – the shape of our country –



should not and cannot be taken for granted to have remained as we see it today. And that, unfortunately, goes for most other things in our history and thus in the lives of our ancestors.

Be cautious! Do not attempt to force modern standards on to your ancestors because you will probably find them sadly lacking. Just a minor process such as comparing our map to theirs will show us that they lived in a completely different world from ours. Theirs was probably more complicated than ours – or maybe what they took as normal just completely confuses us. We cannot even

condemn them for accepting slavery because that was part of their normal world. I often wonder how we would fare in their times. Would we be so smug and enlightened? Certainly, we would be lost in more ways than one – if only because we didn't know the lay of the land!

Ken Smallbone, Editor

References: *Halsbury's Statutes of England and Wales* (Butterworth's, London); *Phillimore Atlas & Index of Parish Registers* (ed. Cecil Humphery-Smith); various manorial records, tithe maps and apportionments (Hampshire Record Office); 1873 Ordnance Survey maps.

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HGS at the Basingstoke Discovery Centre

Once again, HGS was invited to attend BDC's Local and Family History Day on Sunday 13 October.

The wet weather could well have discouraged enthusiasts, resulting in a slightly lower attendance than expected, yet over 250 more people had visited BDC that day than usually on an average Sunday. The steady flow of visitors enjoyed the event, with its numerous stands, displays and talks to attract their attention. Staff members received several positive comments.

Chris and Geoff Pavey brought the HGS Bookstall with them and sales were reported to be good. Members of Basingstoke HGS Group were on hand to talk to visitors about family history, helping a good number of people to use BDC's computers accessing Worldwide Ancestry, FindMyPast and The Genealogist, and generally chatting to them about their research. Details of our local family history meetings were given out, and visitors left e-mail addresses to receive more information. I wish to thank David Broomfield (from Fleet and Farnborough Group), Margaret Clarke, Jane Hussey, Peter McNulty, Gilly Marshall, Gwen Newland, Ann Sargeant, Ken Smallbone, Stephanie Steevenson and Sue Wright, along with Chris and Geoff Pavey, for their valuable help in making this a very successful event. We also wish to thank Anne Mitchell and Chris



Griffin of BDC for organising the various functions that have allowed us to promote our "wares". The Basingstoke HGS Group work very closely with their local Discovery Centre and have formed a good relationship with them over the last few years. Group members also attend monthly "Drop-In clinics" at BDC, again using computers to help visitors with their brick walls or advise them how to get started. These clinics benefit not only the visitors, but HGS and the Discovery Centre as well.

Lin Penny, Basingstoke HGS Group Organiser



Civil Registration, Part 1

Civil registration is the system by which a government records the vital events of its citizens and residents. Its primary purpose is to create legal documents that are used to establish and protect the civil rights of individuals. A secondary purpose is to create a data source for the compilation of vital statistics.

Complete coverage, accuracy and timeliness of those vital records are essential to make the system work properly. Hence, the need for a national register and accurate indexes.

Vital events being typically recorded include live birth, death, marriage, divorce, annulment of marriage, judicial separation, adoption, legitimisation and recognition. Among the legal documents derived from civil registration are certificates of birth, death and marriage. The first nation to establish a nationwide register over its population was Sweden in 1631, organised by the Church of Sweden, but on the demand of the Crown.

In Britain an elementary form of civil registration was introduced by the Barebones Parliament on 22 September 1653, which directed the recording of births and deaths by an official known as the 'parish register' (otherwise registrar), elected by the local ratepayers. This was designed to supplant the recording of baptisms and burials, performed by the Anglican clergy, which had until then been the sole system of such registration, although recording events that happened after birth and death. Since 1645 fewer baptisms were being recorded, and many churchgoers had even disapproved of the changed rite under the Commonwealth Republic, while numerous dissenting sects had arisen during the upheavals of the previous decade. An Act of 29 September 1654 took marriages out of the hands of the clergy and became a

responsibility of Justices of the Peace. All such vital records were inscribed in the existing parish registers, remaining purely local records. There was no attempt towards creating a national index, which defeated what could be conceived as an objective of civil registration.

This early form of secular record-keeping ended with the Restoration of the Monarchy in 1660 – and with it the return to supremacy of the Established Church. The clergy once more took over its previous role of recording baptisms and burials, which now excluded members of the growing army of dissenting communities. Although occasionally seen to be "conforming" through attending infrequent church services to avoid persecution, religious nonconformists were nevertheless constantly being omitted from these records, thus causing an imperfect and inadequate system of chronicling the whole population. A very few sectarian groups, such as Quakers, would continue to maintain their own records against all odds, but the majority of dissenting congregations did not wish to provide such evidence that could lead to persecution if their records fell into the wrong hands. Hence, several nonconformist registers date from after the Toleration Act of 1689, and most from the late 18th and early 19th centuries.

During the early decades of the nineteenth century Parliament had eventually recognised the need for more accurate records for voting, planning, taxation and defence purposes. The 1830s was a period of remarkable changes through legislation: the First Reform Act and the Tithe Commutation Act in 1832; the Factory Act and the Abolition of Slavery in 1833; the Poor Law Amendment (New Poor Law) Act in 1834; the Municipal Corporations Act in 1835; the Births and Deaths



Registration Act and the Marriage Act in 1836. Ironically, in the same year that the New Poor Law was enacted, the Houses of Parliament burned down.

The Births and Deaths Registration Act and the Marriage Act, both passed in 1836, were the culmination of an increasing concern that the poor registration of baptisms, marriages and burials undermined property rights - by making it difficult to establish lines of descent. Coupled with the complaints of nonconformists, this led to the establishment in 1833 of a parliamentary Select Committee on Parochial Registration. This took evidence on the state of the parochial system of registration, and made proposals that were eventually incorporated into the 1836 Acts. In addition, the government wanted to survey certain matters, such as infant mortality, fertility and literacy, to bring about improvements in health and social welfare. The medical establishment advocated this because a rapidly growing population in the northern industrial towns - caused by the Industrial Revolution - had created severe overcrowding, and the links between poor living conditions and short life expectancy were now known.

The answer was the establishment of a civil registration system. It was hoped that improved registration of vital events would protect property rights through the more accurate recording of lines of descent. Civil registration would also remove the need for nonconformists to rely upon the Church of England for registration, and provide medical data for research. As a result, in 1836, legislation was passed that ordered the civil registration of births, marriages and deaths in England and Wales.

Queen Victoria ascended the throne on 20

June 1837. Eleven days later - on 1 July 1837 - the combined Registration and Marriage Act came into force. Thus, it can be said this was crucially a part of Victorian reform, indicating the transition from the old regime to the modern form of state and society.

As a consequence of the Act, the General Register Office (GRO) was set up in London and the office of Registrar General was established. From its beginnings, the GRO was based within the North Wing of Somerset House. There it remained until 1970, when it moved opposite to St Catherine's House on Kingsway, next to Aldwych. For a short time death records were stored at Alexandra House, until room was found at St Catherine's. In 1997 GRO staff were relocated to Southport, Lancashire, while public access to the records and indexes was made available at the new Family Records Centre (FRC) in Myddleton Square, Clerkenwell. This facility was jointly operated by The National Archives, so that public access to census returns was also available at the same location. The FRC closed in 2008, in response to steadily decreasing visitor numbers, caused by the increased online availability of the records. The GRO is now located at Smedley Hydro in Southport. Civil registration indexes for England and Wales can be viewed online at various websites or on microfiche at several record offices.

In 1837 England and Wales were divided into 619 registration districts (623 from 1851), each under the supervision of a Superintendent Registrar. The districts were based on the recently introduced Poor Law unions. The registration districts were further divided into sub-districts, under the charge of registrars, who were appointed locally. Since then, there had been many changes



made to the composition of various districts. Each holds its own indexes, which can be consulted.

Civil registration in Scotland began on 1 January 1855, and the records are held at New Register House, Edinburgh. The general registration of Irish births, marriages and deaths began in 1864, and up to and including 1921, covered the whole of Ireland. These records are in the care of the Registrar General, Custom House, Dublin, who also holds those pertaining to the Republic since that date. In Northern Ireland records since partition (1922) are held by the Registrar General, Fermanagh House, Ormeau Avenue, Belfast.

Further articles of this series will deal separately with the registration of births, marriages and deaths since 1837.

Ken Smallbone (Editor)

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Registration Districts of Hampshire with dates of existence

Aldershot (1932-74); Alresford (1837-1932); Alton (1837-2008); Alverstoke (1837-1932); Andover (1837-2008).

Basingstoke (1837-2000); Bournemouth (1932-74); Bournemouth & Christchurch (1925-32); Bradfield (Berks, 1837-79).

Catherington (1837-1932); Christchurch (1837-1925, 1932-74).

Droxford (1837-2008).

Eastleigh (1927-32).

Fareham (1837-1932); Farnborough (1846-69); Farnham (1837-1932); Fordingbridge (1837-1932).

Gosport (1932-74).

Hampshire (2008-date); Hampshire North (2001-08); Hartley Wintney (1837-1932); Havant (1837-1932); Hursley (1837-38); Hungerford (Berks, 1837-95).

Isle of Wight (1837-1974).

Kingsclere (1837-1932); Kingsclere & Whitchurch (1932-2000).

Lymington (1837-1932).

Midhurst (Sussex, 1837-44).

New Forest (1837-2008); Newbury (Berks, 1837-95); North East Hampshire (1974-2008). Petersfield (1837-2008); Portsea Island (1837-1900); Portsmouth (1900-date).

Ringwood (1837-1932); Ringwood & Fordingbridge (1974-99); Romsey (1837-1932, 1974-2008); Romsey & Stockbridge (1932-74).

South East Hampshire (1974-2008); South Stoneham (1837-1927); Southampton (1837-date); Stockbridge (1837-1932).

Whitchurch (1837-1932); Winchester (1837-2008)



Hampshire Parishes and their Registration Districts (excluding the Isle of Wight) – Part 1

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- ALDERSHOT:** Farnham 1837-1932; Aldershot 1932-74; North East Hampshire 1974-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
- ALL SAINTS:** Southampton 1837-1912 - 1912 >Southampton
- ALTON:** Alton 1837-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
- ALVERSTOKE:** Alverstoke 1837- 1932; Gosport 1932-74; South East Hampshire 1974-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
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- AMPORT:** Andover 1837-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
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- ANDWELL:** Basingstoke 1837-1932 - 1932 >Mapledurwell, Up Nately
- APPLESHAW:** Andover 1837-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
- ASHE:** Whitchurch 1837-1932 - 1932 >Overton, Steventon
- ASHLEY:** Stockbridge 1837-1932; Romsey & Stockbridge 1932-74; Romsey 1974-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
- ASHLEY WALK:** Fordingbridge 1837-1932 - 1932 >Fordingbridge
- ASHMANSWORTH:** Kingsclere 1837-1932; Kingsclere & Whitchurch 1932-2000; Hampshire North 2001-08; Hampshire 2008 >
- AVINGTON:** Winchester 1837-1932 - 1932 >Itchen Valley
- BARTON STACEY:** Andover 1837-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
- BASING:** Basingstoke 1837-1981 - 1981 >Old Basing
- BASINGSTOKE:** Basingstoke 1837-2000; Hampshire North 2001-08; Hampshire 2008 >
- BAUGHURST:** Kingsclere 1837-1932; Kingsclere & Whitchurch 1932-2000; Hampshire North 2001-08; Hampshire 2008 >
- BEAULIEU:** New Forest 1837-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
- BEAUWORTH:** Alresford 1837-1932; Winchester 1932-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
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- BISHOPS WALTHAM:** Droxford 1837-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
- BISHOPSTOKE:** Winchester 1837-1927; Eastleigh 1927-32 - 1932 >Eastleigh
- BITTERNE:** (from South Stoneham) South Stoneham 1894-1924; Southampton 1924-25 - 1925 >Southampton
- BLENDWORTH:** Catherington 1837-1932 - 1932 >Havant, Horndean, Rowlands Castle
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- BOSSINGTON:** Stockbridge 1837-1932; Romsey & Stockbridge 1932-74; Romsey 1974-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
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- BOURNEMOUTH:** (from Christchurch & Holdenhurst) Christchurch 1894-1925; Bournemouth & Christchurch 1925-32; Bournemouth 1932-74 - 1974 >to Dorset



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- BRADLEY:** Basingstoke 1837-2000; Hampshire North 2001-08; Hampshire 2008 >
- BRAISHFIELD:** (from Michelmersh) Romsey & Stockbridge 1951-74; Romsey 1974-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
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- BRAMSHAW:** New Forest 1837-95 – 1895 > East Bramshaw
- BRAMSHILL:** Hartley Wintney 1837-1932; Aldershot 1932-74; North East Hampshire 1974-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
- BRAMSHOTT:** Farnham 1837-46; Farnborough 1846-69; Petersfield 1869-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
- BRANSGORE:** (from Christchurch East) Ringwood 1974-99; New Forest 1999-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
- BREAMORE:** Fordingbridge 1837-1932; Christchurch 1932-74; Ringwood & Fordingbridge 1974-99; New Forest 1999-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
- BROCKENHURST:** Lymington 1837-1932; New Forest 1932-34 – 1934 > Denny Lodge, Eling
- BROOMY:** Ringwood 1837-1932 - 1932 > Ellingham
- BROUGHTON:** Stockbridge 1837-1932; Romsey & Stockbridge 1932-74; Romsey 1974-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
- BROWN CANDOVER:** Alresford 1837-1932 – 1932 > the Candovers
- BUCKHOLT:** Stockbridge 1837-1932; Romsey & Stockbridge 1932-74; Romsey 1974-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
- BULLINGTON:** Andover 1837-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
- BURGHCLERE:** Kingsclere 1837-1932; Kingsclere & Whitchurch 1932-2000; Hampshire North 2001-08; Hampshire 2008 >
- BURITON:** Petersfield 1837-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
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- CHALTON:** Catherington 1837-1932 - 1932 > Clanfield, Rowlands Castle
- CHANDLERS FORD:** (from Ampfield, North Baddesley, North Stoneham, Otterbourne & South Stoneham) Winchester 1897-1932 - 1932 > Eastleigh, North Baddesley
- CHAWTON:** Alton 1837-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
- CHERITON:** Alresford 1837-1932; Winchester 1932-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
- CHILBOLTON:** Andover 1837-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
- CHILCOMB:** Winchester 1837-94 - 1894 > St Faith Within, St Faith Without
- CHILCOMB:** (from Chilcomb Without) Winchester 1932-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
- CHILCOMB WITHIN:** (from Chilcomb within Winchester Municipal Borough) Winchester 1894-1902 - 1902 > Winchester
- CHILCOMB WITHOUT:** (from rural part of Chilcomb) Winchester 1894-1932 - 1932 > Chilcomb, Winchester
- CHILTON CANDOVER:** Alresford 1837-1932 - 1932 > the Candovers
- CHILWORTH:** South Stoneham 1837-1927; Eastleigh 1927-32; Romsey & Stockbridge 1932-74; Romsey 1974-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
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- CHRISTCHURCH EAST:** (from Christchurch & Milton) Christchurch 1894-1925; Bournemouth & Christchurch 1925-32; Christchurch 1932-74 - 1974 > Bransgore, Buriton
- CLANFIELD:** Catherington 1837-1932; Petersfield 1932-2008; Hampshire 2008 >
- CLIDDESSEN:** Basingstoke 1837-2000; Hampshire North 2001-08; Hampshire 2008 >



