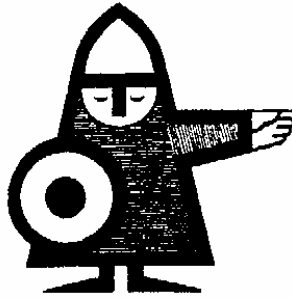


# **NORMANDY HISTORIANS**



**TWENTIETH  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
TUESDAY 19th FEBRUARY 2008**

**Minutes of the AGM held 20th February 2007  
Chairman's Annual Report  
Membership Secretary's Report  
Auditor's Report for 2006 Financial Statement  
Financial Report ending 31st December 2007  
Editorial Report  
Subscription rates for 2008  
Election of Executive Committee  
Appointment of Auditor  
List of Members 2007  
Calendar of Events & Speakers for 2008**

**Illustrated talk by Elisabeth Parry of Normandy  
"My Travels on the Silk Road"**

## **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 20th February 2007
  2. Adopt Chairman's Annual Report
  3. To note Auditor's statement for the 2006 Accounts
  4. To adopt Treasurer's Report for the year ended 31st December 2007
  5. Receive the Editor's Report
  6. Receive Membership Secretary's Report for 2007
  7. To receive Calendar of Events & Speakers for 2008
  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  
Peter Trevaskis and Christopher Pettitt.
  9. To appoint an Auditor
  10. To review Annual Subscription Rates  
The Executive Committee recommend that the rates  
for 2008 remain unchanged
5. To discuss other pertinent business
6. To note that the Society celebrates its 21st Anniversary on  
14 July 2008 and will participate this year in the Normandy  
Village Fete to be held on Sunday 24th August
7. The 2009 AGM will be held 17th February.
8. To discuss any pertinent business
9. Welcome to Elisabeth Parry — our speaker for the evening.

**MINUTES OF THE 19th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON  
TUESDAY 20th FEBRUARY 2007 AT NORMANDY VILLAGE HALL**

**1.The Chairman Peter Blakiston welcomed 55 Members to the meeting**

**2.The required number of Members (25) was therefore present to form a Quorum**

**3.Apologies had been received from 10 Members**

**4. AGM 2007 – CONSTITUTIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

- 1 The minutes for the 2006 AGM were adopted
2. In his written report, the Chairman outlined another successful year for the Society. The increased membership had greatly enjoyed a variety of illustrated talks and a “Social Evening” was held in December for the first time. The Executive Committee & other members had continued with their research work for publication or inclusion on our increasingly popular website.
3. The Auditor’s statement for the 2005 Accounts was adopted
4. Treasurer John Squier had prepared a Financial Statement and an Open Meeting cost breakdown for 2006, and these were both adopted.
5. The Editor reported that “A History of Normandy in Surrey” had created interest both locally & on our website, but that the sales of the Normandy Calendar had been disappointing. Historical articles had been included in the “Normandy Directory”
6. The Membership Secretary reported that we have 115 Individual members and 19 Family Members. There had been 25 new members this year.
7. The Chairman & the Executive Committee were elected as follows:

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
Christopher Pettitt	Member

5. There was no other business raised by the floor for discussion.
6. It was noted that the Inaugural Meeting of the Society was held 14th July 1987.
7. The 2008 AGM will take place on Tuesday 19th February.
8. The Chairman would welcome suggestions to celebrate our 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary in 2008, possibly in the form of equipment for the use of the Society.
9. The Chairman welcomed James Nursaw- our speaker for the evening on the subject of Halsey Cottage.

DM. February 2007

### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

It is with pleasure that I submit my 17th Annual Report to you at the start of the year in which the society approaches the celebration of its 21st year of committed research into the history of Normandy. In 2007 we enjoyed a steady state in total membership numbers and witnessed a welcome increase in attendance figures at our regular monthly meetings. It is true that some of those meetings stretched the comfort level of seating. However, the regularity of those meetings together with the high quality of our speakers re-affirms the view of your committee that the future of this society is both secure and sustainable. Its continuing success is due in no small way to your committee, researchers, volunteers that transcribe records, the refreshments personnel and lastly, but certainly not least, you the members.

