



**January 2020**

**Tadley and District History Society  
(TADS) - [www.tadshistory.com](http://www.tadshistory.com)**

**Next meeting - Wednesday 15th January 2020  
at St. Paul's Church Hall, 8.00 to 9.30pm**

**‘Beer, Sausages and Marmalade;  
Food, Drink, Politics and Tourism  
in 19<sup>th</sup> Century Oxford ’**

**By Liz Woolley**

*(Everybody welcome - visitors £3.00)*

**Membership fees** - These are now due. The fee remains at £18 per person. The Treasurer (Christine Poile) will take cheques or cash at the coming meeting or payment may be sent via Carol Stevens at 5 Church Road, Pamber Heath, RG26 3DP.

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**TADS Meeting 19<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

**‘The Zulu Wars - End of an Era’**

By Richard Anderson

**TADS Meeting 18<sup>th</sup> December 2019**

**TADS Annual General Meeting**

The members who attended comfortably exceeded the number required to make a quorum. So thank you to all who came.

The number of paid up members has continued to decline and we were down to 39 this year. The loss of income was partially offset by good numbers of visitors and some generous donations. 2019 was another year of well attended and good talks. So our thanks go to Jim West for putting the programme together.

The Committee besides running the Society keep an eye on developments in Tadley and have made representations to the appropriate authorities where they think the proposals are inappropriate to the area. This has included a suggestion to B& D Council that the Conservation Area near St Peter’s Church be extended.

Uppermost in the priorities for more than half the year was the future of TADS and preparations were made for closure due to lack of Committee members. These included the hiring of a space in the Baughurst ‘Barn Store’ so that the contents of the archives could be reviewed before dispersal.

At an Extraordinary General Meeting in July sufficient new volunteers came forward to keep the Society going, and most of them have already been co-opted onto the Committee so that outgoing members could pass on information.

After all the work of getting the new book (In Grateful Remembrance) out last year the Project Group devoted their time to clearing up the loose ends and still have a few things they would like to do as outcomes. Steve Davidson has started an in depth look at historic maps covering the Tadley area with some surprising findings. He gave a presentation on his work after the formal part of the AGM.

Jim West and Stephen Barber have put together an interesting programme of talks for the coming year and Programme cards were available at the meeting

After the changes the new committee is:

Carol Stevens - Chairman

Ann Broad & Rosie Bond - Joint Minute Secretary

Christine Poile - Treasurer

Richard Brown - Newsletter production

Neil Forde - General member and assistant to Website Manager

Steve Davidson - Website Manager and projects

Stephen Barber - Programme Secretary

Our thanks go to the Committee retiring members: Ian Burn, Peter McNulty, and Valerie Gilbert, all of whom had given many years of service.

Thanks were also paid to David Gilbert for putting out the chairs at meetings and supervising their packing away; to Rosie Bond and Ann Broad for their work in doing the meeting reports; and special thanks to Neil Handley of Profile Print and Copy who does all our printing and sells our books.

The AGM was followed by a social.

Richard Brown

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### **Visit to the Mary Rose project.**

A group visit to the special exhibition 'The Many Faces of Tudor England' and the Mary Rose ship is planned. Many people have already expressed interest, but we could do with a few more to reach the minimum of 15.

As a result of members completing Carol's table of possible dates, 5<sup>th</sup> March is the favoured date

The event will have to be finalised at the coming meeting.

Own transport/car share will be required.

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

**Milestones Museum.** For coming events tel. 01256 477766 or see <http://hampshireculturaltrust.org.uk/milestones-museum>

15 Feb - 19 Apr. - **Space Explorers**, An out of this world brick adventure! Explore over 20 space-related brick models, complete two interactive mission trails, ride a flying saucer, and much more!

**Willis Museum** - The museum is running an ever changing series of special exhibitions in the Sainsbury Gallery. The Museum also holds workshops on assorted topics including children's activities in the holidays. *For information tel. 01256 465902 or see <http://hampshireculturaltrust.org.uk/venue-events/52>*

18 Jan - 18 Apr. - **Microsculpture** The Insect Portraits of Levon Biss

**Friends of the Willis Museum** (7.30 pm at the museum - Non-members £2, booking essential through the museum telephone number 01256 465902)

20 Feb - **Napoleon's Lost Soldiers and Seaman** – French Prisoners of War in Hampshire by Paul Chamberlain

**Basingstoke Archaeological and Historical Society** (*Meetings at Church Cottage at 7.30pm*)

13 Feb - Islands of Stone; **Neolithic Crannogs** in the Outer Hebrides by Duncan Carrow of Reading University

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***TADS annual membership is £18 per person.  
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