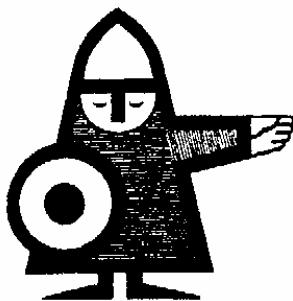


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**NINETEENTH
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
TUESDAY 20th FEBRUARY 2007**

**Minutes of the AGM held 21 February 2006
Chairman's Annual Report
Membership Secretary's Report
Auditor's Report for 2005 Financial Statement
Financial Report ending 31 December 2006
Editorial Report
Subscription rates for 2007
Election of Executive Committee
Appointment of Auditor
List of Members 2006
Calendar of Events & Speakers for 2007**

**Illustrated talk by James Nursaw
“Halsey Cottage, Glaziers Lane, Normandy**



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ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1.** Welcome to members
- 2.** To determine a Quorum for the meeting (25 members)
- 3.** Receive apologies for absence
- 4.** Annual General Meeting—Constitutional requirements.
 - 1.** Adopt minutes of AGM held 21 February 2006
 - 2.** Adopt Chairman's Annual Report
 - 3.** To note Auditor's statement for the 2005 Accounts
 - 4.** Adopt Treasurer's Report for the year ended 31 December 2006
 - 5.** Receive the Editor's Report
 - 6.** Receive Membership Secretary's Report for 2006
 - 7.** To receive Calendar of Events & Speakers for 2007
 - 8.** Elect an Executive Committee—there are two vacancies
Standing for re-election: Peter Blakiston,
Jack Kinder, Diana Marchant, John Squier,
Sandra Grainger, Norman Ratcliffe, Mark Bond
and Peter Trevaskis.
 - 9.** To appoint an Auditor
 - 10.** To review Annual Subscription Rates
the Executive Committee recommend that the rates
for 2007 remain unchanged
- 5.** To discuss other pertinent business
- 6.** To note that the Inaugural Meeting of the
Society was held 14 July 1987
- 7.** The 2008 AGM will be held 19 February.
- 8.** Suggestions to celebrate the 21st Anniversary
- 9.** Welcome to James Nursaw— our speaker for the evening.



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MINUTES OF THE 18TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2006 AT NORMANDY VILLAGE HALL

1. The Chairman Peter Blakiston welcomed 37 Members to the meeting
2. The required number of Members (25) were therefore present to form a Quorum
3. Apologies had been received from 14 Members
4. **AGM 2006 – CONSTITUTIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

- (a) The minutes for the 2005 AGM were approved by the meeting
- (b) The Chairman's Annual Report detailed a continuing increase in Membership, the publication of "A History of Normandy Park in Surrey", a partnership with St Mark's Church in producing Calendars for 2007 and mentioned the first of a periodic newsletter for the Society.
- (c) The Treasurer John Squier had prepared the Financial Report for the period ended 31 December 2005 and in his absence the Chairman presented this. Audited by Jim Chisnall, the meeting adopted the Report unanimously.
- (d) The Editor Jack Kinder gave a report on his book "A History of Normandy Park in Surrey", Normandy Historians second major publication, priced at £9.50 per copy. The "Greetings from Normandy 2007", produced in partnership with St Mark's Church Wyke, was now on sale for £3.50.
- (e) Membership Returns for 2005 – 86 Individual and 15 Family members.
- (f) The Chairman and Executive Committee were elected or re-elected. Two members not seeking re-election, Bill Beale and Judy Turner.

The Elected Executive Committee: -

Peter Blakiston	Chairman
Jack Kinder	Deputy Chairman & Editor-in-Chief
Diana Marchant	General Secretary
John Squier	Treasurer
Sandra Grainger	Membership Secretary
Mark Bond	Member
Sally Helm	Member
Peter Trevaskis	Member
Alan Norris	Member
Norman Ratcliffe	Member



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(g) Jim Chisnall was re-appointed as Auditor

(h) Annual Subscription Rates were discussed. Members present, who felt that the fee represented very good value for money, accepted the proposed rise in the Annual subscription rates from £2 to £3 for Individual members and from £5 to £7.50 for family membership. The increase will take place from 22 February 2006. The meeting suggested an annual review of subscriptions

5. Keith Lamont praised the wonderful community spirit found within the Normandy Historians, and the Chairman Peter Blakiston was given a resounding vote of thanks for all his hard work.

