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The deadline for the December Journal is 1st November 2008 (10.00 a.m.)

All contributions should be sent to the Editor, whose contact details appear opposite

From the Chairman

Brenda Hawkins [785]

WDYTYA

Thanks to the team who worked their socks off for WDYTYA-Live at Olympia in May. Saturday may have seen the largest number of attendees, but we were kept busy for all three days, with no noticeable dropping off of interest on Sunday. Especial thanks are due to Sue Adams who organised the bookstall. She has taken well-deserved retirement from the post of bookstall manager and I can gain a small inkling from the work she has done for ESFHS by the number of storage boxes now stacked up in my house!

We are still looking for a Bookstall Manager. We continue to take the bookstall to as many events as we can. Sue has demonstrated how flexible we can be: from a couple of boxes for a small open day to our entire stock for Olympia. Working on the bookstall is a really rewarding experience. Anyone who would like to help, please contact me or Sue. You don't have to commit to running the entire bookstall: volunteers at the events are always welcome.

The overwhelming opinion of those of you who completed questionnaires was that we should attend such events as WDYTYA and we have booked for next year. The date has moved: it will run from Friday 27 February to Sunday 1 March 2009. The themes will be family, social and military history, with help identifying military ephemera. The organisers are committed to producing a vibrant show, with new attractions each year. It is the biggest family history show in the country and the eclectic mix of archives, commercial organisations, family history societies, talks, workshops, helpdesks – and in 2008 an ice-cream stall doing a roaring trade! – offers an unrivalled opportunity to further your family history knowledge.

Building Works

The National Archives at Kew is now completely re-vamped and re-furnished. The open plan area, for those wishing to consult digital or microform sources, is vast and the library is now visible, enticing all of us to explore. The National Archives now encourage us to copy their documents. This can be done in many different ways: obtaining digital images of original documents by email, taking our own photographs, etc. For those doing self-service hard copies, check that your money is on the right card, as some machines use our readers' tickets, others the old copy cards. If you are visiting for the first time, do check their website: <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk> to make the best use of your visit. Watch out, too for their Catalogue Awareness Day. This event, little publicised in advance, usually takes place in November and is an excellent way to learn how to make the best use of TNA's website and find out about their collections.

London Metropolitan Archives is also fully refurbished. It would have been

nice if a little more space had been provided for consulting the hard-copy catalogues – some of the FRC’s old lecterns would have been useful! – but the overall effect of removing internal partitions is to create a brighter and more pleasant working environment. The sacrifice of microform reading space currently seems a little premature, but the digitisation of LMA’s records is a wonderful project which will be eagerly anticipated by those unable to visit London.

It is now the turn of the John Harvard Library in Southwark to undergo a re-vamp. The local studies library will be temporarily rehoused in the iconic Peckham Library, where we hope to hold our next few Southwark meetings. Check elsewhere in the journal for more information.

Unexpected benefits!

June Carmichael joined ESFHS a couple of years after I did. When I saw that her Surrey Hornes originated in Wiltshire, as mine did, I contacted her. A link, if one exists, is probably before the start of the local parish registers circa 1700, but over the years we have kept a friendly interest in each others’ trees. She recently acquired the death certificate for Mary Jane Horne, aged 10. Not one of hers, alas. Having dismissed it out of hand, she thought to contact me . . . I now know my great grandfather’s eldest sister died of *tabes mesenterica*, probably caused by drinking TB-infected milk. That’s not all. The informant was grandmother, Sarah Broomfield. Sarah has done all she could to elude me: she was widowed very young, so did not marry my ancestor under her maiden name. When she registered the births of children, she ignored her former name. Catherine, Mary’s mother has no birth certificate and crucially the baptism entry gives the wrong name for the mother. I had reasoned Sarah was my ancestor, but this was concrete proof at last. So, thank you, June, for that unwanted certificate. It has been more useful than either of us could have imagined!

Vouchers and microfiche

For those of you who consult ppv sites at libraries or don’t wish to use your credit cards online, we hold stocks of all major vouchers, including Familyhistoryonline, which may be used on the [Findmypast](#) website. These can be ordered through Genfair, or brought to meetings (ask in advance).

Check our website for up-to-date prices of microfiche. We are offering special rates on census microfiche. Please note that while we plan to reissue other microfiche indexes on CD or online, the conversion of some records will take some time. We are running low on various titles, so buy now and find that ancestor!

Research Secretary

After many years working indefatigably on behalf of the Society, Beryl Cheeseman has decided it is time to call it a day. She has worked for members

above and beyond the call of duty, taking a real and personal interest in their research queries. We are indebted to her for all the hard work she has put in to her post and wish her well now she has a chance to pursue some of her own projects.

If you are able to visit Lingfield, would you consider helping out with queries? Our Research Centre is packed with resources, useful to all of us. Contact Rita Russell or me if you are interested (contact details inside the front cover). ❖

Projects Report

Rita Russell [7123]

The last couple of months have been very quiet. Holidays and trying to catch up with what is already in the pipeline has meant I haven't been sending anything out for transcribing and only a few pieces of work have been checked. I am sure my team of helpers have also had other things to fill in their time.

It is my intention during August to plough ahead with finalising some of St Mary Lambeth marriages for CD and to complete various Monumental Inscriptions, also for CD. Both the marriages and the MIs will be loaded onto the Super Name Index.

Our dedicated team of Jean and Frank Cresswell have almost finished transcribing and typing the MIs for Wimbledon and will pass the details on to me for production. They have also taken on the task of re-doing the missing sections of Limpsfield MIs so these will also be out later this year.

We are running out of census fiches. Although the professionals have produced various copies of the censuses and familysearch/findmypast have set up a new agreement for indexing them, we will make a master copy of all our transcriptions in a separate Index for reference. ❖

Bookstall

Rita Russell [7123]

We went to the Buckinghamshire Open Day on 26th July and although steady it was a good day.

We are off to the Hampshire FHS Open day on 21st September at Horndean and then the West Surrey Open Day at Woking on 1st November.

The Society will have help desks at the London Maze in October and the Lambeth Archives on 8th November. ❖

From the Society Secretary

Chris Pocock, Secretary ESFHS

Southwark Local History Library

Southwark Local History Library is to be temporarily relocated to the 2nd floor of Peckham Library between August 2008 and Summer 2009. This is due to the refurbishment of the John Harvard Library. The library will close at 1.00 p.m. on 23rd August and will reopen at Peckham on 2nd October.

Most of the resources such as books, pamphlets, cuttings, illustrations, map directories, electoral registers, microfilm/fiche and publications for sale will be available. Archives and reserve stock items will be unavailable for the whole of the relocation period. See page 22 for more details. Buses serving the library are numbers 12, 36, 63, 171, 312 and 436. The nearest railway station is Peckham Rye. The library's opening times are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m.; Wednesday 10.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m.; Saturday 10.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. and Sunday 12 noon to 4.00 p.m. The telephone number is 020 7525 2000.

London Metropolitan Archives

The next stage of the building works will take place in November/December 2008 during the fortnightly closure for stocktaking. Work will include:

- Additional security measures for Archives Studies Areas
- New Security Point at Ground Floor Level
- New CCTV system
- New external signage
- Reader Registration
- Online ordering of archives, photographs and library stock

Further details are available on www.cityoflondon.gov.uk.

