



Lyminge Historical Society
Christmas Newsletter 2021



Merry Christmas Everyone from the Committee

Due to Covid 19, 2020 was a lost year to us all, as was the majority of 2021. We finally started our talks again in October this year and we are looking forward to 2022 with eager anticipation.

Things have been whirring away in the background thanks to the Committee, as you can see from the contents of this Newsletter. Firstly, the reports from the Committee are as follows:

Events Secretary Report – Katharine Barber

There were no talks in the Tayne Centre in 2020 due to Covid 19 restrictions, other than in March 2020, only resuming in October this year. Summer Outings were also cancelled for both 2020 and 2021. Katharine works tirelessly to set up the talks and there has been a lot of cancelling and rearranging over the last two years. Our thanks go to Katharine for finding speakers, which are fast becoming more elusive. The Events Programme for 2022 is shown below, with September-November still to be confirmed. Watch the notice boards and the LHS adverts in the Lyminge Newsletter to keep up-to-date.

**Lyminge Historical Society
Programme of Events 2022**

Date		Speaker	Title
March	1st	Dr. Ben Marsh	'Unravelling Dreams - A story about Silk
April	5th	John Buss	'Rural Life during WW2'
May	3rd	Guy Topham	'Shall we or shan't we - Yes we shall' Study History and Archaeology in Lympne
June	7th	Judi Knight	'Fashion on the Ration' - WW2 talk
July	TBC	Summer Outing	A visit to be arranged
August		S U M M E R B R E A K	

There will be the usual Winter Break in January and February 2022.



Treasurer's Report 2021 – Richard Chubb

The Treasurer's Report has been circulated for your information. Richard has worked hard keeping track of our finances during Covid lockdowns when our income has been hit hard. Many thanks Richard for all your endeavours.

Stock Controller's Report 2021 – Daphne Andrews

Books continued to sell well in 2021 and with the Paypal facility on the web site we have seen both UK and overseas purchases using that method of payment. Daphne co-ordinates all purchases and monitors our stocks and our thanks go to her for her excellent work.

Lyminge a History publications

At the beginning of the year, we embarked on the latest book, Part Eleven, with a new Editor. Regrettably that didn't work out, however we are delighted to report that John Carr came to our rescue and is currently in the process of putting Part Eleven together with a view to printing for Christmas. We owe John a huge debt of thanks for stepping into the breach. Thanks also go to the ladies on the Committee who diligently proof read all the articles before going to John and then to the printers.

These publications are our only source of revenue and fund other projects such as support equipment and projects that help to promote the history of the area. Sales also pay for the Society's web site, maintaining the archive, insurance and now the Paypal facility on the web site, as well as providing funds for projects which otherwise would have to come from the Membership fees.

Family History and Research Group

Mike Foxon, who has been the mainstay of the Group over several years, is standing down at the end of this year. The new opening times at Lyminge Library are no longer convenient and the group may have to be given a new role going forward. More details on this will be announced in due course. Thank you Mike for leading the group and to your team of researchers for all their hard work.

LHS web site

As mentioned earlier, the new web site went live earlier this year, in April. It needs constant updating so have a look at the site and if you think anything needs altering/adding, let Rosemary know.

Membership Fees

It has been agreed that fees should remain the same for 2022 ie £11 per annum. However, for those that paid for the combined Covid years covering 2020/2021 those Members would only pay £5.



Lyminge Historical Society – Our Future

As with many other societies and associations, both large and small throughout the land, it is increasingly difficult to find volunteers and particularly to recruit on to our Committee. Indeed, many societies have been forced to close down, even more so as a result of Covid lockdown and diminishing revenue.

With Mike Foxon standing down from the Committee at the end of the year, our Committee is finding it increasingly difficult to form a quorum to make the decisions going forward and those of us that are standing for re-election are being asked to take on more and more of the work involved in keeping Lyminge Historical Society going. In a nutshell, the Society will cease to exist after 2022 if we don't get some help.

As a result, we are earnestly asking you to help us out in any way, even on a part time basis, and should you decide this is for you, please get in touch with one of the Committee. Thank you.



We wish you all a
Very Merry Christmas
And a Happy New Year

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