6. During the evening George Crooke matched reminiscences to photographs shown on screen and an illustrated tour given of the Society's popular website by the Chairman, assisted by Mark Bond and Ashley Hoare.

7. The AGM in 2007 will take place on Tuesday February 20.

ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Retiring members seeking re-election:

Peter Blakiston	Chairman
Jack Kinder	Deputy Chairman & Editor-in-chief
Diana Marchant	Secretary
John Squier	Treasurer
Sandra Grainger	Membership Secretary
Mark Bond	Member
Peter Trevaskis	Member
Norman Ratcliffe	Member

Members retiring and not seeking re-election:

Alan Norris
Sally Helm

There is a vacancy for two members. Christopher Pettitt is nominated for election by the present Executive Committee.

APPOINTMENT OF AN AUDITOR

The retiring committee recommend the re-appointment
of: **H F (JIM) CHISNALL**



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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO THE NINETEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 20 February 2007

It gives me great pleasure to present my Sixteenth Annual Report to members for a year that has witnessed a huge increase in membership numbers despite the small increase in subscription rates approved by members at the 2006 AGM.

With the increase in membership numbers so also has the attendance numbers increased at our regular monthly meetings, which I am pleased to report has impressed practically all of our guest speakers. It is my opinion that it is the regularity of these meetings together with the high quality of our speakers that re-affirms the view of your committee that the future of this Society is both secure and sustainable. However, the continuing success of this society is due in no small way to its membership base and the acute interest of members to ensure that the committee reacts to constructive comment.

At this point I welcome the opportunity to thank most sincerely all members of the committee and volunteer helpers for their co-operation and support in what has been a somewhat busy year. There was (in addition to the normal activities of any year), the distribution and sale of our new publications and the preparative work for our contribution to the Village Fete for August Bank Holiday Monday. Due to the ferocity of the wind on that Monday, which caused havoc to a number of the outside stalls, our allotted space around the stage area within the hall, became somewhat crowded since those outside stall holders were obliged to seek refuge in the main hall. However, that "ill wind" tended to provide us with more customers than we might otherwise have done. Nonetheless the day was truly an enjoyable occasion for all concerned and just as importantly, we were very pleased to be joined and helped by many past members of the committee. They know who they are and probably welcome not being named as indeed do those helpers with the refreshments at these meetings.

Sadly for me, two members of the present committee (Sally Helm and Alan Norris), are not seeking re-election. Fortunately, Sally will continue with the referencing of the society's scrap books and Alan will continue with transcribing the Newspaper cuttings, both of which tasks is a welcoming realisation towards completing these two projects for the archives.

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In reflecting on the activities, successes and disappointments of 2006, I wish to begin with the Programme of Speakers and a particular disappointment for many members and visitors alike when Mrs Carol Brown was unable to give her illustrated talk “Spies in Petticoats” in October. Normally it would be inappropriate for me to single-out any particular speaker but perhaps I may be forgiven for mentioning this lady. I am more than pleased, therefore, to report that Carol will be giving her talk on the 15th May of this year.

The Annual Event in June was held on what transpired to be the hottest day of the year. Twenty-five members gathered at Ash Church Room on Sunday the 11th and were met by Sally Jenkinson and John Daniels, our guides for a four-hour historical walk around Tongham and Ash, ending back at the Church Room for late afternoon tea. Never has a cup of tea tasted better.

As a befitting end to the year, on Tuesday 12th December we held our first ever and very successful “Social Evening”. We were in the small hall of the Village Hall and the WI held their Annual Christmas Party in the main hall. The highlight of our entertainment was a rather severely edited viewing of a late Victorian illustrated Autograph Album gifted to the society. More details to be said about the Album at a future meeting, the date of which is yet to be announced. Quite by chance, “The Ladies of the WI” were giving their choral rendering of Victoriana Songs to their guests, thus creating a matching and wonderful back-ground musical accompaniment to our picture show.

