



# NEWSLETTER

## MARCH 2019

Bramshott and Liphook Preservation

Society

REGISTERED AS A CHARITY NO. 281559

PRESIDENT: TONY RUDGARD MBE

### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Society's AGM will be held on **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> 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) Heritage Centre report
  - (iii) 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 ...

#### **ST PETERSTBURG TO MOSCOW ON TWO WHEELS**

Preservation Society member, Heritage Centre volunteer and inveterate traveller **GLENYS KIRKPATRICK** recounts her epic cycle trip across western Russia.

**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

### 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 Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April**

You will note that we still have fewer Committee members than our constitution allows, and there's always a search for new (and younger!) blood—so do come forward (or push someone else forward). As ever the post of Hon Secretary remains vacant—the job is still split around Committee members at present.)

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 and HERITAGE CENTRE CHAIRMAN	<b>Michael Croucher</b>
<b>David Barfield</b>	TREASURER	<b>Kay Murray</b>
<b>Still vacant!</b>	SECRETARY	<b>Philip Jordan</b>
<b>Peter Harris</b>	(distribution)	<b>Paul Robinson</b>
<b>Janet Marr</b>	(publications)	PARISH COUNCIL
<b>John Hilder</b>	(membership)	REPRESENTATIVE <b>Thea Joudan</b>

***IF YOU HAVE THOUGHTS ON FUTURE TALKS THAT YOU'D LIKE US TO ARRANGE (SUBJECT MATTER OR NAMES OF SPEAKERS), PLEASE LET US KNOW***

# NEWS FROM THE HERITAGE CENTRE

We hosted 90 children from the Junior School recently – just manageable in groups of 30 at a time – much enjoyed, with some pretty sharp questions. Less overwhelming, but equally successful was a visit by members of LiDBA.

Recent acquisitions include the golden cockerel – symbol of Courage pubs (happy days when they brewed at Alton: no brewing there now) - which adorned the Deers Hut sign until the 1970s: a similar one is pictured here.

On the Oral History front, Joan Finney and Isobel Swan are producing a growing volume of interview transcripts, the most recent interview being with Bob Steer from

the Anchor Garage. One of our earlier interviewees (in 2017) was Hilary Adair who tragically died recently following an incident with the cattle on Lynchmere Common: Hilary was daughter of Cannon Beresford, long time Rector of Bramshott, and she grew up in the Inigo Trigs designed former Rectory (now back to its original 'Hailie') in Portsmouth Road. She is pictured in the garden there, with her brother and their gardener.



There will be a full report on the Centre's activities over the past year at the AGM. We are always on the lookout for enthusiastic new volunteers to join in and help run the centre – tasks available to suit all skills: drop in for a chat!

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

## BRAMSHOTT LANES

A successful session was held at Burgh Hill in early February with our regular volunteers and some Bramshott residents, as well as our usual professional team from Oakhanger Forestry.

As part of the other 'thread' to the Lanes Project, we are planning work to the stone-walled banks in Bramshott shortly – particularly one or two bits around the churchyard at the junction of Church Lane with Church Road, as well as the wall at the old Bramshott Boys School at the bottom of Rectory Lane



BRAMSHOTT LANES PROJECT

### 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 Weir Trust can also be contacted there.



### NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN and EAST HAMPSHIRE LOCAL PLAN REVIEW

Many members will hopefully have visited the respective consultation exhibitions for these 'visions, for the locality's future. The neighbourhood plan goes into local issues in great detail – <https://bramshottandliphookndp.uk/welcome/keyevents/public-exhibition-online> – it will feed back into the Local Plan as it evolves: the Preservation Society is represented where it can best contribute: on the Heritage working party.

The EHDC Local Plan deals with wider issues, including allocation of housing land up until 2036: these allocations are inevitably almost always controversial: we have land at the old chicken farm beyond the Berg Estate, and land off the Headley Road immediately before the bypass crossing, with the intention of providing around 150 houses: none of this is envisaged to happen before 2028. Often the most disruptive element is the construction traffic, especially if this is over a prolonged period – are there ways of minimising this? The biggest surprise, however, is over Bentley way, where a new 'village' of 800 houses is proposed on (following government guidance) a greenfield site on the A31 up against the county boundary with Surrey.