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St John the Evangelist, Old Coulsdon

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The Society **Research & Advice centre** is at Lingfield & Dormansland Community Centre, High Street, Lingfield. It is open every month (except August and December) on the second Saturday from 10.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m., and on the fourth Wednesday from 10.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.

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December

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Group meetings

- Croydon: United Reformed Church (small hall), Addiscombe Grove, Croydon CR0 5LP
3rd Tuesday (except April, August and December); 8.00 p.m.
Secretary: Liz Moss croydon@eastssurreyfhfs.org.uk
- Lingfield: Lingfield & Dormansland Community Centre, High Street, Lingfield RH7 6AB
4th Wednesday (except August and December); 2.30 p.m.
Secretary: Rita Russell lingfield@eastssurreyfhfs.org.uk
- Richmond: Vestry House, 21 Paradise Road, Richmond TW9 1SA
2nd Saturday of alternate months; 2.30 p.m.
Secretary: Veronica McConnell richmond@eastssurreyfhfs.org.uk
- Southwark: Southwark Local History Library, behind John Harvard Library, 211 Borough High Street, London, SE1 1JA
2nd Monday of alternate months; 12 noon. There will be no meeting in December.
Secretary: Hilary Blanford southwark@eastssurreyfhfs.org.uk
- Sutton: St Nicholas's Church Hall, Robin Hood Lane, Sutton SM1 2RG
1st Thursday; 8.00 p.m.
Secretary: Gillian Alford sutton@eastssurreyfhfs.org.uk

Doors usually open 30 minutes before the start of the meeting. Please check the Society website www.esfhs.org.uk for future meetings and last-minute alterations.

Can you help?

Carroll

Rita Russell {rjr28@btinternet.com}

I am trying to trace the background of my uncle, Gerald **Carroll**. The family is given to understand that he was born in Boston, U.S.A. on 8 January 1918 to Gerald Carroll and Sadie **Kinsella**. Apparently, when Gerald senior died (no date known), mother brought young Gerald to England when he was only a few years old. I can find no records of them on passenger lists so maybe they came via Ireland, as my uncle showed her as Irish when he joined the army in 1939. His father is shown as American. I've also checked births and deaths in Boston as far as I can. Is there a member in America who would kindly make further checks in case I have missed something, and also passenger lists leaving the USA around 1920-1925?

There is a marriage between Sadie Kinsella, aged 22, and Joseph Carroll, aged 21, in Liverpool on 2 June 1923. Sadie is recorded as a 'spinster', although this could be a red herring.

City of London ancestors

Roger Sutton

I am sure some of you have watched the Channel 4 programme *First Duke*, which is set in a restaurant in Paternoster Square in the shadow of St Paul's Cathedral in the City of London.

I worked in the City in the 1960s and 1970s. My cousin's husband worked in Paternoster Square, and occasionally we would meet for lunch and so I knew the Square.

Unknown to me at the time, my City of London ancestry is extensive, including my grandfather, gt-grandfather and 2xgt-grandfather, all of whom worked in the City. My earliest City of London ancestors were Henry **Atkins** and Elizabeth **Jueline**, who married on 18 June 1632 at St Giles without Cripplegate in Fore Street, City of London. Jueline appears to be a French Huguenot surname. Their son Francis Atkins was christened

at the same church on 29 June 1634. He became a fishmonger of Newgate Market, Newgate Street, which after the devastation of the Second World War was rebuilt as a pedestrian precinct called Paternoster Square, with shops, offices and restaurants.

Back in the 17th century Francis Atkins's fishmonger business was part of Newgate Meat Market where 600 sheep and 50 bullocks were slaughtered daily. Francis's business appears to have thrived. He had numerous fishmongers' shops in or near Bridgewater Street, Barbican, St Giles without Cripplegate and Catherine Wheel Court, St Botolph, Bishopsgate. His eight children were christened between 1670 and 1686 at St Faith under St Paul's Cathedral, and these included my ancestor Philippa Atkins who married Moses **Bannister** on 16 June 1705 at St Augustine with



Paternoster Square

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St Faith, Watling Street, in the City. It is thought that Moses probably worked in Adens Court, Broad Street. By coincidence my grandfather Arthur Edwin **Pickering** (1875 – 1918) worked for a Jewish firm of architects in Broad Street.

In the City I found that I was constantly treading in the footsteps of my ancestors. My office was in Gresham Street. My ancestors Edward **Bryer** and Elizabeth **Goolden** married on 6 December 1773 at St Anne and St Agnes, Gresham Street, a church I used to walk past every day. Both were residents of the parish, and Edward was a silversmith.

My gt-grandfather John Turney Pickering (1839 – 1906) spent the whole of his career as a banker in the City of London. He joined the London Joint Stock Bank on 19 October 1857 on a salary of £60. The bank was founded in 1836 at 4 Princes Street in the City, and I walked past it every day. John worked at Head Office at this address. By 1875 his salary was £275. He was promoted to Accountant in November 1883. When he retired, in May 1895, his salary was £400 and he had a life policy of £500. He was remembered as a very generous man.

His father, John Pickering, was born 11 March 1808 in Bermondsey, and

christened on 21 August 1808 at St Mary Magdalene locally. A notice in *The Times* of 20 May 1834 showed that he was educated at Whitford's Academy and that he was Secretary of the Old Boys' Association. By 1833 his brother Samuel had established a drug-broking business in the City and by 1834 John had joined him as a partner. On 24 October 1836 John, now occupying premises at 33 Great St Helens and conducting business as a drug and spice broker, was made a Freeman of the City of London. On 16 September 1837 he married Rebecca Elizabeth **Turney** at St Mary the Virgin, Westerham (Kent). *The Times* reported that on 13 December 1836 Samuel married Charlotte Hart at Folkestone. She was the seventh daughter of the late Richard **Hart** of Folkestone. The couple lived at 2 Upper Sussex Place in the Old Kent Road. The drug-broking business (now a limited liability company) was still operating in the City when I started work in the Export Credit Guarantee Department in September 1961, although at the time I had ever heard of the business.

There were four marriages between the Pickering family's **Wilkinson** ancestral family and the **Ricardo** family who lived nearby. David Ricardo (1772 – 1823), the famous

City of London ancestors

English political cartoonist, married a Wilkinson. Another who married a Wilkinson was his brother Moses, who made his home in Brighton (where I was born) and who was famed for his formidable intellect.

My gt-grandfather Frederick John **Hainsworth** (1862 – 1950) worked as Restaurant Manager at *Ye Olde Cheshire Cheese*, in Wine Office Court, Fleet Street. This is probably the best-known pub in the whole country. Charles Dickens was just one of the many famous people who frequented the pub. An eccentric parrot called

Polly was once a much-admired inhabitant. On its death, aged 40, in 1926 obituaries appeared in 200 newspapers. As a small boy in the 1940s I remember visiting my gt-grandfather in rural Surrey. He had a stuffed parrot in a glass case. The parrot had come from the pub.

Because Frederick was descended from the philosopher Tycho Wing, he was also related to Benjamin Disraeli (1804 – 1881) and to George Basevi of Brighton (who designed the Fitzwilliam Museum in Cambridge).

