

WARWICKSHIRE LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

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FORTY NINTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday 17th March 2015, 7.15pm at
Friends Meeting House, 39 High Street, Warwick, CV34 4AX
(Tea and coffee available from 6.45pm)

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence
2. Chairman's introductory remarks
3. To receive the Annual Report and Accounts for 2014
4. Subscriptions
5. To elect a President
6. To elect a Vice-President
7. To elect a Chairman / Vice-Chair, Secretary and other officers for the forthcoming year
8. To elect an Executive Committee for the forthcoming year
9. Any other business

Officers of the Committee

Mrs Jackie Bland will be stepping down as Hon. Secretary, Dr Ruth Barbour has been nominated.

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

Dr. Nat Alcock	Dr. Ruth Barbour	Mrs. Jane Beevers	Mrs. Jackie Bland
Dr. John Bland	Dr. Christine Hodgetts	Prof. Beat Kümin	Miss Monica Ory
Dr. Sylvia Pinches	Mr. John Wilmot		

Co-opted members **Miss Mairi MacDonald** (Editor of 'The Bulletin')

There are vacancies and nominations are welcomed. Nominations for officers and members of the Executive Committee, with the approval of the person nominated, must be sent to info@warwickshirehistory.org.uk and reach the Hon. Secretary by Friday, 13th March 2015.

Dr. Maureen Harris has been so nominated.

At the conclusion of the AGM, we welcome:

Della Hooke speaking about 'The Changing Landscape of Warwickshire from the Forest of Arden to the present day'.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE for 2014

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

The 2013 Annual Report and Accounts were duly accepted.

The Society re-elected the President, the Vice-President, joint Chairmen, Hon. Secretary, Treasurer, Editor, Programme Secretary, Membership Secretary, and other members of the Executive Committee.

The joint-chairs thanked all the officers for their hard work during the year.

Executive Committee Report

The Society wishes to thank Dr John Bland who has been working hard throughout 2013 and 2014 to represent the Society in our joint bid with Warwickshire County Council for Heritage Lottery Funding to restore the County Museum in Market Hall and construct a local history community website www.ourwarwickshire.org.uk. We committed £500 of Society funds to the bid and are tantalisingly close to discovering the outcome. We will report the verdict at the AGM.

Members of the committee also attended Leamington History Fair in October 2014. It was an excellent day and proved to be a good event to network with other local history societies and to promote the Society to new members.

The Executive Committee met three times in 2014 to arrange the meetings and outings of the Society on 22nd January, 7th May and 8th October.

The Society had 239 members, 124 individual, 51 family, 29 Local History Groups, 15 Institutional Members, 18 institutional via agents and 2 honorary members at 31st December 2014.

Meetings of the Society

18 th February 2014	Chris Pickford spoke about the revision of Pevsner
18 th March 2014	David Paterson spoke about about 'Nuneaton Grammar School'
15 th April 2014	Miles McNair talked about 'The Scandalous Olive Wilmot'
10 th May 2014	A visit to Polesworth
7 th June 2014	A visit to Brailes
12 th July 2014	A visit to Kinwarton
20 th September 2014	A visit to the Shakespeare Birthplace Trust
21 st October 2014	Angela Nichols spoke about 'Early modern alms houses and parish housing for the poor'
18 th November 2014	Stephen Wass spoke about 'The archaeology of Farnborough Hall'
6 th December 2014	A visit to Baddesley Clinton

Publications of the Society

Vol. XV number 6 and Vol. XVI number 1 of *Warwickshire History* have been published; two issues of the Bulletin have been produced.

We have amended the Index to include Vol. XV, and this is now available on the Society's website.

We have updated and extended the bibliography of Warwickshire publications; it now covers 1996-2013. This is also available on our website.

Financial Report

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

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

	2015	2016
Individual Members	£9.00	£12.00
Joint/Family Members	£12.00	£16.00
Junior Member (in full-time education)	£5.00	Free of Charge
Local History Societies	£12.00	£16.00
Institutional Members	£15.00	£20.00

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Mrs. Christine Woodland & Mrs. Lesley Caine
(Signed by the Co-Chairmen)

Warwickshire Local History Society

Receipts and payments accounts

for the year ending

31st December 2014

		2014			2013		
Opening funds:							
Barclays current account			£7			£7	
CAF cash account			£216			£400	
CAF gold account			<u>£6798</u>			<u>£5,990</u>	
Total cash in hand			£7021				£6,397
Income							
Subscriptions		£2,629			£2,446		
Tax repayment (Gift Aid)		£318			£340		
Bank interest:-							
CAF current account	£0				£1		
CAF Gold account	£11				<u>£7</u>		
		£11			£8		
Meetings & refreshments		£53			£42		
Outings, takings	£1,799				£2,902		
Outings, expenses & refreshments	<u>£1,632</u>				<u>£2,058</u>		
Nett profit on outings		£167			£844		
Sale of Publications & carriage costs		<u>£92</u>			<u>£76</u>		
			£3,271			£3,756	
Expenditure							
Speakers		£250			£200		
Lecture room		£140			£135		
Committee room		£54			£54		
Subscriptions including insurance		£65			£65		
Printing Journal		£1980			£2,179		
Postage & secretarial		£748			£435		
Contribution to 'Our Warwickshire' HLF Bid		£500					
Website costs		<u>£56</u>			<u>£64</u>		
			£3,793			£3,132	
Surplus on the year's activities				-£522			£624
			£6,499				£7,021
Represented by:							
Barclays			£7			£7	
CAF Cash Account			£684			£216	
CAF Gold Account			<u>£5,808</u>			<u>£6,798</u>	
Total cash in hand			£6,499				£7,021

	2014		2013	
	No. Attended	Profit	No. Attended	Profit
Brailes / Castle Bromwich	27	£10	35	£157
Kinwarton / Chedhams Yard	22	£48	33	£162
Polesworth / Guild Chapel	33	£52	27	£151
Treasures of SBT / Warmington	18	£25	41	£267
Christmas Baddesley Clinton / L.Leycester	39	<u>£32</u>	36	<u>£107</u>
		£167		£844
	139		172	

Membership	2014	2013
Individual	124	131
Family	51	54
Local History Groups	29	29
Institutional	15	15
Honorary	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
	221	231
Institutions via publications officer	18	17
	239	248

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

Signed D. E. Rickard