

West Hagbourne Village History Group
Minutes of Meeting 12th October 2009 at Fairview

Present: Joyce Brown, Michael Fielding, Josie Hill, Ted Kendrick, Sheila Taylor, Val Walton, Mary Wiley

Apologies: Linda Thompson

Welcome: Josie welcomed everyone; a special welcome to Joyce and Michael as it was their first visit to our History Group. We look forward to seeing them in the future.

Matters arising from the previous meeting (7th September 2009)

- East Hagbourne Archives: Josie will deal with this and report at next meeting
- List of Holdings: These include magazines, research re our book, correspondence, minutes, photos, CDs, videos, census, books, maps, etc. Members agreed to email their lists to me. Thanks to Mary who has sent hers.
- Sending material to Didcot Library: After holdings are sorted and listed it was agreed that material should be sent to Didcot and Oxford Libraries. Josie will speak to Mary Napper (Didcot librarian)
- Response to Roger Sweet's article re conversation area - this will be in the village newsletter.

Book Holdings: Josie gave 2 to Edna. Josie has approx. 20. Mary holds 2 books. Sheila has a full box.

Items for sale: Books and tea towels, notelets and cards depicting village scenes available from Edna at Chapel Hayes. Agreed to reduce price of tea towels to £3. Val will send advert to Village Newsletter. Ted will produce 3 posters for Notice Boards.

Malcolm Brownsword's Audio-visual Show at Hagbourne Village Hall 22 Oct 09 includes West Hagbourne's St. George's Day dragon competition.

Treasurer's Report: not available as Linda unable to be present.

Enquiries: One re Martha Powell from Ken Sewell. Another re Marie or Mary Henrietta Day, born approx. August 1896, husband Philip Joseph Day - came from one of the Hagbournes, from Cheryl West. Josie will do research and pass findings on to Mary who will deal with the enquiries.

Millennium House Project: Ted and Sheila continue to make progress - will report at next meeting.

Any Other Business:

- Mary brought photos of village scenes from Graham Osborne King - passed to Val to update photo album.
- 1911 Census: Josie has photos of people to go with the Census.

- Ted brought newsletter from Didcot and District Archaeological and Historical Society giving dates of future meetings :

Nov 4 09: A Spencer-Harper: Dipping into Wells
 Dec 2 09: E. Coyle, The Great Irish Famine
 Jan 6 2010: L. Wayters, The LNW Railway at Oxford
 Feb 3 2010: R Greenaway, Woodland Archaeology
 March 3 2010: Kevin Varley, Pictures in a parlour—a magic lantern show
 April 7 2010: Mike Bartlett, Civilian Motoring during WW2
 May 5 2010: J Pocock, The Peninsular Wars
 June 2010: Field Trip - tba

- Mary suggested having an evening during the summer when people could have the opportunity to view our archives.

Date and venue of next Meeting:

Monday 30th November at 8pm. at Fairview, York Rd.