



# NEWSLETTER

## MARCH 2017

Bramshott and Liphook Preservation  
Society

REGISTERED AS A CHARITY NO. 281559  
PRESIDENT: TONY RUDGARD MBE

**THE HERITAGE CENTRE** WILL BE OPEN FROM  
7PM ON THE EVENING OF THE AGM (UNTIL  
7-55PM) WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET AND  
TALK TO OUR VOLUNTEERS BEFORE THE START OF  
THE AGM

### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Society's AGM will be held on **Thursday 6th April** at 8PM in the  
CANADA ROOM at the LIPHOOK MILLENNIUM CENTRE

#### AGENDA

1. **President's opening remarks**
2. **Apologies** for absence
3. **Minutes of last AGM** and matters arising
4. **Officers' reports** for the past year:
  - (i) Chairman's report
  - (ii) Honorary Treasurer's report

*QUESTIONS WILL BE TAKEN AFTER THE OFFICERS' REPORTS*

5. **Election of Officers and Committee**
6. **Any other business**

#### after the formal business of the evening ...

Local man **ANDREW LUFF** of Midlands Farm (formerly Longmoor Road but  
now in Mill Lane, Headley) remembers the Liphook of the mid-20th century  
and his family's local businesses—see also 'Tweenways' overleaf

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

**Nominations** (in writing, proposed and seconded by fellow-  
Members and with the candidate's agreement) **should reach the  
Society at Mallards, Bramshott** (see overleaf)  
**no later than Friday 24th March**

The usual appeal for new faces to stand for election to  
the Society's Committee: please talk to a serving committee member  
for more details about what is involved.  
And the other recurring plea for a willing volunteer to fill the office of  
Honorary Secretary which remains vacant, so if anyone is interested in  
taking on this job—or part of it—we remain especially  
keen to hear from them!

The terms of the Society's constitution allow up to 12 Committee  
members, including Officers.

### OFFICERS and COMMITTEE standing for re-election

<b>Adrian Bird</b>	CHAIRMAN
<b>Ian Baker</b>	VICE-CHAIRMAN
<b>David Barfield</b>	TREASURER
<b>Still vacant!</b>	SECRETARY

**Michael Croucher**  
**Kay Murray**  
**Philip Jordan**  
**Paul Robinson**

<b>Peter Harris</b>	(distribution)
<b>Janet Marr</b>	(publications)
<b>John Hilder</b>	(membership)

**Jane Ives** (PARISH COUNCIL  
REPRESENTATIVE)



## NEWS FROM THE HERITAGE CENTRE

The Displays in the Heritage Centre are to remain for a short while yet, with the addition of a small display of **Tweenways**, which is attracting interest because of Don Cook's recent retirement: we have the shop's cash till on display.

We have taken possession of more **Krazy Lads** memorabilia including minute Book and the 'Swear Box' used to swell the coffers during the meetings! We also acquired a cash till from **Matthews** shop and a bundle of **Liphook in Bloom** Photographs.

**Liphook  
Heritage  
Centre**  
the Laurence Giles  
local archive

Two of our volunteers attended a forum of **local Archive Centres** hosted by the Fernhurst History Society and we continue to engage with other Centres whenever the opportunity presents.

A group of volunteers is visiting **Hampshire Records Office** where Matthew Goodwin (successor to Mark Pitchforth who moved on recently to the

John Innes Historical Collections) has organised a Forum with an opportunity to look round the Archive. We have been invited to give a short talk on the Birth and Growth of the Liphook Heritage Centre as we are flatteringly seen as a 'rôle model' for others!

We have completed our first 'outreach' **Oral History Interview** which took place at the home of Arthur Johnson. More are planned in the near future.

Bill Gosney has made good use of our Archive when researching his book, **Hospitals of the Petersfield Union 1914-1919**. Two of our Volunteers attended his book launch at Clayton Court (the wartime army hospital at Hillbrow) - and we were given a copy of his book.

*Normal opening times  
are 10am - 12 noon on  
Mondays and Fridays  
and from 2pm - 4pm on  
Wednesdays.*

### SUBSCRIPTIONS

There are still a few of our valued Members who haven't renewed their subscriptions (£5) yet:

if you know who you are, please help us by sending it (with your details) to our Membership Secretary JOHN HILDER

at THE OLD STORES, CONFORD, LIPHOOK GU30 7QN 01428 751898

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The River Wey Trust can also be contacted there.



## BRAMSHOTT LANES

Our thanks to all who turned up on our session in **Rectory Lane** on 11th February – a rewarding morning's work, a little spoiled by having to pay in total nearly £300 to District and County Councils to get the road closure approved: for the previous 20 years, the fee was waived because of the public benefit: seems a poor use of money raised by Bramshott Open Gardens and given to us to fund the project – but, forewarned, next year we may be able to get a grant to cover it (from said council(s))

On Saturday 18th March (for those who see it in time – regulars have already been circulated) we're going to do some ivy-stripping from the old bridge along Woolmer Lane, over the Waggoners Wells stream, at **Spring Pond**, and next month – in conjunction from BOGs volunteers – some preparatory work for restoring the 'dry' stone walls that face the banks beside many of Bramshott's lanes, starting at the triangle outside the Church on, provisionally,  
Saturday 8th April.

**BRAMSHOTT  
LANES  
PROJECT**

### OUR VISIT TO LONGMOOR CAMP

Many thanks to Major Craig Beeforth at Longmoor and to Colonel John Boyd and the RBL for arranging last month's joint visit (only 'available' to members who have given us their email addresses, due to the relatively short notice) which offered a fascinating insight to what goes on at Longmoor and the training and activities of the Close Protection Unit of the RMP.

### OTHER DATES FOR THE DIARY

The Society will be celebrating its **50TH ANNIVERSARY** on Thursday 31st August with a look back at the issues, names and achievements from its first half-century – more details in the next Newsletter

The RIVER WEY TRUST's **Summer Party** will be on Saturday 1st July at Bramshott Mill – expressions of interest now to Adrian Bird (and RWT will respond in due course), or wait for more publicity!