



January 2012

**Tadley and District History Society
(TADS) - www.tadshistory.com**

**Next meeting - Wednesday 18th January 2011
at St. Paul's Church Hall, 8.00 to 9.30pm**

'The work of a Registrar'

By Steve Thirkettle

(Everybody welcome - visitors £2.50)

Annual Subscriptions of £12 per person are now due. If you are paying at the January meeting will you please put your cheque or cash in an envelope bearing your address (a second hand envelope will do) . This will help the Treasurer recognise who has paid and get the receipts prepared. New members please give details, including Phone No. and email address. Subs may also be sent to our PO Box. (See bottom of Page 4.)

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TADS Meeting 15th February 2012:
**‘Timber framed buildings in Tadley
and North Hampshire’**
By Bill Fergie

TADS AGM, 14th December 2011

Chairman Carol presented her report on the activities of TADS during 2011. The year’s programme of talks organised by Dave Bowman had been very interesting with a large number of visitors attending some of them. Carol thanked all those who contribute to the running of TADS in many ways, some of which are not immediately obvious.

Carol also spoke about the work of the Project Group. The current project is a fully revised book of the Tadley Walks. A draft sample was displayed for members to see.

The Project Group are continuing work on the search for ‘Missing Tadley’, the medieval village, which is believed to have been in the area around old Tadley Church (St Peter’s). An open evening was well attended with discussions led by Dr Andrew Hutt, a local archaeologist and Ginny Pringle of Basingstoke Archaeological & History Society. The result was a long list of possible activities including a detailed ‘on foot’ search of the area.

The accounts were accepted and the subscriptions were unchanged. Thanks go to Peter Gomm for his independent checking of the accounts.

The society’s Constitution was briefly reviewed and deemed to be satisfactory.

There were no volunteers to join the committee, although it would be very good if someone would join the committee as an ad hoc member to learn how things are done with a view to later taking an active role.

Therefore the current Committee were re-elected en-bloc. They are:

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| Chairman | Carol Stevens |
| Secretary | Ian Burn |
| Treasurer | Peter McNulty |
| Newsletter Production | Richard Brown |
| Programme and Website | David Bowman |
| Assistant Secretary & Newsletter distribution | Valerie Gilbert. |

The formal meeting was followed by a social with the opportunity to look at the draft Tadley Walks book and other things, as well as the time to chat to other members and do a quiz. The Hurst Community College TADS History Prize winner, Sarah Fewell, accompanied by Nick Stoten, the Head of History, brought her winning project along to the meeting for members to see.

A big thank you to all who helped with the buffet and clearing up.

Richard Brown

PS. The answers to the Dingbats quiz were:

1. Archbishop, 2. Car insurance, 3. Eyes wide open, 4. Frilly underwear, 5. High tea, 6. Kings cross, 7. On the open road, 8. See no evil, 9. The price is right, 10. Top gun, 11. Wait for nobody, 12. Wet behind the ears, 13. Burning the candle at both ends, 14. Down by the riverside, 15. 1st in the queue, 16. High society, 17. T-Junction, 18. Underground station.
The winners with 8 correct answers were Heather & Chris.

Correction - During the tortuous process involved in the publication of last month's report of the Thornycroft talk, one line disappeared into the electronic ether shortly before I completed the final copy. My proof reader did not notice the omission. Apologies to Rosemary and everybody who did notice.

The second sentence of the second paragraph on page 4 should have read:

‘ In 1949, the I.P.C. (Iraqi Petroleum Company) brought 35 transporters for a massive oil pipeline installation hundreds of miles across the desert to the East Mediterranean.’

The Ed. (Engineer and amateur publisher)

What's on? Events which may be of interest

Hampshire Record Office *For information ring 01962846154 or see www3.hants.gov.uk/whatson-hro*

Milestones Museum. For coming events: Tel. 01256 477766 or see: www3.hants.gov.uk/milestones/whatson

11th - 19th Feb. 'Victorian themed half term week at Milestones' -
Celebrate the 200th Anniversary of Charles Dickens' birth.

21st Feb - 15th April 'LEGO ® Mania at Milestones Museum' Come and watch 150,000 Lego bricks being placed one by one to create a magnificent minifigure scale model of the great Tudor Palace, Basing House. Built by Duncan Titchmarsh, the UK's only certified professional LEGO builder. Plus many other things involving the little bricks.

Willis Museum

1st Mar. 'A creative writing workshop with poet Andrew McMillan'

The museum is also running an ever changing series of special exhibitions in the Sainsbury Gallery.

Friends of the Willis Museum (7.30pm at the museum)

No information.

Basingstoke Archaeological & History Society (7.30 at Church Cottage)

9th Feb. 'The **Staffordshire Hoard**: Art, Wealth and Power in the 7th Cent.'
by the Hon. Prof. Leslie Webster.

U3A open meeting - Mon. 30th Jan. at 4pm in Heath End Village Hall to establish interest in forming a U3A Group in the Tadley area. Further information from Maureen Gifford on 9811187 or Jenny Davy on 9183384

TADS annual membership is £12 per person.
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