What have we achieved during 2007?

1. The residue income from further sales of the 2007 Normandy Calendar netted us about £100 overall, which although was less than our anticipated return, helps our funds.
2. Sales of the Normandy Park book have passed the halfway stage, which is quite rewarding
3. Steady sales of the Normandy Book CD continue
4. Arrangements for the production of a similar CD to replicate the Westwood Book are well advanced, for which sincere thanks are due to Westwood Place Management, Pa Ashworth and Jack Kinder (Authors) and Clare Windsor. We plan to have the CD's ready for sale at the Village Fete on Sunday the 24th August
5. Committee meetings were reduced from 8 to 5 in number as a trial and since that was successful the reduction to 5 meetings will be continued in 2008
6. Additions to the e-mail address base of members are encouraging

perhaps induced by the individual messaging system used by Ashley (our Website manager)

7. The Marriages, Burials and Baptism records of St Mark's are nearing completion
8. We contribute historical articles for the Normandy and Worplesdon GU3 Directory
9. John Squier has produced an initial draft of some chapters for his book "A History of Henley Park in Surrey"

The Annual Event was held on what transpired to be one of the hottest days of the summer. That was not what James and Eira Nursaw had in mind for the planned hosting of the guided tour of their home Halsey Cottage in Glaziers Lane on Sunday the 10th June. It was in anticipation of inclement weather that prompted them to provide a marquee and other shelter for the protection of their guests and the sumptuous display of refreshments. The event was attended by over thirty members and friends, all of whom were grateful for the welcome shade of the trees and marquee. The Phyliss Tuckwell Charity, Farnham (the charity elected to benefit from donations), was later presented with a cheque for £134 by James and Eira.

Following the success of the 2006 "Social Evening", we gathered together on Tuesday the 11th for an equally successful evening, the highlight of our entertainment being a light hearted illustrated review of yesteryear by John Hillier. Much of his personal story obviously touched similar memories of others, judging by the chatter around the room. The "back-drop" display of historical Pirbright by members Jonathan and Joan Foster with Shirley Forster attracted a great deal of attention keeping the trio somewhat occupied in dealing with the many questions. All-in-all, it was yet again a grand evening, proving that a "good night out" can be very inexpensive.

Peter Blakiston  
Chairman

19th February 2008

#### **AUDIT STATEMENT**

As desired by the Annual General Meeting held **21st February 2006** and at the request of the elected Executive Committee at that meeting, I checked the accounts and Financial Statement for the period ended **31st December 2006** and express complete satisfaction with my findings

H. F. (Jim). Chisnall  
31st December 2007

### Financial Statement for 2007

<b>Working Fund</b>		£
Balance at 1st of January:		£103.67
 <b>Income</b>		
Membership subscriptions - individuals @ £3	122	£366.00
Membership subscriptions - families @ £7.50	13	£97.50
<i>(Total memberships)</i>	<i>135</i>	
Memberships prepaid for 2008 - none.		
 Donations received		£7.50
Meeting income (see separate sheet)		£45.84
 <b>Total income:</b>		<b>£516.84</b>
 <b>Expenditure</b>		
Meeting expenditure (see separate sheet)		£473.74
Open day 10/6 expenses		£43.99
Donation to St Mark's Flower Festival		£13.00
 <b>Total expenditure:</b>		<b>£530.73</b>
 Net decrease:		-£13.89
<b>Balance at 31st December:</b>		<b>£89.78</b>

### **The Society's Bankers are**

Lloyd's TSB plc,

115 Victoria Road, Aldershot, Hants. GU11 1JR

**Publication Fund**

Balance at 1st of January: £903.23

**Income**

Normandy Park books sold @ £9.50 18 £171.00

Normandy Calendars sold 45 £48.00

Normandy Book CDs sold @ £7.50 6 £45.00

Postage and packing received £13.12

Interest received £15.24

**Total income: £292.36**

**Expenditure**

Postage and packing paid £5.74

Total expenditure: £5.74

Net increase: £286.62

**Balance at 31st December: £1,189.85**

**Financial position at 31st December 2007**

- Working fund £89.78

- Publication Fund £1,189.85

**Total cash: £1,279.63**

## EDITOR'S REPORT

Although sales of "A History of Normandy Park in Surrey" remain slow but steady there is continuing interest locally and from website visitors.

