

# Tadley and District History Society (TADS) - www.tadshistory.com

Next meeting - Wednesday 15th January 2014 at St. Paul's Church Hall, 8.00 to 9.30pm

### 'Winchester - Bishops, Buildings and Bones'

By Andrew Negus

(Everybody welcome - visitors £2.50)

Annual Subscriptions of £12 per person are now due. If you are paying at the January meeting will you please put your cheque or cash in an envelope bearing your name (envelopes provided at the meeting). This will help the Treasurer recognise who has paid and get the receipts prepared. New members please give details, including Phone No. and email address. Subs may also be sent via Carol (See bottom of Page 4 for address.)

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# TADS Meeting 19th February 2014 'Basingstoke Workhouse'

By Barbara Large

#### TADS AGM, 18th December 2013

There was a gratifying attendance of 37 people, exactly half the membership. Thank you all.

Chairman Carol presented her report on the activities of TADS during 2013. The year's programme of talks organised by Dave Bowman had been very interesting with a good number of visitors attending some of them. One of the best talks, Roman Uniforms had the smallest attendance! For once there were no disasters

Carol thanked all those who contribute to the running of TADS in many ways, some of which are not immediately obvious. Particular thanks are given to Vickie Ward who types up Rosemary's meeting reports.

Carol also spoke about the work of the Project Group. The Tadley walks book - Tadley Tracks, Tadley Facts published in 20012 is still selling steadily and we have comfortably covered the initial outlay.

Some more work has been done on the search for 'Missing Tadley', the medieval village, which is believed to have been in the area around old Tadley Church (St Peter's). But the work has been mainly been put to one side in order to work on the commemoration of the start of World War 1. This will culminate in a special exhibition at the Tadley Community Centre on 27th September 2014. Any help will be welcome.

Another small project was researching the family history and Tadley connections of William Evans who was killed at Farnborough with Sam Cody in August 1913. In order to find his grave, a party of three cleared much of the wilderness at the bottom of St Peter's graveyard.

The TADS History Prize was not awarded this year as the teacher did not think the work was of a sufficient standard. We are intending to issue guidelines for this year.

The accounts were accepted and the subscriptions were unchanged.

The Society's funds have been replenished by the book sales, but we have had to make provision for spending more on speakers. Thanks go to Peter Gomm for his independent checking of the accounts.

The Committee had reviewed the society's Constitution which was foud to be satisfactory.

The current Committee were re-elected en-bloc. They are:

Chairman Carol Stevens
Secretary Ian Burn
Treasurer Peter McNulty
Newsletter Production Richard Brown
Programme and Website David Bowman

Assistant Secretary &

Newsletter distribution Valerie Gilbert.

New Committee members are always welcome.

David has produced a very good talks' programme for the New Year. Programme cards were given out at the meeting.

After the formal meeting, Ian Burn gave a short presentation on the World War 1 research and displayed examples of the findings, including information on one Tadley soldier casualty. This was followed by a social with the opportunity to chat and try a couple of quizzes

A big thank you to all who helped with the buffet and clearing up.

Richard Brown

## A Free copy of the Newbury Weekly News and the Basingstoke Gazette!

TADS will pay for both papers. The catch? You have to go through each one every week and mark up any references to Tadley, then precis the information for entry in a spreadsheet including a reference to the location of the article. Time taken - not more than an hour a week.

Offers to Carol, please.

#### What's on? Events which may be of interest

Hampshire Record Office For information ring 01962846154 or see www3.hants.gov.uk/whatson-hro

**Milestones Museum.** For coming events: Tel. 01256 477766 or see: www3.hants.gov.uk/milestones/whatson

No current events.

**Willis Museum -** The museum is running an ever changing series of special exhibitions in the Sainsbury Gallery. Of note is LEGO® Models by Duncan Titmarsh, on display until 18th January

Friends of the Willis Museum (7.30pm at the museum)

No meeting in January.

February 20th - The false Messiah of Overton, by Bob Clarke

**Basingstoke Archaeological & History Society** (7.30 at Church Cottage)

13th February - Dating the end of furnished pagan Anglo-Saxon burials.

Dr Alex Bayliss, English Heritage

#### A visit to the Bank of England?

The Bank of England's Museum gives free presentations to visiting groups of between 15 and 50 people. Pre-booking is essential. Travel will be under your own steam, so you will be free to spend the rest of the day in London.

If you are interested in going please let Carol or Richard know. We will also ask at the coming meeting.

TADS annual membership is £12 per person.
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