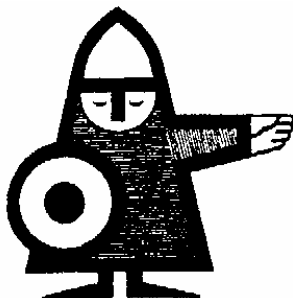


NORMANDY HISTORIANS



**TWENTYFIRST
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
TUESDAY 17th FEBRUARY 2009**

**Minutes of the AGM held 19th February 2008
Chairman's Annual Report
Membership Secretary's Report
Auditor's Report for 2007 Financial Statement
Financial Report ending 31st December 2008
Editorial Report
Subscription rates for 2009
Election of Executive Committee
Appointment of Auditor
List of Members 2008
Calendar of Events & Speakers for 2009**

**Isobel Willis & Margaret Saunders
An illustrated talk
"Wanborough"**



ORDER OF BUSINESS

2009

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 19th February 2008
 2. Adopt Chairman's Annual Report
 3. To note Auditor's statement for the 2007 Accounts
 4. To adopt (Subject to Audit) Treasurer's Report for the year ended 31 December 2008
 5. Receive the Editor's Report
 6. Receive Membership Secretary's Report for 2008
 7. To receive Calendar of Events & Speakers for 2009
 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, Peter Trevaskis Mark Bond and Christopher Pettitt.
 9. To appoint an Auditor
 10. To review Annual Subscription Rates The Executive Committee recommend that the rates for 2009 remain unchanged
5. To discuss other pertinent business
6. To note the 10th Anniversary of our web site this year.
7. The 2010 AGM will be held Tuesday 16th February.
8. Welcome to **Isobel Willis & Margaret Saunders**, our guest speakers .



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 17th FEBRUARY 2009

It is with pleasure that I submit my 18th Annual Report to this AGM at the start of the Society's 22nd year of committed research into the history of Normandy. During 2008 we enjoyed a steady state of membership numbers (well in excess of 100), and likewise witnessed a welcome attendance of around 45 members at our regular monthly meetings. 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 in both its financial position and number of members. Its continuing success is due in no small way to your committee, researchers, volunteers that transcribe records, the "tea and coffee brigade" and certainly not least, the loyalty of members. I firmly believe that the message of this maxim **"The strength of an organisation is not necessarily directly related to the number of members but rather to the manner in which members participate in the affairs of the organisation"** applies precisely to this society.

- Sales of the Normandy Park book have passed the halfway stage, which is quite rewarding
- Steady sales of the Normandy Book CD continue to aid the income sources of our finances.
- The reduction in Committee meetings is working successfully and will be continued in 2009.
- The email address base of members has increased thus reducing postal and delivery costs.
- The Marriages, Burials and Baptism records of St Mark's have been transcribed
- Articles for the Normandy and Worplesdon GU3 Directory continue to interest its readers, promoting congratulatory comments.
- Research into the family history of The Fallen of two World Wars is attracting global interest through our website www.nh.gu3.co.uk.
- We contributed to the Annual Village Fete by staging a small exhibition in the village hall and were unexpectedly rewarded by the donation of copies of some priceless family documents regarding the Manor of Cleygate. Those documents repose now in our archives.

The Annual Event was held on Sunday the 8th June when just over 50 members and friends were given a guided tour of The Brookwood Cemetery by our guide for the day namely Barry Devonshire, complete with megaphone and drinking flask – the former because he was very mindful of persons with hearing difficulties and the latter since it happened to be one of the hottest days of the summer. The event was not without its mishaps – half the party met at the incorrect location in one part of the cemetery and the other half met at the correct location but with the aid of individual mobile telephones - all were eventually safely gathered in the correct spot. Despite this setback our guide was excellent and very informative with many anecdotes on the generally well kept mausoleums and memorials. Teas were later taken at Lord Pirbright Hall arranged by Country Market Pirbright

Following the success of the 2007 “Social Evening”, we gathered together on Tuesday the 9th December 2008 for an equally successful evening, the highlight of our entertainment being an illustrated talk by Richard Jefferies “The Pilgrimage to Santiago (A Historical Journey). Unfortunately, Sheila was unable to give the advertised talk. However, on behalf of the society might I wish all success to their future plans for “Pilgrim Hostelling” on the **Camino to Santiago de Compostela**.

All-in-all – historically, socially and financially, 2008 was a grand year for the society.