Sutton Library

Building works are continuing at Sutton Library. The Local Studies Section is fully operational. The international version of Ancestry is available on any computer designated for the public in any of the libraries in the London Borough of Sutton.

Surrey Libraries

The international version of Ancestry is now available in all Surrey Libraries.

Sutton Group ESFHS

The Sutton Group will continue to meet on the 1st Thursday of every month next year at St Nicholas Church Hall, Robin Hood Lane, Sutton. Doors open from 7.30 p.m. for an 8.00 p.m. start.

Please note that there will be no meeting on New Years Day; the first meeting next year will be on 8th January 2009. ❖

Group meetings

September

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| 2 | Pitfalls of <i>Who do you think you are?</i> | | Croydon |
| 4 | "Bread, gruel and dumplings: Life in the Workhouse" | Ian Waller | Sutton |
| 13 | Maps for Family and Local History | tba | Richmond |
| 24 | Missing Links – what to do next | Eric Probert | Lingfield |

October

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| 2 | Women's voices in the 17 th /18 th centuries | Else Churchill | Sutton |
| 22 | East Surrey in 1851 – people and places in the census year | Dr Ron Cox | Lingfield |
| 27 | Constructing my Crome Family Tree – 3 centuries in Norfolk & 2 centuries in London | Leslie Crome | Southwark |

NOTE: this talk will be held at Peckham Library in the fifth floor meeting room (lifts are available) – see notice on page 21.

November

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| 4 | London, the Metropolitan nightmare | Paul Blake | Croydon |
| 6 | Industry in Southwark, Bermondsey and Rotherhithe | Stephen Humphrey | Sutton |
| 8 | The Villages of East London
<i>Two hundred years ago 'East London' consisted of 26 villages in the County of Middlesex. This talk identifies some of these villages and provides the evidence that many are still there, hidden in modern suburbia.</i> | Peter Lawrence | Richmond |
| 26 | Reading old handwriting | Mari Alderman | Lingfield |

December

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| 4 | The future of the internet in genealogy | Peter Christian | Sutton |
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Ensure you check the day of the week carefully as not all Groups meet on the same evening.

Croydon: United Reformed Church (small hall), Addiscombe Grove, Croydon, 7.45 p.m.

Secretary: Wendy Shuttleworth (020 8406 3814)

Lingfield: Lingfield & Dormansland Community Centre, High Street, Lingfield, 2.30 p.m.

Secretary: Rita Russell (01342 834648)

Richmond: Vestry House, 21 Paradise Road, Richmond, 2.30 p.m.

Secretary: David Carter (020 8642 6437)

Southwark: Southwark Local History Library, behind John Harvard Library, 211 Borough High Street, London, SE1, 12 noon

Secretary: Sheila Gallagher (020 8337 8580)

Please note that for approximately six months from September building alterations will be in progress at John Harvard Library. The October meeting will be held at Peckham Library (see page 21).

Sutton: St Nicholas's Church Hall, Robin Hood Lane, Sutton, 8.00 p.m.

Secretary: Chris Pocock (020 8642 6789)

Doors usually open 30 minutes before the start of the meeting (Croydon 15 minutes)

2009 Renewal Subscriptions

Ann Turnor - Membership Secretary [827]

As you will have read in the Chairman's notes in your June Journal we are having to increase the Society subscription as from January 2009.

These subscriptions have remained the same for the last 14 years and due to the increased cost of the journal's production and the increases in postage we are left with no alternative if we are to break even.

I ask that those of you who pay by Standing Order should please contact your Bank and make the necessary adjustments for the payment due next January. The subscription from this date will be **£12.00**. We really appreciate those members who pay by this method as it considerably cuts down on time spent on collating and banking cheques.

Book review?

I have been sent details of *Obituaries of Dissenting Ministers in The Gentleman's Magazine 1801-1837*, written by Alan Ruston and published in association with Dr Williams's Trust and Library. If any member would care to write a review of this book (98 pages and nearly 600 entries covering most denominations including Methodists) please contact me.

The Editor

Don Steel – an appreciation

Derek & Jean Tooke [007]

We were very sorry indeed to learn that Don Steel had died in April, for it was Don who was responsible for the birth of our East Surrey FHS in 1977.

Don was a remarkable man. Fascinated with his own family history while at school and university, he had the ability, as a teacher, lecturer, author and TV personality, to inspire others to trace their roots.

In 1974 he was instrumental in forming the Federation of Family History Societies (FFHS) and encouraging the formation of new local societies including the Surrey Borders FHS (now West Surrey FHS) of which he was Vice-President.

Needless to say, Don had always been a very active committee member of the Society of Genealogists, initiating the National Index of Parish Registers volumes.

At the Society's AGM & Conference on 25 July 1977, Don realised that there was a need for a family history society based in East Surrey, after chatting to Derek Tooke. A meeting was arranged after the AGM to which several people responded. Consequently, Don offered to come up from his Somerset home to chair an inaugural committee meeting in Woodside Close, Caterham, where plans were made for our first public meeting in Sutton Library on 26th September.

Not only did he offer to give the talk on 'Trace Your Ancestors' but he wrote an excellent article entitled 'Starting a Life Sentence' for our first journal, in which his profile also appears (see below).

We were always very grateful to Don for, with his expertise, we have a thriving society celebrating its 31st anniversary this September.

(the following is reprinted from the first issue of the Society's Journal, September 1977)

Mr Don Steel

Don Steel was born at Morden, Surrey, in 1935 where he spent the first 26 years of his life, moving to Worcester Park when he married. For five years he was in charge of Liberal Studies at the Sutton School of Art and was at one time projectionist for the Sutton and Cheam Film Society. He is now BBC Education Officer for South-west England, living at the village of East Brent in Somerset. He has been a fanatical genealogist since the age of six. In 1948, when just 13, he joined the Society of Genealogists – the youngest member ever. He was made a Fellow in 1962, and has just completed a third term on their Executive Committee. In 1974 he founded the West Surrey Family History Society (of which he is now Vice President), was co-founder of the Bristol and Avon Family History Society, (of which he is also Vice President) and was one of the leading figures in the foundation of the Federation of Family History

Societies (of which he was, until recently, Vice Chairman). He edited the National Index of Parish Registers from 1960 to 1973. Five volumes have so far been published, four of them general volumes written by him, and the fifth, the South Midlands and Welsh Border volume, compiled by Don and his mother and published in 1966.

For many years Don has lectured in Family History, and he was co-founder and secretary of the Association of Teachers of Family History. He has encouraged Family History in Schools and with Lawrence Taylor published a book of that title in 1973. He was a member of the committee organising the 1975 English Genealogical Congress at Cambridge and was Vice Chairman of that organising the 13th Annual Congress of Genealogical and Heraldic Sciences held in London in 1976. ❖

Tech Topics – Data storage Part 4

Brian Hudson[7324]

This series of articles discusses the various types of portable storage media which can be used for backups, sharing, or archiving.

Flash Memory

This is a form of non-volatile* computer memory chip which can be erased and re-written. It can also be referred to as **flash ROM** or **flash RAM**.