Unfortunately, sales of the "Greetings from Normandy" Calendar 2007 were a disappointment to both this society and St Mark's PCC. Fortunately, the venture met the cost of publishing and netted each organisation a small but nonetheless welcome addition to funds.

Jack Kinder  
Editor-in-Chief  
19th February 2008

## MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT

### MEMBERS - 122 - Individual members, 13 - Family members

ANN ADEY	KATHLEEN & STANLEY ATKINS
DEREK ATKINSON	ELIZABETH AUMEER*
JANET & ROGER BANFIELD	KENNETH BEUDEN*
JOHN BARTON	DORIS BATTERSBY
BILL & MYRTLE BEALE	URSULA BEECH
AUDREY & PETER BLAKISTON	MARK BOND
PETER BRETT	DAVID BROWN
JILL BRYANT	DEREK BUCKLE*
ALAN & SUSAN BURCHETT	ALAN CAPELL
ARTHUR CHAMPION	MAIDIE & WALTER CHATTAWAY
PAM CHANT	DAVID & ROSEMARY CHARLES
AUDREY & JIM CHISNALL	MARGARET COOK*
VICKY CODLING	ALBERT & GEORGINA COLE
PAULA COOPER*	STEPHEN CRANSTONE
GEORGE CROOKE	MARION CROOKE
BERNARD & BARBARA CROOKE	ALBERT CUNNINGHAM
JUNE & RAY CURTIS	JOYCE DAVIS
MICHAEL & PATRICIA CROUCH*	LORNA DAWKINS
JUNE & PETER DRAGE	ALAN & ROSIE DANIELI*
JOAN ELLIS*	JOAN DYSON
HEATHER EDGINGTON	EDWARD & JUDITH FINCH
GORDON FINDEN	ELLA GRIFFITHS
SHIRLEY FORSTER*	DEREK FRANCIS
DAVID FRANKLIN	JOAN & JOHNATHAN FOSTER*
JOHN FRANKS	BRENDA GARATY
SANDRA GRAINGER	ANGELA & ROBERT GRAY
GRAHAM & ALCIA HALL	BOB HAMMOND
RONALD HEATHORN	SALLY HELM
JOHN HILLIER	PAT & KEN HUNT*
JANET & RAY HOWARD	SHEILA JEFFERIES
PETER JELFFS	JOAN JONES
BARBARA KALE*	COLIN & JUNE KIMBERLEY
JACK KINDER	ERIC KING
KELVIN KNOWLES	KEITH & MARY LAMONT
JACKIE & KEN LENTHAL	DIANA LOCKYER-NIBBS



DIANA & KENNETH MARCHANT  
 ANN MESSER  
 ALAN NORRIS  
 BRIAN & LIZ OLIVER  
 RALPH & PATRICIA PAGE  
 DAVID PIPER  
 NORMAN RATCLIFFE  
 EMMA RAFFERTY  
 EILEEN & STEPHEN SANDY\*  
 NEIL SEYMOUR  
 CLARE & JOHN SHERWOOD  
 GRAHAM & KOSHILE SKAN  
 JOHN & SHEILA SQUIER  
 CELIA STONE  
 DAVID & MONICA TAYLOR  
 JOYCE WALTHER\*  
 ROGER WHITE  
 DIANNE & SIMON WHITE

