



January 2015

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

**Next meeting - Wednesday 21st January 2015
at St. Paul's Church Hall, 8.00 to 9.30pm**

Going Shopping with the Victorians'

By Tony King

(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 name (envelopes provided at the meeting) . 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 via Carol (See bottom of Page 4 for address.)

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TADS Meeting 18th February 2015
**‘Living heritage - 300 years of bells,
ringing and bell-ringers’**
By John Harrison

TADS AGM, 17th December 2014

There was a gratifying attendance of 32 people. Thank you all for coming.

Chairman Carol presented her report on the activities of TADS during 2014. She was concerned that the membership had declined yet again as well as the total number of visitors.

The year’s programme of talks organised by Dave Bowman for the last time had been very interesting with a good number of visitors attending some of them. The members WW 1 memories evening was very successful much to the delight of the Committee. Also of note was the visit to the Bank of England in September.

Carol thanked all those who contribute to the running of TADS in many ways, some of which are not immediately obvious. Particular thanks were given to Vickie Ward who had typed up Rosemary’s meeting reports, a job which Ann Broad is now doing.

The resignation of David Bowman from the Committee has left it very short of members, and extra members are needed urgently to organise the meetings and manage the web-site. The existing members are continuing but there is a limit to how much they can do and with holidays it can be difficult to achieve a quorum. The project work in 2014 had concentrated on the Exhibition at the Community Centre on 27th September to commemorate the start of World War 1. We managed to complete display panels for all the 31 men named on the Tadley War Memorial. Other societies and local schools also provided displays. The event was well attended and much praised. We can be proud of having produced the event. Much of the material was later used in the Library, the Hurst School and St Paul’s church and hall.

Ian Burn took over the website management from David Bowman. He has put a great deal of time into reviewing all the content and re-constructing it where necessary, so that it now all accessible. Unfortunately David’s parallel website ‘Photos of Tadley’ was maliciously hacked during the year and so far he has not been able to restore it.

The Hurst prize was not awarded again this year on the advice of the teacher.

The Society's funds have had some replenished by book sales, but we have had to make provision for spending more on speakers. The Exhibition at the Community Centre also cost quite a lot to stage. Thanks go to Peter Gomm for his independent checking of the accounts. The accounts were accepted and the subscriptions were unchanged at £12 per member.

The Committee had reviewed the society's Constitution which was found to be satisfactory.

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

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

Carol has produced a very good talks' programme for 2015. Programme cards were given out at the meeting.

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

Following the meeting Peter Gomm and Peter Searle jointly volunteered to take on the task of Programme arrangement and management during the year, for which we are very pleased

Richard Brown

Digitithe Hampshire Project Mapping Volunteers

Tithe maps are very large items. Those for Hampshire are preserved and made accessible at Hampshire Record Office in Winchester. The aim of Digitithe Hampshire is to digitise all of the tithe maps and make them available online alongside current and other historic mapping.

Heather Needham of the HRO is looking for volunteers to continue to digitise the Tithe Maps. More information and how to join is given in a document I will send out with this Newsletter. (*Online edition only*).

Richard

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

Wed 25 Feb to Sun 26 Apr 2015 - Bricks in Motion @ Milestones Museum -
The History of Transport in LEGO ® Bricks.

Willis Museum - The museum is running an ever changing series of special exhibitions in the Sainsbury Gallery. For information tel 0845 603 5635 or see
<http://www3.hants.gov.uk/willis-museum.htm>

2:00pm Sat 7 Feb - To mark **Holocaust Memorial Day**, Survivor Janine Webber will be sharing her testimony. This event is free to attend but a donation to the Holocaust Survivors Centre in London, where Janine attends is very welcome. Donations can be made on the day.

This talk is suitable for age 14+. Booking in advance is essential.

Friends of the Willis Museum (7.30pm at the museum - booking essential for non-members. Book through the museum telephone number above)

No information available.

Basingstoke Archaeological & History Society (7.30 at Church Cottage)

12th February - Settlement and monumentality in the Avebury landscape by
Dr Josh Pollard – University of Southampton

TADS annual membership is £12 per person.
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