This type of memory chip is used in a wide range of consumer items including mobile phones, and digital cameras. It is packaged in many ways, but those of you with digital cameras may be familiar with memory card names such as CompactFlash (CF), SmartMedia (SM), Memory Stick (MS), MultiMediaCard (MMC), SecureDigital (SD) – and more besides. Many modern desktop and laptop computers include one or more sockets which enable a card to be slotted in and read directly by the computer.

For users of computers with a USB (**Universal Serial Bus**) socket an essential item is a **USB flash drive** (although strictly speaking they are not drives since they don't have any moving parts). They are also referred to as **key drives** and **memory sticks** (which confusingly is also the name of the Sony memory card). A USB drive is very useful as a portable storage device; it is small, very easy to use, fast and reliable. The size of memory available has gone up almost as quickly as the price has come down. At the time of writing **www.7dayshop.com** had a 2GB flash drive for £3.49 and 4GB for £7.25. For delivery in the UK other places to look online include **amazon.co.uk**, **maplin.co.uk**, and **dabs.com**. These drives are also widely available in shops selling cameras or computers. ❖

*Non-volatile – *retains data even if the power is disconnected.*

Keeping track of all those ancestors

Chris Green [4030]

It was the fashion, a couple of generations ago – and, to a lesser extent, still is – to name children after one of the parents or a close relative. While this must have been convenient, and required no use of the imagination, it occasionally proves to be a headache for the family historian. In one branch of my family every other boy seemed to be called either William or George; in another practically every girl was Mary, Sarah, Clara or a combination of these (my gt-grandmother rejoiced in Clara Sarah Mary Ann!).

In order to distinguish among all these individuals, soon after I started researching my family history some 40 years ago I adopted a system to keep track of them all. My first essay into a commercial system, when such things became available, was Personal Ancestral File (partly because there weren't many choices and partly because it was free). While this allocated a record number to each individual, this happened in the order in which individuals were added. This wasn't much use at all. However, PAF had a facility for a Reference Number that could be used in any way one chose – so providing one had a system for choosing a number this would do very well. Many years later I am now using Family Tree Maker (v16!) and this too has a Reference Number facility, as I suspect do most such programs.

I make no claim that I have invented this system – for all I know you may use a similar method to keep track of all your ancestors. If you have no such system you are welcome to consider this one and, if you feel it could work for you, use it.

It has the triple virtues of:

- using a one-to-one relationship; that is, every individual has just one reference number and every reference number relates to just one individual
- being easy to use and understand
- being capable of limitless expansion.

I should say at this point that this article describes only what I have chosen to call 'Primary Relatives'. A Primary Relative is easily defined as [1] me; or [2] a parent of a Primary Relative. Thus I am a Primary Relative (by definition [1]), my father is a Primary Relative (by definition [2]), my grandfather is a Primary Relative (as he is a parent of my father, who is a Primary Relative) . . . and so on. A little thought will make it clear that all one's *direct* ancestors are Primary Relatives. Aunts, cousins, etc., are another matter and we shall come to that in the next issue.

So far, so good. Having established who is to be included in this system, we can start to allocate reference numbers. It is always best to start at the beginning so I am number one! Every other number can be allocated using two further rules: [3] the father of an individual doubles the number and [4] the wife of an individual adds one to the number. Before I go any further I must make it clear that this system (which I 'invented' in my teens) does not

include my wife or children, mainly because I wasn't concerned about such things at that age.

So I am number 1. This makes my father number 2 (by rule [3], my paternal grandfather 4, and so on. Just as easily, my mother is number 3 (rule [4] and my maternal grandmother is 7 (rules [3] and [4]).

Because this is a purely mathematical system it can be expanded as far as one wishes. It can also be used for simple calculations, using the table below. For a start, every even number is male, every odd number female (this doesn't apply to me but, of course, it may to you).

Number from	to	Gen	Description	Cousin
1	1	0	self	-
2	3	1	parent	-
4	7	2	grandparent	1st
8	15	3	gt-grandparent	2nd
16	31	4	2xgt-grandparent	3rd
32	63	5	3xgt-grandparent	4th
64	127	6	4xgt-grandparent	5th

and so on.

Although this table looks daunting at first sight, it can be quite useful.

The numbers in the two left-hand columns are the reference numbers we have just been discussing (my father = 2, etc.). I find the generation number (third column) particularly useful when I am drawing large family trees as it helps me to keep track of which generation various people belong to: starting with me again, I am G0 (or generation 0), my parents are G1, etc. With that knowledge, and having a reference number to hand, a family relationship can quickly be found.

For instance, one of my ancestors whose number is 11 belongs in generation 3 and is one of my great-grandmothers (remember that all odd numbers are female); number 124 is G6 and a 4xgreat-grandfather.

The final column, headed 'Cousin', is something I have added recently. With the help of the internet I have discovered many people who are cousins – albeit, in some cases, very distant cousins. By finding our first common ancestor – say it is number 71 (in fact the pair of common ancestors will be 70 and 71) – I can tell at a glance that we are 5th cousins.

Only you can tell whether or not this system would suit the way you work. It works for me – if you have a system that works for you then stick with it. If you have no system then perhaps it is worth considering.

One final point. The system I have described here works only because a person has one father and one mother; it does not allow for re-marriages or for step-parents. And, in the future, it will not cater for IVF parents – but by that time I shall be past caring. ❖

Website roundup

Brian Hudson [7324]

www.visionofbritain.org.uk 'A vision of Britain through time' is how this site describes itself. It has been designed for people with an interest in local history for the period 1801 to 2001 and includes place information, census reports (1801 – 1961), and historical mapping.

www.my-history.co.uk/acatalog/compare.htm If you are thinking of buying a family history programme this UK site compares a number of packages from free to £50. However, only Windows software is covered in the comparison.

genealogy-software-review.toptenreviews.com As this is an American comparison chart for family history programmes the software versions may be different to those produced for the UK market and the pricing is only shown in dollars. It includes DoroTree for Jewish genealogists. Under the heading *Discontinued* is Heredis but click on the link for a review. It is now only available for Mac computers – a free download of Heredis MacX.2 is available at www.myheredis.com.

www.which.co.uk This well known consumer organisation has conducted tests of broadband services. The Which? broadband pages can be found by selecting *Computing* on the home page then *Internet Access* on the computing page. If you are a subscriber to their online service or magazine you will be able to read the full results but even if you aren't, the site contains some good free advice that will be useful if you are unhappy with the speed of your service. One of their pages has a link to a site, www.thinkbroadband.com/speedtest.html, which will run a broadband speed test. Many of you will undoubtedly be disappointed with the speed you are receiving as compared to the 'up to' speed advertised.

RootsMagic

The April 2008 issue of the RootsMagic newsletter contained a link to a useful Tips Sheet with a long list of hot keys and shortcuts. To see the newsletter in full enter tinyurl.com/6l7enb into your browser address bar. The latest version of RootsMagic is 3.2.6.

If you want a free update then go to www.rootsmagic.co.uk/upgrades.htm and click the link to *patches* where all the improvements are outlined and the patch can be downloaded. Later this year RootsMagic 4 is due to be released and the company have a regularly updated blog page at blog.rootsmagic.com. Hopefully the UK version will follow shortly after the US launch. ❖

Family History course

Paul Blake, the Society's President, will again be running a 20 week course in Family History for the Fetcham and Bookham Branch of the WEA. This will be held at the Dorking Christian Centre, Dorking, on Tuesdays from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., starting on 23rd September.