Tech Topic – Online privacy

Online privacy is now a widespread concern as many large companies are tracking our movements as we search the internet. Data is being collected and used for many purposes especially marketing; therefore the selling-on of data is a lucrative source of revenue! Wouldn't it be nice not have to worry that your data is being collected and misused for goodness knows what purpose?

One browser that has appears to respect users' privacy is DuckDuckGo. One of its straplines is "It's time to take back your privacy!" A US-based company, it first appeared in 2008 and has gained a strong following over the years. To find out more see <https://duckduckgo.com/about> .

It is available as a one of the default search engines on some browsers such as Firefox and Safari but it is relatively easy to make it the default on other browsers.

News from Surrey Heritage

Julian Pooley

In the last issue of the journal I mentioned that this year we are marking a host of anniversaries at Surrey History Centre. It is 70 years since Surrey County Council first appointed a professional archivist to provide an archives service for the county; 90 years since the establishment of Guildford Muniment Room in Castle Arch by Guildford Borough Council and Surrey Archaeological Society; 20 years since we combined our services at Surrey History Centre in Woking; and 10 years since the setting up of our Exploring Surrey's Past website which now provides such a tremendous portal and showcase not just for our work but for museums and galleries across the county as well. It is also 20 years since the setting up of Surrey History Trust which supports so much of our work through the subscriptions and activities of its members.

We are marking these anniversaries in various ways. In my previous article I reported that we had invited seventy people – present and former members of staff, volunteers, depositors, stakeholders, searchroom users, partners etc – to choose their favourite object from our collections and tell us what it means to them. These very personal and fascinating stories have now been published in a splendidly produced Anniversary Booklet, funded by Surrey History Trust. It is freely available to our visitors here and at events we attend across the county and will shortly be accessible via our website and Exploring Surrey's Past.

We will display these 70 items – archives, maps, rare books, illustrations and archaeological finds – at our annual Surrey Heritage

Showcase, which this year will be at Surrey History centre on Saturday 20 October. I do hope that you will be able to join us to see them for yourself, meet our partners from across the county and enjoy tours behind the scenes. Further details of this event are given below.

In addition, Surrey History Trust has organised a series of three lectures by popular historians to mark these anniversaries. The first of these took place in March, when Jenny Uglow came to talk to us about her life and research as a historical biographer; the second will be on Saturday 15 September, when Julian Richards will talk about TV archaeology and the third will be on 6 October, when Michael Wood will talk about Aethelstan, first king of all England,

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who was crowned at Kingston. Bookings for these events can now be made on our website.

'Surrey in the Great War: a County Remembers' continues to explore how Surrey responded to the Great War and the conflict's impact on the county and its people. The project website now contains over 20,000 people records, over 50,000 index entries drawn from contemporary newspapers and nearly 900 stories written by volunteers about every aspect of the war. A DVD of film relating to the county during the war, drawn from the collections of the BFI, Imperial War Museum and Screen Archive South East, has also been compiled and we are in the early stages of planning the project book and creating an online learning resource for teachers to use in their classes. Our two project officers, Kirsty and Imogen, have worked tirelessly to promote the project to schools and communities during the year. To mark Armistice weekend on 10th November we will be hosting a talk by author Roland Wales on the experiences of returning veterans, and a screening of some contemporary WWI film. Full details will be on our website shortly. Our final celebratory event will be held at Dorking Halls on 20 July 2019 to mark

the centenary of the signing of the Peace of Versailles.

Our project *'March of the Women: Surrey's Road to the Vote'* got underway late in 2017 and project archivist Rosie and project officer Holly have been immensely busy encouraging volunteers to research how the women's suffrage campaign impacted on Surrey in the years leading up to 1918, cataloguing our suffrage related archive holdings, planning talks and events, and working with a community playwright and three local schools to produce a set of six short radio plays exploring the local dimension of the suffrage campaign. The plays had their premiere at Epsom Racecourse (where suffragette Emily Wilding Davison met her end at the 1913 Derby). The project will conclude with a day of talks, stalls and cake celebrating suffrage in Surrey on 24th November. The keynote speaker will be Elizabeth Crawford, suffrage author and historian, and there will be a chance to hear extracts from the radio plays. Further details will be available on our Events page soon.

I'm also continuing my work with Surrey Record Society on a project to transcribe and publish every reference to Surrey that appeared in the *Gentleman's Magazine* between its

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start in 1731 and 1868. The first volume, covering the years 1731-1754 is now with the Society's editor and may appear next year. We were astonished by the extent and quality of the material we have found relating to Surrey and its people in the first twenty-three years of the magazine's existence and this has only increased as the project has progressed. My team of transcribers have now reached 1803 and we already have enough material for two further volumes. Crime, punishment, freak weather, earthquakes, powder mill explosions, disease and archaeological discoveries all jostle for space alongside detailed obituaries of Surrey people, poetry

about Surrey places and descriptions of the county's churches. As a spin off, I have been able to develop a popular talk about Georgian Surrey that draws upon these references to illustrate the history of individual towns and their inhabitants across the county in the eighteenth century.

Finally, we have continued to work closely with Surrey's museums to showcase our collections. See below for details of **Sidney Francis: Photographs of Woking in the 1920s & 1930s** which is at The Lightbox in Woking until 7 October and **James Henry Pullen: Inmate, Inventor, Genius** which is at Watts Gallery at Artists' Village until 28 October.

Society e-newsletter

The Committee are trying to find someone to take over the writing of our e-newsletter.

If you are interested in taking this on, either by yourself or with help from another member, please contact the Secretary. Contact details are inside the front cover.

New Accessions at Surrey History Centre

Items in bold have been acquired with the generous support of Surrey History Trust. Please do consider joining them to help support our work. Further details and membership forms can be obtained from surreyhisttrust@surreycc.gov.uk

FETadd6-7

St Mary's, Fetcham: additional parish records including PCC minutes, 1989-2011, and APC minutes, 1989-2014, Wives Group, later Women's Group, minutes, AGM reports, photographs and programmes and other papers collected into files, c.1974-2015

8037add4

St Mary the Virgin, Shalford: parish magazines, 1963-2018

8044add1

David Fry, builder of Godalming: plans and sections of National Schools, [Moss Lane], Godalming, nd [1910]

8421 add1

Andrew Windsor's Almshouse Charity, Farnham: additional records, including trustees' minutes and accounts; papers relating to finance, Charity Commission schemes and trustees; and papers relating to the admission of residents, 19th-20th century

8737add2

St Paul's, Nork: additional parish records including marriage register, 1987-2004; service register, 2009-2015; and PCC minutes and related papers, 2010-2012 1987-2015

8852add1

Abinger Pageant: additional records of Anne Farrer, pageant secretary, including drawings of Victorian costumes, brief scores, notes of committee meetings, typescript publicity material, 1934

9014add8

West End History Project: handwritten list of West End villagers by the Rev Mills Robbins, c.1920s, and photocopied photographs of Chobham and Bisley (with West End) Home Guards, 1940s

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9470add4

Normandy Historians: additional items; files on the formation of Normandy Historians; photographs of the Boyer family of Normandy and of the Smith family of Wyke; and additional postcards, 1905-1999

9487add1

Kingston upon Thames Methodist Circuit: additional papers, 1960-1999

9662add2

Surrey County Football Association: additional records comprising Football Annual 1882, Team Selection Committee records, 1934-1975, and Camberley Football Hospital Competitions Cup handbook, 1928