- COLBURY:** (from Eling) New Forest 1894-2008; Hampshire 2008>
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COLEMORE & PRIORS DEAN: (from separate parishes) Petersfield 1932-2008; Hampshire 2008>
COMBE: Hungerford, Berks 1837-95 – 1895 >to Berkshire
COMPTON: Winchester 1837-2008; Hampshire 2008>
COPYTHORNE: (from Eling) New Forest 1894-2008; Hampshire 2008>
CORHAMPTON: Droxford 1837-1932 - 1932 >Corhampton & Meonstoke
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COSHAM: (from Widley & Wymering) Fareham 1894-1921 - 1921 >Widley
COVE: Farnham 1837-46; Farnborough 1846-69; Hartley Wintney 1869-1932 – 1932 >Farnborough, Hawley
CRAWLEY: Winchester 1837-2008; Hampshire 2008>
CROFTON: (from Titchfield) Fareham 1894-1932 - 1932 >Fareham
CRONDALL: Hartley Wintney 1837-1932; Aldershot 1932-74; North East Hampshire 1974-2008; Hampshire 2008>
CROOKHAM: (from Crondall) Hartley Wintney 1894-1932 - 1932 >Crondall, Fleet
CROOKHAM VILLAGE: (from Crondall) Aldershot 1952-74; North East Hampshire 1974-2008; Hampshire 2008>
CROWN FARM: Stockbridge 1837-83 - 1883 >Bossington, East Tytherley
CRUX EASTON: Kingsclere 1837-1932 - 1932 >Ashmansworth
CURBRIDGE: (from Sarisbury & Titchfield) Fareham 1932; Droxford 1932-52 – 1952 >Curdridge, Wickham
CURDRIDGE: (from Bishops Waltham) Droxford 1894-2008; Hampshire 2008>
DAMERHAM: From Wiltshire 1895 - Fordingbridge 1895-1932; Christchurch 1932-74; Ringwood & Fordingbridge 1974-99; New Forest 1999-2008; Hampshire 2008>
DEANE: Basingstoke 1837-2000; Hampshire North 2001-08; Hampshire 2008>
DENMEAD: (from Hambledon) Droxford 1932-2008; Hampshire 2008>
DENNY LODGE: New Forest 1837-2008; Hampshire 2008>
DIBDEN: New Forest 1837-1984 - 1984 >Hythe & Dibden
DOCKENFIELD: Farnham 1837-95 – 1895 >to Surrey
DOGMERSFIELD: Hartley Wintney 1837-1932; Aldershot 1932-74; North East Hampshire 1974-2008; Hampshire 2008>
DROXFORD: Droxford 1837-2008; Hampshire 2008>
DUMMER WITH KEMPSHOTT: Basingstoke 1837-2000; Hampshire North 2001-08; Hampshire 2008>
DUNWOOD: Romsey 1837-1932 - 1932 >Sherfield English
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EAST DEAN: Romsey 1837-1932; Romsey & Stockbridge 1932-74; Romsey 1974-2008; Hampshire 2008>
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EAST WELLOW: Romsey 1837-1932 - 1932 >Wellow

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Hayling Island

A Pictorial Account of the Island Embracing the Early Years of Photography by John Rowlands

*The History Press Britain in Old Photographs series
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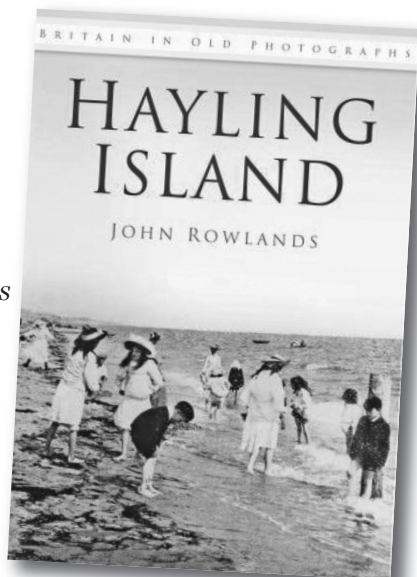
In 1964 the author, along with Mike Rolfe and Lionel Marten, members of the Hayling Camera Club, started a project to make a collection of "Old Hayling" photographs.

Many of these photos and postcards came from local residents and were used in various exhibitions in the late '60s and early '70s around the island. Circumstances then caused the author to move away, and it was not until many years later that his part of the collection was resurrected and subsequently made into this publication.

The first thirteen pages consist of a short history of Hayling from prehistoric times through to the 1920s. There is no index, but over the next 100 pages the author has thoughtfully grouped the photos into relevant areas of the island, and so it is quite easy to locate pictures for specific places. These groups are 'off-shore and beach'; Beachlands; East Hayling; Mengham; West Town and Manor Road; Stoke; and North Hayling.

The oldest photos are copies from sketches before 1850 - many from the 1820s, such as a view of the Old Vicarage House, possibly located in Tournerbury Lane. Other sketches from the same period include the Manor House, St Peter's Church and St Mary's Church. The latter also features in sketches from around 1830 and 1850.

Hayling Island has long been famed for its lifeboats. The first, the Olive Leaf, served



1865-88, and a photo shows it being launched. A second photo on the same page shows the second boat, Charlie & Adrian, served 1888-1914, while overleaf are photos of the third boat, the Proctor, served 1914-24. Several photos have people in them, but not many are named. Exceptions include two men of the **BOWERS** family, who lived at Mengham Farmhouse, and two of Tony **LOCK**. Previously a fisherman, he ran a general store in a building called the Black Hut around 1920. Another named person was Emily **HUNT**, the proprietor of the Rose in June public house, and she is shown standing by the door in or about 1885. Other featured pubs include The Yew Tree in 1900 and The Maypole Inn in 1920.

Finally, possibly a little known fact is that in the 1930s Butlins had an Amusement Park located at Beachlands. As well as the normal amusements, they also had a Monkey Island, and two photos from 1938 of the island are included, complete with monkeys.

Review by Roy Montgomery



Family History on the Net

New Expanded Edition, 2013/14

Colin Waters

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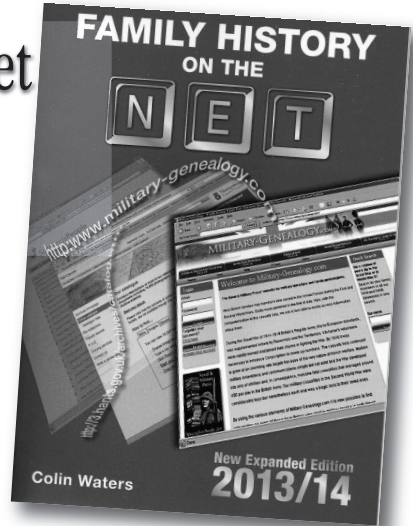
Paperback, 160 pages. Price £9.95

This is the 4th edition of what has become an indispensable aid for family historians.

The book is divided into sections grouped alphabetically under straightforward headings, e.g., Births, Marriages & Deaths; Law & Order; Surnames; Wartime and Military Sources.

For the majority of people nowadays family history research depends very much upon combing through various websites on the internet. Because of this, and because of the sheer volume of sites containing genealogical material, there is a real need for guidance as to where to look for the answers to certain questions relating to our forebears. With this book, Colin Waters has achieved a very valuable guide. First published in 2007, with a second edition appearing in 2009, and a third in 2011, over 700 new entries have been added to the latter volume. Each single entry from the 2011 edition has also been meticulously checked again for accuracy.

Under "Charities, Institutions & the Poor" (pp 42-46), for example, there are the following separate subject matters: All institutions; Almshouses; Boards of Guardians (Poor Law); British Home Children; Foundlings; Orphans, waifs & strays; Refugees; Schools for the disabled; Tramps & vagrants; Workhouse & Poor Law relief; Settlement & removal orders – all in all, throwing up a total of 72 websites



relating to these various themes.

The section on 'Births, Marriages & Deaths' (pp 33-39) provides website information on Births, marriages & deaths (24 sites); Baptisms (4); Bastardy examinations (4); Burials, cemetery, graveyard & crematorium records (32); Brass memorials (3); Certificates (5); Coroners' courts (inquests) (6); Divorce (6); Marriages (12); Marriage licence allegations (5); Obituaries (6); Parish & regional records (21) – hence 128 websites in total.

The list is endless. There is bound to be a considerable number of references that would help a serious researcher to track down the relevant source that would open up new avenues in his or her lineage. So, we have here a priceless tool aimed at the sincere family historian, which is provided in an easy searchable format, by an experienced fellow genealogist and lecturer, who knows of the problems that online investigators confront. The book is available from the publisher (01635 43816; info@countrysidebooks.co.uk) or from all local bookshops and National Trust properties.

Review by the Editor



Winchester Through Time

Anne-Louise Barton

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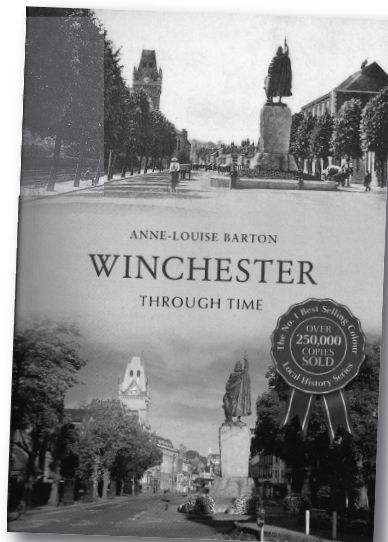
Winchester, the ancient capital of Wessex, has a rich and fascinating history.

From the time of its Iron Age settlements, rulers, bishops and inhabitants have left their marks on the city over the last two millennia. Anglo-Saxon street plans, medieval gateways and castles still preside, as do buildings of religious and scholarly importance. It is this history, tinged with myths and legends, and tales of our most celebrated monarch, King Alfred, which attracts people from all around the world.

This book, published in March 2013, contains 92 pages of photographs of the city and its environs, plus an introduction. Each illustrated page holds two photos – one, an early image, ranging from Victorian times through to the 1960s; the other, an up-to-date view of the same scene or locality. A description of what can be seen is given alongside the photos.

Thus, we take a photographic journey through the city. As we progress through Winchester on this “virtual tour”, we see that some streets had been left untouched over the years, while others have hardly a single old building standing. Where scenes are seemingly unchanged it is always quite satisfying to view them again through a modern lens. We can safely say that, on the whole, Winchester has preserved its heritage.

We parade through Alwarene Street, Bridge Street, Broadway, Chesil Street, City Road, Colebrook Street, College Street, Eastgate Street, High Street, Hyde Street, Jewry Street,



Little Minster Street, Lower and Upper Brook Street, Market Lane, North Walls, Parchment Street, The Pentice, St Cross Road, St George's Street, Southgate Street, The Square, Wales Street, Westgate and the Great Hall, Wharf Hill, We visit the Cathedral, Deanery and Cheyney Court, King's Gate, Guildhall and City Mill along the way, and bide our time at Winchester Railway Station and the Royal Hampshire Hospital before branching out beyond the city limits. These places can be familiar or unfamiliar, depending upon which period you are viewing the scene.

We discover that King Alfred's statue in Broadway was erected in 1901 to celebrate the millenary (1,000 years) of his death, only to find that later historians claimed that he died two years earlier, in 899. It would all depend upon which copy of the Anglo-Saxon Chronicle one was currently browsing through. This and many other amazing facts can be found about Winchester in this very interesting book. It is available from the publisher (01453 847800; orders@amberley-books.com) or from all local bookshops.

Review by the Editor



Hampshire Militia Muster Rolls

Numbers 3 (revised) and 27



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HMMR No. 3 (revised edition)

Romsey Company (Andover Division, Kings Somborne Hundred, Andover Regiment) 1626-1642

Published January 2013, 51 pp. £5.40 plus 85p UK p & p (email for overseas prices)

HMMR No. 27

Basingstoke Infra & Extra Companies (Basingstoke Division, Basingstoke Infra, Extra & Bermondspit Hundreds, Basingstoke Regiment) 1625-1642

Published December 2012, 87 pp. £7.25 plus £1 UK p & p (email for overseas prices)

Michael Barnes has produced two more fully referenced books in the Militia Muster Rolls Series: No 3 (revised) Romsey Company, 1626-42 and No 27, Basingstoke Infra & Extra Companies, 1625-1642.

Once again, these excellent booklets give the names of those in the local area who joined the militia at a time when England did not have a standing army. Michael introduces the lists with a short history of the Militia and its role, its organisation, how it was paid for and armed, and how it was mustered. For someone with an ancestor in the militia, this gives a useful overview of the organisation. The militia lists themselves contain not only the names of the militia member, but also those who provided them: 'Thomas Carter furnished by Moses Knighte'. Sometimes the residence and rank of the provider is stated: 'William Terry furnished by Sir Thomas Jervoise, Knight [of] Herriard'; 'James Feelder furnished by Walter Pincke, Kempshott'.

Not only can we find out details of the men, we also see what equipment they had; weaponry appears to have been muskets, calivers (a kind of light musket), pikes, halberds, brownbills (a foot soldier's halberd

pointed down) and the occasional sword. Protective clothing were items, such as a corslet - a cuirass, a protective body-covering of leather or steel; a burganet - a light helmet with cheek-pieces. Occupations in the militia are also mentioned: victuallers, carters and pioneers. A pioneer is described as a military artisan who prepares the way for an army. Also counted are the horses, described as 'nags'.

If you are lucky enough to find an ancestor listed in these interesting booklets, you may find information on whom they worked for, where they worked, the clothing and weapons they had, whether or not they had a horse, and their rank and job in the militia..

These books are very helpful for those who would like to go beyond names and dates, and to try to find out something about their forebears in a period when it is not always easy to find details of a person's life. Michael has also helpfully included a personal and place name index at the back as a finding aid. Copies of these books are available from the Bookstall - or from Michael Barnes, the author (see details above). Mailed cheques to be made payable to MICHAEL BARNES.

Review by Chris Pavey



The early years

Back in November 1973 I was contacted by Michael Walcot: Would I be interested in meeting with likeminded people with the idea of forming a family history group covering the south-east of Hampshire?

I suspect I was contacted because I was a member of the then rather austere Society of Genealogists, as it appeared was the case of the majority of others attending.

From this initial meeting at Michael's home in Purbrook, the South East Hampshire Genealogical Society was formed, covering 90 of the county's 330 parishes. Its first meeting was held at The Friends' Meeting House in Hilssea, Portsmouth, in January 1974, and it was agreed that a Steering Committee would guide the Society until the AGM, due to be held in April when the formal committee was appointed.

The Committee comprised: M Walcot (Acting Chairman/Organiser); G Wakelin (Secretary of Fieldwork/MI Recording and Librarian); F Edwards (Treasurer); P Christie (Editor); Miss M Brown - to become 'yours truly' in 1977 (Surname Referral Index/Catalogue of Members' Interests); Mrs S Crichton (Membership Secretary); Miss G Martin and C Colpus (Committee Members).

As Editor, Peter Christie, being a student at Portsmouth University, was able to take advantage of duplicating facilities, and thus the Society's first issue of *The Family History Journal* appeared in February 1974, consisting of 22 A4 pages painstakingly produced on a Roneo duplicator. Peter continued until May 1975, when his studies were over, to be followed by D Moore, and, in May 1976, by Betty Edwards. The journal was becoming an

enormous task, so in August 1977 the step was taken to use a local printing firm and to reduce it to its present size. Nevertheless, volunteer members still had the job of putting the journals in envelopes and taking them to the post office en bloc, separating inland from overseas. Although not often involved in this job, I remember we had to warn the post office on the day to expect boxes of journals for stamping and posting, with them presenting the bill to the Society in due course.

At the first AGM the Treasurer reported that from January to April 1974 the balance in hand was £13.44. A query was raised as to whether single membership subscription of £2.50 was perhaps excessive! However, this was increased in April 1975 to £3.00, and by 1976 funds stood at £98.98, having purchased that year our own duplicator for £59!

Our first venture into publicising ourselves to the wider world was at 'Heritage 74' held at Brighton, and sponsored by the Society of Genealogists. In June 1974 we became a member of the newly formed Federation of Family History Societies - our representative at their meetings was the leader of our new North Hampshire Group, Cynthia Read, until she became Mrs Walcot in August 1976, and moved out of the area.

The 1975 AGM - under the Chairmanship of George Wakelin - saw the Society become countywide - with a change of name to The Hampshire Genealogical Society, together with the journal now being known as *The Hampshire Family Historian*, and our first President was The Right Rev J K Cavell, MA, Bishop of Southampton.

August 1975 saw us at the Southsea Show. I



remember George Wakelin recalling that when he asked one lady, who had stopped at our stand, where her ancestors were from, she replied "I have no ancestors!!"