This year's course will concentrate on the records that can be used once the basic sources have been exhausted, and so will be suitable for those who already have some experience of research. However, as everything is changing so fast, the first few weeks will be spent on reviewing the basic sources and so relative beginners will also find this course quite accessible.

For full details and a brochure please contact 01306 731377.

The London Maze 2008

Sue Turner [3111]

The East Surrey Family History Society will be represented at this year's London Maze Local History Fair. The venue is the London Guildhall, as in previous years, and it will take place on Saturday 11th October 2008.

The London Maze celebrates London's history and showcases the wealth of resources available – a real must for the family historian, especially if you have ancestors in London. The day will consist of a series of events for everyone with an interest in London's history, including: stands representing London's local studies libraries' archives and museums, user groups and local history societies; a wide range of activities; free entry to the Guildhall Art Gallery (where the event is centred); themed walks of the City of London provided by City of London Guides.

Come and join us for a great day out! For more information regarding the event go to www.cityoflondon.gov.uk. ❖

Genealogical Record Research Services covering Surrey, Sussex and London

Do you live too far away to justify the expense of locating your genealogical records in S. E. England repositories?

Let me do the legwork extracting the records for you.

Prices from £6 per hour + expenses (see website for details)

Andy Spooner, Old Scaynes Hill House, Clearwater Lane,
Scaynes Hill, West Sussex, RH17 7NF, England

Web: <http://www.grrs.co.uk> Tel: +44 (0) 1444 831602 Email: grrs@btinternet.com

Seeking male PHILLIPS for DNA surname project

There is good news for all family historians who have hit the proverbial 'brick wall' and can learn nothing more about their family histories because of the lack of recorded information. Now DNA testing provides a scientific tool that can help break through those brick walls.

You may ask, how is this possible? Y-DNA is passed down from father to son over the generations with only a few changes or mutations. Since men also usually pass down their surnames to their sons from generation to generation, this means Y-DNA is inherited hand-in-hand with the surname. The Y chromosome follows a well-defined path down the straight paternal line, which conveniently also tracks the surname in many cultures.

For this reason, the main emphasis in genetic genealogy is on surname DNA projects. Men who share the same last name or some variation of it are recruited to take a DNA test, and then results are compared to discover which of them are related within a genealogical time frame, which generally means within the past 600 to 1000 years. In Europe, permanent surnames gradually came into general use between 1000 AD and 1700 AD. Although women cannot be tested because they do not have Y-DNA, they can participate in surname projects by recruiting male members of their family for testing.

By joining a surname DNA project, you will be put in touch with other families with Y-DNA that matches yours. You can compare notes and make connections, perhaps enabling you to trace back many generations further than you could without DNA comparisons. Also, DNA analysis can reveal the general area where the ancient paternal ancestor of the participant originated; ie, Eastern Europe, Central Europe, Western Europe, the Mediterranean, the British Isles, Scandinavia, etc.

Success stories in the 'Phillips Worldwide DNA and Genealogy Project' have already proven that DNA testing can be of great assistance in finding ancestors and confirming circumstantial evidence of family relationships. The DNA of persons who are total strangers may match and prove common ancestors and family connections previously unknown. Credibility may be added to conventional research findings, or, as already has happened, test results may render current findings invalid and reveal that a new direction in research is needed.

In the past, UK genealogists have often rejected DNA testing because of concerns either about its cost, its security or the discomfort of taking the test. The test is quite painless, involving nothing more than rubbing a cotton bud across the inside of ones cheek. The testing laboratories necessarily have high standards of security and simply could not afford to make the same sort of mistakes government departments commit. There are now some free DNA tests available. But if you are attracted to the extra advantages of paying for a higher level test, the weak US dollar has brought the cost down.

The Phillips Worldwide DNA Project was started several years ago by a

man named Shannon Phillips who lives in the USA. Nancy Kiser, who has a maternal line of Phillips, joined him as Assistant Administrator in 2007. Mr. Phillips and Mrs. Kiser are volunteers who do not get paid for their efforts in organizing and running this project. As of April 2008, the project has more than 260 participants and 32 separate, unrelated families of Phillips have been identified through Y-DNA analysis. In addition, the project has over 70 men whose Y-DNA does not match anyone else in the project. This is proof positive not everyone named Phillips is related within a genealogical time frame, which means within the last 1,000 years. In other words, all men named Phillips do not descend from a single Phillips family.

At present, most of the participants in the Phillips Worldwide DNA Project are Americans, although there are also a few Canadians, British and Australians. More participation from the British Isles and mainland Europe is sought in an attempt to identify the deep roots of all Phillips families worldwide and help prove geographic migration patterns. The lab mails a kit to the participant who then returns his samples to the lab in a pre-paid, pre-addressed envelope. The kit is given a number and this is the only way the DNA results are ever publicly identified to preserve everyone's privacy.

If you are a male Phillips (or any variation of the name Phillips) and you live in the United Kingdom, Ireland or mainland Europe, the Phillips Worldwide DNA Project may be willing to pay for your basic 12 marker Y-DNA test if you are willing to supply a Phillips pedigree that traces back at least five generations. If you would like to take advantage of this offer to participate in a fascinating and informative project, please contact Shannon Phillips at phillipsdnaproj@aol.com or Nancy Kiser at nancy2kiser@yahoo.com. You may also contact Richard Phillips at 4 High Street, Badsey, Evesham, WR11 7EW. To read more about the project and how DNA analysis works in conjunction with traditional genealogical research, see the project website at <http://www.worldfamilies.net/surnames/p/phillips/index.html>. ❖

Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain

The Museum of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain will be hosting a series of events entitled 'Behind the Scenes'. The programme is intended to give the community a closer look at our collection and to learn about the history of pharmacy and medicine. There will be 10 sessions, with two sessions per month from August to December. Each month will have a theme. In order to give each guest a truly memorable experience only 10 slots are available for each session. Guests are encouraged to book early.

For more information contact Lorraine Johnson, Museum Audience Development Assistant, RPSGB at 1 Lambeth High Street, London, SE1 7JN; (t) 020 7572 2682; (e) lorraine.johnson@rpsgb.org. ❖