Peter Blakiston
Chairman

AUDIT STATEMENT

As desired by the Annual General Meeting held **19th February 2008** 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 2007** and express complete satisfaction with my findings

H. F. (Jim). Chisnall
31st December 2008



MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT TO 2009 AGM

123 - Individual members, 10 - Family members

ALAN & SUSAN BURCHETT
ALAN NORRIS
ANN ADEY
ANN MESSER
ANNA CAWSON *
ARTHUR CHAMPION
AUDREY & JIM CHISNALL
AUDREY & PETER BLAKISTON
BARBARA KALE
BERNARD & BARBARA CROOKE
BILL & MYRTLE BEALE
BRIAN & LIZ OLIVER
BRIAN SHORTER *
CELIA STONE
CLARE & JOHN SHERWOOD
DAVID & MARGARET FRANKLIN
DAVID & MONICA TAYLOR
DAVID PIPER
DEREK ATKINSON
DEREK BUCKLE
DIANA & KENNETH MARCHANT
EILEEN & STEPHEN SANDY
ELIZABETH & PETER WELLS
GEORGE CROOKE
GORDON FINDEN
GRAHAM & KOSHILE SKAN
GRAHAM HALL
HEATHER EDGINGTON
JACK KINDER
JACKIE & KEN LENTHAL
JANET & RAY HOWARD
JANET & ROGER BANFIELD
JOHN & SHEILA SQUIER
JOHN BARTON
JOHN FRANKS
JOHN HILLIER
JUNE & PETER DRAGE
JUNE & RAY CURTIS
KELVIN KNOWLES
MARGARET COOK
MARILN PALFREMAN *
MYRTLE WILSON *
NEIL SEYMOUR
NORMAN RATCLIFFE
PAM CHANT
PAULINE HUNT *
PETER JELFFS
RALPH & PATRICIA PAGE
RONALD HEATHORN
SANDRA GRAINGER
SHIRLEY FORSTER
VICKY CODLING

ALAN & HELEN CAPELL
EIRA & JAMES NURSAW
KATHLEEN & STANLEY ATKINS
PAT NEWTON
DAVID BROWN
MAIDIE CHATTAWAY
BRENDA COLLINS *
MARK BOND
CECILIA PAGE *
ALBERT CUNNINGHAM
URSULA BEECH
SHIRLEY PADLEY-SMITH
LORNA DAWKINS
CHRIS & PAMELA TALBOT
JOHN & PAT SHORT
JOAN & JOHNATHAN FOSTER
PETER TREVASKIS
CHARLES & EILEEN PURDUE
ELIZABETH AUMEER

MARGARET MATHEWS
ANNE SEYMOUR
NEVILLE WHEATLEY
MARION CROOKE
ELLA GRIFFITHS
FRANK & PETER SOUTHWELL
ASHLEY HOARE *
EDWARD & JUDITH FINCH
ERIC KING
PAMELA MCKINNON
SALLY JENKINSON *
MARIA ANGEL *
DAVID SWABEY
JAMES BOOTH *
BRENDA GARATY
PAT & KEN HUNT
ALAN DANIELI
JOYCE DAVIS
KEITH & MARY LAMONT
STEPHEN CRANSTONE
JAMES & VIOLET SEYMOUR *
VON HOENZOLLERN DONATUS & VIOLA *
HELEN SHEA
NIGEL RICHARDSON
ROS CLEMENTS *
JOAN DYSON
JOAN JONES
CHRISTOPHER PETTITT
SALLY HELM
ANGELA & ROBERT GRAY
JOHN & WENDY HOWARD *
ALBERT & GEORGINA COLE

* Signifies a new member(s)



NORMANDY HISTORIANS - FINANCIAL STATEMENT for 2008

Working Fund

	£
Balance at 1st of January:	£89.78

Income

Membership subscriptions - individuals @ £3	123	£369.00
Membership subscriptions - families @ £7.50	10	£75.00
<i>(Total memberships)</i>	<i>133</i>	
Memberships prepaid for 2009 - none.		

Donations received	£51.50
Meeting income (see next page)	£59.16
Paypal 'verifications'	£0.19

Total income: £554.85

Expenditure

Meeting expenditure (see next page)	£442.74
St Mark's for printing 60 sheets	£4.20
Brookwood walk 8th June, net cost	£59.76
Paypal fees	£4.65