The Society held its first all-day Conference in October 1977, combined with hosting the Federation's half-yearly meeting. I recall an evening function at The Queen's Hotel, Southsea, organised by Jon Baker.

At the first meeting in January 1974 Michael

Walcot's advice was: "Get as much information from older relatives; never believe implicitly in printed or old pedigrees; always prepare fully before visiting record offices; and, finally, never think you have finished!" Here we are 40 years later, and, despite all the advanced technology and know-how, we would do well to still remember this advice.

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My own links to family history go back to the 1950s, when I listened spellbound to my great-grandmother Ada FAKES of Hemsby, Norfolk, as she talked of her early life. Born in 1881, she had met people born in 1815, eventually dying in 1987, aged 106 – a great beginning for a budding genealogist.

After leaving school and serving a spell in the Merchant Navy, I came to Portsmouth to study for a Geography degree in 1970, and in 1973 began a Ph.D in historical geography – while still continuing with my own family history.

Being at Portsmouth Central Library one day in September 1973, I noticed a small advertisement asking if anyone in the district was interested in forming a genealogical study group. I wrote to Michael Walcot (the advertiser) in Purbrook, and received a reply a few days later saying we should meet – which we did in Portsmouth Record Office, then in the Guildhall, run by the slightly eccentric archivist M. Willis-Fear. We then met again for a pint and decided to hold an inaugural invite-only meeting on 26 November.

At this meeting, some 20 people turned up,

and we agreed that the annual subscription would be 70p, and that our name would be the South East Hampshire Genealogical Society. Previous writers have listed a lot of the people I remember – including the redoubtable and very elderly (or so it seemed to me) lady who was apparently indexing telephone directories! At this initial meeting I ended up as the first editor of the 'Journal', on the strength of being a co-editor of the Portsmouth student newspaper – and the fact that no-one else wanted to do it. After a rather poorly supported appeal for articles, I began typing up the magazine on duplicator stencils in December 1973, and actually ran off the first page on Monday 10 December whilst Fred Edwards, our new treasurer, allowed me to spend £3.40 on having the covers professionally printed.

On 24 January 1974 we had the inaugural public meeting at Hilsea, where Michael Walcot spoke about his own family, illustrating it with pictures of his ancestors going back to 1580, which impressed the packed meeting - which I noted at the time had a 'very friendly interchange of information afterwards'. ▶



By February I had completed duplicating the magazine pages, and collated them on a very large table by walking round and round with successive pages – and then stapling them all together to produce 100 finished copies. In the same month Michael, Fred and I travelled to the Society of Genealogists in London to find material for the next Journal – no internet in those days.

We finally distributed the first magazine at our second public meeting on 18 February. I went on to produce the journal for nearly two years before I completed my thesis and secured a lecturing job at North Devon College in Barnstaple – where I remained for the next 36 years. During that time I have published well over 1,000 articles on North Devon family and local histories, plus 24 books, and am currently still producing a weekly 'Yesteryear' page for our local paper, the North Devon Journal. I also found time to get married and have two daughters, who now have five children between them. Additionally, I became

the youngest ever Mayor of Bideford (and first Green Party mayor in Britain), and served a second term five years ago, as well as sitting on both the district and town councils, where I am the longest serving councillor by far. In 1992 I took on the mantle of Reviews Editor for *The Local Historian* (the magazine of the British Association for Local History), and did this for twelve years, as well as teaching family history for Open University, Exeter University and the WEA – so I haven't been idle since leaving Hampshire. I look back on the birth of the Hampshire Genealogical Society as marking my start as a 'professional' family and local historian, and still value the knowledge I picked up from those far more versed in the subject than I was. I wish the Society all the best for the next 40 years, and hope to drop in on a meeting now I have a little more time.

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St Mary's Andover: Monumental Inscriptions Project

I was approached by HGS to see if our Andover group could undertake to complete the recording of the MIs in the newer part of the cemetery at St Mary's Church. I put forward the proposal at one of our group meetings.

Having secured the support of 23 members, it was then decided when to do it. The weekend of 3-4 August was the best option - 18 members to attend on each day.

With onsite visits to evaluate the scope of the task, the documentation completed, I waited at the meeting point on the first day in anticipation. The weather forecast looked fine for both days. The members started to arrive. After a quick briefing on what was to be done, divided into teams of two, and areas allocated, we started the long job to complete the task over the two days.

One of our members had pre-empted the work, and had spent time before the event covering one area. With only eight of the nine areas on the site left to be recorded, the volunteers set to work, thus allowing the already transcribed site to be checked to complete the process.

Echoes of "In Loving Memory Of " were heard from all around the site as each stone was visited and information recorded. Armed with the necessary tools of the trade - water, brushes, etc, to clean the stones - the transcribers slowly advanced row on row with one aim in mind: to reach that elusive plot on the last row.

As the last of the volunteers slowly made their way home at the end of the first day, a final check was made to ensure that no-one



remained before we took stock of their achievements, and reappraised what was to be done on Sunday. Some of the areas proved to be easier than others, and had thus been transcribed and checked on the first day. Rejuvenated, the teams set to work on the second day on the areas not yet completed. As each book was returned filled with vital information, volunteers were given new tasks. As Sunday drew to a close, I was pleased with the hard work and achievements of those who had participated in the project. A final push over the following Tuesday and Wednesday completed the main burial plots.

The next stage is to complete the outer cremation areas. All that will then remain to be done would be the information typed, a final check, and then sent to the Society.

We had set the theme for the group as "SHARING 2013", and thanks are given for the dedicated help from all those who worked on this project. We can all give something back to the Society and to others who share the same passion called "FAMILY HISTORY".

Jim Duncan (Member # 8270)
Andover Group Organiser





Dear Editor...

Hello Ken,

As you are no doubt well aware, next year, as well as being the Society's 40th birthday, is also the 70th anniversary of D-Day and the 100th anniversary of World War I.

The church where we worship in Gosport - St Thomas the Apostle, Elson - includes in its parish Hardway, the departure point for some of the D-Day vessels. It also has a memorial to some 60 men of the parish who were killed in World War I - an enormous number when you think what a small village Elson was in those days. So, we felt it appropriate that we should commemorate these two events.

We plan to hold a service in June next year on the Sunday nearest to D-Day, involving as many young people from the town as possible. At the same time we would like to have a display in church of people who fought in either World War, whether they survived or not. We envisage perhaps a photo and a short biography of the man (or woman) concerned. They don't necessarily have to have a connection with Gosport because we want the young people to appreciate what sacrifices were made for them to enjoy the lives they live today. We don't want original photos, only copies, as it will not be feasible to send them back. Afterwards, they could be indexed and donated to the Society.

We can be contacted on the e-mail address, address or telephone number below.

Many thanks,

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Dear Editor,

I have sent an email to you before, but not sure if I had the correct address. It was regarding pages 84-5 in the journal (Vol 40/2, September 2013), of "Sudden death of a volunteer sergeant" (Mr Thomas Albion White). As my email address was shown incorrectly, would it be possible to put a mention in the next journal as I feel that if members have been trying contact me, I would not get it and therefore feel bad about not replying!

Many thanks.

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Dear Editor,

Austen Hooker's autobiography 'A Littleton Lad ... in his own words' (reviewed on page 91 of the Hampshire Family Historian, September 2013) makes references to and includes a photograph of Allan **GILL**. The Gill family were neighbours of the Hookers in Littleton. By a remarkable coincidence, Allan and his wife Anne have been our neighbours in Taunton for the last 45 years!

Allan had two brothers, Brian and Edward. He was educated at Peter Symonds School in Winchester and did his National Service as a Lieutenant in the Royal Engineers in Malvern. He was a very young Chairman of Littleton Parish Council in the early 1950s, whilst he was employed in the County Surveyor's Department of Hampshire County Council. Allan married Anne **EVANS** of Weeke at Littleton Church on 23 October 1954. He transferred on promotion to the County Surveyor's Department of Somerset County Council and from there went to the South West Road Construction Unit, engaged on the design, supervision and construction of the M5 Motorway and a number of major highway schemes across Somerset. He ended his career as an Associate with Mander, Raikes and Marshall, Consulting Engineers. Allan's passionate hobby was trout fishing. Sadly, he suffered a severe stroke nine months ago, but remains his irrepressible self.

My wife Diana and I count ourselves very fortunate to have the Gills as neighbours, next to whom we have lived in perfect harmony for so many years, watching the progress of our children.

Yours sincerely,

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Dear Sir,

Thank you for publishing my letter in the last issue. Sadly, Maureen never saw it, as she passed away on 8th July 2013. You will see by her membership number that she was one of the originals. She started off with her great-grandfather, plain John **SMITH** a ploughman from Appleshaw near Andover, traced his walk to Winchester where he joined the regiment which happened to be stationed there - the 95th (later named the 2nd Derbyshire), then off to the Crimea and the Indian Mutiny, back to Winchester where he joined the Hampshire Constabulary, and, subsequently, his early death as the village policeman at Tichborne. He never got to Derbyshire! Maureen was an enthusiastic member and did a great deal until she was paralysed in 1998, but she still kept in touch with the Society, and looked forward to the HGS magazine.

With my best wishes

Thomas Proudfoot (Member # 450)
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Dear Ken,

Many thanks for putting my letter thanking you for the Lord Denning piece in the March journal and I must apologise to Chris Pavey for assuming that Chris was a he, sorry Chris.

Of course Chris is a great asset to the Society and has streamlined the vast amount of data held by the Society to make it much more accessible to researchers and, as you say, new data can be added much easier now than in the old days of steam driven computers!

Finally, I reiterate my plea not to forget that a great deal of members choose not to pay to have internet in our homes. My needs are well covered by using the library facilities. In my local library I can have two hours per day free over the 5 days that the library is open, and if I want to, I can access the HGS site if necessary. So I'm happy.

PS. I do still prefer the original HGS logo!

Yours sincerely

Linda Atkins (Member # 3692)

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Thank you very much, Linda. Chris also thanks you for your kind words, and we all understand what you are saying, but are committed to attempting to please as many members as we possibly can. I know it's tough at times. Personally, like yourself, I also prefer the original HGS logo, and that is the reason why it is still hanging around on this volume of journals. I would hate to say goodbye to it because I feel it is the more vibrant of the two. Unfortunately, it seems that it is considered by many to be "old-fashioned", but isn't that what this family history is all about?

Some of the surnames featured in this issue

AYLETT	COLE	HANIN	SAVAGE
AYRES	COLLIS	HAWKINS	SEYMOUR
BAKER	DALMAN	HUNT	SLAWSON
BERRY	DELBRIDGE	JARVIS	SMITH
BOWERS	DIXON	LOACH	TAPLIN
BRASIER	EVANS	LOCK	TINEL
BROWNING	FORREST	MARTIN	TUBB
BULL	FULFORD	PETERS	WHELAN
BUMSTEAD	GILL	PETERSON	WILD
CAMIS	GIRDLER	PRIMMER	WOODRIFFE
CANNON	HALL	QUINTAL	



Family history memories

As an only child (and also the only grandchild of my grandparents, Annie Julia and Edward HAWKINS), being young during WW2 in Old Calmore, near Totton, was a somewhat solitary existence, despite having friends, a very loving father, and a strict but loving mother.

I married in 1959. My husband, a Southampton chap, was working in the 1970s as a mechanical/electrical engineer in the old Southampton power station. It was then that I began my interest in family history. All the excitement that it aroused in me years ago gave us, as a family with four daughters, the incentive to take some of our holidays in the campervan to Devon, Cornwall, Cheshire, Wales and Hertfordshire, and to search cemeteries for family names.

My married surname of **SLAWSON** (which we believe is of Scandinavian origin) was intriguing. The earliest mention in this country – as Slasson, Slosson, Slowson – was in the 1200s. My first contact was through the Hampshire Family Historian journal with a lady in Birmingham who had a Slawson grandparent - although not related to my husband's line. She passed away a few years ago now, but I still keep in touch with her son Peter **LOACH**.

My late husband and I visited distant relatives in Australia in 1987, America in the 1990s, and Bill's first cousin in Canada on many occasions over the years. After all this time I am still in contact with my mother's side of the **PETERS** and Hawkins families here in England and in New Zealand, and my dad's Devon **DELBRIDGE** relations in Atlanta, USA.

During the three-month trip to Australia in 1987 we stayed with Tom Slawson in Homebush. We learned about a 'fatal boat



accident' involving two of his ancestors, and in 1989 I contributed a piece in the HFH journal on the sinking of the Zenobia in 1897.

On one occasion we drove to a local kind of National Trust museum near Parramatta, New South Wales, but it was not until we returned home that I found out that my great-grandmother Frances **SEYMOUR** (who married Edward Peters) had a half-sister Elizabeth **BERRY** - they had the same mother. Elizabeth was born in 1782, and in 1801 was committed to prison for stealing from her employer in Hertfordshire "three slips of muslin of the value of six pence, one half handkerchief of the value of six pence, two pockets of the value of six pence one night cap of the value of three pence of the goods and chattels of Catharine Chesshyre and three stockings of the value of eighteen pence" with the help of one Thomas **AYLETT**. After a



prison spell in Sheerness, she was transported to Australia in HMS Glatton in September 1802, arriving in Port Jackson, NSW, in March 1803. She was taken on as a maidservant in Governor Macquarie's house, and after her pardon and marriage in 1809 to Charles **WHELAN**, an orderly sergeant, lived in the very building we visited.

My husband also had a fifth cousin of some disrepute, called Matthew **QUINTAL** from Cornwall, who was "persuaded" by Fletcher Christian to become one of the mutineers on the Bounty. After many years of conflict and shootings on Pitcairn Island, Quintal – who was a drunkard - threatened to kill the rest of the community and to 'have' the deceased Fletcher Christian's wife. Two surviving mutineers, Ned Young and John Adams, subsequently lured him into a tent and killed him with an axe during one of his drunken stupors.

I have already written my own 40-page life story for our girls from before my birth until our marriage. Next on the 'to do' list was to collate photos and info on other relatives of my parents, and to do the same thing. After my husband died in June 2009, it took me a year to complete yet another 40-page book on his life, with copies of his family's letters, his own memories of his younger days, photos, war service documents, and notes on his time in Cyprus and Egypt in the Royal Engineers.

His father was a shipwright, who died five weeks after Bill was born, succumbing to typhus fever that he had caught on board ship in early 1925.

Again, some years ago now, I helped transcribe 'Burnt' soldiers' records for the Public Record Office (now The National Archives), and on the completion of this there was a party in London for the transcribers to celebrate the occasion.

Not until my retirement days loomed did I meet a Delbridge second cousin in Eastleigh, and only lately discovered that, through a first cousin on my father's **HALL** line and this cousin's marriage years ago, I am distantly connected through that union to a family who lived only half a mile from where I live now, whom I knew over 40 years ago. It is so good to have lots of 'cousins' throughout the world. Since the internet became a source of information, I have been able to keep up with overseas folk that way.

Family history can be very exciting, but at times also very frustrating, so it is always best to double check your information. Research is never really finished, but you can learn a lot by listening!

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Lance Corporal Henry Jarvis 1902-1921

My maternal great-grandparents were Hampshire born: Charles Colson JARVIS and Sarah BAKER.

It appears that Charles was illegitimate, born in Romsey in 1839 to a Mary **JARVIS**. He and Sarah married in Fawley church in 1862, and had three sons and three daughters, including my grandfather Arthur Charles **JARVIS**, the third son, born at Romsey.

Charles Colson Jarvis was a bricklayer, and in 1881 he and his family were living at St Clement Danes, London. On 12 May 1895 Arthur married Beatrice Rosina **FORREST** in St Luke's church in the parish of Victoria Docks. However, this story is about their youngest son Henry Charles **JARVIS**.