Earlier in my report I hinted at the busy year we have experienced. Those events were in addition to the ongoing transcribing of records and of the newspaper cuttings (Normandy in the News), together with the indexing of the scrapbooks. It is pleasing to note particularly that Diana and Maidie have completed the transcribing of St Mark’s Registers held at The Surrey History Centre. They are: Marriages (1847 – 1997 but excluding 1925 – 1961 as yet un-located); Baptisms (1847-1944) and Burials (1848-1876), all now “on-line” on our website and proving extraordinarily helpful to family history researchers. Jack has completed the transcription of the Normandy entries from the original 1901 Census returns and again these are on the website for the benefit of researchers. For the present these records do not include parts of Wanborough (Flexford) and Worplesdon (Willey Green), but we are working to complete all entries for modern Normandy. Understandably, we keep very busy answering incoming emails.



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In conclusion I take this opportunity to thank Ashley for managing the website and for creating a core of “Email friends” who, at some time or other were either resident in Normandy or are descendants of families that were resident here. Some, such as those living in distant countries such as Canada and Cyprus have joined the society and retain a close interest in our activities.

Peter Blakiston
Chairman

Audit Statement

As desired by members at the Annual General Meeting held Tuesday the 21st February 2006 and at the request of the Executive Committee, I checked the accounts and Financial Statement for the period ending

31st December 2005 and express complete satisfaction with my findings.

*H. F. (Jim). Chisnall
31st December 2006*



<u>FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2006</u>		£
Working Fund		
Balance at 1st of January:		£123.81
Income		
Membership subscriptions - individuals @ £2	79	£158.00
Membership subscriptions - individuals @ £3	36	£108.00
Membership subscriptions - families @ £5	14	£70.00
Membership subscriptions - families @ £7.50	5	£37.50
Chairman's talk to WI 13/6		£20.00
Donations received		£30.74
Meeting income (see separate sheet)		£64.40
Total income:		£488.64
Expenditure		
Copy St Marks Wyke marriage registers		£63.00
Printing newsletter no. 2		£3.60
Scrap books & pritt stick for newspaper cuttings		£7.84
Box files for archive storage		£4.99
Donation Ash Church spire (re. Walk Ash & Tongham)		£25.00
Meeting expenditure (see separate sheet)		£404.35
Total expenditure:		£508.78
Net decrease:		-£20.14
Balance at 31st December:		£103.67



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Publication Fund

Balance at 1st of January:	£1,699.08
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Income

Normandy Park books sold @ £9.50	93	£883.50
Normandy Calendars sold @ £3.50	92	£322.00
Normandy Calendars - less discount (6 for £20)		-£1.00
Normandy Calendars sold @ £3	12	£36.00
Normandy Book CDs sold @ £7.50	9	£67.50
Westwood book, commission on resale		£1.00
Postage and packing received		£11.43
Donations to Publication fund		£80.72
From PCC half share of printing Calendars		£362.50
Interest received		£3.65
Total income:		£1,767.30

Expenditure

Printing 200 Normandy Park books	£1,800.00
Printing 500 Normandy 2007 Calendars	£725.00
Produce 10 CDs of Normandy Book	£25.00
Postage and packing paid	£13.15
Total expenditure:	£2,563.15

Net decrease:	-£795.85
Balance at 31st December:	£903.23

Financial position at 31st December 2006

- Working fund	£103.67
- Publication Fund	£903.23
Total cash:	£1,006.90



EDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE
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Sales of "A History of Normandy Park in Surrey" are slow but steady with healthy signs of continuing interest locally and from website visitors. Unfortunately the same cannot be said of the "Greetings from Normandy" Calendar, the sales of which have been a huge disappointment to both this society and St Mark's PCC. Fortunately, the venture should at least meet the cost of publishing the calendar.

I must presume that all members living in the GU3 post code area receive the "Normandy Directory" (a new publication delivered free to all householders), and hopefully they will have read the historical article provided by Normandy Historians in each edition to date. It is yet another service which this society provides for the community.