9774add1

Farncombe Baptist Church (FBC): additional records including minutes of business meetings, 1985-2004; church management committee, 1985-2005; and annual general meetings, 1995-1996; group leaders' annual reports, 1988-1996; accounts, 1988-2012; papers re transfer of St John's Street Hall, Farncombe, to trustees of Queen Street Baptist Chapel, Godalming, (1981); establishment of FBC as a place of worship for Baptists, (1983); gaining official independence from Godalming Baptist Church, (1986); and future of FBC, 2010-2011

9774add2

Godalming Baptist Church: additional records including minutes of church meetings, 1980-1993, and leadership meetings, 1976-1993; memorandum of choice and appointment of new trustees, (1969); church constitution, 2008; papers relating to 'Action In Mission' survey, 1992-1993; and the Phyllis Barratt Memorial Trust Fund, (1969); order of service for induction of the Rev C Campbell, 1971; publications, 1976-1992; and records relating to other churches and chapels, (1901)-1975

9800add

St Nicholas' church, Godstone: parish magazines, 1867-1966; St Stephen's church, Godstone: service register, 1994-2014; St John the Evangelist, Blindley Heath: service registers, 1988-2008

9826add1

St John's church, Hurst Green: marriage register, 1987-1994

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9868

The Rev Andrew Cranston (d.1708), vicar of Reigate and founder of the Cranston Library: photocopy of letter, 1702; Reigate church: sketch of Saxon carving, 1944

9883

Farnham Grammar School for Boys: school photograph, 1956

9889

Wallop School, Hanger Hill, Weybridge: school photograph with signatures on reverse (a photocopy of the reverse has also been provided), 1964

9894

Surrey and North Hampshire Wesleyan Methodist Mission: photograph of quarterly meeting and directory and order of services, 1907-1910

9896

Sanderstead Women's Institute: minute books and record books, 1926-2012

9900

Gomshall Congregational Church, later United Reformed Church: additional papers, c.1915-1986

9902

Brookwood Hospital, Woking: collected records, including staff records and photographs, 1868-1970s

9905

Major Harold 'Hal' T Crookall (1917-2017), musician and actor of Woking: papers, 1939-1966

9906

Wimbledon Commercial School for Girls: photograph of pupils and staff, 1929; Wimbledon Ladies Health and Beauty Club: photograph, 1936

9908

St Martin's and St Nicholas Orthopaedic Hospital, Pyrford: photograph album, 1937-1939

9909

58, 75 and 79 Hollies Avenue, West Byfleet: plans, papers and photographs, 1936-1968; St Peter's Hospital, Chertsey: photographs, 1952; John Martin Carter of West Byfleet: educational records, 1945-1957

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9912

Plans of proposed shop, dwelling house and stabling at Goldsworth Road, Woking, for Mr John Bragg, with attached building notice. 1895

9913

Wilson's Garage, Oatlands Drive, Weybridge: black and white photographs and colour transparencies, 1960s

9917

Bowry family of Malden, Ewell and Kingston: photographs, oil portrait and papers, 1793-c.1921

9919

Leigh Parish Council: minute books, 1919-1973

9921

Old Town Hall, Reigate: photograph of Redhill and Reigate [National Savings] Silver Lining Week, Mar 1948; Woodhatch, Reigate: photographs, nd [1950s]

9923

William Bray of Shere: autograph letter signed 1829

ESR/16add 2

21st London Regiment (1st Surrey Rifles): photo of Machine Gun Section nd [1914]

ESR/25ad/57

Jack Cleaver of Cobham, 6th Battalion, East Surrey Regiment: photograph album recording service in the Middle East and India, c.1916-1918; with papers of Pte Frederick East, regular soldier in the King's Regiment and member of Cobham unit of Surrey Home Guard, World War II

SGW/16

Pte Henry Edwin Robinson, 3rd Battalion, Devonshire Regiment, of Horsell: papers, 1918-1919

Z/694

West Horsley Place: inventory of household articles, nd [?17th cent]

Z/695

George Burtenshaw & Sons, Motor Sales, Reigate: photographs of showroom 1931

Zs/240add

Typescript additional notes of children living at Park Farm or Park Farm Centre in the school register for Wotton, 1899-1935

Forthcoming Events at Surrey History Centre

For full details of these events see www.surreycc.gov.uk/heritageevents. Places can be booked online, in person at Surrey History Centre, at any Surrey Library or by calling us on 01483 518737.

Six Week Family History Course

Autumn 2018 (Fridays, 10am-1pm): 14 September, 21 September, 28 September, 5 October, 12 October, 19 October.

£80 – booked as a complete 6 week course.

Run by professional genealogists and archivists this six-week course will cover all you need to know to enhance your research, as well as providing many tips of the trade.

TV Archaeology, A Talk with Julian Richards.

Saturday 15 September, 2pm-3.30pm.

Tickets: £10; Surrey History Trust Members: £5.

In this talk archaeologist Julian Richards will examine the ways in which archaeology has been portrayed on television, from the early days of 'Animal, Vegetable, Mineral' through the Time Team years and beyond. Drawing on his experience as the presenter of BBC 2's 'Meet the Ancestors' and 'Blood of the Vikings' Julian will offer his own personal views on the world of TV archaeology - likes and dislikes!

Julian Richards is a freelance archaeologist, author and former broadcaster on TV and radio. After a long career in field archaeology Julian spent seven years working for the BBC, developing and presenting 'Meet the Ancestors' and 'Blood of the Vikings' on BBC 2 and 'Mapping the Town' on Radio 4. More recently he presented 'Meet the Ancestors revisited' on BBC 4.

Keeping it in the Family

Thursdays (10am-12.30pm): 4 October, 11 October, 18 October, 25 October.

£60 – booked as a complete four-week course.

A four-week Course Reading and Interpreting Legal Records of Inheritance for Genealogy.

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With special reference to the handwriting of examples from before 1800, this course introduces the use of title deeds, wills and manorial records for family history.

Week 1 discusses marriage settlements, deeds of arrangement between families to provide for the couple during their lives and for the inheritance of their heirs. We look at a deed and introduce some techniques of palaeography.

Week 2 discusses wills and where to find them, with a detailed look at reading one in 16th century Secretary Hand.

Weeks 3 and 4 discuss manorial records, which document inheritance by tenants even where they may have been too poor to make a will. We look at some 18th century examples and introduce how to extract and interpret information from court rolls.

Athelstan: the first King of all England

Saturday 6 October, 2pm - 3.30pm.

Tickets: £10; Surrey History Trust Members: £5.

A talk with Michael Wood.

It is often forgotten, but the roots of England lie before the Norman Conquest: the foundations of the English state were laid by three generations of the Wessex royal family, Alfred the Great, his son Edward and daughter Aethelflaed, and his grandson Athelstan. This illustrated talk focuses especially on Athelstan, who was crowned at Kingston in Surrey in September 925, and in 927 became the first king of all England. In it Michael Wood will argue that these three generations are the most important rulers in English history: without them the history of Britain might have been radically different: no English state perhaps, no English law, or English ideas about government; maybe no English language as the world's language?