Although I had attended a course on family history run by the Dorset County Record Office early in 2007, it was not until later that year that my interest got off to a flying start. I was visiting a cousin, and she mentioned a little suitcase of papers belonging to her mother, my mother's sister. Would I like to have a look through them as they meant nothing to her, and were going to be thrown away? My grandmother Beatrice had spent her last years living with this daughter in Lymington, and among the papers were her original marriage certificate, a memorial card ("In Loving Memory of Henry Jarvis") and a copy of the Daily Mirror (Thursday 24 March 1921). There was also a photograph postcard of Henry in army uniform, stamped on the reverse by a



Dublin photographer. He is easily identified as one of six soldiers pictured in the newspaper with the caption "SAD SCENES AT PADDINGTON - There were touching scenes at Paddington Station yesterday on the arrival of the Fishguard express. In the last coach were the bodies of London men of the Crown forces, killed during the recent fighting in Ireland. They were brought over to this country for burial"

My mother Rosina Jarvis was the youngest of a family of eight children, and would have been 13 years old when her brother was killed. She never had a good word to say about the Irish. When I once questioned her about this, she just said she had a brother that was killed by the IRA in Ireland a long time ago, and "Not to talk to Nanny Jarvis about it". In fact, the family never talked about it and my cousin, who is ten years younger than me, had never even heard of Uncle Henry until we examined the papers in the suitcase.

The memorial card is printed 'Interred at Nunhead Cemetery. Grave No. 34125 Sq. 3'. I live in Spain, making it difficult to explore London to find this cemetery, but a fellow member in the Torrevieja U3A Family History Group has a son who is a black cab driver in London. Back came the information: "It is a huge Victorian cemetery near Peckham". The internet gave me access to the Friends of Nunhead Cemetery (FONC) website, and



off went a letter of enquiry quoting the grave number and a cheque for membership. A prompt reply supplied a plan of the cemetery and another of Square 3, with the advice that this was an area of unmarked common graves, mostly covered with brambles and other vegetation. Wishing to know the circumstances of his death, I applied to the Army for Henry's service records. Among the papers sent to me were copy letters to my grandmother rejecting her application for her son's discharge, as he had enlisted under age. Sadly, he was killed within a year of enlistment. The Army recorded his death on 19 March 1921: 'Gunshot Wound in Back', but with no further details of the military action. I thought I had completed the record of this young man's short life, but the story continues.

In 2009, researching online into Charles Colson Jarvis and his parenthood, H C Jarvis appeared on the Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC) website, with a note: "This casualty has recently been accepted for commemoration by the Commission. However, it will not be possible to add his name to the Brookwood 1914-1918 Memorial immediately. Please contact the Commission for more information". In correspondence with the CWGC, they told me evidence had been presented to them by a researcher, and this led to the Ministry of Defence approving the commemoration of Lance Corporal H C Jarvis of the 1st Battalion, South Lancashire Regiment. I am convinced that the assistance of FONC in my research, and my subsequent application for his army records, prompted the interest of the CWGC to commemorate this casualty of the Irish War of Independence.

1919-21. They later asked for documentary evidence of the burial in an unmarked grave, "as this information was not known to the researcher or the Commission". I also questioned how a casualty dying in 1921 could be commemorated on a 1914-18 war memorial. I was told that, for purposes of commemoration, the dates are from 4 August 1914 to 31 August 1921. 'The Termination of the Present War (Definition) Act' laid down that the war would officially end when an Order in Council declared the war ended. This duly occurred on 31 August 1921. During 2010/11 email correspondence ensued between the CWGC and myself, as they wished to visit Nunhead and possibly mark my uncle's grave.

I was sure funds would be scarce and was not optimistic that I would hear any more. Then in the Spring 2012 issue of FONC News, Eddie Barclay wrote asking for the relatives of WW1 soldiers buried in Nunhead to contact him. He had recently spent the day at the cemetery with two members of the CWGC, discussing the dedication and renovation of the plot where there had previously been a war memorial, but vandalised several years ago. I travelled from my home in Spain to Nunhead to attend - on Sunday 4 November 2012 - a special service to dedicate a new memorial to 266 WW1 soldiers. Many had been casualties treated in the local hospital, buried in Nunhead in common, unmarked graves. The information of where they were buried was discovered by family members working on the internet whilst carrying out family history research. The CWGC have investigated this research and have had the new memorial built, and arranged the ceremony. It is the



biggest research project they have organised in the UK.



There is just a memorial inscription on the new stonework where the ceremony took place, but behind it they have planted a tree for each soldier. Their names are engraved on two standing stones at the entrance to the cemetery. It was a very memorable occasion, and a much bigger event than I had been expecting. Three marching bands and representatives from each of the regiments in which the soldiers served - in full uniform and a lot of gold braid and swords! Also present was a representative of the Queen, and local MP Harriet Harman. Simon Hughes, MP, gave the address, saying the Government was allocating funds to send schoolchildren on visits, over the next two years, to the cemeteries in France and Belgium so that the younger generation can learn about the sacrifices made during the First and Second World Wars. It will be among many events to commemorate WW1 - 100 years ago in 2014.

The Methodist minister in his prayers gave thanks for the invention of the internet and modern technology, which had made the whole event possible – as, without these tools the men would have lain there undiscovered and never remembered. The service was recorded by the BBC London local news, together with an interview with one of the relatives. Later that evening, I was able to see the news; as did my husband too, on BBC News at home in Spain! Among 50 other

In Memory of
Lance Corporal
H C Jarvis

30397, 1st Bn., South Lancashire Regiment
who died on 19 March 1921

Remembered with Honour
Nunhead (All Saints) Cemetery

Commemorated in perpetuity by
the Commonwealth War Graves Commission

relatives, I laid a wreath for my Uncle Henry on behalf of myself and my three cousins - his nephew and nieces - with a message attached to his photo "On behalf of our Nanny Jarvis, his mother who lost her youngest son when he was only 18".

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New Opening Times

The HGS Research & Administrative Centre will be open each week on **Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9.30 am to 12.30 pm**, and on **Tuesday and Thursday from 9.30 am to 12.30 pm and 1.30 to 4.30 pm** (except for bank holidays, Christmas, Easter, etc). No appointment is necessary, but if a member specifically wants to use the Find My Past website or wants to guarantee the use of a computer, then a booking should be made via telephone (023 9238 7000) or email (research@hgs-online.org.uk).

Membership Secretary

Gordon Clem has recently resigned as Membership Secretary, and we wish to thank him for the exceptional work that he has done over the past year and more, especially at the difficult time of a price rise in subscriptions!

We are extremely pleased and fortunate to announce that Gwen Newland has now taken over the role of Membership Secretary (see her details on the inside front cover), and wish to thank her for accepting the position and hope that she will enjoy the challenge.



Generous donation to HGS Research Centre

A generous donation has been made to the HGS Research Centre by longstanding HGS member Gwen Houghton.

Gwen has spent many years researching both the local and family histories of the parish of Durley and its surrounding areas. It was a very difficult decision for her to decide that the time had come to pass on her work, and we at HGS are very grateful that she has chosen us to be the recipients.

Part of the donation covers the baptism, marriage and burial records of the parish of Durley and surrounding parishes. The collection dates back to the start of parish registers, but also of particular interest is the fact that some of the CMB records continue into the 1990s. They will therefore be of great

benefit and help to members researching in the Durley, Curdridge, Upham, Bishops Waltham, Hedge End, South Stoneham and Fair Oak areas. Researchers may be able to add to their family information without having to obtain a certificate, or add to that already given on the certificate. The resource may also help those looking for a place of burial in the area, as this information is not included on a death certificate.

Other research material and records going back to earlier times were also donated, as well as maps and books, etc. The material will be securely and safely held in the Research Centre, where it will be listed and made available for members to use.

Thank you, Gwen.

Membership numbers reminder and subscriptions renewal

Is your Membership Number between 13,292 and 13,340, inclusive, or between 13,472 and 13,535, inclusive?

If so, then you need to be aware that at some time between 1 December 2013 and 28 February 2014 your membership will expire - unless you renew your subscription before the

due date of the anniversary when you joined HGS. It is up to you to discover when your membership will expire by contacting the Membership Secretary (contact details are on the inside of both covers). If it expires then you will no longer receive the benefits that membership provides.



HGS Bookstall Report

HGS Bookstall continues to be out and about selling HGS publications, new and secondhand family and local history books.

During September and October we managed to attend five events, as well as several others throughout the summer months.

Unfortunately, we have had to decline some invites as the Bookstall Manager and helpers are unable to attend an event on both days of a weekend, and every weekend of a month!

Some HGS volunteers have offered to take the stall to events when the Bookstall Manager is unavailable. As there are several events throughout the year it would be useful to build on this offer, with some more volunteers offering their occasional services for this task. Thank you to those who have already offered.

If you are able to become involved in this way, please let me know. You will need to have access to a car large enough to take a number of boxes - and be fit enough to unload at the venue, set up, and sell for the day, and then reload to return home. A trolley is available, so that heavy weights do not have to be carried, and there is sometimes help at a venue with this task. Mileage expenses can also be claimed, and other helpers will be there to support and assist.

The day itself is always enjoyable - not only with selling the items, but with the chance to talk to other family history enthusiasts. Helping in this way also allows you to see exactly what is involved in keeping the stall maintained and running. Of course, you will also have free access to an event, the chance to see and get to know other exhibitors and

stallholders, and buy items to help with your own research, on what is always a very sociable day out.

The 'season' finished at the end of October with our visit to Woking. We start again in January, and the dates booked so far for 2014 are shown here:-

Bookstall Dates

20-22 Feb	WDYTYA Olympia, London
15 Mar	Dorset FHS Open Day
03 May	IOW FHS Open Day
17 May	Sussex FHS Open Day, Chichester
18 May	HGS AGM
21 Jun	Wiltshire FHS Open Day
28 Sep	Bristol & Avon FHS Open Day
Sep/Oct	HGS Open Day (Venue and date to be set)

Others dates will be added to this list in due course. It does not include the dates the Bookstall is attending HGS group meetings, group-arranged roadshows or library visits, etc, within Hampshire. When these additional dates are known they will appear in the journal, on the website and on Facebook.

I finish with thanks again to the willing band of helpers who do so much to help and keep the stall running. It could not carry on without you all.

Chris Pavey, *Bookstall Manager*



Members' Interests on the HGS Website

In due course HGS will offer an online search service, making its Members' Interests accessible via its website.

Searches can be made of the Members' Interests list. The individual member's email address will not be made available, only their name and a contact form.

If you would like your interests to be made available on the website, then you need to visit www.hgs-online.org.uk/research-resources/members-interests-signup/ and enter your membership number, name, and email address. These will help identify you to the Society.

The Society's responsibilities under the Data Protection Act have been fully considered and your contact details will not be made available directly from the search service. Searches requested from the HGS Research Centre will not change.

Please opt in if you haven't already done so. Up to 100 surname interests can be added each time you submit the form, but note that only 15 names of interest per submitter will be printed in the Journal each issue.

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Diary Dates out of County

Who Do You Think You Are? Live Olympia, London
Thursday to Saturday 20 to 22 February 2014 (Note change of days)

Dorset FHS Open Day Parkstone Grammar School, Sopers Lane, Poole BH17 7EP
Saturday 15 March 2014 – 10.00 am to 4.00 pm

Federation Of Family History Societies AGM & General Meeting

The National Archives, Bourne Avenue, Kew TW9 4DU
Saturday 22 March 2014 – commencing at 1.30 pm promptly

FAREWELL

With the deepest regret we wish to inform readers of the deaths of the following HGS members:-

Mrs Maureen Proudfoot (Member # 450), 61 Oak Hill, Alresford, Hants,
 who sadly passed away on 7 July 2013

Mrs B J Shaw (Member # 5132), 18 Argyll Court, Clarence Road, Fleet, Hants



Members' Surname Interests Database

Progress continues to be made on the software to support placing members' interests on the HGS website. As ever the initial simple idea is never quite as easy when it comes to its implementation.

This is particularly so with getting it to work with the new web platform. Tight integration with part of the membership database has been identified as being necessary to ensure that only up to date information will be presented automatically. Please check the members interests webpage at <http://www.hgs-familyhistory.com/research-resources/members-interests/> for latest details and service updates that will be announced there first.

Members' interests and updates to the catalogue are published quarterly in the Society's journal. There is a restriction of a maximum of 15 entries per person whenever submitting interests (new or updates), this is required to keep entries in the journal to a manageable size. Such a constraint does not apply to the database, however, so it is possible to add further interests quarterly - within reason!

Updates to your surname interests can be made online by following the examples on the page or by post. It is also possible to remove redundant entries, and this is encouraged - deletions are not notified in the journal; they simply won't remain in the database. Updates should be BLOCK printed and submitted in the format used in the following section or as shown on the form on members interests webpage. The county Chapman Codes are published at least once in any yearly HFH volume and should be used when submitting interests, e.g. HAM for Hampshire etc.

Please note that addresses published in this section refer only to members who have submitted their interests.

All queries concerning this section should also be sent to the HGS office (address on inside front cover).

N. B. Changes to email addresses will no longer be noted in the journal as many are already obsolete when published. Please contact the HGS Office for a member's current details if you encounter problems.

But please remember to inform the Membership Secretary (membership@hgs-online.org.uk) of any changes to either your current email or home address.

The section on the following pages is arranged alphabetically by surname, then area and place name. Once you have located an entry in which you are interested, note the number on the right hand side of the column and turn to the end of the section.

Simply look up the number, which will give the name and address of the person who submitted the information.

Notes:

date+ = after that date;
predate = before that date;
cdate = circa (about) that date
(+/- 5 yrs);

Cxx = xx th. Century;
parish a = area around parish

Remember that your addresses are your contact point, so keep them up to date. If communicating by post remember that an SAE is more or less essential these days, as not everyone has email.

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Members' Surname Interests Database



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(S)pink(s)	KEN	Any	Pre1826	4771	Day	HAM Basingstoke a	1860-1885	7574
(S)pink(s)	SSX	Any	Pre1826	4771	Day	HAM Stratfield Saye	1800+	7574
Alford	SOM	Milton Clevedon	Pre1850	11778	Dent	HAM		
Armstrong	HAM	Basingstoke a	1538+	5927		Wootton St Lawrence	1780-1830	11497
Armstrong	SRV	Any	1538-1800	5927	Dukes	LND Stepney	1911+	11778
Armstrong	SSX	Any	1538-1800	5927	Dukes	LND Stepney	Pre1840	11778
Ayling	HAM	Alverstoke	Pre1854	3815	Durant	HAM Any	Pre1950..	8933
Bailey	HEF	Any	Pre1826	4771	Durrant	HAM Any	Pre1950	8933
Batstone	ANY	Any	All	11615	Eckett	BRK Finchampstead, Tilehurst	All	2427
Beale	DOR	Weymouth a	1770-1850	3968	Eckett	HAM Aldershot, Basingstoke,	All	2427
Bell	HAM	Any	All	209	Eckett	HAM Wootton St Lawrence	All	2427
Bell	WIL	Any	All	209	Edwards	SRV Godalming, Bermondsey	All	2427
Benfield	DOR	Corfe Castle	Pre1800	10088	Everett	LND Woolwich	Pre1870	11778
Benfield	HAM	Portsea	1800-1900	10088	Everett	LND West Ham	1911+	11778
Benton	LND	Regents Park	All	2427	Faithfull	HAM Any	Pre1950	8933
Berry	LND	Plumstead	1911+	11778	Farley	SRV Godalming	All	2427
Blake	HAM	Over Wallop a	Pre1900	1437	Field	HAM Portsmouth	1800-1900	1725
Bolton	WEX	Annagh Upper	1800-1900	11636	Fielder	HAM Portsmouth	All	2427
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	Clifton-upon-Dunsmore	All		2427	Ford	WIL Witteridge, Box	All	2427
Briggs	NTH	Lilbourne	All	2427	Fowler	HAM Hambledon a	Pre1900	8933
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Bryant	HAM	Lyminster	1911+	11778	Froud(e)	SRV Any	Pre1826	11545
Butler	HAM	Any	Pre1910	9506	Fullbrook	HAM Odiham/Crondall	Pre1826	10173
Butler	STS	Birmingham a	Pre1910	9506	Fuller	NFK Mundford	All	3742
Butler	WAR	Dudley a	Pre1910	9506	Garland	SYK Darfield	1750-1825	7226
Calvert	NBL	Newcastle	1850-1900	11636	Garrett	HAM Cliddesden	1800-1880	11497
Chapman	CON	Lanivet	1790-1860	7226	Gearle	HAM The Wallops	1650-1800	1725
Clack	IOW	Newport a	1901+	1437	Green	HUN St Ives	All	2427
Clack	LND	Marylebone a	Pre1910	1437	Green	LND Regents Park	All	2427
Clarke	HAM	Cliddesden	All	3742	Gregory	HAM Gosport a	Pre1860	2427
Clarke	WIL	Chisledon	All	3742	Guy	DOR Any	1770-1850	7260
Cleave	HAM	Eversley a	1790+	7574	Harding	HAM Portsmouth	1800+	11615
Cleeve	HAM	Eversley a	1790+	7574	Harding	HAM Warblington	Pre1820	11615
Coleman	DOR	Melbury Osmond	All	2427	Harvey	HAM Southampton	1840+	3968
Coleman	HAM	Portsmouth	1818+	3815	Harvey	IOW St Helens a	1760-1880	3968
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Cook	SXE	Wivelsfield a	1850+	3815	Hicken	WAR Dudley a	Pre1900	9506
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Creighton	WLS	Cardiff	All	2427	Hockley	HAM Crondall a	Pre1826	11545
Cross	STS	Birmingham a	All	9506	Hockley	SRV Guildford a	Pre1826	11545
Cross	WAR	Dudley a	Pre1900	9506	Houghton	HAM Fareham a	Pre1950	8933
Crouch	HAM	Any	All	7310	Howkins	LEI Bitteswell	All	2427
Crow	HAM	Portsmouth	1800+	11615	Huggins	HEF Madley	1750-1860	11497
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Kimber	HAM Upper Clatford a	Pre1826	11545	Randall	HAM Titchfield a	Pre1950	8933
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	Wootton St Lawrence	1760-1850	11497	Saxe	HAM Portsmouth	All	3815
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Mason	HAM Any	All	209	Vincent	NFK Swaffham	1810-1850	11497
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John Worthy Chaplin, VC, CB (1840-1920)

On Monday 25 August 1862, during an official inspection of the 5th Depot Battalion at Parkhurst Barracks on the Isle of Wight, General Lord William Paulet, Commanding, South-West District, called forth to the front of the parade a young lieutenant of the 100th Foot Regiment.

