

West Hagbourne Village History Group

Minutes of Meeting

February 8th 2010 at Fairview

Present: Josie Hill, Ted Kendrick, Sheila Taylor, Linda Thompson, Mary Wiley

Apologies: Eva Pinkava, Eve Setch

Matters arising from previous meeting (7 Dec.09):

Book Sales: Edna Scott has two books left, Josie has 20 books and Sheila has a full box, i.e. 24.

Mary has given the St. Andrew's magazines to Josie.

Films: Josie brought the recently discovered 8mm films (historical interest especially re Josie's family) to the meeting. Sheila will get quotes for transferring them to DVD. Josie will give any film relating to West Hagbourne to the History Group.

List of Holdings: Mary Napper has agreed to hold maps at Didcot Library.

Mary and Josie have given lists to Val. All members are asked to bring folders to next meeting (26th April 3pm.)

Enquiries: Village name: from Ian Wright, who has been researching the origins of our village name. Sheila has emailed him suggesting that he investigates the sources including our History book, Windsor Hakeborne. Ian is grateful for information given and is purchasing Windsor Hakeborne.

Rachel Eustace: email from Annabel Watts who wrote Helen Allingham's Cottage Homes Revisited, 2002 enquiring about the cottage where Rachel Eustace lived. We think that Rachel lived at one of the cottages opposite the post office that Helen Allingham painted. Mary will look at the parish records.

Millennium House Project: Ted has had problems with his computer but has now restored his data. Sheila and Ted are liaising regarding possible changes to the Index so that numbers may be included. Eve Setch has supplied more information on Wycherts.

Village Names and Village Pictures: Mary has ordered the book Helen Allingham's Cottage Homes Revisited, 2002 from Didcot Library to see if there are any photos that we do not already possess.

Hoppé Photo: Sheila is investigating the copyright. Possibly we can use the history of houses which no longer exist in the village for a display later in the year.

St. George's Day Celebration:

The History Group agreed to have a display table for notelets , tea towels and Windsor Hakeborne books at the supper on Sat. 24th April at Hagbourne Village Hall. (to be organised by the Village Association). Eva Pinkava and her music group have offered to sing traditional folk songs.

Possible change of evenings for meetings:

After discussion members found that this was not possible but may be able to meet occasionally on Monday afternoons for a working party.

Treasurer's Report: £1400 at present - plus about £100 in petty cash.

Any other Business:

Stone - shown on the 1933 Ordnance Survey Map - was not found by John Baile and Phil Taylor (see Feb. Village Newsletter).

Val will send a sympathy card from West Hagbourne Village History Group to Peter following the sad news of Andrea Mitchell's death.

Date and venue of next meeting:

Monday 26th April 2010 at 3pm. at Fairview, York Rd., Please bring all your folders.

Please note new email address for Val: val.walton1@btinternet.com