Historian, filmmaker and broadcaster, Michael Wood is the author of several best-selling books including four UK Number One bestsellers, and well over one hundred documentary films. His Story of England which told the tale of one village, Kibworth in Leicestershire, through British history, was called by the Independent 'the most innovative history series ever on TV'. Professor of Public History at the University of Manchester, Michael is a Fellow of the Royal Society for the Arts, the Royal Historical Society and the Society of Antiquaries. He

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recently received the British Academy President's Medal for services to History and outreach.

The Great Surrey Heritage Show

Saturday 20 October, 10.30am-3.30pm.

Go behind the scenes of Surrey History Centre at this unique event where we will be showcasing 70 items from our collection specially chosen to celebrate our 70th anniversary. From maps, to photographs, letters and pottery there will be a whole array of Surrey gems on show together for the first time. Joining in to celebrate are lots of local groups with stands, displays and information as well as children's activities and tours of the building where you will discover we have 6 miles of shelving in our strongrooms, housing documents dating back to the 12th Century!

For more information see www.surreycc.gov.uk/heritageevents

Surrey Local History Committee and Surrey Heritage present: Surrey Diaries: Saturday 3 November 2018

at Surrey History Centre 130, Goldsworth Road, Woking, Surrey, GU21 6ND

Ticket price £12.00 in advance, £15.00 on the door.

Speakers include:

- Dr Catherine Fergusson, *Pepys and Guildford: 'A dull place, but good air'*
- Isabel Sullivan, *Numbering his days. The diaries of John Evelyn*
- Gordon Cox, *The Traveller for Pleasure: William Bray in Georgian Britain, 1760s-1820s*
- Alan Gibbs, *Lucy Broadwood's diaries: Perspectives on music and the arts in Surrey and London*
- Dr David Taylor, *Susan Lushington's Diary*
- Mike Page, County Archivist, *The World War One Diary of Frederick A Robinson of Cobham*
- Kirsty Kirkpatrick, *Surrey Diaries at the Mass Observation Archive, University of Sussex*

It is advisable to book early as places are limited. For full details see www.surreycc.gov.uk/heritageevents. Morning and afternoon refreshments are included. Please make your own arrangements for lunch. It is recommended to bring a packed lunch as there are no cafes near the Surrey History Centre.

Forthcoming Events at Surrey History Centre

Sidney Francis: Photographs of Woking in the 1920s & 1930s

An Exhibition at The Lightbox, Woking, 14 July-7 October 2018

£5.00 Day Pass or £7.50 Annual Pass | Under 18s free

The work of Sidney Francis (1891-1973) offers an insight into life in Woking and nearby towns in the 1920s and 1930s. The photographic collection from The Surrey History Centre highlights significant events such as Eid celebrations, visits of American war widows, wedding parties and sports teams.

Associated Talk: Sidney Francis: A Life through a Lens

Peter Hall (The Lightbox Exhibitions Manager) in conversation with Jill Hyams, Archivist at the Surrey History Centre

Thurs 20 Sept 2018, 7.00pm

£6 Adults, £4 Friends . To book a place, see

<http://www.thelightbox.org.uk/Event/sidney-francis-a-life-through-a-lens> or contact The Lightbox at Chobham Road, Woking, Surrey, GU21 4AA

info@thelightbox.org.uk or call 01483 737800

James Henry Pullen: Inmate - Inventor - Genius

Tuesday 19 June-Sunday 28 October

Watts Gallery and Artists' Village, Down Lane, Compton, Surrey, GU3 1DQ

This is the first exhibition to explore the life and imagination of James Henry Pullen (1835 – 1916), examining the creative escapism of an outsider artist who during his own lifetime attracted royal attention. Dubbed by Victorian journalists as 'the genius of Earlswood Asylum' Pullen saw his fantastical works escape the confines of the asylums, where he was incarcerated continuously for nearly 70 years, to travel to international exhibitions. Bringing together newly restored works – and drawing on new research - this exhibition will shine a light on Pullen's life and work to offer a new perspective on an artist of wit and inventiveness who has been largely forgotten. It will also examine the broader context in which Pullen was working – the world of nineteenth-century science, technology and psychiatry.

Researching Relatives who served in WW1

Peter Moulin [6101]

8 August 1918 saw the start of the Battle of Amiens, the opening phase of the Allies Hundred Days' Offensive that was to bring the war to an end. By 4 October the Germans had asked for an armistice, and by the middle of October the Allies had re-taken most of German occupied France. On 11 November the Armistice came into effect at 11 a.m.

This final fighting put many soldiers in the firing line, with increasing casualties. The Spanish flu epidemic was also taking hold at this time putting many fit young men at risk.

William Archie Dixon MM

Archie, as he was known, was born in Kingston in 1884, and his father William was the master of Gordon House School, Gloucester Road, Kingston Upon Thames. Archie had an older sister, May, and a younger brother, Bertie. William senior moved to take over the headship of Gordon House School, Broadstairs, and the family moved as well. The two brothers were well known in Ramsgate and district football circles. For one season Archie was captain of Ramsgate Town football team. After leaving school, Archie had found employment as a clerk.

Archie joined up with Bertie at the outbreak of the war in the Surrey Yeomanry. Later he was attached as a private to 11th Battalion The Queen's (Royal West Surrey Regiment). He was awarded the Military Medal on 18 August 1917 for conspicuous gallantry

in action during the battle of Passchendaele on 31 July 1917. He carried a wounded comrade through 'No man's land' and afterwards returned with water and ammunition for the company.

During the final advance to victory, on 28 September 1918, 11th Queen's was in Pulse Farm near Vlamertinghe, preparing for an attack on the Wervicq-Comines railway near Houthem. They were to be in support of battalions of the Middlesex Regiment and Royal West Kents. They moved off at 5.30 a.m. on 29 September to be in place for the attack at 7.30 a.m., when they consolidated their position in the support trench. Here they experienced 'considerable machine gun and shell fire' according to their war diary. One officer and 16 Other Ranks became casualties, one of whom was Archie. He is commemorated on the Tyne Cot Memorial, Belgium.

Researching Relatives who served in WW1

Harry Reginald Nott

Harry, the eldest son of Henry William and Florence Ada Mildred Nott, was born in 1898; he had two younger brothers and a younger sister. Henry, his father, worked on his own account as a 'Fringe net dealer' and they lived in a large house in Pelham Road, Wimbledon. After leaving school he became a clerk.

Harry may well have been working as a civil servant, because just before his 18th birthday he enlisted as a private in 15th Battalion London Regiment (Prince of Wales' Own Civil Service Rifles) in June 1916. He was on the small side at 5ft 4ins tall and weighed 112 lbs, medical grade A4. He would probably not have gone to France until 1917. The Battalion was involved in some bloody fighting at Bourslon Wood in November and December 1917 where they lost 60%

of their strength in eight days. They were out of the line for Christmas and had a quiet time until the German advance of March 1918 when they had many casualties during their retreat. During the summer they were hit by the influenza epidemic. The fever caused by this was not severe, but apparently it particularly affected the younger men by making them unfit for hard work for some weeks. It may be for this reason that Harry was given leave much earlier than he could normally expect, and he died at home from pneumonia on 3 November 1918 while on leave. He is buried in Wimbledon (Gap Road) Cemetery. Harry was born in Stockwell whilst his father was born in Kennington, and it may be for this reason that Harry is commemorated on St Mark's War Memorial, Kennington.