CLARE & MARGARET MATHEWS  
 PAT NEWTON  
 EIRA & JAMES NURSAW  
 SHIRLEY PADLEY-SMITH  
 CHRISTOPHER PETTITT  
 CHARLES & EILEEN PURDUE\*  
 NIGEL RICHARDSON  
 LINDA SAMUELSON\*  
 ANNE SEYMOUR  
 HELEN SHEA  
 JOHN & PAT SHORT  
 FRANK & PETER SOUTHWELL  
 DAVID SWABEY\*  
 CHRIS & PAMELA TALBOT  
 PETER TREVASKIS  
 ELIZABETH & PETER WELLS  
 NEVILLE WHEATLEY  
 CHRISTINE & TREVOR WILKS

\* Signifies a new member(s)

### **Robert (Bob) Hammond (1920 – 2008)**

It is with sadness that we record the death of Bob Hammond, a long-standing resident of Normandy and member of this society, who died Monday the 3rd January 2008.

His funeral and interment, with The Royal British Legion piper-tribute escort, was on Tuesday the 22nd January at St. Mark's Church Wyke.



## **NORMANDY HISTORIANS**

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS & SPEAKERS FOR 2008**

**15th January**

Brian Pittuck

An illustrated talk about Farnham

**19th February**

**AGM**

Elisabeth Parry

An illustrated talk "My travels on the Silk Road"

**18th March**

Chris Forester

An illustrated talk

"The history & development  
of the

Metropolitan Police Mounted Branch"

**15th April**

Marion May

A talk with illustrations "The Cokelers 1850s to 1970"

**20th May**

Marcus Bateman

An illustrated talk

"John Budd and family of Wanborough

A tale of spin doctors, privateers and country folk".

**Sunday 8th June**

Annual Event

Brookwood Cemetery Society

Walk & tea

**17th June**

Jean Vesey

An illustrated talk

"The Quakers and the Chocolate Makers"

**16th September**

Bill Turnill

An illustrated talk

"The Life and Death of The Universe"

**21st October**

Joan Mant

A talk with illustrations "Suffragettes"

**18th November**

Dr Edward Finch

An illustrated talk "The last Hurrah"

**9th December**

Social Evening

## **ELECTION OF COMMITTEE**

The Retiring Committee seeking re-election was:

### Officers

Peter Blakiston	Chairman
Jack Kinder	Deputy Chairman & Editor-in-chief
Diana Marchant	Secretary
John Squier	Treasurer
Sandra Grainger	Membership Secretary

### Members

Mark Bond  
Peter Trevaskis  
Norman Ratcliffe  
Christopher Pettitt

There is a vacancy for a new member.

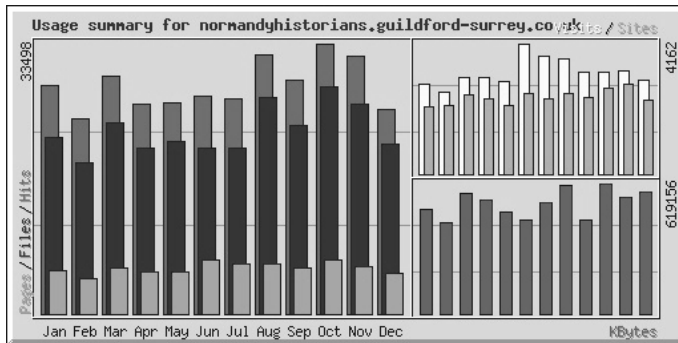
### **APPOINTMENT OF AN AUDITOR**

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

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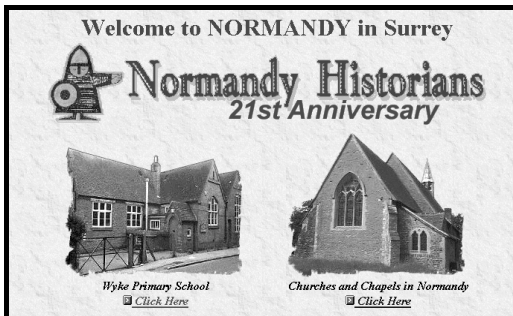
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