The general then read aloud a letter from Sir George Cornewell Lewis, Secretary of State for War, along with a message from the Queen regretting that she was unable to be present. He then proceeded to pin the Victoria Cross to the young lieutenant's breast.

The lieutenant's award had been announced by the War Office a year earlier (on 13 August 1861), along with the other six VCs that had also been earned on the same day at the same place in 1860. Seven VCs in all for the same engagement, which stood as the record until superseded only by the Rorke's Drift incident in 1879, when eleven VCs were earned. Four recipients had been members of the 67th (South Hampshire) Regiment of Foot, which, in 1881, amalgamated into the Hampshire Regiment, while another was a hospital apprentice, attached to the 67th. Although announced in 1861, the awards could not be properly conferred until the soldiers were back home in England.

The lieutenant was an ensign with the 67th at the time of the incident. The citation read: "Ensign (now Lieutenant) JOHN WORTHY CHAPLIN, 67th Regiment (now of the 100th Regiment), for distinguished gallantry at the North Taku Fort. This officer was carrying the Queen's colours of the regiment, and first planted the colours on the breach made by the storming party, assisted by Private Lane, of the 67th Regiment, and subsequently on the cavalier of the fort, which he was the first to

mount. In doing this he was severely wounded."

The incident was part of the three-month long Third China War (1860). Chinese resentment of European traders and diplomats had already resulted in the First (or Opium) and Second China Wars (1840-42, 1846-47). An uneasy peace followed, with lengthy negotiations leading to a treaty in 1858, opening up sixteen ports to European trade and ceding Hong Kong to Britain. When British and French commissioners set sail up the Pei-ho River to ratify the treaty, they were fired upon from the three Taku forts at the swampy mouth of the river. A combined Anglo-French expedition landed at Peh-Tang on 1 August 1860 "to teach the Chinese a lesson" – so initiating the Third China War. The assault to take the forts was launched on 21 August 1860. After fierce fighting the combined forces took the forts and carried on towards Peking, arriving in early October, and ending with the Treaty of Peking, thus ratifying the former treaty, adding another port to the tally, and ceding Kowloon to Britain on a 99-year lease.

The full story of John Worthy Chaplin's gallantry on that day (21 August 1860) was told in Edwin Hodder's *Heroes of Britain in Peace and War* (1878): "The fort was a large work enclosed with a wall or embankment, protected with upright bamboo spikes firmly planted in the earth, and surrounded by two broad moats or ditches. No progress could be made until the spikes were removed, and as this had to be done under a heavy fire many lives were sacrificed. But at length Napier and his men stood before the crenellated wall of the fort. Almost as soon as our men began to assail the strong position before them Ensign Fraser, who carried the Queen's colour of the 67th

— “A well-earned VC”

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Regiment, was severely wounded, and fell. Ensign John Worthy Chaplin, a mere lad, stood next for the duty, and seizing the fallen colour, bore it aloft, and, grasping in his other hand a sword, pushed forward. Almost at the very moment he did so the magazine within the port exploded with a fearful concussion, a live shell from our artillery having been planted in its midst. The first thought was that the work was done, and that there was no fort now to be taken; but after a short pause the fire of the enemy recommenced with tenfold vigour, and inflicted terrible damage. The order to advance was sounded, and away plunged young Chaplin to the front; but he had not gone far before he received a shot through the arm. Instead of going to the rear, as he would have been thoroughly justified in doing, he hastily bound up his wound, and refusing to relinquish his colour or move a step to the rear, dashed on again at the head of the regiment. It was his ambition to plant the English flag upon the fort before the French colour should find its way there; and when he came to the perilous bridge across the moat he bounded forward, at the same time challenging the French officer to beat him in the race. The scene at the foot of the fort was indescribable; the escalating ladders were being placed in position, and up them, in the midst of noise and smoke and confusion, each was trying for himself to climb the walls. Among those who succeeded was Captain Prynne, of the Royal



Marines, who no sooner reached the top then, sitting astride the wall, he helped pull up his men, using his revolver at intervals, and with such effect that he succeeded in shooting down the commanding mandarin. Young Chaplin, forcing his desperate way up the breach made by the artillery fire, was wounded a second time, and again was urged to attend to himself and abandon the colour. But he was not to be persuaded; he had got so far in the race, and was still ahead of the French officer; if he paused the Frenchman would cut in and plant his flag first on the fort. So



the plucky young Englishman, only staggering a little from the shock he had received, struggled on again toward the "cavalier", or highest point of the work. Only one Englishman, Lane, a private of his own corps, was in a position to render him any assistance; and the Chinese, frantic in their last dying efforts, were flinging away ladders, and fighting against the besiegers with the strength of despair. Young Chaplin was no less desperate, for he could hear the shouting of the Frenchman almost by his side, but he would not be beaten. Struggling on, with sword in one hand and colour-staff in the other, and backed in his efforts by Private Lane, he made one tremendous effort, and, clearing the way before him, mounted the cavalier, and shouting aloud the cry of "Victory!" was waving his flag aloft when he was shot down, severely wounded in the leg. But he held his ground, though bleeding profusely (for he had been wounded three times), until his comrades gathered round him, and he was saved. For this daring deed he received the Victoria Cross, and never was it more worthily bestowed."

(Chaplin's comrade, Private Thomas Lane, also received the VC, but for a different action – he swam across the ditch, and, with Lieutenant Burslem, enlarged an opening in the wall and gained entry. Unfortunately, Lane's medal was confiscated after he was convicted of desertion and theft while on active service, but his name was restored to the register after his death in 1889.)

John Worthy Chaplin was born at Ewhurst House, Ewhurst Park, between Basingstoke and Kingsclere, on Thursday 23 July 1840, the eighth and youngest son of the 14 children of William James and Elizabeth (Alston) Chaplin,

and was baptised in St Mary's church, Ewhurst, on 16 September that year. His father was a coach proprietor and railway director, who had eked out a highly successful career in the transportation of goods by combining the two opposing systems. In 1847 he became the MP for Salisbury, a position he still held at the time of his death in 1859.

John Worthy Chaplin was educated at Harrow, and joined the 67th Regiment as an ensign on 13 April 1858. Just over two years later, now aged 20, he was serving with his regiment in China when he was involved in his VC action at the Taku forts. Ensign Chaplin was also mentioned in despatches and received the China War Medal with two clasps.

For his gallant effort, he was promoted to the rank of lieutenant on 20 November 1860, joining the 100th Regiment of Foot in place of Lieutenant Elensby, who was appointed to the 90th. On 5 April 1864 he was promoted to the rank of captain, through purchase, replacing Captain John Lee, who was retiring. On 5 July that same year he transferred to the 8th (Queen's Royal Irish) Hussars, in exchange with Captain JM Biddle. He acted as an extra aide-de-camp to the Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland from 1 December 1869 to 24 February 1874.

Captain Chaplin married Isabel Thompson at Bishopthorpe, Yorkshire, on 22 August 1871, and the couple had two children. On 15 September 1877 Chaplin was promoted to the rank of major.

Promotion followed again two years later when he took the rank of lieutenant-colonel on 14 November 1879, upon succeeding Brevet Colonel W Massenden, who had been placed on half-pay. John Chaplin then commanded the 8th Hussars on the Khyber Line, guarding the notorious Khyber Pass, during the Afghan



War of 1879-80, for which he was awarded yet another medal and mention in despatches.

On 14 November 1883 he retired on half-pay on his completion of four years' service as regimental lieutenant-colonel, with the rank of honorary colonel, and soon afterwards received the sum of £3,200 from the Paymaster-General. This was due to him on account of "over-regulation for the position held by him as Captain, 8th Hussars, on 1 November 1871".

Among the honours for Queen Victoria's Golden Jubilee in 1887, John Worthy Chaplin was created a Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath. He was then placed on retirement pay on 11 November 1888 (at the age of 48), on account of "non-employment", and became entitled to an annual pension of £420. He and his wife took up residence at Kibworth Hall, Leicestershire, where they lived for over 30 years.

The Aberdeen Journal, 24 July 1908, mentioned that he was the only survivor of the officers and men who gained the Victoria Cross in China in the wars of the early sixties. By 1920 he and his wife were living at Hyde Park, London.

John Worthy Chaplin, VC, CB, died at Park House, Great Bowden, Market Harborough, Leicestershire, on Wednesday 18 August 1920, and was buried in Kibworth Harcourt churchyard. His Victoria Cross was presented to the Hampshire Regiment on 19 March 1964 by his grandson, and is kept in the Regimental Museum at Southgate Street, Winchester.

Ken Smallbone, Editor

[Max Arthur, Symbol of Courage (Sidgwick & Jackson, London, 2004), pp 99-100; War Office: Officers' Services, First World War; Personal Files 1898-1922 (TNA WO374/13196), Correspondence & Papers concerning VC 1856-1977 (TNA WO98/3); Kibworth History Society, <http://www.kibworth.org/chaplin.html>; 1841 Census, Ewhurst; 1891-1911 Census, Kibworth Harcourt; National Probate Index; London Daily News 21 Nov 1860; Devizes & Wiltshire Gazette 22 Aug 1861; Hampshire Advertiser 30 Aug 1862; Morning Post 6 Apr 1864, 17 Dec 1879, 21 June 1887; Manchester Courier & Lancashire General Advertiser 7 July 1864; Aldershot Military Gazette 3 Jan 1880]

Are you related to BENJAMIN KING?

(born c1663 - living in Whiteparish, Wiltshire, 1694)

If so, you are invited to a King family gathering at the Methodist Chapel, Lyndhurst Road, Landford, Wiltshire, on Saturday 12 April 2014, 2 pm - 4.30 pm. Please bring any family trees, photos, newspaper cuttings or other items you may have which would add interest to the afternoon. Please let us know if you if you are able to come (tea will be available).

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Margaret Legg (Member # 13034)



Richard Primmer

Richard PRIMMER (junior) was my 4xgreat-grandfather and was a New Forest keeper in Lyndhurst. He married Elizabeth BUMSTEAD in Boldre in 1802.

I had been researching Richard's parentage for many years and suspect that he was born in Basingstoke in 1779 to Richard Primmer (senior) and Jane **BRASIER**. However, I could not understand why Richard had married in the New Forest, fifty miles from his birthplace. To complicate matters, in 1743 another Richard Primmer (the Elder), a gardener of Burley in the New Forest, had married Martha **DALMAN** in Farley (near to Basingstoke). The couple were both buried in Lyndhurst in the 1750s, so again, another Richard had travelled across the county to marry. I was reasonably sure that these Primmers were grandfather, father and son, but I had to prove that there was a link between Basingstoke and the New Forest to be sure I had the correct lineage.

A chance e-mail to Richard Reeves, the Librarian at the New Forest Centre in Lyndhurst, opened a new chapter in this family that shocked and surprised me. I was fortunate in that the archives from the Duke of Bedford's estates had been released to the Hampshire Record Office in 1989, and researched by Richard.

In the mid-1740s Richard (the Elder) and Martha were working as servants at King's House in Lyndhurst, which was the base for the Lord Warden when he came to inspect the Forest. The Lord Warden was appointed by the Crown and had the responsibility for the management of the Forest. The House accounts for 1746 indicate that Martha was the housekeeper and Richard the gardener. In 1742-46 the Lord Warden was Charles

Paulet, 3rd Duke of Bolton. The Paulets had their country seat at Hackwood Park in the parishes of Basingstoke and Cliddesden. So, at last I had my link! The Primmers were part of the Duke's household, working where they were most required.

John Russell, 4th Duke of Bedford, became the new Lord Warden in 1746, and the Primmers continued to work at King's House under him. In June 1751 a letter from Samuel Miller to Robert Butcher (both high ranking servants to Bedford) recorded: "I have given the gardener and his wife notice to quit their places and pursuant to your directions". Why the Primmers were dismissed remains a mystery, but it was possibly down to politics, as relations between the two dukes were not good at this time.

It is believed that Richard continued to work as gardener for the Duke of Bolton in Burley, and thus began a chain of events leading to his murder in a dispute over deer.

The Duke of Bolton was granted the office of Bailiff of Burley by the Crown in 1754, which meant that he could choose his own keepers for the "Walks" of Burley and Holmesley. This was unusual, as Lord Warden, the Duke of Bedford had jurisdiction over the appointment of all keepers, but in this case Burley was an exception.

Unfortunately, due to a misunderstanding of access rights, both dukes believed that they had jurisdiction over the Walks. By 1755 the Duke of Bolton's son, Marquess of Winchester, had the rights to the office of Bailiff, and he appointed Gregory Goffe as Keeper of Holmesley Walk, while the Duke of Bedford had granted William Rook the same position. The account that follows is from the Bedford



Papers. On the day of the murder Lord Winchester ordered Goffe to kill a buck at Holmesley Walk. He was accompanied by Charles Dixon the Deputy Keeper of Burley Lodge, David Bromfield and Richard Primmer. They had not gone far before William Rook, together with Henry Rook and Robert Bromfield, *"who were lying in wait for Goffe came up to them all armed with quarter staffs and demanded what business they had there, insisted on Goffe's gun and attempted to take it forcibly from him which soon brought on a general engagement during which Rook wrested the gun from Goffe, cocked it and discharged it at the deceased ... After the deceased fell and begged for mercy, Rook cursed him several times and continued to lay on him with his quarter staff in such a manner that he must have died with bruises he received if he had not been shot"*.

Henry and William Rook fled the scene, but eventually gave themselves up and were tried for murder. Fortunately for them, they received a lesser sentence of manslaughter, due to the confusion over the rights of access to the land. Richard Primmer was buried in Lyndhurst on 27 July 1756 - he was 38 years old. Tragically, his wife Martha had died two years previously, so their children (Richard, 2, Sarah, 5, Letitia, 8, Martha, 11, and Miriam, 12) were now left orphaned.