Walter Carroll – Professor of Music

Veronica McConnell

Among the piles of sheet music that I inherited from my mother was a slim volume entitled *Sea Idylls: Ten Miniatures for Pianoforte*, composed by Walter **Carroll**. These are fairly simple pieces and I find them most evocative, and relaxing to play.

My copy of *Sea Idylls* was published by Forsyth Brothers Ltd, of 34 Berners Street, London W1, and of 126 & 128 Deansgate, Manchester; it is priced at three shillings. My mother, who spent her childhood in the Barnes/Putney area of south-west London, attending Ascham School in the Upper Richmond Road and then Putney High School, learned to play the piano during the 1920s. Her piano teacher was Kathleen Hancock.

According to Forsyth Brothers, *Sea Idylls* is ‘one of the most famous works by brilliant children’s composer Walter Carroll, the ‘Beatrix Potter’ of learner piano music’.

Walter Carroll’s baptism record of 17 August 1876 shows that he was born on 4 July 1869 (in Strangeways, according to Wikipedia). In the register of the Cathedral and Parish Church of Manchester, his parents were shown as Robert and Fanny. I have found that it is not unknown for the baptism of a new baby to nudge parents into getting an older child, or children, so

far unbaptised, done on the same day. On that day in August 1876 two other children were baptised at this church: Alice Laura **Watling**, nearly two years old, and Reginald Searle Watling, nearly three months old, daughter and son of Robert and Kate Watling. Both Roberts were described as ‘Warehouseman’, and their abodes were both ‘Chorlton on Medlock’.

Walter Carroll attended Longsight High School, Manchester, leaving at the age of 14. Getting a job with the Manchester textile firm of J. N. Phillips and Co., he learned office routine and account keeping. In 1886 Walter joined the choir of St John Chrysostom Anglican church, Victoria Park, where he was studying with the organist, Frederick Pugh. Walter composed music for the choir and became the librarian. In 1887, he joined the Halle Choir in Manchester.

In 1888, Carroll joined Owens College (later to become part of the Victoria University of Manchester) where he studied advanced music theory with Henry Hiles.

In the 1891 census Walter Carroll was described as ‘Professor of Music’. He was living at 59 Nelson Street, Chorlton on Medlock with his widowed mother and two older sisters: Jessie, a Draper’s Assistant, and Florence, for

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whom no occupation is shown (these details from Ancestry.co.uk).

Manchester did not offer a Music degree, but in that same year Walter entered for the external Mus. B. degree of the Durham University, and was successful. (Co-incidentally my great grand-father Elihu Burritt Lane also obtained an external music degree at Durham.)

Walter was appointed Singing Master at the Owens College, Day Training College for Teachers, and in 1892 was appointed Organist and Choirmaster at St Clement's Church, Greenheys, in Manchester. In 1893 he became a lecturer in harmony at the newly formed Royal Manchester College of Music.

From 1894 to 1896 he studied at Manchester University for the newly established Mus. B. degree. In 1900 he became the first student to gain by examination the degree of Mus. D from Manchester University.

I discovered from *Ancestry* that by 1901 Walter had married and had had a daughter; in that year his occupation was shown as 'Professor of music on own account' in the census.

Wikipedia tells that 'Walter Carroll held chairs at the college of harmony and composition in Manchester (1904-1920), and of the art of teaching (1909-

1920)'; also that he had 'started a training course for music teachers in 1907'. In 1908 his compilation for young piano students of short keyboard pieces by J.S. Bach, *First Lessons in Bach for the Piano*, was published in Manchester by Forsyth.

In the 1911 census Walter Carroll described his occupation as 'Profession – Music Teacher' on the form. At the bottom of the page he signed himself 'Walter Carroll Mus D. University of Manchester'. Walter was aged 41, his wife Gertrude was two years older. They had been married for 14 years and Gertrude had borne two children, Elsa Mary Carroll (aged 12 in 1911) and Ida Gertrude Carroll (aged 5). The household at 17 Lansdowne Road, West Didsbury, Manchester, also included a female servant, Adelaide Smith, aged 32, single, and described as a 'General Servant (Domestic)'.

Wikipedia relates that, when teaching his young daughter to play, Walter was dissatisfied with the teaching material then available for the very young and their teachers. Returning from a family holiday in Scotland and filled with memories of their trip to Portpatrick, Walter Carroll and his daughter Ida found that 'the tutor (book), with its dull cover and queer contents, seemed very dull'. And

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so the Galloway countryside became the inspiration for several collections of easy piano pieces, with titles inspired by nature, starting with *Scenes at a Farm* (1912), followed in 1913 by *The Countryside*. *Sea Idylls* appeared in 1914 and *Forest Fantasies* in 1916. *In Southern Seas* – for the more advanced performer – was published in 1922 and *River and Rainbow* in 1933.

In 1918 Walter Carroll was appointed music adviser by the Manchester Education Committee. He gave up all his other work in 1920 to concentrate on music for children. He regularly visited and advised teachers in about 400 schools, lecturing on the teaching of singing, instrumental music, and music appreciation. Manchester's education department had decided that children with no musical training should have a chance to perform, and so the Manchester Children's Choir was formed in 1925 from elementary schools in the area. The choir existed from 1925-1939 and

gave concerts, usually in local town halls, during Civic Week. The concerts with the Halle lasted from 1929 until Walter Carroll retired in 1935. This choir performed on the famous 1929 recording of *Nymphs and Shepherds*.

In the 1939 Register, Walter ('retired') and his wife Gertrude ('unpaid domestic duties') were living at 117 Lapwing Lane. Their unmarried younger daughter Ida G Carroll was with them, her occupation shown as 'Secretary, School of Music'.

Walter Carroll died at his home in Didsbury in 1955 at the age of 86. The death was registered in the fourth quarter of 1955 in Manchester. Walter Carroll's 1955 entry in the National Probate Calendar reads as follows: 'CARROLL Walter of Glenluce 117 Lapwing-lane Didsbury Manchester died 9 October 1955 Probate Manchester 12 December to William Deacons Bank Limited Elsa Mary Carroll and Ida Gertrude Carroll spinster. Effects £35206 15s 10d'.

Can you help?

Cresswell

Paul Cresswell [10534]

I am searching for Henry Richard Cresswell who married Ann Trice in 1825; they lived in Carshalton and had a son Henry in 1829. Can anybody assist me?

A memorial to a family tragedy in WW1

Brian Hudson

The location of the memorial is the churchyard at St John the Evangelist in Old Coulsdon. Enter through the lychgate and take the path to the right. A short way down is a poignant reminder of the tragedies that befell families during the First World War.

There is a tall memorial with an inscription at the base.

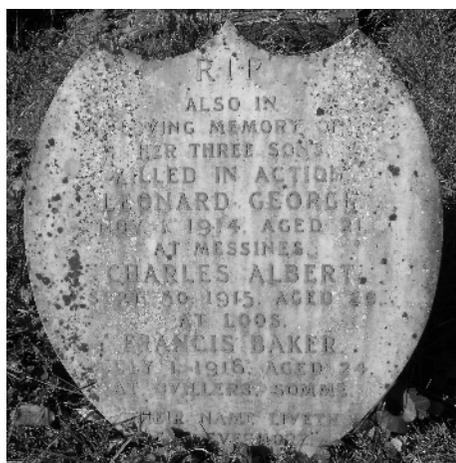
The inscription reads:

In Loving memory of Elizabeth (Lily)
THE BELOVED WIFE OF JOSEPH G
COLDWELLS,
DIED 21 SEP. 1897 AGED 28.
"BLESSED ARE THE PURE IN HEART."