Settlement Certificates

Beryl Cheeseman - Researcher for the East Surrey Family History Society

People moving to Hertfordshire from Surrey

YEAR	NAME	FAMILY	FROM	TO	REFERENCE
8 Apr 1706	ANDERTON	Silvester (at Frithsden) Berkhamstead (surgeon)	SSS	Berkhamstead	DP/19/13/2/26
22 Oct 1725	ARNOLD	William (Gingerbread baker), wife Joan & 3 children	SSS	Watford	DP/117/13/2/081
— — 1749	BRIDGMAN	Stephen	Mitcham	Cheshunt	DP/29/13/8
17 Apr 1744	BURRELL	Thomas, wife & two children	SSS	Ware	DP/116/8/2
25 Nov 1748	CATLIN	John, wife Sarah & children	SSS	Wormley	DP/126/13/1/17
1 Mar 1734	CLARKE	James, wife Alice & children	SSG	Hitchin	DP/53/13/2/119
11 Jan 1701	CRAMPTON	Edward (Woolcomber) and wife Elizabeth	SSO	Hertford	DP/49/13/1/009
14 Jan 1703	EDWARDS	Francis (Carpenter)	SSS	Broxbourne	DP/24/13/2/02
21 May 1719	EWERS	Thomas, wife Ann & Family	Dorking	Watford	DP/117/13/2/063
1 Mar 1728	FIGGENS	Joseph, wife Sarah & children	Croydon	Cheshunt	DP/29/13/8
28 Jan 1716	FRIKEL	John	Christchurch	B Stortford	DP/21/16/5
21 Jun 1711	HOLT	John, wife Judith & children	SSO	Watford	DP/117/13/2/038
16 Aug 1731	JERMAN	George, wife Ann & children	Leatherhead	St. Albans	DP/90/13/2/42
13 Oct 1739	JONES	John, wife Alice & 5 children	BSM	St. Albans	DP/93/13/3/223
28 Apr 1748	KIMBER	George, wife Mary & children	Farnham	Hitchin	DP/53/13/2/145
24 Dec 1720	LAKE	Francis (Tanner), wife Judith daughter	BSM	Hertford	DP/49/13/2/124
26 Sep 1709	LAMBE	Thomas and wife Katherine	Wimbledon	Hoddesdon	DP/24a/13/3
29 Nov 1737	MAURICE	Thomas and wife Ann	Clapham	St. John H'ford	DP/48/13/1/273
10 Feb 1737	MAXWELL	Thomas, wife Ann & six children	Ebbisham	Hitchin	DP/53/13/2/037
27 May 1752	MOORE	Phillis & children	LSM	Ware	DP/116/8/1
12 Sep 1728	MOORE	Stephen and wife Sarah	Camberwell	Royston	DP/87/13/1/026
25 Jan 1709	MUNT	Ralph, wife Mary & children	Rotherhithe	St. Albans	DP/90/13/1/35
12 Nov 1714	RANSOM	Joseph & wife? (Damage)	SSS	Hitchin	DP/53/13/2/087
— — 1717	ROGERS	Elizabeth	Rotherhithe	Cheshunt	DP/29/13/8
9 Aug 1742	SWAINE	Thomas, wife Mary & 5 children	Barnes	Watford	DP/117/13/2/140
9 Jul 1705	WHARTON	John	Mortlake	Watford	DP/117/13/2/023
	BSM	Bermondsey, St Mary Magdalene;	LSM	Lambeth, St Mary;	
	SSG	Southwark, St George the Martyr	SSO	Southwark St Olave;	
	SSS	Southwark, St Saviour	STS	Southwark, St Thomas	

News from Sutton Local Studies Centre

Kath Shawcross, Borough Archivist & Local Studies Manager

Thanks to those members who supported us when the Central Library played host in June to a seminar entitled 'Were your ancestors slaves or slavers?' There was an excellent turnout of over 50 people attending coming from as far away as Brixton to hear our three speakers discussing the research of ancestry in the Caribbean – both slave owners and slaves themselves. Clearly there is a demand here for more seminars and instruction in tracing Caribbean roots.

If you know any 'beginners' living in Sutton there are some family history intro classes being held in the following libraries and historic houses:

Sat 6 Sept all day at Whitehall, Cheam including children's activities

Details: ☎ 020 8643 1236

Wed 10 Sept at Ridge Road Library, FH for Beginners

Details: ☎ 020 8644 9696

Wed 24 Sept at Carshalton Library, FH Workshop

Details: ☎ 020 8647 1151

Thur 25 Sept at Sutton Library, FH for Beginners

Details: ☎ 020 8770 4700

Carew Manor and Carshalton House openings

During September and October both Carew Manor and Carshalton House will be open to the public:

Carew Manor: Guided tours on 14 Sept and 19 Oct at 2.00 and 3.30 p.m.

Carshalton House: Guided tour on 28 Sept at 1.30, 2.30 and 4 p.m.

☎ 020 8770 4781 for details or booking or both.

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Contact Maureen Burton (*Publications*) – details on inside back cover

Have you clay tobacco pipe maker ancestors?

Mike Lattimer [9316]

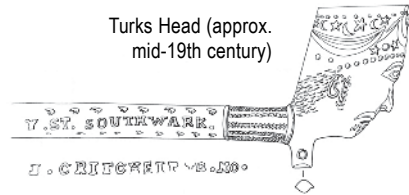
Rubbish is everywhere and now we sort it and recycle it, don't we? There was a time when it was dumped in any convenient hole, ditch or waterway. You may have noticed how excited archaeologists become when they find an ancient pottery sherd or coin because our ancestors' discards can date a sequence. We may discover every day objects from the more recent past – bottles, ointment pots, fragments of pottery and pieces of clay tobacco pipes in ploughed fields, river banks and canals. Researching the producers or retailers of these finds has enormous potential for family or local historians.

But what if you have already found that you have ancestors who were the makers? In the case of clay tobacco pipes, archaeology may help you to discover more about them.

Clay tobacco pipes were in everyday use in England from soon after the introduction of tobacco in the late sixteenth century until the late nineteenth century, when machine rolled cigarettes were first made and briar or wooden pipes became popular. Kilns were established early in London, which soon became the centre of production, and many of these were located south of the Thames in the ESFHS area.

So how do pipes relate to Family History? Clay tobacco pipes have proved to be one of the most useful artifact types that an archaeologist can recover from a Post-Medieval site. They spanned class and gender being smoked by men and women from all walks of life, and, as such, are seen by many scholars as the 'ideal type fossil' for the period 1600 to 1900. Therefore if you have pipe makers in your ancestry, you may be able to relate them to the pipes that they made. In many cases, pipes can be dated by shape and style to within 20 years or so, and some were initialled or marked with symbols by their makers.

Pipes and wasters (damaged pipes discarded after firing) are found during excavation of kilns; the kilns themselves may appear in records (wills, rent accounts and the like) thereby providing names and dates for makers who may



Barley twist



then be traced in BMDs.

There are plenty of archaeologists' reports and publications, but unfortunately, as specialist publications, these need tracking down. For a short, general guide try the excellent Shire Library 37 *Clay Tobacco Pipes* by E G Atyo. At the other extreme but of particular note is Colin Tatman's monograph on pipe making in Newington, a detailed account which explores the industry and pipe making families of Newington – the bibliography and

appendices alone provide ample source material to study. Also worth looking at is Stephen Walker's short survey of St. Olave's, which contains some useful background for any one whose early FH takes in this area of Southwark. Heather Colman's Web site *Almost everything you could know about Clay Tobacco Pipes* (www.dawnmist.demon.co.uk/pipdex.htm) does what it suggests, whilst The Museum of London Group's web site (www.museumoflondon.org.uk/Claypipes/index.asp) includes a section *Clay tobacco pipe maker's marks from London* which gives good illustrations and the names of some early makers. For more details of pipe making in London and a flavour of the research undertaken by archaeologists, see www.kieron.heard.ukonline.co.uk/index.htm. Then there's Google . . .

Even those without any makers in their family may find a brief exploration of the social history worthwhile. By Victorian times there were many pictorial designs – lots to see on Heather Colman's Web site. Remember that these pipes were also everyday items, easily broken and discarded – they turn up from time to time in gardens and allotments, under floor boards, or perhaps kept as a family memento. Think too of your ancestors who enjoyed their pipe in the ale house, in front of their parlour fire or as they toiled in the fields.