Jack Kinder
Editor-in-Chief



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MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR 2006

PAID-UP MEMBERS - 115 - Individual members, 19 - Family members

ANN ADEY	KATHLEEN & STANLEY ATKINS
DEBORAH & SANDRO * AGOSTINI	DEREK ATKINSON *
STANLEY ATKINS	JANET & ROGER BANFIELD *
JOHN BARTON	DORIS BATTERSBY
BILL & MYRTLE BEALE	URSULA BEECH
AUDREY & PETER BLAKISTON	LESLEY & MARK BOND
JAMES BOOTH *	PETER BRETT *
STEPHEN BOURNE	DAVID BROWN
GORDON & JILL BRYANT	ALAN & SUSAN BURCHETT
ALAN CAPELL	ARTHUR CHAMPION *
MAIDIE & WALTER CHATTAWAY	PAM CHANT
DAVID & ROSEMARY CHARLES	AUDREY & JIM CHISNALL
VICKY CODLING *	ALBERT & GEORGINA COLE
PETER COTTRELL *	STEPHEN CRANSTONE
GEORGE CROOKE *	MARION CROOKE *
BERNARD & BARBARA CROOKE	ALBERT CUNNINGHAM
JUNE & RAY CURTIS	JOYCE DAVIS
LORNA DAWKINS *	HEATHER EDGINGTON
JOAN DYSON	GORDON FINDEN
JUDITH FINCH	MARY FOLEY *
ELLA GRIFFITHS	DAVID FRANKLIN
DEREK FRANCIS *	BRENDA GARATY
JOHN FRANKS	SANDRA GRAINGER
PATRICK GILES	GRAHAM HALL
ANGELA & ROBERT GRAY	RICHARD HART
BOB HAMMOND	SALLY HELM
RONALD HEATHORN	CATHERINE HIRST
JOHN HILLIER	JANET & RAY HOWARD *
FRANCES HOWARD	SHEILA JEFFERIES
JANET JAMES	JOAN JONES
PETER JELFFS *	JACK KINDER
COLIN & JUNE KIMBERLEY	KELVIN KNOWLES
ERIC KING *	JACKIE & KEN LENTHAL
KEITH & MARY LAMONT	DIANA & KENNETH MARCHANT
DIANA LOCKYER-NIBBS	PAMELA McKINNON
CLARE & MARGARET MATHEWS	KATHERINE & SIAN MILLER *
ANN & CHOLMELEY MESSER	MOIRA & TONY NEWMAN
PAT NEWTON	ALAN NORRIS
CHRIS & CHRISTINE NICHOLSON	BRIAN & LIZ OLIVER *
EIRA & JAMES NURSAW	RALPH & PATRICIA PAGE
SHIRLEY PADLEY-SMITH	DAVID PIPER
CHRISTOPHER PETTITT	CHARLES PURDUE
JOSEPHINE POLE *	NIGEL RICHARDSON
NORMAN RATCLIFFE	NEIL SEYMOUR
ANNE SEYMOUR	CLARE & JOHN SHERWOOD
HELEN SHEA	GRAHAM & KOSHILE * SKAN
JOHN & PAT SHORT	JOHN & SHEILA SQUIER
FRANK & PETER SOUTHWELL	CHRIS & PAMELA TALBOT *
CELIA STONE	PETER TREASKIS
DAVID & MONICA TAYLOR	CHRISTINE WARSOP *
BILL & MARY TURNILL	ELIZABETH & PETER WELLS *
GINA & LESLIE WEBB	NEVILLE WHEATLEY
ROGER WHITE	DIANNE & SIMON WHITE *
BARRY WHITE *	
CHRISTINE & TREVOR WILKS	

* Signifies a new member

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Calendar of Events & Speakers for 2007

16 January
Bronwen Mills
“If it tastes nasty it must be good for you”

20 February
Annual General Meeting
James Nursaw - “Halsey Cottage”

20 March
Patrick Yarnold
“In and around Puttenham”

17 April
Neil Paxton - “Life’s like that”

15 May
Carol Brown - “Spies in Petticoats”

Sunday 10 June
“Halsey Cottage”
House and garden visit
Courtesy of James and Eira Nursaw

19 June
David Rose - “Bottles & Bygones”

18 September
Tim Winter - “Woodland Industries”

16 October
Margaret Suter
“A History of Pirbright in Surrey”

20 November
Circle 8 film evening
Terence Patrick
Granddads Picture Palace from 1896

11 December
Social Evening

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