At the front of the grave space is a second, later, memorial in the shape of a shield. The inscription reads:

R I P
ALSO IN LOVING MEMORY OF HER
THREE SONS KILLED IN ACTION
LEONARD GEORGE NOV. 1 1914. AGED
21 AT MESSINES
CHARLES ALBERT SEPT. 30. 1915. AGED
20 AT LOOS
FRANCIS BAKER JULY 1. 1916. AGED 24
AT OVILLERS. SOMME.
"THEIR NAME LIVETH FOR EVERMORE."



A memorial to a family tragedy

Researching this family reveals that Joseph G Coldwells was born in 1864 in Croydon and married Elizabeth (Lily) Baker in 1890. In the 1891 census Joseph and Elizabeth are shown living in Whytecliffe Road in the parish of Coulsdon. They had four sons, but sadly Elizabeth died in 1897.

In 1903 Joseph married Isabel and in 1911 they lived in West Croydon with his four sons and two daughters by Isabel. Although the 1901 census shows the four sons' birthplace as Purley, the 1911 census shows it as

Coulsdon. Joseph had an accountancy firm in his name and his second son Leonard George was employed there before the war.

All four sons were fighting in the First World War and, as the memorial shows, only one survived. After the deaths of the three eldest in consecutive years one can only imagine the agony the family went through and the effect it had on them. Sadly this would be one among countless such stories worldwide.

William Dunford

On 12 April 1788 William **Dunford** stole 52 pounds of meat from Roger Buckmaster's kitchen in Kensington, the back door of which had been left open.

He appeared at the Old Bailey on 7 May 1788, and found guilty of stealing but not of burglary; the punishment was transportation to New South Wales for seven years! He was held in the Middlesex Gaol until December

Rita Russell {rjr28@btinternet.com}

1789 when he joined 1,074 other convicts on the ships of the Second Fleet – Neptune, Scarborough and Surprise – sailing on 19 January 1790. They reached Australia on 26 June 1790. The reports on the way the convicts were treated on this journey are harrowing, to say the least. Although William was on the Neptune, which had the worst record for ill treatment of the convicts, he was lucky

William Dunford

enough to survive the journey. Would Roger have been happy if he had any idea of the treatment William received for stealing meat he had left lying around?

I should really like to know if William stayed in Australia at the end of his sentence and had a successful life there, or if he returned to England. There are numerous William Dunfords appearing in the Old Bailey records over the years, for good and bad reasons, but I cannot find one that fits. If there is any member in Australia who would be willing to do some searching for me I should be most grateful.

Unwanted certificates

In turning out the cupboard at Lingfield some certificates have been found that no one has claimed. If you think that any belong to your extended family then please contact esfhs@hotmail.co.uk.

Birth

Arthur Baldry 1840 Sudbury;
James Chapman 1841 Wisbech;
Lucy Emily Spencer 1853 St Luke, Middlesex;

Marriage

James Chapman to Eliza Racey 1868 Wisbech;
Robert Alger to Mary Chilver 1846 St Luke;
Charles John Spencer to Carrie Wright James 1897 St Saviour;
Henry Charles Spencer to Clara Slumbers 1913 Lambeth;

Death

Sarah Spencer 1872 St Saviour;
Charles Spencer 1877 Lambeth;
Henry William Spencer 1902 Battersea; and
Henry James Spencer 1913 Newington

Website round-up

Brian Hudson

www.sog.org.uk/about/newsletter

You do not have to be a member of the Society of Genealogists to read their monthly newsletter. It covers meetings and events organised by SoG as well as things from the world of genealogy such as Open Days and Family History Fairs; the latest additions to the major

genealogy company websites are also included. It's not as comprehensive and Surrey-centred as our former ESFHS e-newsletter used to be, thanks to the great work of Anne Ramon, but it will do until someone restarts our own. Any volunteers?

wellcomelibrary.org/moh

This website allows you to search more than 5500 Medical Officer of Health (MOH) reports from the Greater London area, including those areas covered by ESFHS, for the period 1848-1972. The MOH produced detailed reports each year; they include data on birth and death rates, infant mortality, incidences of infectious and other diseases, and a general statement on the health of the population.

At random I selected the 1894 report for the Croydon Rural District. It shows that the population as of 1891 was 28,717 which included these institutions – Cane Hill Asylum (the area now called Cane Hill Park), in Coulsdon and the Holborn Union Workhouse in Mitcham with a total of 2,484 inmates in 1891.

There is a detailed breakdown of the population with lots of interesting facts such as “The average number of persons living in each house in the District was 5.4; the highest average existed in Coulsdon, and the lowest in Woodmansterne and Addington.”

Births and deaths in 1894 are broken down by sex, parish and rates per 1000, with a comparison of the rates for England and Wales. There are numerous tables in the report with further analysis of the figures. Page 16 onwards includes details of more diseases than I care to know about. As for Febrile and Zymotic diseases the less said the better! There are 53 pages in this particular report, or 52 if the blank page at the end is excluded. Plenty to look through if this topic is of interest.

Website round-up

On a lighter note here are two websites to track down information on vehicles:

www.svvs.org/help129.shtml

The Surrey Vintage Vehicle Society may be able to help if you have an old vehicle that you would like identified. It caters for veteran, vintage & classic cars, as well as commercials and motorcycles. Their National and International Information Assistance

Service website receives approximately 500,000 hits a year and apparently the 'Help Page' is the most internationally visited page on the site. If you have any success in identifying a vehicle then do share your story with other members.

www.cvpg.co.uk/REG.pdf

If you have a photograph that shows a number plate then this useful PDF guide may be able to date the vehicle with a list of car registration and number plates from 1903 to 2003. The first section deals with the plate layout

e.g. ABC 456, their history, the use of special plates e.g. military and diplomatic and the allocation of area code letters e.g. MX and MY were used for London south east.

Can you help?

The Clay Family Society

David Clay: 30 Mill Street, Mansfield, NG18 2PQ { dmclay@btinternet.com }

Members of the Clay Family Society of America members have traced their ancestry back to John Clay, who went to Virginia in 1613; but they don't know which part of our country he came from. They are offering free YDNA tests to English males with the surname of Clay. There is no cost involved; if you are interested in the project please contact me.

Minutes of the 41st Annual General Meeting held at Bourne Hall, Ewell, on 21 April 2018 at 3.30 p.m.

1. Our President, Paul Blake, welcomed everyone to this year's AGM, and thanked everyone who was involved in the organising of the event.

He then reported that one of our vice presidents, Sheila Gallagher, had recently died, and that an article about her would be included in the next Journal.