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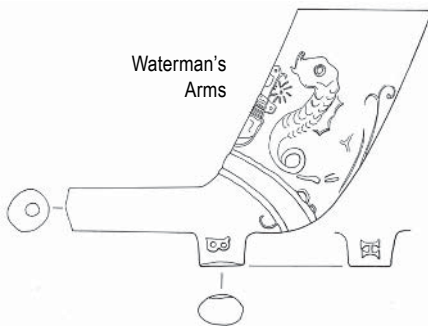
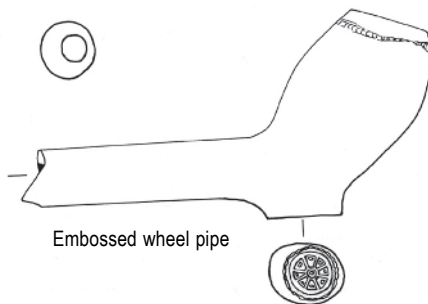
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A visit from Stanley John

Stan Herbert [7765]

In the normal way a visit from an uncle is of no great consequence, except that in this case the relative died eighty-eight years ago.

My father's brother, Stanley John **Herbert**, died in 1920 at 38 Richmond Gardens, Hammersmith, in the presence of his wife Ethel. According to the Death Certificate he died just one month after the twenty-fifth anniversary of his birth. I had previously understood that Stanley John had died as a result of wounds received in the First World War, although according to the Death Certificate cause of death had been pulmonary tuberculosis. However, he was described as an army pensioner which supports the idea that I had obtained the correct certificate. In an effort to expand the limited information I have on his short life, my researches continued on through the afternoon and into the evening. As dusk began to cast shadows across my small study I slowly became aware of a sense of cigarette smoke, quite subtle, hardly an aroma at all. Maybe I should have looked over my shoulder but for some reason I didn't.

My imagination suitably stimulated, I searched out the one photograph I have containing an image of Uncle Stanley, taken in an army hospital ward together with nurses and comrades. Of no interest before, my attention immediately focussed on Stanley John's left hand and the cigarette which it held. Clearly, the obsession with health and safety was yet to come!

All coincidental nonsense, no doubt, but the sense of cigarette smoke was quite unmistakable and there are no smokers in my house. As so many of us have discovered, probing the years gone by can become a fascinating pastime but who knows what mechanisms might be unleashed, what influences brought to bear? The supernatural aside, I shall continue to probe, through online records and any others I can find. Meanwhile, although it must indeed be a long shot, it occurs to me that the photo might tie in with some other

m e m b e r ' s records and lead to additional information. I will be most grateful for any comments or suggestions. ❖



Stanley Herbert (b 1895) third from right standing.
First World War photo, others unknown



Southwark Local History Library

Temporary relocation
August 2008 to Summer 2009

We will move from 211 Borough High Street to Peckham Library, 122 Peckham Hill Street, SE15 5JR (second floor) for about nine months whilst the John Harvard Library is refurbished.

We will close at 1.00 pm on Saturday 23 August and will reopen at Peckham on Thursday 2 October

Most of the resources currently on open access in the Library will be available at Peckham Library from 2 October, e.g. books, pamphlets, cuttings, illustrations, maps, directories, electoral registers, microfilm/fiche, publications for sale.

Archives and reserve stock items will be unavailable for the whole of the relocation period

If you expect to require one or two items during the relocation period and request them by early August, we will aim to make them available for you from 2 October at Peckham

We apologise for any inconvenience that may be caused

Tel. 0207 403 3782
www.southwark.gov.uk/DiscoverSouthwark/LocalHistoryLibrary
local.history.library@southwark.gov.uk

If you need further directions, contact Sheila Gallagher on 020 8337 8580.

Journal back issues

Back issues may be obtained, subject to availability, from Gill Hyder at 41 Bardsley Close, Park Hill, Croydon, CR0 5PT. Please send 50p per copy to cover the cost of postage.

Dorothy's 21st birthday party, 1920

Jennifer Churchward [9640]

I'd love to hear from anyone who recognises the names or faces of the partygoers shown opposite. Please contact me at jmcjmgjmt@yahoo.com.

Top row, far left: Syd TIDY (my father) born 1903 in Thornton Heath

Top row, far right: Henry E. (Harry) RICHARDS born 1888 in Camberwell

Top row, second right: Ethel TIDY born 1898 in Camberwell, married R. SELFE and lived in Kent.

Centre row, far left: Dorothy Mildred DAVIS ('The Birthday Girl') born 1899 in Camberwell, was living in Croydon in 1901

Centre row, far right: Florence A. (Florrie) DAVIS born c1896 in Camberwell, lived in Charmouth, Dorset

Other 'names' in the photograph were Arthur, Chian, Mavis, Katie CURTIS, Winnie, Denham and Nan MacKENZIE.

Top row, far left: Florence E. DAVIS born 1873 in Camberwell, married G. R. TIDY and was mother to Ethel and Syd TIDY; lived in Kent

Top row, centre: Henry George (Harry) RICHARDS born 1860 in Maidstone; father of Henry RICHARDS; living in Camberwell in 1891

Centre row, far left: Mater – identity not known

Centre row, second left: Alfred DAVIS born 1866 in Camberwell; father of the 'Birthday Girl' and Florrie; living in Croydon in 1901; brother of Florence E. DAVIS

Centre row, right: Amelia and Beckie (Mater's aunts) – identity not known

Bottom row, centre: Emily TIDY born 1873 in Wotton, Surrey; married C. CROWFOOT, lived in Croydon where she died in 1949; sister of G. R. TIDY

Bottom row, far right: George Robinson TIDY born 1874 in Wotton, Surrey; married Florence E. DAVIS; father of Ethel and Syd TIDY; widowed in 1931 whilst living in Kent; married Lilian E. ASHTON née SKEATS; died in Kent 1939; Lilian had a daughter Kathleen from her first marriage

Other 'names' in the photograph were Mrs CURTIS, Mrs MacKENZIE.



The Sweet Sound of Falling Bricks

Joan Hankin [9337]

I can't remember a time when I didn't know of Connie and Maggie. They were always spoken of together, almost as if they were one person. When I was a child they always sent me a little gift on my birthday (even if sometimes it was either too young or too old for my actual age at that time), and every year we'd send a Christmas card to The Misses **Stein** (pronounced Steen) at an address in Wallington, Surrey. When I was about seven and we were moving from one end of the country to the other, we broke our journey overnight and stayed with them at Wallington.

They were elderly spinster sisters and they were the glue that held a large, disparate family together. When we later moved to Kent, it was Connie and Maggie who put us in touch with relatives we didn't know in a nearby town. They knew everybody and everybody knew them.

But how did they fit in? How were they related? I knew my mother didn't know. She was the next to youngest of eight children and she always said that Grandpa and Grandma never talked about their families. She thought maybe they'd told the older children and forgotten to tell the younger ones. She had vague childhood memories of occasional visits by a couple of uncles (one very helpfully known only as Uncle Jumbo!), but no idea of names or on which side they were related.

