

# COWGATE CEMETERY

Jeremy Cope

We are up against the mowing of the summer growth - the grass and other vegetation really does grow with some vigour. I reported optimistically about our progress in the last newsletter but its back to a reality check. We are thinking about a mower that could give us much greater capacity - something we need with an ageing group of volunteers.

You will read elsewhere in the newsletter of the sad death of Roger Marples - one of our volunteers. Our

thoughts are with Pauline, his wife. We also wish project volunteers Jeremy Fox and Deborah Gasking the best of good fortune in recovering from their health problems.

We welcome volunteers - either phone 01304 211348 or email me on [jeremycope@willersley.plus.com](mailto:jeremycope@willersley.plus.com)

## Cowgate working parties 2012

Saturday 10th November

Thursday 6th December

Saturday 15th December

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

### Shiela R Cope Membership Secretary

Regrettably, we have lost Linda O'Connor and Roger Marples, two long-standing and active members whose deaths were sudden and untimely and whose work for the Society will be sorely missed.

Linda was the regular Newsletter distributor in the St. Margaret's area. When her father, Budge Adams, died, and supported by sister Marie and brother Robert, Linda was instrumental in ensuring that the Society was given jurisdiction over the ultimate destination of Budge's books and his large pictorial archive of Dover which included 2000 slides. These were handed over to the Museum and catalogued by Society members and subsequently became the basis of Dover Tribute in memory of Budge.

Once Roger and Pauline had retired from running the Cabin restaurant, where copies of our Newsletter were

always displayed, they were able to attend our meetings regularly. Roger joined both the planning and refurbishment sub-committees. He kept a weather eye on the Folkestone Road area and was especially keen to promote the establishment of a viable path between the Castle and Langdon Cliffs via the Bleriot Memorial. We shall do our best to continue to promote his good work.

On a happier note, we congratulate Emma Smith and Ben Cope on their marriage in September and wish them much future happiness.

We welcome Mr K Gawn, and Mr & Mrs G Mowles. We number 445 at present. At time of writing we look forward to our Autumn meetings and trust that we shall recruit more members in order to achieve our target of 500 for our 25th anniversary next year. Please do all you can to help.