This was not the end of the story: Richard Reeves directed me to the 'Winchester Guardianships records from 1700'. These revealed that Charles **DIXON**, now Keeper of Burley Lodge, took on the guardianship of Richard's children in 1759. The records also indicated that there had been an earlier bequest to Martha, Richard's wife, by Thomas

SAVAGE, gentleman of Cliddesden, in 1752. When I looked at the will, Savage had left *"freehold, copyhold and leasehold estates situated in the several parishes of Basingstoke, Basing, Cliddesden, Estrop, Turges, Sherfield and Hook"*. This was a man of some means. There were 21 heirs, all kinsmen, including Martha's siblings, the Dalmans, also **TAPLIN** and **CANNON** families. Not only that, I found out that Martha's father, John **DALMAN**, had left her 100 guineas in 1735!

Charles Dixon knew that the children had come into an inheritance, and, perhaps as their guardian, felt it would be advantageous to him. However, I also like to think that, having witnessed Richard's murder, perhaps he also felt a duty to bring the children up as his own. Charles also held the status of "gentleman", unusual for keepers who were normally yeomen. So, Dixon raised the social status of the Primmer children, giving them opportunity and contacts.

Charles Dixon married Rachael **WILD** in Minstead in 1761, and the couple baptised three children in Cliddesden and Basingstoke. So, the Primmer children would have likely travelled back to Hackwood with their "adopted" parents. This made sense because Richard (senior) then married Jane Brasier in Cliddesden in 1778. Her father John **BRASIER** was Steward to the Duke of Bolton. Richard (junior), their son, was born in 1779. However, tragedy struck again, because Richard (senior), now back in Burley, died in 1782, aged 28, and was buried with his father in Lyndhurst.

Jane, the young widow, went on to marry James **COLLIS** in Brockenhurst in 1784. I

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The Tubbs and/et les Tinels

Since I was a child I had known that my great-great-grandfather, James TUBB (born 1816, Houghton, Hampshire) had married a French lady, Hyacinthe Hortense TINEL.

When I started researching my Tubb family I found that James and Hyacinthe's first two children had been born in Normandy, France. As I had not been able to trace their marriage, I came to the conclusion they must have married over there.

The 1851-81 censuses all gave her place of birth as France, but in 1891 it was recorded as "Seine Inférieure", but the name of the town was illegible. I was certain that this would be my total knowledge of my great-great-grandmother.

At the beginning of this year I signed onto 'Geneanet', where I entered the name 'Tinel', and was soon receiving lists of people who had the name in their tree, and also the Département in France where their ancestors had lived. I wrote to a couple without success, but then a very kind lady replied, saying that, although my Hyacinthe was not on her tree, she was sure she could help me. My French dictionary had not had so much use for a long time; I couldn't wait to translate her e-mail!

Apparently, she had found the information on a website that held parish records and civil registrations dating back to the 1500s. The information held in the French civil registrations is amazing. The first one I looked at was the marriage of James and Hyacinthe in 1846 - it told me where and when he was born, that he was a master carpenter working on the Rouen to Havre railway, and where he was living; that he was the son of John **TUBB**, also a carpenter, and that his mother was

Anne **COLE** - and the date of her death, here in England. Also, James was a widower, and his first wife, Ann **HAWKINS**, had died in France.

The registration then concentrated on Hyacinthe Hortense - when and where she was born and her parents' names: Louis Martin Tinel and Honorine Justine **HANIN**, always giving the woman's maiden name.

When I looked at the entry for Ann Hawkins's death, it had been reported by John Tubb, father of James. He was also working on the Paris-Rouen railway. It told me Ann's age, as well, and that she had been born in Bossington, Hants. Her parents' names were William Hawkins and Caroline **FULFORD**.

Looking at the 'Ten-Year Tables', I found that William Tubb, brother of James, and his wife, Matilda **CAMIS**, had a son, Jacques Victor, who was born on 30 November 1846, but died twelve hours later. William was also a carpenter on the Rouen-Havre railway, but, unfortunately, he died on 22 January 1847 on railway land.

All the civil registers I have looked at start in 1793. Before that date there are parish registers, but they do not give as much information, but the mother's maiden name is always recorded, so the margin of error is reduced. Unfortunately, the parish registers are not complete before 1700, but the burial entries do give an approximate age, so you have a good idea when the person was born. So, from knowing nothing about Hyacinthe, I have been able to trace her ancestors back to Pierre Tinel, born about 1653.

The travelling bug must have been in Hyacinthe's genes, as her son James (who was born in Dieppe) emigrated to Canada, and



William (born in London) went to New Zealand!
It would be interesting to know if anyone else was aware of men going to France to help build the railways.

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News from Archives and Local Studies at Hampshire

Forthcoming events

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The Foyer, Hampshire Record Office

The Showpeople of Hampshire, ends 12 December

Bishops Waltham's railway history, 17 December 2013 – 14 February 2014.
Presented by Bishops Waltham Museum

The Top Floor Gallery, Hampshire Record Office

Hampshire Heroes, ends 30 January 2014.
Exploring family history sources through the lives of some notable Hampshire people

The Foyer and Top Floor Gallery, Hampshire Record Office

Then and Now, 18 February – 30 April 2014.
Selections from the Hampshire Museums' photographic collections from around the county, and the same views as they are today (presented by Hampshire Arts and Museums Service)

Queen Elizabeth Country Park, Gravel Hill, Horndean

The Showpeople of Hampshire, 20 December 2013 – 2 February 2014, as mentioned above (visit www3.hants.gov.uk/qecp for details)

Lunchtime lectures

(Free, but donations in the region of £2 welcomed; no need to book)

Last Thursday of each month, 1.15-1.45pm.

30 January 2014. **Hampshire Heroes:** exploring family history sources through the lives of some notable Hampshire people – by Mark Pitchforth

27 February. **'The Sound of the South':** Extracts from the BBC Radio Solent tapes held by Wessex Film and Sound Archive – by Robin Worman

27 March. **Hampshire and D-Day** – by Andrew Whitmarsh

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Tuesday 21 January 2014 (2-4 pm). **Reading Tudor documents in English**

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Tuesday 25 February (2-4 pm). **How to find your army ancestors:** Discover the types of record which may shed light on soldiers in your family, including those from the First World War

Thursday 6 March (2-4 pm). **Meet the conservators:** Find out how archive documents suffer from poor storage, damp and pests, and how conservators repair the

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Bishops Waltham railway station, c1910 - HPP5/1/43

damage and protect them for the future

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Recent additions to the holdings

Around the parishes

Parish records recently deposited include an additional burial register from Wickham, covering 1946-2009 (87M70/PR30).

Carole Olding has kindly donated a bound copy of her index to Catholic burials in Southampton civil cemeteries. The volume is

with the parish register transcripts on open shelves in the search room. It covers Catholic burials in Hill Lane Cemetery, 1846-1962, Hollybrook Cemetery, 1915-66, Millbrook Cemetery, 1954-66, and South Stoneham Cemetery, 1945-66, and Catholic cremations at Southampton Crematorium, 1945-70

The records of parish charities can reveal ways in which our ancestors made ends meet. An account book of Soaper's Charity, Southwick, contains an account of loaves of bread distributed to charity recipients, 1869-80 (100A13/1). In 1837 John Soaper, surgeon, bequeathed interest from a capital sum of £400 to be spent on bread, which was to



be distributed to the poor on 25 January each year, under the supervision of the parish overseers of the poor. The recipients are listed alphabetically by year, with accounts of suppliers.

In Hampshire classrooms

A fine series of school records has also arrived from Fawley (105A13). These include log books from 1863 onwards and admission registers beginning in 1881, from the school variously known as Fawley Board/Council Mixed and Infants' Schools, later Fawley County Primary School, then Fawley First School, and now Fawley Infant School. The early log books are notable for containing the names of an unusually large number of individual pupils, including newly-admitted pupils and, for a number of years, all the children entered for examinations and what they passed in. The examination questions are also given for various years, notably in 1872 and 1884 (105A13/LB3).

Punishments and disputes are also noted, such as in October 1872, when the Headteacher had to punish Annie Mintram for comparing slates with another child. Her father later came down to the school complaining his daughter had been punished 'because another told on her' and 'he was not going to have her beaten and knocked about by anyone'. Despite him finally accepting it was possible his daughter had done something wrong, he still took her home with him and the Head crossed her name off the register. Dancing bears make an appearance in July 1891 in the infants log book: 'a talk about the bear' was given one afternoon as 'two bears had been seen led through the place and some of the children had seen them dancing'.

In later years events of national importance

had an impact on the school. On 3 September 1929 there was 'tremendous traffic by the main gates owing to the Schneider competition' and on the 18th the Head took '51 senior children to RAF Base Calshot to view and have a lecture on the Schneider racing machine'. In January 1962 25 refugee children from the island of Tristan da Cunha were admitted to the school, where they remained until 1963, when most returned home.

Multi-tasking is a feature of many of our lives, but we have recently received an interesting example of a multi-tasking document: a volume that was originally used as the managers' visiting book for St John's Schools, Basingstoke, 1903-14, but was re-used as the minute book of the Willis Historical Society from 1978 to 1980 (97A13/B1/1).

The recently-received photograph reproduced here shows Miss Elizabeth Churcher and the pupils of her school in Clarence Square, Gosport, in c1895 (19A13/1).

War and peace

Records of campaign groups are generally less likely to be preserved than those of official bodies, but provide important evidence of the concerns of local people, so we were pleased to receive a file of minutes, newsletters and other records of the Eastleigh Campaign against Nuclear Weapons dating from the 1980s (75A13). It also contains a few newsletters of kindred local organisations, including Southampton CND (1986) and Winchester CND (1982).

A recently-donated group of papers relating to the operation during the Second World War of civic cafés in Gosport - the Mitre Catering Establishment at 26 and 27 York Street, and the Methodist Church Canteen at 5 St Matthews's Square - by Mr S S Hall, includes



Clarence Square School, Gosport, c1895 – 19A13/1J

notebooks recording numbers of meals, sandwiches and beverages served between February 1942 and April 1943, with statistical notes (some written on the reverse of letters from suppliers); correspondence with the Ministry of Food and others; coupons; orders, notices and certificates issued by the Ministry of Food and the Gosport Food Control Committee, 1941-3 (81A13). The variety of forms that had to be completed gives a hint of the work involved in running these cafés, especially at a time when so many aspects of daily life were already severely disrupted.

On the downs

Most of us have ancestors who owned, rented

or worked on farms, and a recently-received series of volumes provides insights into life on the farms of the Sydmonton Estate in northern Hampshire. These volumes are letter books, containing copies on flimsy paper (similar to carbon copies) of out-letters written by Harold Barton and his son Colin Barton as successive agents to the estate between 1923 and 1956 (174A12). This gives clues about changing farming practices in the 1930s, such as the conversion of arable land to pasture and the decline in demand for underwood, and includes correspondence with many of the tenant-farmers as well as with the Kingsmill family who owned the estate.



Local Studies Collection: some new books and pamphlets

Many of us have probably discovered from entries in the final column of census returns that one of our ancestors was blind. The recently-published *Vision of the Past: a history of sight loss through the eyes of some remarkable people*, edited by Leonie Mountney, and published by the charity Open Sight, founded in 1922 as Hampshire Association for the Care of the Blind (362.41), gives insights into the changing experiences of blind people in Hampshire over the last 90 years, drawing on oral history interviews. Recollections by local people, this time specifically from Titchfield, are also the basis of *Eyewitness Account*, compiled by Wordwrights (a local writing group) and Titchfield History Society (Wordwrights, 2007) (942.2275). To give one extract: a serviceman used as a radiation guinea pig recalls '...a flash of radiation light so powerful that it came through our mittens, hands, dark glasses. The effect was such that I had a clear X-ray picture of the bones in my hands'.

If any of your family were residents of West End they may have lived in a house built by Haines Brothers. *The Haines legacy: a century of masterbuilding in West End: three generations of one family who helped build and establish the village of West End near Southampton* by Pauline Berry (2012) (942.277) charts the work of the firm founded in the mid 19th century by Daniel and Henry Haines, and is illustrated with pictures of members of the family and some of their buildings.

With the centenary of the outbreak of the First

World War less than a year away, the arrival of books with a military theme has continued. Of particular interest to family historians with relatives who served in the First World War is *The Great War Handbook : a guide for family historians and students of the conflict* by Geoff Bridger (Pen & Sword Family History, 2009) (940.4), which includes informative sections about the various theatres of war, the structure of the armed forces, decorations, and causes of death, together with advice about research sources.

Specifically local books include *Oakley and Deane Parish War Memorials: the stories behind the names* by Ros Blackman and Sally Warner (Oakley and Deane Parish Council, 2012) (940.342271), which devotes one or more pages to each of the First and Second World War casualties in these villages. In many cases interesting family background is included: for instance, we learn that Lt George Klaassen Scott was the eldest son of Dr Dukinfield Scott, FRS, a professor of botany and youngest son of the architect Sir George Gilbert Scott, and his wife Henderina, daughter of a seed merchant who had moved to Britain from Prussia. The family lived at East Oakley House and planted many exotic plants there. *Under Storm's Wing* is a reissue of Helen Thomas's writings about her husband the First World War poet Edward Thomas, with an appendix of letters from Robert Frost (Carcenet, 1997) (B/THO).

Recent books about local involvement in the Second World War include *The War History of 7th Battalion, the Hampshire Regiment, 1939-1946* by Ian Taylor (Natula Publications, 2013) (356.11), which gives detailed information about the service record of numerous



recipients of decorations, and a list of casualties, as well an account of the Battalion's service in north-west Europe. This Territorial Battalion recruited in the areas of Southampton, Bournemouth, Christchurch, Lymington and Fordingbridge, and therefore very many Hampshire men served in it, including almost all the members of the Twynham Wheelers Cycling Club from Christchurch.

One specific incident in the war is studied in *Exercise Fabius 2. Hayling Island, May 4th 1944*, a 'Discover Hayling' pamphlet, by A D Higham (940.53422795), concerning the rehearsal for the British D-Day landings on 'Gold' Beach. On a more peaceful theme, if you have sporting ancestors you may enjoy *Hampshire Football Association: A History* by Norman Gannaway with Neil Cassar (Hampshire Football Association Ltd, 2013) (796.3340624227). This 125th anniversary history records that ten of the 17 clubs which were founder members of the Association are still in existence, the oldest being the Fordingbridge 'Turks' from 1868.

Finally, please note a change in our Saturday

opening arrangements: there has been a steady decline in visitor numbers over a number of years, due in part at least to increasing remote digital access. On Saturdays, this decline has combined with traditional low usage (in terms of visitor numbers we are only half as busy on an average Saturday compared to an average weekday). To make more effective use of our staff resources, we are reducing the number of Saturdays we are open to 24 per year, opening on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month only. This will be for a trial period of a year, with a review after six months. For example, for the rest of 2013, our opening Saturdays will be 7 and 21 Dec. We welcome your views on this at any time.

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Alton

Meetings are held monthly on the second Monday at 7.30 p.m. in All Saints Church Hall, Queens Road, Alton. If anyone attending our evenings wishes to take advantage of the fully operational hearing loop installed in the hall would they let Jane Hurst know beforehand so that it can be switched on.

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Marilyn Rix reports:-

(July) **Members' Evening: Problems & successes.** Each member gave an example of their latest research with Eureka moments or frustrations of "brick walls". Sharing a problem with the group often sparked off a good discussion and suggestions of further ways to research.

(September) **Members' Evening: Wills & administrations.** This was a meeting to prepare for the October talk on Probate Records. Members brought examples of their ancestors' wills, including one for a WW1 soldier that was obtained by using the www.gov.uk/probate-search facility. Content and details in the wills varied enormously, some being of few words while others seemed to include all possessions, including bedding and personal items - occasionally giving cause for humour. The bequest of one shilling would often suggest that a person's name appeared in the will so that they were not seen to be left out. They had probably been given a sum of money before the demise of the person who had written the will.

Wills can be so helpful in expanding and confirming family research if they contain other connected family member names. A thought-provoking meeting preparing us all for the Probate Records talk.