2. There were seven apologies for absence, including vice president Maureen O'Sullivan, who also sent us a donation.

3. The Minutes of the 2017 AGM were signed by Paul, after being proposed by Sue Adams and seconded by Liz Moss.

4. There were no matters arising from that AGM.

5. Mark started his address by asking everyone for a few moments silence in memory of Sheila Gallagher.

Like most organisation in the country, ESFHS are involved in getting ready for General Data Protection Regulation or GDPR which comes into effect on 25th May. GDPR introduces significant new rights to individuals and their relationship with all organisations, such as banks, commercial companies, clubs and societies such as East Surrey FHS. These rights include:

- the right to be forgotten,

- the right to correct your data,
- the right to know what is held about you and why.

It is a significant change, possibly the biggest in the history of the Society, and the Committee are reviewing a notification to the membership along with a consent form. I'm indebted to Anne Ramon for her hard work on making sure that East Surrey is in a better position for the changes.

The committee are always looking for new blood. If you are even remotely interested in joining them do talk to anyone on the committee, without commitment, about what the role entails. Shadowing a committee member can be arranged.

I have decided that I am stepping down after one year. This is due to poor health. In the meantime, I would like to thank those currently on the committee for their contribution, not just over the last 12 months but over the lifetime of their involvement with East Surrey. East Surrey are dependent on the few that give their time so freely.

I attended my first group meeting just over 12 months ago, at Sutton. I was impressed with the organisation skills of those present, who appeared to know what to do without being told.

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Without this small army of helpers, including the group secretaries, East Surrey FHS would be the poorer. They are the unsung heroes of our Society. The group secretaries are Liz Moss (Croydon) who is also on the Committee, Rita Russell (Lingfield), Veronica McConnell (Richmond), Hilary Blandford (Southwark) and Gillian Alford (Sutton). They work hard to find interesting speakers. Please support these groups, they put in a lot of effort for you to come along. During my year as Chairman, I have tried to get to get around to each Group. However, I have failed. I have managed to attend Sutton, Croydon, Lingfield and Richmond, but failed to get to Southwark. I was on my way to a meeting but traffic around the area was being diverted due to the aftermath of the terrorist attack in the Borough area. I could have attended late but I didn't want my first

impression to the group of me being tasered by police officers as I insisted on getting in. A two-part PowerPoint presentation was developed by a group of Society members to illustrate a talk on how to do family history. Part one was used at Ashburton and Norbury libraries and a workshop developed for adults with hearing disability. The second part was used at a follow up meeting at Ashburton Library. The Sutton Branch helped Kingston Archives with several family history days, which is continuing into 2018. The branch was also involved with the Sutton Living Memory Project by helping some of the volunteers to research those World War One casualties buried in Sutton cemeteries.

East Surrey is not just about the group meetings and the Committee. We also have a number of people who support the Society, and a list of these appears below.

Journal	Chris Green
Newsletter	Anne Ramon
Webmaster	Rob Cambridge
Membership	Ann Turnor
Projects & Searches	Rita Russell
Projects & Searches	Peter Heather
Members Interests	Peter Grant
Strays Co-ordinator	Jean Lloyd
Postal Sales and Back Issues	Sue Adams
Bookstall	Brenda Hawkins

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Many of these people have multiple roles within the Society and without them doing so the Society would not continue in its current form. If you want to help in any of these areas, again talk to a Committee member.

Chris Green, the editor of the Journal struggles with content. So, do think about writing an article for us. Perhaps you could write a tribute on Sheila Gallagher for the Journal. Every month Anne Ramon produces the newsletter packed full of up-to-date information. The new year is a busy time for our membership secretary, Ann Turnor. Hopefully things have calmed down.

I must thank our overseas representatives Judy Woodlock (Australia), Kathy Baker (Canada) and David Dexter (USA). This is a potentially huge market for the Society to grow and I would encourage the Committee to think about how it markets itself to these areas. Rob Cambridge linked the Society events to our Facebook and Twitter accounts so that the events automatically appeared there. Facebook is supported by Anne Ramon and Nick McDonald, finding interesting stories to share.

Since last year's AGM *Who Do You Think You Are Live* has folded, and *The Name Event* has started. We don't

know how successful this event will be for East Surrey, as it doesn't have a track record. The Society tries to promote itself at as many family history and local history events as it can. However, over the years many of these events have seen dwindling numbers. Our research team of Peter Heather, Rita Russell and other volunteers, who are normally found in the Lingfield Research Centre, support our outreach stalls as does Brenda Hawkins with the bookstall. Joining the team for these events are a good way to discover the team and support the Society. So, thank you to everyone who has helped this year.

And finally. membership of many clubs and societies are falling. And East Surrey is not immune to this situation. Your subscriptions support all the things I have just mentioned. You get all of this for just £12 per year or £1 a month. This is amazing value for members. However, the final thanks go to you, the membership. Without you there wouldn't be a Society to have this AGM.

Paul thanked Mark for his address, and Anne Ramon for her work on GDPR.

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6. Good afternoon Mr President, ladies & gentlemen.

I think you all should have a copy of the financial accounts for 2017, which I hope you've had a chance to look through. If you have, you will no doubt have noticed that we had a deficit of nearly £3,144 in 2017, a slight decrease on the previous year's deficit by £796, but still a substantial deficit. This was as a result of the following:

Our overall income was less than the previous year by £1,086 due mainly to reduced membership (decrease of £517), which in turn means less Gift Aid rebate (decrease of £249), and also reduced income from the bookstall (decrease of £417). Despite this our overall expenditure was £1,882 less than the previous year. This was mainly due to the reduction in the cost of producing the quarterly Journal, a positive effect of the reduced membership and also helped by those members taking the Journal electronically, especially some of the overseas members as this reduces the postage costs considerably. The cost of meetings and events were also reduced.

Finally, this is my first year of presenting the financial accounts I'd like to say thank you to Lesley, my predecessor for her time and

informative notes that have provided me with guidance and support throughout the past year. The Report was passed by the Members after being Proposed by Nick McDonald and Seconded by Lynne Stein.

7. Graham Moore, the present examiner, was recommend to continue.

8. Election of Officers and Members of the Executive Committee.

Chairman – Vacant

Secretary – Don Knight

Treasurer – Carolyn Barclay

Existing Committee Members:

Sue Adams

Joanna Reynolds

Peter Heather

Liz Moss

Monica Polley

Proposed by Rita Russell and Seconded by Judith Mitchell.

9. Brian Hudson asked, by email, if the later Journals could be put onto a CD, as the earlier editions were.

10. The meeting was closed by Paul at 3.56 p.m.

EAST SURREY FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES for the year ended 31st DECEMBER 2017**

	note	2017		2016	
		£	£	£	£
INCOME					
Subscriptions	2		10224		10741
Gift aid tax rebate			1470		1719
Bookstall & publications	3		1292		1709
Donations & searches			833		840
Pay per view			283		57
Journal sales & advertising					
Bank interest			433		555
			<u>14535</u>		<u>15621</u>
EXPENDITURE					
Bookstall & publications	3		726		853
Journal costs	4		6990		7173
Meetings & events			6245		7148
Projects					40
Research centre			1080		1140
Website,cd-rom & software			181		191
General running costs:					
Secretarial,stationery		313		349	
Equipment repairs and renewals				50	
Advertising		338		20	
Insurance	5	<u>209</u>		<u>157</u>	
			860		576
Affiliation fees,royalties	5		564		514
Independent examiner's fee			460		460
Depreciation			359		416
Donation			215		1050
			<u>17,680</u>		<u>19,561</u>
DEFICIT OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE			-3,145		-3,940
General fund brought forward			55,052		58,992
General fund carried forward			<u>51,907</u>		<u>55,052</u>

EAST SURREY FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY

BALANCE SHEET as at 31st DECEMBER 2017

	note	<u>2017</u>		<u>2016</u>	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	6		358		717
Current assets					
Publication stock	7	1,045		1,312	
Debtors	8	2,906		525	
Bank and cash	9	<u>48,289</u>		<u>53,362</u>	
		52,240		55,199	
Creditors:falling due within one year	10	<u>690</u>		<u>864</u>	
Net current assets			51,550		54,335
Net assets			<u>51,908</u>		<u>55,052</u>
Unrestricted funds					
General fund:					
Balance brought forward			55,052		58,992
Excess of income over expenditure for the year			-3,145		-3,940
Balance carried forward			<u>51,907</u>		<u>55,052</u>

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice(SORP 2005) - Accounting and reporting by Charities; and the Charities Act 1993.

