



January 2019

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

**Next meeting - Wednesday 16th January 2019
at St. Paul's Church Hall, 8.00 to 9.30pm**

‘Top of the Greasy Pole’

*(Anecdotes about those odd men who have, over the
centuries served as Prime Minister)*

By Mike Brook

(Everybody welcome - visitors £3.00)

Membership fees - These are now due. The fee remains at £18 per person. The Treasurer will take cheques or cash at the coming meeting or payment may be sent via Carol Stevens at 5 Church Road, Pamber Heath, RG26 3DP.

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TADS Meeting 20th February 2019

**‘The History of Jackson’s Corner,
Reading’**

By Thomas Macey

TADS Meeting 12th December 2018

TADS Annual General Meeting

The members who attended comfortably exceeded the number required to get a quorum. So thank you to all who came.

2018 was another year of well attended and good talks. The number of paid up members continues to decline but the loss of income was partially offset by good numbers of visitors and some generous donations.

Ian on behalf of the Project Group gave a presentation about the new book - In Grateful Remembrance Tadley War Memorial, illustrating the research that had been incorporated into the book. This included the effects of the two World Wars on the village of Tadley and the histories of those named on the War Memorial. The book was published in November to mark the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I.

As a result of this work there has been no progress on the search for the lost mediaeval village of Tadley and it is unlikely there will be unless a suitable project leader can be found.

Jim West has put together an interesting programme of talks for the coming Year. He is shortly leaving the district on retiring from AWE.

The existing committee were all re-elected.

Carol Stevens -Chairman

Ian Burn - Secretary and Website Manager

Peter McNulty - Treasurer

Richard Brown - Newsletter production

Valerie Gilbert - Committee minutes and Newsletter distribution

Neil Forde - Assistant to Website Manager

Thanks were also paid to David Gilbert for putting out the chairs at meetings and supervising their packing away. Carol also paid tribute to David Day. (*See below*).

Although the existing Committee was re-elected, it was made clear that they have no wish to carry on in the future as most of them have been serving for at least 10 years, and in some cases considerably more. Without new Committee members the Society is likely to fold at the end of this year.

The AGM was followed by a social with a tough quiz set by Valerie to challenge the brains.

Richard B

Book

TADS new book '**In Grateful Remembrance -Tadley War Memorial**' has been very well received and we have sold over 150 copies. It will be on sale at TADS meetings, price £10.

The book is also available from Carol or Richard (see foot of page 1) and from Profile Print and Copy located in the Bishopswood shops.

A member and a friend.

Member David Day died of prostate cancer on the 7th December after a short illness. David had been a member of TADS for many years and for a while served on the Committee with responsibility for organising TADS outings. Our condolences have been sent to Pauline.

We have also learned the Josea Raymer died on 1st January. Josea and husband David were long time members of TADS until declining health prevented them coming to meetings for about the last three years.

What's on? Events which may be of interest.

Milestones Museum. For coming events tel. 01256 477766 or see <http://hampshireculturaltrust.org.uk/milestones-museum>

16th Feb - 28th April '**Bricktropolis** and the Attack of the Mighty Monsters'
Another Lego event for children. *Extra fees may apply.*

Willis Museum - The museum is running an ever changing series of special exhibitions in the Sainsbury Gallery. The Museum also holds workshops on assorted topics. *For information tel. 01256 465902 or see <http://hampshireculturaltrust.org.uk/venue-events/52>*

12 Jan - 20 Mar '**The Sunday Times Watercolour Competition**'
Exhibition.

Friends of the Willis Museum (*7.30 pm at the museum - Non-members £2, booking essential through the museum telephone number 01256 465902*)

21st Feb. '**The refurbishment of Whitchurch Silk Mill**' By Derek Cooper

Basingstoke Archaeological & History Society (*7.30 at Church Cottage*)

14th February '**Wessex Saints in Europe**' by Mary Harris – Local historian

Tadley WEA have a course starting on 25th January for 6 weeks (Friday mornings) about the **Great Churches of Medieval Europe**. There may be places available.

To enrol please quote the course reference C3740924 either online at wea.org.uk or by ringing 0300 303 3464

***TADS annual membership is £18 per person.
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