October & November meetings to be reported in the next journal. Future dates are:-

9 December	Members' Evening: Share a mince pie & a family Christmas item	
13 January	Members' Evening: Come & share your problems & successes	
10 February	Members' Evening: Annual meeting & family photographs	
10 March	Dating old photographs	Jane Fox



Andover

Meetings are held on the second Thursday, September to July, commencing 7.30p.m. at The Fairground Hall, Weyhill, Andover SP11 0QN

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Jim Duncan reports:-

(July) **Open Forum / Discussion on rural ancestors.** The second session was devoted to the rural community, and how the various levels within it impacted on the lives of our country ancestors. Group member Brenda Goddard gave a talk on her **GIRDLER** family from Swallowfield as an insight to how important the links in the chain were to make the system work.

Success or failure of the community was dependent upon the 'Big House' and the decisions made by the owners who had many roles within the rural community. Yet, many of our ancestors equally played an important part in this system. Those who toiled in the fields, tenant farmers, shopkeepers, publicans, local tradesmen, and the church and other businesses made up the pieces to complete the picture. Brenda included many sources important to researchers in finding their rural ancestors, as part of her talk.

"Many of my ancestors were just ag labs and not very interesting" is often the cry, but Brenda showed us that the rural community was much bigger, and that they did play a vital part in its existence and history.

(September) **Kathy Chater – London labyrinth (London records).** In preparation for a visit by group members to the London Metropolitan Archives we invited Kathy to speak on what information is available for researching ancestors within the wide expanse of London. Changes through time within that area has influenced the way records were kept and by whom. The title of her talk spoke volumes for the extent of problems that you will face when starting your journey into London ancestry. Don't assume that the records are where you think they might be, as many of them still remain within the original source, county or borough archives. Preparation and planning was the message from Kathy, and will save you the pain later when you are told "they are not here, but try ..."

October & November meetings to be reported in the next journal. Future dates are:-

12 December	Christmas Meeting	
9 January	Members' Evening: Open Forum / An audience with ...	
13 February	House history	Mark Pitchforth (HRO)
13 March	Members' Evening: Open Forum / An evening with ... / Penal transportation	Maggie Eltham



Basingstoke

Meetings commence at 7. 30 p.m. and are held on the fourth Wednesday every month (except August and December) at St Michael's Church Cottage Hall, Church Street.

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ue Wright reports:-

(July) **Heather Sheeley – Transportation of convicts.** Heather started by telling us about her background of 30 years as an amateur family history researcher and her love of social history. She then proceeded to give a detailed and very informative talk on the history of the transportation of convicts. She explained what crimes led to transportation, why it existed, and how it was carried out. Finally, a run-through of the very many records available on prisoners revealed how anyone with convicts in their family could end up knowing more about them than if they had not committed a crime.

(August) **Visit to Bramshill House.** Bramshill is known as the 'most haunted house in Hampshire', and the third most haunted in the UK. There are about a dozen ghosts that have been reported over the years as being seen within its grounds. Furthermore, Bramshill is also famous as the police college. However, it may not remain so for long, as the house is currently up for sale, including its beautiful 26 acres of parkland currently populated with a herd of rare white harts. It was indeed a very special privilege for us to be able to view this very interesting building and to be guided through its many rooms and terrace by the house's delightful curator, Lindsey Kerr.

(September) **Members' Evening: Having another bash at our brick walls.** Members posed questions for other members to help answer, although some 'brickwalls' seemed impossible to resolve. Topics covered were a suicide in Dublin in 1887, accessibility of school reports, Norfolk parish records, and someone trying to find a photograph of a man killed in an accident in 1905. Two questions were about men who had left their families and had completely disappeared.

October & November meetings to be reported in the next journal. Future dates are:-

27 November	Christmas Function	
22 January	Members' 10-minute presentations: An interesting object	
26 February	Victorian mourning & funeral practices	John Avery
26 March	Members' 10-minute presentations: My criminal ancestors	

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Computer Group

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November meeting to be reported in the next journal.

There are no future dates to be listed here, for the group will terminate after the November meeting.

Fair Oak

Meetings are held at 8pm on the second Tuesday monthly at St Thomas' Church Hall (attached to the church) Mortimers Lane. Doors open approx 7.30pm

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Sandra Naish reports:-

(July) **Tony Cross – Pubs, inns, taverns & their signs.** A previous curator of Alton's Curtis Museum, Tony's talk into the origin of inns signs across the country was inspired by an 1879 book. With illustrations galore, he explained the significance of various inn signs, extending from ancient names like 'The Bull and Mouth' (connected with Henry VIII's escapade in Boulogne), obscure ones like 'The Three Choughs', onto the modern, if ridiculously named, 'Bar Barblacksheep'. 'The Swan' at Fittleworth, West Sussex, is rare in that it has a large 'gallows' type sign extending across the entire roadway.

Numerous pub signs have origins in transport (Railway, Yacht, Elephant and Castle), while many are connected to freemasonry or trade (Compasses, Bricklayers Arms) or estate aristocrats (Bear and Ragged Staff). Early hostelrys often had signs with some religious connection, since travelling pilgrims needed places of rest and refreshment. Salisbury and Gloucester, in common with most cathedral cities, are full of pubs. Royalty is obviously linked to many signs (Royal Oak, Plume of Feathers, Prince of Wales, etc), until Queen Victoria decreed that no monarch after her should be shown on one.

(August) **Ann Baxendale – The Great Plague of 1665.** Anne detailed lots of interesting information about bubonic plague and its spread throughout the country by black rats bearing fleas. Rapid death followed the initial fleabite within days, and all cats and dogs blamed for it were killed. 1349 saw this dreadful disease first arrive by ship in Melcombe Regis, Dorset, to kill half the population. More episodes of plague followed in 1603, 1625 and 1640 but, with medical treatment non-existent in the exceptionally hot summer of 1665, it returned with vengeance. Thousands deserted London: Samuel Pepys gave a disturbing account of empty streets, 9 p.m. curfews, and families locked inside Drury Lane homes. Once a plague death had been certified at a house, a red cross marked the door with all occupants left to die. Fires burned outside to purify the air, while daylight collections piled bodies high on carts. A quarter of London's population died, with individual burials given up in favour of plague pits, before London had properly recovered by January 1666. Fareham's parish burials numbered



Local Group Programmes

90 against the normal 25, while in Eyam, Derbyshire, 257 died in an isolated population of 350. (September) **Members' Evening.** Themed on holidays, members recounted the few family breaks experienced in the early 20th century. It was the 1936 Act that allowed workers paid holiday time; previously, only Sunday was a day off. Angela described childhood holidays at Butlin's Holiday Camp, Minehead. Bill recounted evacuation to Yorkshire from London, and other members recalled putting their children aboard trains to travel long distances alone, finally being met at the destination by family members for a holiday with them. Many took holidays with relatives. Kath recalled travelling to Southend for a break pre-1939, while Mary's 1920s photographs showed her family in Torquay, although her mother (in service at Chewton Glen) accompanied the family to Paris in 1905. Sandra detailed her mother (b. 1914) seeing her first ever aeroplane as a child, never believing she could ever fly, but going all over Europe and eventually to Russia in 1988. Kathy's parents drove to Switzerland!

October & November meetings to be reported in the next journal. Future dates are:-

10 December	Christmas Social	
14 January	A wretched & wasted life!	Maureen Goss
11 February	Members' Evening & HGS Bookstall	
11 March	Heir hunters	Beverley Walker

Fareham

Meetings are normally held from 7.15 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month at the Wallington Village Hall, Broadcut, Fareham.

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Carol Russell reports:-

(July) **Ian Waller – Upstairs, downstairs.** Ian explained that domestic servants were often hired from a fair held on the nearest market day to November 12. Females would usually hold a mop. Men were often hired by recommendation, which was important as a reference, and people tended to move in order to get promotion.

The main requirements were to be sober, honest, discreet, as well as being clean, neat and methodical. Although wages were poor, this was just pocket money, as servants were provided with accommodation, food and a uniform. There was a rigid hierarchy, and Ian described their jobs fully.

He recommended estate records for information, and Victoria County histories for the locations of large estates. Also, Poor Law and Union records are handy, as some servants were sent from workhouses. Servants' tax records, 1777-1852, can be found in county record offices. Many records of domestic servants can also be frequently found in employers' wills.



Visit to Highland Road Cemetery.

Also this month Dennis Bill led twelve members on a guided evening tour of Highland Road Cemetery, Southsea. The site was sold by Thomas Ellis Owen, and covers 17 acres. Opened in 1854, it is a large impressive memorial to the Victorian age. There are many military graves, of both men and women, including eight holders of the Victoria Cross, and Dennis was able to relate their brave deeds and read citations. Local people were also interred until 1956. Among them were associates of the Royal Family and ladies who featured in the life of Charles Dickens.



(August) **Members' Evening: Letters in the family.** As well as old letters, members brought along postcards and Christmas cards. One presented an inquest giving different dates of birth and death for the deceased. Another held information on the death of an 18-year-old Royal Naval relative in Hong Kong. A letter sent to a newspaper written by a young boy was hotly disputed to have been written by such a young person by the paper's readers. The letter that caused much amusement was written in 1920 about an aunt, advising the recipient to see the doctor to halt her yearly arrival of babies!

(September) **Colin Chapman – Tracking that elusive ancestor.** Colin explained that the main reasons for migration were: Food (the Irish Potato Famine being a prime example); Work (which meant moving away from); Marriage (by marrying a partner from a neighbouring village or town); Change (chosen or imposed: for example, a Mormon convert going to live in the USA). Sometimes transportation was used as a punishment, with convicts ending up in Australia. Occasionally, people arranged their own travel to new places. Removal orders were used to move poor families back to their home parishes.

Evidence for migration can be found in a variety of places - marriage licences, apprenticeship records, court records, census and population listings, parish documents and monumental inscriptions, as well as in removal orders.

October & November meetings to be reported in the next journal. Future dates are:-

12 December	A light-hearted look at life in Tudor times / American Supper Mary Kinoulty
10 January	Members' Evening: Displaying, storing & presenting records
14 February	Wickham Memorial Project Jane Fox & Jane Painter
13 March	Harlots, dung & glory Andrew Negus



Fleet & Farnborough

The group meets at the United Reform Church Hall, Kings Rd, Fleet GU51 3AF second Thursday of every month except August at 7.30pm.

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Lesley Bull reports:-

(July) **Heather Sheeley – Diseases of English town & country.** The relevance of epidemics and plagues to family history was shown in Heather’s talk, and sources - such as surveys, reports and newspapers - were illustrated. The Public Health Act of 1875 was mentioned, as much more was then done to deal with diseases and their causes: poverty and overcrowding being two major factors. 1900 was a significant milestone; in that year deaths outnumbered births, which had never happened before or since, although infant mortality was high until after 1921. Life expectancy between 1600 and 1700 was 40 years; in 1950-2000 it was 70 to 80. Particular people who had contributed towards improving public health included Edwin Chadwick, John Snow and Charles Booth (who produced maps of the London situation, street by street). Thanks to improvements such as the provision of public housing, vaccination, diet and working conditions, disease has been brought under control.

(August) **Social Event: Behind the scenes at HRO.** Twenty members met for an evening visit to the Hampshire Record Office in Winchester, and had an enjoyable look at the rooms where documents are stored, conservation work is carried out, and the temperature and humidity controlled area where valuable documents are kept to prevent deterioration. We were made very welcome by Senior Archivist Jane Harris, who answered all our questions and had thoughtfully left out some items for us to peruse. Of particular interest were some very old maps of our local area and Jane Austen’s baptism record.

(September) **Members’ Evening: Ask the Panel.** This was an evening with a mix of short talks and questions, hoping to help those with family history brick walls. One member talked about her family links with Canada and her ancestors; another about a fellow researcher who has helped with her husband’s gypsy ancestors. Questions were answered: An elusive family was found on FindMyPast; a discussion about how far a horse could travel in one day helped another! A new website was mentioned, while it is possible to search for wills of First World War casualties on www.gov.uk/probate-search. Thanks to Graham and Rosemary Mist for setting up laptops to help members, the evening ran smoothly.

October & November meetings to be reported in the next journal. Future dates are:-

12 December	Christmas Meeting	
9 January	Some early Copley family history	John Copley
13 February	The use of Bramshill during WW2	Lindsey Kerr
13 March	The War Graves Photographic Project	Steve Rogers



Gosport

Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month in the Parish Centre, Green Road, Alverstoke, Gosport at 7.30pm.

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Pauline Powell reports:-

(July) **Pat Hilbert – Watermen on the Thames.** Pat gave an engaging account of the history of Thames watermen, referencing her ancestors, including her own father. There were 68 Watermen in her family and nine Royal Watermen, going back 270 years. They were bound apprentices for seven or five years and had to pass two exams before gaining their freedom. Records of her Green family Royal Watermen from 1744 are in the Royal Archives. Watermen apprenticeship records are held in the Guildhall Library.

Pat told us about the Doggett's Coat and Badge Race for Watermen, the oldest annual sporting event in the world's sporting calendar. Her father won the 12 oz silver badge which was worn on the uniform.

The family boathouse was in Barnes, where they built boats for hire. Ma Kate, a real character, ran the business until she died in 1976. Other family characters and events were described in Pat's fascinating talk.

(September) **James Daly – Portsmouth World War I heroes.** James firstly painted us a picture of Portsmouth in the days running up to the war in terms of a garrison town and, uniquely, a dockyard town. He described a very diverse borough of working class, service personnel, dockyard workers and upper classes, all mixed together. He was particularly interested in the Battle of Jutland, the Portsmouth Pals regiments, the Western Front and the losses they took in the war. He provided statistics of the war dead in the Army, Navy, Royal Marines and others - not only from the conflict, but also through illness and accidents. Information was gathered from the Commonwealth War Graves Commission, war memorials, and the census, for example. He also told us about specific individuals and acts of bravery. Major Harvey, for instance, on HMS Lion, lost both legs, but gave the order to flood the magazines, saving the ship. He was awarded a VC. James's book on this topic comes out in November.

October & November meetings to be reported in the next journal. Future dates are:-

11 December	Members' Evening / Christmas Social	
12 February	Lee Historic Waterfront	Ray Harding
12 March	The Crimean War: the facts & myths	Colin Carter



New Forest

Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month in the **Exhibition Room** of the Brockenhurst Village Hall, Highwood Road, Brockenhurst and commence at 7.30 p.m. Lift and full disabled access available.

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Allison Shelley reports:-

(July) **Salt, sea & smugglers: A walk around the lower part of Lymington.** John Branscombe, a Lymington Town tour guide, was our guide for the night. We started at Fisherman's Quay, made our way along Quay Street, Bath Road, and ended up at King's Saltern Road. On the way we stopped at buildings and views to hear the stories about them and of the people in the area.

A walk to Lyndhurst Church (with New Milton & Christchurch Group). See under New Milton & Christchurch for this report.

(September) **John Avery – 'The Flying Enterprise' & the tug 'Turmoil'.** John started his talk with some Movietone film of the battle to save the ship. She had left Hamburg, Germany, on 21 December 1951 for the USA. While in the western approaches of the English Channel she was hit by a 70 mph gale. On 28 December she sent out an SOS. The crew was rescued, but the captain, Henrik Kurt Carlsen, stayed on board. The tug 'Turmoil' arrived on 3 January 1952 to try and save the ship. Her mate, Kenneth Dancy, transferred to the 'Flying Enterprise', and she was taken in tow 300 miles from Falmouth, but the line broke 41 miles from that port. In the gale she could not be saved, and was lost at 1610 hours on 10 January 1952. There was a lot of speculation about her cargo and the involvement of the CIA, US Navy, US Coast Guard, British Police and Special Branch. John also told the history of both ships before and after the event, along with showing more film of the event and after she was lost.

