

A CHRISTMAS GATHERING WITH MUSIC

The preliminary work by Linda Clackett and her social sub-committee, the generosity of vice-president Jack Ind, Headmaster of Dover College, in making available the historic Norman Refectory, the professional skill of Mr Hatton, the College caterer, the Mandarin elegance of the "invitation card" in Newsletter No 2, and the tickets (the work, of course, of Philomena Kennedy) and the securing of the services of Adrian Boynton and his Band all laid the foundations for a most enjoyable evening, our first social event.

Of distinguished guests: we were delighted to have present the Town Mayor and Mayoress of Dover, Councillor and Mrs R. Tant, and four vice-presidents; Mr "Budge" Adams, Mr Peter Johnson, Miss Lillian Kay and Mr Jonathan Sloggett. Unfortunately our President, the Countess of Guilford, and our host, Jack Ind, were unable to be present. Peter Johnson did the honours in place of the Headmaster. As a Governor and previous Chairman of Governors of the College he did more, treating us to a brief but vivid history of the ancient site and the modern school, thereby focussing the attention of the company on one aspect of the Society's remit: Dover's heritage. (A detailed visit of the College buildings may feature in our 1989 fixtures).

That was the serious side. For the rest, the company warmed seasonally to the evening: the food and wine and, after that, to the music. Some ladies even danced to it! Adrian Boynton and his Grammar School Boys are like pennies from heaven - certainly they were the stars of the evening and, as they too were visibly enjoying themselves, it can be said that four score of people had a super evening.

The only thing missing was a large supply of Philomena Kennedy's new publication, *Walk Around Dover* which we are impatient to buy at the Channel Bookshop in Russell Street, Books... & More in the Market Square, or at Harbour House.

Leo Wright Committee Member

WALK AROUND DOVER is also at present on sale at the Dover Express office 25 High St., W.H. Smith, the Tourist Information Centre in Townwall St. and will shortly be available at the Museum and the Dover Health Food Centre, Charlton Centre. In St. Margaret's it can be purchased at Roses, the Newsagent and the Post Offices. I understand some Deal shops have it in stock. It can be sent through the post for the price of a first class stamp.

BOOK REVIEW

WALK AROUND DOVER Philomena Kennedy. £1.85. 1988.
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WALK AROUND DOVER admirably fills a long felt need. It is an essential companion for all visitors to Dover and an indispensable reference book and guide for all Doverians, past, present and potential.

As a practical guide the format and presentation are admirable. Of a suitable