By the time I started researching my family history my mother and all her siblings were dead, so I contacted the first cousins I usually only exchanged correspondence with at Christmas (close is not a word you'd use to describe the extended **Brooke** clan). But none of them knew much more than I did. One thought there was a Jewish connection somewhere, partly because of the name Stein but also because she was convinced she'd seen an old book with a Star of David on the cover among Grandma's possessions. The most useful thing was that one cousin's mother had made him memorise, as a child, the names and birthdates of all Grandma's brothers and sisters. A little unusual, but very helpful in the circumstances.

So I checked them out and found all the birth records OK, and recognised the name of one sister as the relative in Kent that Connie and Maggie had told us about. That suggested that they belonged on Grandma's **Vincent** side of the family. The obvious place to start looking was for Grandma's sisters' marriages – but no, none of them had married a Mr Stein. I tried the 1881 census (the only one readily available then) and found Grandma's family and Grandpa's mother and brothers, but no Stein linkage.

One of my mother's older sisters, born in 1902, was given Constance Margaret as her middle names, so it seemed highly likely that Connie and Maggie were alive by then. I spent many hours at my nearest LDS Family History Centre checking Stein, Steen/e and Stien births from the 1870s onward and even went beyond 1902 to be on the safe side. So I tried the other end. I

thought they'd died in the 1970s, but went from the 1960s to be on the safe side. Nothing, absolutely nothing. I tried everything I could think of, but I couldn't find any documentary trace of them. A very solid brick wall. I was glad I'd met them, because otherwise I'd have begun to think they were a figment of the imagination. Reluctantly, I put them aside and pursued other lines, but they always nagged at the back of my mind.

Then a couple of years ago the 1871 census became available online and I gradually started looking up various branches. I found Grandpa as a young boy, living at 1 Angell Road, Brixton, with his parents, George and Elizabeth Brooke, and his brothers and two sisters. That was a surprise! I'd already checked Brooke birth records carefully for possible daughters, because there was a young girl in my grandparents wedding photograph, standing behind the groom, as if she might be a bridesmaid. She seemed to bear a family resemblance and I thought she might have been a younger sister. I checked for one, and also checked a couple of gaps between older brothers, but, despite several false alarms followed by disappointments when a birth certificate showed different parents, I couldn't find her.

But at 19, Eliza Amelia was actually the eldest child, born just nine months after her parents' marriage and barely a year before her first brother. Yes, I should have checked there, but at the time it didn't seem like a gap; all the other siblings were spaced at intervals of well over two years, some much more, and it never occurred to me that there might be another child at the beginning of the family. At 10, Florence Louise was also older than Grandpa, but I discovered that just three years later she died at Stockwell of consumption (phthisis), poor lass. So neither of them could be the girl in the picture.

I turned to the marriage records and on 2 December 1880 Eliza Amelia Brooke (of Hargwyne Street) married Henry Charles Steane (of Brixton Road) at St Mary's, Lambeth. CRAASSHH!! A quick check with births showed Constance Augusta born 1881 and Margaret Elizabeth born 1883. Ooops! All those years, Grandpa's branch of the family (at least) had been mis-spelling Connie and Maggie's surname on every letter and card they'd sent to them. Maybe they didn't mind or perhaps they were just too polite to draw attention to the error. But so much for the Jewish connection theory. No wonder I had problems finding them. As for Florence, after more searching, I think I may finally have found her birth listed under Brook (without an e), but I won't know for sure until I get the certificate.

So now, when I look at that old wedding photo, I suspect that the young 'bridesmaid' I thought might be a little sister, is actually the 13 year old Connie and the obviously mother and daughter pair standing at the end of the row are Eliza Amelia and Maggie, aged 11.

All the time I've been puzzling over their whereabouts Connie and Maggie may actually have been looking down from the wall at me!



Preserving your family history records

Brian Hudson [7324]

Part 4 – Digital Camera

A scanner and a digital camera are both very useful tools for copying documents, books and pictures and thus creating a digital image that be easily shared and/or safely stored.

There are two main types of scanner; *sheet-fed*, like a fax machine, and *flatbed*, like a photocopier, the type that has met most of my needs because of its flexibility. My Epson model also includes a carrier to use with slides and 35mm negative film. A menu in the scanning program is used to select the correct scanning options; so for example negatives can be turned into positive images using a high resolution scan. Once scanned, ordinary photographic prints can be touched up if damaged or have their colouring and contrast improved. Outsized documents, i.e. larger than A4, can be tackled by scanning sections and using a program such as Adobe Photoshop Elements to ‘stitch’ the sections together. Books can be difficult to scan since it is necessary to have the book opened as flat as possible for a decent result. Depending on the type of binding, and how valuable the book is, it may be worth considering entrusting it to a specialist or it might also be possible to use a camera.

Conservation:

www.icon.org.uk The Institute of Conservation dedicated to the conservation of cultural heritage in the UK; www.conservationregister.com click on the ‘Caring for....’ link to find fact sheets with advice on care and conservation of a range of materials and items. For more information on conservation and archiving go to the East Surrey computer page at tinyurl.com/5wrrar. ❖

Vouchers for sale

The Society keeps the following vouchers for sale:

Census Online £4.50

FamilyHistoryOnline £5.00

Findmypast (was 1837 Online) £5.00

If you would like to purchase any of the above, please send a cheque (payable to “East Surrey FHS”) and an SAE to Sue Adams, 10 Cobham Close, Wallington, Surrey, SM6 9DS.

Unwanted certificates

Most of us, at some time, have ordered a certificate, hopeful that it will further our Family History research, only to find that it describes the 'wrong' person – that is, somebody who on further investigation is no relation. This column gives you the opportunity to send in details of those unwanted certificates in the hope that other members may be able to use them.

If you find a certificate that looks as though it may help with your research, contact the member who is offering it. Any transaction is then solely between you and the member concerned – the Society plays no further part.

The second column in the table below indicates the type of certificate: (c) = certified copy; (o) = original; (p) = photocopy. The last column gives the membership number of the member offering the certificate.

type	surname	forenames	registered	date	from	
B	c	BYFORD	Frederick Dallon	SRY Newington	1852	4424
B	c	BYFORD	Frederick	MDX Bethnal Green	1852	4424
B	c	CHAMBERS	Elizabeth Mary	MDX St Geo Hanover Sq	1855	4424
B	c	CHAMBERS	Elizabeth Mary	MDX Stepney	1845	4424
B	c	COLLINS	Elizabeth	LANCS Ashton Oldham	1842	4424
B	c	COLLINS	Elizabeth	WLT Amesbury	1843	4424
B	c	GREEN	Thomas George	SRY Lambeth	1862	4030
B	c	HUMPHREYS	George	MDX Clerkenwell	1850	4030
B	c	HUMPHRIES	George Henry	WOR Dudley	1850	4030
B	c	HUMPHRIES	George	BRK Wallingford	1849	4030
B	c	HUMPHRYES	George Herbert	DEN Corwen	1849	4030
B	c	SMITH	Elizabeth	SRY Camberwell	1855	9568
M	c	BYFORD/BACON	William/Caroline	MDX Bethnal Green	1841	4424
M	c	GREEN/DELVE	Thomas/Ann	SRY Lambeth	1853	4030
M	c	GRIMSEY/CUTLER	Robert/Rebecca	SFK Sudbury	1850	4030
M	c	JARRETT/MERROTT	John/Priscilla	KEN Medway	1856	4424
D	c	BYFORD	James	SFK Sudbury	1865	4424
D	c	GREEN	Thomas	SRY Lambeth	1936	4030
D	c	RANDELL	Sarah	HANTS Hartley Wintney	1844	4424

Searches

All initial enquiries for searches in the Society Research collection are handled by Beryl Cheeseman; her contact details are shown on the inside cover. Please send an SAE with any postal enquiries.