October & November meetings to be reported in the next journal. Future dates are:-

4 December **Christmas Meeting: American Supper & mince pies**

5 February **Crimea to Korea: A family at war**

Michael Hobbs

5 March **Members' Meeting: Members' letters & postcards**



New Milton & Christchurch

Meetings are held in the Library of St. Mark's Church, Highcliffe, on the second Friday of each month at 7.30 p.m. The church is about 100 yards off Lymington Road on Hinton Wood Avenue, the turning opposite The Galleon

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Daphne Austin reports:-

(July) **Angela Trend – A visit to St Michael & All Angels' Church, Lyndhurst (with the New Forest Group).** Angela entranced us with the amount of information about the building. We were very lucky, as it was a summer evening with full sun for us to really enjoy the wonderful stained glass windows. The church is quite modern, built over the latter half of the 1800s. For what was a very small village, the church was extremely elaborate, very light and decorative, even to the extent that different coloured bricks were used in the building to give design and colour to the walls. The area had some very rich people living there, with major contacts, so design, windows and decoration were by top craftsmen. It is a showcase for creative work of this country and, of course, the place of burial of Alice (Liddle) of Alice in Wonderland.

John Heighes reports:-

(August) **Members' Evening: A book that aided my family history research.** The contributions were remarkably varied. One member uses a book entitled *British History* to relate historical events with notable dates in his family tree. We were introduced to the 1903 edition of the *Gazetteer of the British Isles*, listing every village and hamlet in the country, with population. A succession of church fires at Bere Regis has made research difficult, but what is still available has been published. The *Colliery Year Book*, besides biographies of the leading lights in the industry, reveals the names of coal merchants and details of fatal accidents in the coal industry. Finally, a book published in 1911, entitled *68 Years on the Stage*, opened up a line of research not previously explored.

(September) **Paula Freeland – Peterson's Sway Tower: The use of concrete.** Paula is Building Conservation Officer for New Forest National Park, and we expected a talk merely about the New Forest landmark, Sway Tower. We were enthralled by a talk about Andrew T.T. **PETERSON**, barrister and judge in India, who returned home to buy a retirement estate at Sway, and spent the rest of his life building in concrete. He extended his house, built stables, a farmhouse and pigsties, plus a wall around the property, all in concrete, providing much needed local employment. Then he designed and built the concrete tower, influenced by Indian bell towers. Completed in 1885, it is 218 feet high, has 13 stories reached by 330 steps. It has recently undergone a restoration. Are there any ex-Portsmouth Southern Grammar School boys who remember the house as a hostel during WW2?



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July & August meetings to be reported in the next journal. Future dates are:-

13 December	Bits & pieces	Daphne Austin
10 January	Training in my day: A teacher, a nurse & an army officer	Audrey Vincent, Janet Heighes & Jim Brinsford
14 February	Weddings, 20th century style	Audrey Brinsford
14 March	Some of the admirals of Milford	Daphne Austin

Portsmouth

Meetings are held on the first Monday of each month (except January and August Bank Holidays) at 7 p.m. for 7.30 p.m. in the Baptist Church Hall, Havant Road, Cosham.

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Sue Decicco reports:-

(July) **Members' Evening: World War I ancestors.** This meeting was for members to bring in a brief history of ancestors who had served during the First World War. Some of the stories were quite sad. Many members had items such as medals and memorabilia that proved very interesting to all who attended.

(September) **Mark Pitchford – Sources for family history at the Hampshire Record Office.** Mark informed us about the wealth of records and their access at the record office in Winchester. We were reminded that there are online guides and leaflets available from the HRO for what have been transcribed, etc. There are no records for the Isle of Wight there, while the majority of records referring specifically to Portsmouth are now kept at Portsmouth Central Library.

October & November meetings to be reported in the next journal. Future dates are:-

2 December	Christmas Social
6 January	To be confirmed: See website
3 February	To be confirmed: See website
3 March	To be confirmed: See website



Ringwood

We meet at 7.30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of every month at Greyfriars Community Centre, Christchurch Road, Ringwood. Visitors and new members are most welcome.

Paul Pinhorne reports:-

(July) **Mary Baldwin – Letters across the Atlantic.** The group met at the recently renovated Ringwood Meeting House. Mary is one of its trustees, and also an HGS member. Thomas **MARTIN** was baptised at Ringwood in 1790, and later became a trustee of the Meeting House. He went to Newfoundland for many years and traded as a merchant, having his ship called 'Ringwood'. While there he often wrote to friends and relatives still in Ringwood: what was unique about these letters, they were written in rhyme. He returned home when 68, and died at the age of 93, outliving his contemporaries, yet still writing letters, although this time to Newfoundland.

(August) **Skittles Evening.** The group met for their annual skittles evening in Wimborne. As usual, a good number attended, and the enjoyable evening of skittles was interrupted with a fine pub dinner and the odd glass of Old Specked Hen. Ken Ward won the main skittles event, while the runner-up was David Baldwin. The eldest member present and still throwing the balls down the alley was Edith Green (pictured below). Now 100 years old and with her eyesight poor, led by her daughter Pat Hilbert, she still managed to hit the skittles!

(September) **Meryl Catty – Side-tracked.** Meryl gave us plenty of examples where she was knocked off track while doing her family research. While researching, one may see something out the corner of the eye, and it is so easy to stray away from one's own research. Parish records show strange grand names such as Patient, Hopeful, Aristotle, Erotica and Remember. Records show comments like 'killed by the mill as it grinds on a Sunday - serve him right'. Meryl gave examples of bigamous marriages and deceit.





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There is a record of 'a freak birth', telling the story of what we now call Siamese twins, and how, following their death after 30 minutes, the body was taken to London to be put on show.

October & November meetings to be reported in the next journal. Future dates are:-

18 December	Christmas festivities (Members only)	
15 January	Members' Evening: Problems & successes – Tell others about yours	
19 February	The true story of 'The Bridge over the River Kwai'	Kevin Patience
19 March	Members' Evening: Every picture tells a story	

Romsey

Meetings take place on the first Monday of the month at Crosfield Hall, Romsey, at 7.30 pm. Newcomers are welcome.

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Val Dawe reports:-

(July) **Roger Coleman – Two VCs from Capstone Road, Bournemouth.** Roger detailed the criteria for being awarded the Victoria Cross, the highest military decoration, always awarded for "valour in face of the enemy". VC recipients Lance Corporal CR Noble and Sergeant FC Riggs both came from Capstone Road, Springbourne - an unlikely coincidence, as only 1,357 VCs have been awarded to date since its inception in 1856. Both VCs were awarded posthumously. The horrific circumstances of both acts of bravery were well explained by Roger. Their bravery was reported in the local newspapers and both men were honoured at the schools they had attended in Bournemouth. VCs are usually presented by the reigning monarch, but Mrs Burgum, adoptive mother of Sergeant Riggs, was unable to travel, so the award was taken to her.

(September) **Jane Hurst – Using newspapers for family history.** Jane showed many varying examples of how old newspapers can provide information about our ancestors and the way they lived - ranging from funeral reports, listing family members, to adverts for medications in pre-NHS days. Inquests gave details of the circumstances and cause of death. Leisure activities included reports of gardening shows and cricket games, giving names of participants and the prizes awarded. Small ads showed jobs advertised, while the London Gazette revealed bankruptcies and dissolved partnerships. The list for finding snippets is endless, and Jane reminded us that Hampshire library users are able to access newspapers free online. At the end of the talk members were invited to look at some old newspapers that Jane had brought with her.



October & November meetings to be reported in the next journal. Future dates are:-

2 December	Members' Evening / American Supper & quiz	
3 February	Using other sources besides the census	Les Mitchinson
3 March	The story of Special Operations Executive (SOE) in WW2	John Smith

Southampton

Monthly meetings are held on the third Monday of each month EXCEPT BANK HOLIDAYS at the Roman Catholic Church Hall, Commercial Street, Bitterne, Southampton, at 7.30 p.m. Car park is adjacent.

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Anne Lawrence reports:-

(July) **Geoff Watts – The Origins of TOC H and the Rev Tubby Clayton.** Geoff started his story among the battlefields of Belgium in the First World War, where two padres – Gilbert Talbot and Tubby Clayton - met, and started looking for a house as a refuge for officers and men from the front line. They rented a hop merchant's house in Poperinge, and named it "Talbot House" after Gilbert's brother, who was killed in the fighting. It comprised a library, kitchen, walled garden, chaplain's room and, in the attic, a chapel. It was "An oasis of sanity": men would come for some respite from the war to sometimes just sit in the restored garden. From there, Tubby would venture out to the Front on his motorcycle and sidecar to give communion or deliver last rites.

Many debates and concerts were arranged among the soldiers. Flanagan and Allen initially met and performed there. Later, the sanctuary became known as TOC H (for Talbot House, TOC being Signallers' code for 'T').

After the war the TOC H movement started up in London. It grew quickly. In 1917 it came to Southampton (St Marks), with another in Winchester Road, Bassett, the fifth in the country. In 1925 a Young Seafarers' Hostel was set up in Orchard Lane under TOC H, so that they had somewhere to stay between ships. It later moved to Brunswick House, behind Queensway. TOC H is still in existence.

(August) **Members' Evening.** Unfortunately, our scheduled speaker did not turn up. A group of us had recently been on an afternoon trip to the village hall at Woodgreen. The walls are covered in paintings of a mixture of paraffin wax and turpentine. Following the seasons from Spring to Christmas, they represent village life as it appeared to the painters (graduate students of the Royal College of Art), with the figures being of actual villagers alive at the time (1930/31).



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One of our members, Ray Smith, then told us about an exciting new find in his family history search: another branch of his family that he had verified. He also told us about his mentoring at Hedge End Library, and this turned into a question and answer session about what is available for family history researchers in libraries.

Cora Ashford reports:-

(September) **Don Bryan – Castles of Hampshire.** It is amazing how many castles still exist (mostly in ruins), with many others just as mounds, which would probably go unnoticed. Most castles were used for defensive reasons, rather than just living quarters. Probably the most impressive in the county is Portchester Castle, parts of which go back to Roman times. Even in Southampton we had a castle, partially still very visible until the early 1960s. The only reminders now are the name of Castle Lane and some very elegant arches.

October & November meetings to be reported in the next journal. Future dates are:-

16 December	Members' Evening: Quiz, Brains' Trust, &c	
20 January	Members' Evening: My most exciting find & why	
17 February	Southampton companies	Vicky Green
17 March	The Huguenots of Southampton	John Avery

Waltham Chase

Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of the month at Waltham Chase Village Hall, Winchester Road, Waltham Chase, and commence at 7.30 p.m. Car parking at the Hall. Newcomers welcome.

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Iris Forsdyke reports:-

(July) **Marc Thompson – World War I.** Marc started with photographs and information relating to the personnel portrayed, covering many ranks, and also statistics for dates of service and finance. Photographs of men in uniform, some taken behind the Front Line, and uniform insignia, play an important part in identification. Postcards, letters and other material from family members abroad also helped. Gallantry awards were published in the London Gazette. We heard of campaign medals, army service records (including 'Burnt series' (WO 363, 364), damaged or destroyed in the Blitz), unburnt series and pension records and also Case Study 1 Casualty Register. There are also operational records, war diaries, Times digital archives, casualty lists, prisoner of war records, Foreign Office records, the archives of the International Red Cross, and also German records. The Hampshire Regiment Museum holds much information.



(August) **Members' Evening: My most exciting family history find.** The meeting commenced with suggestions for possible subjects for the 2014 programme. Interesting family history finds were produced from official written records, photographs and also memorabilia, that is, bibles and other books held by and passed through a family. The discussions were of considerable value to the members.

Chris Pavey reports:-

(September) **Ken Smallbone – Using manorial records for family history.** With expert knowledge of his subject, Ken gave an explanation of the types of manorial court, the records each kept, and which are useful to the family historian. We heard about the different types of manorial tenants and their inheritance rules on 'three lives'. Also explained were the types of landholdings: copyhold, leasehold or freehold, and their differences.

This system existed up to 1922 and a surprise element was how echoes of it still exist, as local councils bought up most of the surviving manorial rights. Therefore, applying for planning permission is a hangover from the manorial tenant seeking his lord's permission to alter his dwelling. Another example is when someone dies intestate. Without heirs their landholding assets revert back to the Crown.

How to find and use the records was explained. Examples of old documents were shown and a hand-out was provided as a helpful aid.

October & November meetings to be reported in the next journal. Future dates are:-

26 November	Buffet (Christmas) Evening	
28 January	The Wickham Project	Jane Painter & Jane Fox
25 February	Members' Evening	
25 March	An intriguing family story	Bobby Neate

Executive Committee and Development Forum Meetings

Executive Meetings are held at the HGS Office in Cosham on the last Wednesday of alternate months, beginning at 7.15 pm.

Development Forum Meetings are held in the Gilbert Room at Twyford Village Hall three times a year on Sunday at 2.30 pm. *Attendees must inform the secretary if they are unable to attend. They are however able to send a substitute on their behalf.*

Dates for 2014 Committee Meetings:

8 January	Executive Meeting	5 March	Executive Meeting
9 March	Development Forum		



Upwards and Onwards ...

Our project continues to develop well and the new website is making a substantial difference to the running of HGS.

You can now join, renew and shop for HGS products online via Paypal. There are also many interesting contributions on the site to help you with your research in Hampshire and beyond. We would like to encourage you to write items to be included - so please don't be shy, let us have your information and stories. As with the journal, with your help, the more items we have the more informative and interesting we can make the site.

Behind the scenes our intrepid technical team continue with a great deal of unseen work. They work to fix 'bugs' as they appear. The main menus have also been updated in order of popularity, and there have been some page-navigation improvements. The e-journal is now available to those who have opted in via an email link. The popular Village Booklets are all now downloadable, and information on other HGS publications can also be accessed. Work continues so as to prepare Members' Interests for inclusion - this is a huge task and is causing some considerable work for our team. Work is also progressing with the Membership database to fix queries. As well as this plethora of assignments, the team are also kept busy with preparing other material for eventual inclusion.

Since the last report we have now introduced a facility for buying HGS vouchers online. These vouchers can be used for membership

or to purchase items. We hope this will become a popular addition as we know people frequently buy a membership or items for birthday and Christmas presents.

We have also now introduced a Facebook page. This is easily accessible, either via your own Facebook page or through the link on the website. It is proving popular with many contributions of all sorts of family history related items. Please take a look if you haven't already, and 'like' the page for us. You can also comment and share on all the items that appear there. There are also plans to be on Twitter.

Many family history research sites - such as Ancestry, Findmypast, The National Archives, SOG, Family Search, Genes Reunited, etc, and other FH societies, etc - now use social media, such as Facebook and Twitter. We hope that through using these sites we can offer and extend the benefits of being a member of HGS to as wide an audience as possible.

However, as a final important - and, I hope, reassuring - note, we do know that not all of you have or want access to all this technology. Therefore, there are no plans at all to stop providing any of the other services that are currently available: eg, postal or phone queries, the printed journal, the ability to pay for things by cheque or cash, or personal help from our Research Centre.

Chris Pavey

The Way Forward Co-ordinator



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believe, and had a daughter Elizabeth, born a year later. By 1800 Richard (junior) had become a keeper at Lady Cross Walk within the boundary of Beaulieu Rails, and two years later married Elizabeth, daughter of Anthony **BUMSTEAD**, another Forest keeper.

This was still not the end of the story: I did not know where Richard Primmer (the Elder) was born and how he came to be in Burley in 1743. Eventually, I found that Richard had been baptised in 1718 to Richard Primmer and Sarah **BROWNING** at Hurstbourne Priors. This parish was in the ownership of the Wallop family - and John Wallop, 1st Earl of Portsmouth, became Lord Warden of the New Forest in 1733-42. Richard likely came into the

employment of the Earl and moved to Burley, where he later worked for the Duke of Bolton, who had succeeded Portsmouth as Lord Warden. So, the stage was set for a series of life-changing events in the Primmer family ... and the rest is history (With thanks to Richard Reeves, New Forest Centre, Lyndhurst).

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Editor: Thank you, Linda. "Farley, near Basingstoke" is actually Farleigh Wallop, and the estate is still owned by the Earl of Portsmouth (currently the 10th Earl). Among his offices, he is the Hereditary Bailiff of Burley.



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