Total expenditure: £511.35

Net increase:	£43.50
Balance at 31st December:	£133.28

The Society's Bankers are

Lloyd's TSB plc,
115 Victoria Road, Aldershot, Hants. GU11 1JR



NORMANDY HISTORIANS

Publication Fund

Balance at 1st of January: £1,189.85

Income

Normandy Park books sold @ £9.50 18 £171.00

Normandy Book CDs sold @ £7.50 12 £90.00

Coronation programmes sold at village fete 2 £0.20

Postage and packing received £15.00

Interest received £20.12

Total income: £296.32

Expenditure

Postage and packing paid £4.44

Produce 10 CD-Roms of Normandy book £25.00

Total expenditure: £29.44

Net increase: £266.88

Balance at 31st December: £1,456.73

Financial position at 31st December 2008

- Working fund £133.28

- Publication Fund £1,456.73

Total cash: £1,590.01



NORMANDY HISTORIANS - Open Meeting cost breakdown for

2008

Income		Total Expenses	
		In	
December 07 social evening - surplus	£6.61	£6.61	11/12/2007 - Village Hall £14.00
15/1 - teas (collection less costs)	£2.42		15/1 - speaker expenses £31.99
15/1 - visitor @ £1.50	£1.50	£3.92	15/1 - village hall £14.70
			February - laminated posters £5.00
AGM 19/2 - teas	£0.72		AGM 19/2 - village hall £14.70
AGM 20/2 - no visitors	0 £0.00	£0.72	AGM 19/2 - speaker expenses £19.99
			March - posters £5.00
18/3 - teas	£1.37		18/3 - speaker expenses £37.99
18/3 - visitors @ £1.50	£3.00	£4.37	18/3 - village hall £14.70
			April - posters £5.00
15/4 - teas	£1.12		15/4 - speaker expenses £40.00
15/4 - visitor @ £1.50	£1.50	£2.62	15/4 - village hall £14.70
			May - posters £5.00
20/5 - teas	£4.50		20/5 - speaker expenses £10.00
20/5 - visitors @ £1.50	2 £3.00	£7.50	20/5 - village hall £14.70
			June - posters £5.00
17/6 - teas	£1.90		17/6 - speaker expenses £25.00
17/6 - no visitors	0 £0.00	£1.90	17/6 - village hall £14.70
			September - posters £5.00
16/9 - teas	£5.17		16/9 - speaker expenses £37.69
16/9 - visitors @ £1.50	1 £4.50	£9.67	16/9 - village hall £14.70
			October - posters £5.00
21/10 - teas	£5.19		21/10 - speaker expenses £30.00
21/10 - visitors @ £1.50	4 £6.00	£11.19	21/10 - cricket club pavilion £25.00
			November - posters £5.00
18/11 - teas	£4.66		18/11 - speaker expenses £13.48
18/11 - visitors @ £1.50	4 £6.00	£10.66	18/11 - village hall £14.70
Total meeting income:	£59.16		Total meeting expenditure: £442.74



MINUTES OF THE 20th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 19 FEBRUARY 2008 AT NORMANDY VILLAGE HALL

1. The Chairman Peter Blakiston welcomed 50 Members to the meeting
2. The required number of Members (25) were therefore present to form a Quorum
3. Apologies had been received from 10 Members
4. **AGM 2008 – CONSTITUTIONAL REQUIREMENTS**
 1. The minutes for the 2007 AGM were adopted
 2. The Chairman submitted his 17th Annual Report. He was pleased to report a steady state of total membership and an increase in attendance at our monthly meetings. Research work by the Executive Committee & members was still very active. We will celebrate our 21st Anniversary this year. The Committee has vacancies for 2 new members.
 3. The Auditor's statement for the 2007 Accounts was adopted
 4. Treasurer John Squier had prepared a Financial Statement and this was adopted
 5. The Editor reported that the Normandy Calendar had netted a small but nonetheless welcome addition to funds for St Mark's Church & Normandy Historians. Sales of "A History of Normandy Park in Surrey" remained slow but steady.
 6. The Membership Secretary reported that we have 122 Individual members and 13 Family Members.
 7. The Chairman & Executive Committee were elected. Peter Blakiston, Jack Kinder, Diana Marchant, John Squier, Sandra Grainger, Norman Ratcliffe, Mark Bond, Peter Trevaskis and Christopher Pettitt. There are therefore two vacancies.
5. There was no other business raised by the floor for discussion.
6. The Society celebrates its 21st Anniversary on 14 July 2008 & will participate this year in the Normandy Village Fete to be held on Sunday 24 August.
7. The 2009 AGM will take place on Tuesday February 17.
8. The Chairman welcomed Elisabeth Parry - our speaker for the evening.

DM. February 2008



Dates for 2009

- 20 January** Tony Forward – "My Lords Ladies and Gentlemen"
- 17 February** **AGM** – Isobel Willis & Margaret Saunders – An illustrated talk- "Wanborough"
- 17 March** Sally Scheffers – "A Walk through Old Thursley"
- 21 April** Lucy Quinnet – "New Iron Age & Forged Iron"
- 19 May** Margaret Dierden – Illustrated talk - "About Shalford"
- Sunday 7 June** Annual Event – Guided walk around Farnham– Brian Pittuck – tea
- 16 June** Audrey Olley – "Bill Olley, his life and Family History" – An illustrated talk by his daughter
- Summer break – July & August**
- 15 September** Neil Paxton – "Victorian Women & Society"
- 20 October** Geoff Lunn - "Surrey Safari"
- 17 November** Circle 8 – Film – "Pigrims Way – Winchester to Canterbury"
- 8 December** Social Evening - Ruth Corless – An illustrated talk - "May Queens of Normandy"

ELECTION OF COMMITTEE 2009

The Retiring Committee seeking re-election is:

Officers

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

Members

Peter Trevaskis
Norman Ratcliffe
Christopher Pettitt
Mark Bond

The Constitution requires nominations for five members. There is therefore two vacancies to be filled.

APPOINTMENT OF AN AUDITOR

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

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July-08	1042	838	240	133	2917	719643	4137	7463	26007	32323
June-08	1180	922	255	146	3459	763078	4247	7402	26763	34240
May-08	997	800	207	117	3026	592643	3646	6447	24801	30924
April-08	1233	941	239	124	3138	554232	3731	7185	28258	36991
March-08	1261	1011	241	116	3028	706548	3618	7481	31355	39109
February-08	1096	929	225	108	2496	553464	3133	6525	26953	31798
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