East Surrey Family History Society

Statement Of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st December 2007

	note	2007 £	2006 £
INCOME			
Subscriptions	2	15,898	17,144
Gift aid tax rebate		2,547	2,733
Bookstall & publications	3	4,049	3,426
Donations & searches		852	612
Pay per view		280	432
Magazines		108	36
News & digest		-	742
Journal sales & advertising		72	75
Bank interest		2,230	2,196
		26,036	27,396
EXPENDITURE			
Bookstall & publications	3	3,850	1,287
Magazines		95	32
News & digest		-	971
Journal costs	4	13,104	15,022
Meetings & events		5,600	4,471
Projects		355	714
Research centre		658	948
Website, CD-ROM & software		1,511	1,225
General running costs:			
Secretarial, stationery, room hire		771	1,499
Miscellaneous		138	200
Advertising		106	184
Federation		17	151
Insurance	5	-	362
		1,032	2,396
Affiliation fees, royalties	5	102	768
Independent examiner's fee		400	950
Donations	6	1,500	
Depreciation		1,353	2,394
		29,560	31,178
Excess of expenditure over income		- 3,524	- 3,782
General fund brought forward		57,117	60,899
General fund carried forward		53,593	57,117

The accounts presented here, whilst numerically correct, have been necessarily abbreviated in presentation. Any member who would like a complete set of the accounts for the year ending 31st December 2007 should send a stamped addressed C4 envelope (that is, one large enough to hold A4 sheets of paper) to the Treasurer, whose address appears on the inside front cover of the Journal.

East Surrey Family History Society

BALANCE SHEET as at 31st December 2007

	note	2007	2006
		£	£
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	7	5,410	5,477
Current assets			
Publication stock	8	4,866	5,819
Debtors & prepayments	9	2,878	-
Bank and cash	10	40,840	46,795
		48,584	52,614
Creditors:falling due within one year	11	400	974
Net current assets		48,184	51,640
Net assets		53,594	57,117
Unrestricted funds			
General fund:			
Balance brought forward		57,117	60,899
Excess of expenditure over income for the year		-3,524	-3,782
Balance carried forward		53,593	57,117

East Surrey Family History Society

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2007

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Enterprises(FRSSE), the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and reporting by charities(SORP2005) and the Charities Act 1993.

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Income recognition

Subscriptions, sales, fees, donations and other similar types of income are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the income. Tax claims on donations are included in the SOFA in the same accounting period as the donation.

Expenditure and liabilities

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal obligation committing the charity to the expenditure. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

Tangible fixed assets:

Tangible fixed assets costing at least £100 are capitalised at cost. Depreciation is provided at the following rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life: Equipment, fixtures & fittings - 20% on the reducing balance.

Stock:

Publication stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving items.

2 Subscriptions	2007	2006
	£	£
United Kingdom	14,817	15,592
Overseas	1,081	1,552
	15,898	17,144
3 Bookstall publications	£	£
Sales and on-line publications	3,762	2,918
Vouchers	287	507
Less: Purchases and costs	1,774	1,287
Stock written off	2,076	-
	199	2,138
4 Journal costs	£	£
Printing	9,318	11,110
Packing & mailing	3,786	3,912
	13,104	15,022
less: sales and advertising income	- 72-	75
	13,032	14,947

5 Affiliation fees and insurance

In 2005 & 2006, payments made to the Federation of Family History Societies in respect of subscriptions and insurance were treated as relating to the year in which they were made, whereas in fact they related to the following year. Had they been allocated to the correct year, the amounts involved would have been as follows:

2007	2006
£	£
362	374

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Insurance	600	600
Subscription	962	974
6 Donations made	£	£
Surrey County Council - archives	1,500	-
7 Tangible fixed assets		
Equipment, fixtures & fittings	£	£
At 1/01/07	23,412	22,006
Additions	1,286	1,406
At 31/12/07	24,698	23,412
Depreciation		
At 1/01/07	17,935	15,541
Charge for the year	1,353	2,394
At 31/12/07	19,288	17,935
Net book value at 31/12/07	5,410	5,477
Net book value at 31/12/06	5,477	6,465
8 Publication stock	£	£
Books, cd-roms, publications	4,371	5,243
Vouchers	495	576
	4,866	5,819
9 Debtors & prepayments	£	£
Gift aid rebate	2,479	-
Prepayments	400	-
	2,878	-
10 Bank and cash	£	£
Bank current account	4,052	2,295
Cash floats	405	347
Charities deposit fund	36,383	44,153
	40,840	46,795
11 Creditors: due within one year	£	£
Advance subscriptions	-	24
Accruals	400	950
	400	974

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Peck / Harland

I am seeking information on my PECK family who married into the HARLAND family of Phipps Bridge, Mitcham.

Richard Peck b1798/99 married Mary Harland 21st Apr 1827 Westminster, she's the daughter of William Harland, varnish manufacturer. Children of Richard Peck & Mary are Richard b 1828, Mary b 1833, Sarah b 1834, Harland b 1837, George b 1842, Robert b 1843 and Clara b 1847, all born Brompton, Middlesex.

George Peck b 1842 is my main line of interest; he married Agnes, my gt-gt-grandmother 29th Nov 1880 at St Margrets, Westminster.

When Robert Harland died in 1892 William Harland & Son varnish manufacturers eventually passed to George Peck who was a cousin, sometime later he changed his surname to Harland-Peck. George died in 1920 leaving the varnish business to Agnes his wife, she died in 1939, they both lived at 9 Belgrave Square, London, for most of their lives. They are both buried at Putney Vale Cemetery.

Are there any members interested in obtaining photos of the Harland tombstones at St. Peter & Paul, Mitcham, section (2) and the monument at Putney Vale for George & Agnes Harland-Peck?

Any information would help me in my family history a great deal.

Shaun Bunce [9784]

Family History Diary

The Institute of Heraldic and Genealogical Studies is pleased to announce the publication of the 2009 Family History Diary. Set in navy blue with gold block lettering and a hard backed luxurious leatherette cover, this year's diary retains the popular memo pages for jotting down notes. It contains not only all you would wish to find in your diary for reference throughout the year, but a wealth of information for the family historian and genealogist, useful to both beginner and expert alike; a diary of genealogical events throughout the year, useful addresses, important historical notes from 1066, details of family history societies, UK road maps and many other items of interest. The diary remains at the handy pocket/bag size of 17cm x 8cm. Please note that the start date for the diary section is now November rather than September as in some previous years.

The 2009 Diary will be available from September 2008 at only £4.95 plus a self-addressed A5 (16cm x 23cm) envelope stamped 55p for each diary order. Overseas orders should add £1.95 p&p airmail or £1.10 surface mail. Please allow 28 days for delivery. You can order online at www.ihgs.ac.uk; otherwise, please send a cheque (payable to 'Trustees IHGS') or your credit card details to IHGS, 79-82 Northgate, Canterbury, Kent, CT1 1BA.