

WARWICKSHIRE LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

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FORTY SIXTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday 20th March 2012, 7.30pm at

Friends Meeting House, 39 High Street, Warwick, CV34 4AX

(Tea and coffee available from 7.15pm)

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence
2. Chairman's introductory remarks
3. To receive the Annual Report and Accounts for 2011
4. To elect a President
5. To elect a Vice-President
6. To elect a Chairman, Secretary and other officers for the forthcoming year
7. To elect an Executive Committee for the forthcoming year
8. Any other business

The Officers above and the following committee members are willing to stand for re-election:

Dr. Nat Alcock	Mrs. Jane Beevers	Mrs. Lesley Caine
Dr. Christine Hodgetts	Miss Monica Ory	Mr. Henry Phythian-Adams
Mrs. Christine Woodland	Dr. Ruth Barbour	Miss Mairi MacDonald

There are vacancies and nominations are welcomed.

Nominations in writing, with the approval of the person nominated, for officers and members of the Executive Committee must reach the Secretary by Friday, 16th March 2012.

At the conclusion of the meeting;

Rev. Norman Stevens will talk about the 'Early churches in Kenilworth'.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE for 2011

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

The 2010 Annual Report and Accounts were accepted.

The Society re-elected the President, the Vice-President, Chairman, Vice-Chairwoman, Treasurer, Editor, Programme Secretary, Membership Secretary, Publications Secretary and other members of the Executive Committee.

Dr. Bland (chair) thanked all the officers for their hard work.

Executive Committee

Members of the Executive Committee are appointed at the Annual General Meeting by the Society's members. The Executive Committee met three times in 2011 to arrange the meetings and outings of the Society on 2nd February, 11th May and 5th October.

The Society had 244 members, 131 individual, 55 family, 24 Local History Groups, 16 Institutional Members, 16 institutional via agents and 2 honorary members at 31st December 2011.

Financial Report

The finances of the Society are in accordance with the accounts on page 4.

Meetings of the Society

15th February, 2011	Chris Upton, the "1875 Artisans' Dwellings Act, introduced by Joe Chamberlain."
15 th March, 2011	Phil Spinks, "From the Beginning to End" raising a Horse Artillery Battery in Warwickshire'
19th April, 2011	Ruth Barbour, "Catholic Warwick"
14 th May, 2011	Bretford and Brinklow a tour led by Chris Dyer.
11 th June, 2011	Idlicote House
2 nd July, 2011	Barford summer social
11 th Sept, 2011	Middleton Hall
3 rd December, 2011	Nailcote Hall - Nat Alcock, "Vernacular Houses in and around Berkswell"

Publications

Two issues of the Bulletin have been produced; Vol. XIV, numbers 5 & 6 of Warwickshire History have been issued.

Umbrella Conference

One of our original aims of the Society, when it was first formed in 1965, was to become an umbrella organization for all local history groups in the county. Realizing this oversight, we researched and contacted over 100 local history groups and invited them to a conference in Warwick in May 2011. To our delight over 80 people attended. We wanted to know what they needed from a County History Society and how the Society could help them. Many suggestions were put forward and to date we have expanded our website to include details of all know societies, lectures, speakers, events and publications. As this meeting was so well received, another conference has been arranged on 10th November 2012 at which our progress will be reviewed and any other matters arising will be addressed.

Objectives of the Society

The Society exists to promote the advancement of public education in local history in Warwickshire. In furtherance of this objective, the Society shall:

- a. Co-operate with other bodies having similar interests.
- b. Encourage the preservation of local records, antiquities and objects of historical interest.
- c. Demonstrate ways of studying local history by sponsoring lectures, discussions and by arranging investigations and visits.
- d. Collect and make available information on local history projects and sources within the county.
- e. Undertake such publications as the resources of the society may permit from time to time.
- f. Take other steps which may be necessary in achieving the objects of the Society.

Membership of the Society is open to any person, society, organization, library, or corporate body interested in promoting its objects.

Annual Subscriptions

Individual Members	£9.00
Joint/Family Members	£12.00
Junior Member (in full-time education)	£5.00
Local History Societies	£12.00
Institutional Members	£15.00

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(Signed by the Chairman) Dr. John Bland

Warwickshire Local History Society

Receipts and payments accounts

for the year ending

31st December 2011

	2011			2010		
Opening funds:						
Barclays current account			£7			£7
CAF cash account			£312			£725
CAF gold account			<u>£5,265</u>			<u>£4,653</u>
Total cash in hand				£5,584		£5,386
Income						
Subscriptions		£2,629			£2,416	
Tax repayment		£372			£387	
Bank interest:-						
CAF current account	£1			£1		
CAF Gold account	<u>£12</u>			<u>£12</u>		
		£13			£12	
Legacy, P & T Meredith					£100	
Meetings & refreshments		£70			£56	
Outings, takings	£2,848			£2,570		
Outings, expenses & refreshments	<u>£1,975</u>			<u>£1,634</u>		
Nett profit on outings		£873			£936	
Sale of Publications & carriage costs		<u>£120</u>			<u>£108</u>	
			£4,077			£4,015
Expenditure						
Speakers		£250			£250	
Lecture room		£185			£138	
Committee room		£45			£45	
Subscriptions including insurance		£58			£58	
Printing Journal & Bulletin		£2,223			£2,654	
Postage & secretarial		£650			£629	
Website costs		<u>£65</u>			<u>£42</u>	
			£3,476			£3,817
Surplus on the year's activities				£601		£198
				£6,185		£5,584
Represented by:						
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Results of outings						
	2011			2010		
	No. Attended		Profit	No. Attended		Profit
Bretford '11 / Alcester '10	56		£145	29		£163
Social Barford '11 / Social Knowle '10	29		£241	37		£361
Idlicote '11 / Wolston '10	50		£99	51		£92
Middleton '11 / Bournville '10	35		£109	39		£98
Xmas Do Nailcote '11 / Xmas Do FMH '10	60		£215	55		£321
			£809			£1,035
Deposits - Ilmington '12 / Barford '11			£36			-£100
Nailcote prepaid in 2010			£100			
	230		£873	211		£935
Membership						
	2011			2010		
Individual		131			135	
Family		55			54	
Local History Groups		24			12	
Institutional		16			16	
Honorary		2			2	
		228			219	
Institutions via publications officer		16			18	
		244			237	
Notes						
* As the bulletin is now printed in house, the cost of this has been charged against postage & secretarial rather than being added to the cost of producing the journal.						

I have examined the books and vouchers of the society and find that the above accounts are correct.

Signed D. E. Rickard