These accounts were approved by the Trustees on **11th April** 2018 and signed on their behalf by:

Trustee:.....

Trustee:.....

Mark Hughes
Chairman

Carolyn Barclay
Treasurer

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 31st DECEMBER 2017

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

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:

Depreciation is provided at the following rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life:

Equipment, fixtures & fittings - 20% on a straight line basis.

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	2017	2016
	£	£
United Kingdom	9,641	10,150
Overseas	<u>582</u>	<u>591</u>
	<u>10,223</u>	<u>10,741</u>
3 Bookstall publications	2017	2016
	£	£
Sales and on-line publications	1292	1709
Less: Purchases and costs	459	655
Stock movement	<u>267</u>	<u>198</u>
Bookstall profit	<u>566</u>	<u>856</u>
4 Journal costs	2017	2016
	£	£
Printing	6,246	4,189
Packing & mailing	<u>762</u>	<u>2,984</u>
	7,008	7,173
less:sales and advertising income	<u>18</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>6,990</u>	<u>7,173</u>
5 Affiliation fees and insurance	2017	2016
	£	£
Insurance	209	157
Subscription	<u>564</u>	<u>514</u>
	<u>773</u>	<u>671</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 31st DECEMBER 2017

6 Tangible fixed assets

	2017	2016
Equipment, fixtures & fittings		
Cost	£	£
At 1/01/17	20,167	20,167
Additions	-	-
Disposals	-	-
At 31/12/17	<u>20,167</u>	<u>20,167</u>
Depreciation		
At 1/01/17	19,450	19,034
Eliminated on disposal	-	-
Charge for the year	359	416
At 31/12/17	<u>19,809</u>	<u>19,450</u>
Net book value at 31/12/17	<u>358</u>	<u>717</u>
Net book value at 31/12/16	<u>717</u>	<u>1,133</u>

	2017	2016
7 Publication stock	£	£
Books,cd-roms,publications	<u>1,045</u>	<u>1,312</u>

	2017	2016
8 Debtors	£	£
Prepayments	2,906	525
	<u>2,906</u>	<u>525</u>

	2017	2016
9 Bank and cash	£	£
Bank current account	469	5,975
Cash floats	355	355
Bank deposit accounts	47,465	47,032
	<u>48,289</u>	<u>53,362</u>

	2017	2016
10 Creditors:due within one year	£	£
Accruals	<u>690</u>	<u>864</u>

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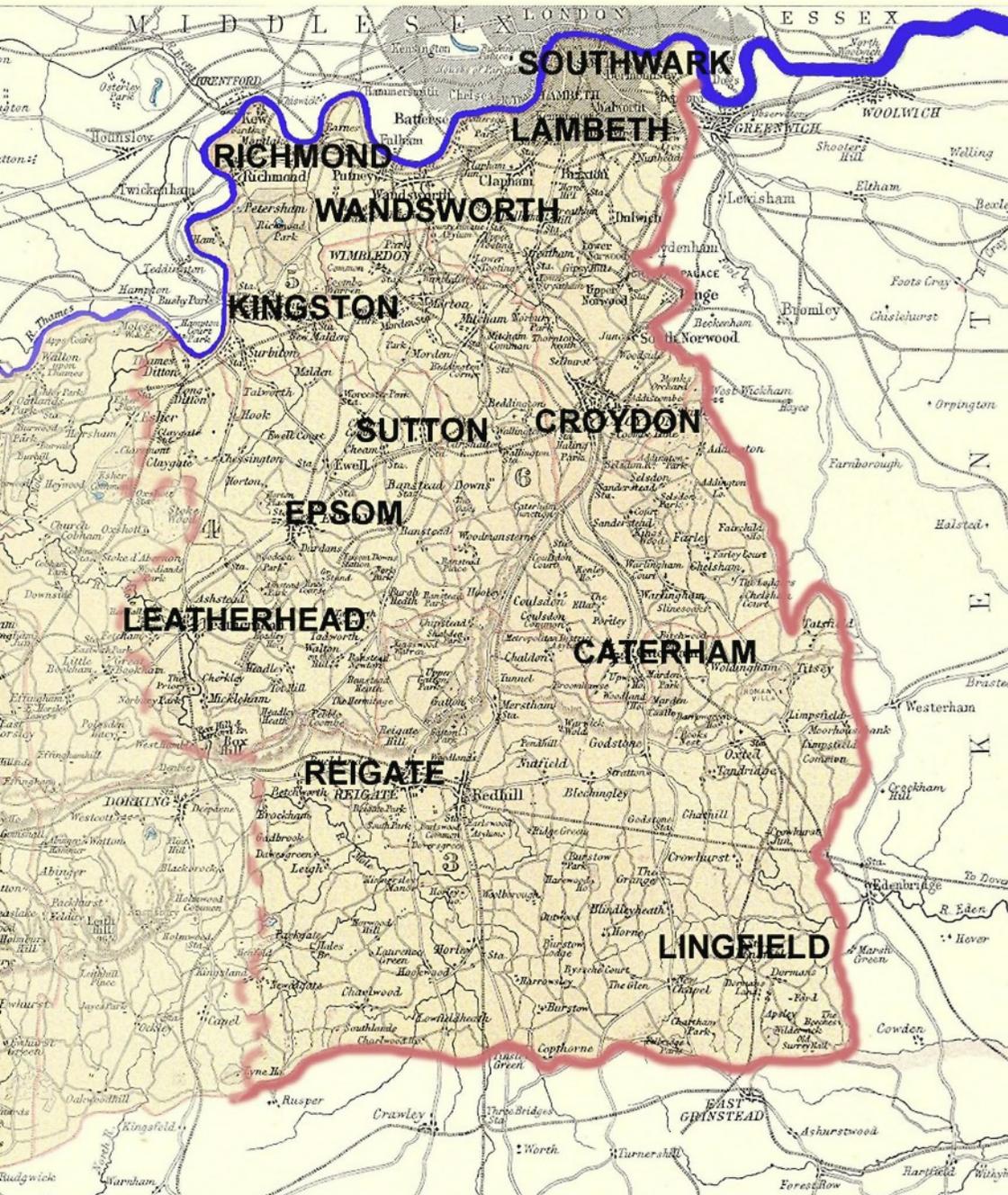
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