

AGM

A reminder to all members

The Annual General Meeting this year will take place on Monday 20th April. This is also the last of the winter meetings until October. All members are urged to attend.

All nominations for elected posts within the committee and any resolutions must be received by the secretary no later than 14 days before the date of the AGM.

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MEMBERSHIP NEWS - SPRING 2015

Sheila R. Cope Membership Secretary

Subscriptions Are Now Due

Our Chairman would dearly have loved our membership numbers to have reached 500 during our 25th Anniversary year but it was not to be. However, the numbers are gradually creeping up and we have now reached 487. So if you, or someone you know, has been meaning to join but has never quite got round to it, now is the time to act. Just tear out the membership application form at the end of this Newsletter and "follow the links". Your name will be added to the list of new members in the next Newsletter, although it can be omitted if you prefer.

So our most recent and welcome recruits are, in order of joining:- Miss E Pott, Mr R Little, Ms K Jones, Mr P and Mrs K Coe, Ms B Cummins, Mr B Flood, Mrs A Friend, Rev. K Child, Mr M Jeffrey, Mr A and Mrs A Wright, Mr D and Mrs E Soppitt, Mrs S Green. Miss B Little and Mrs F Christine.

At our AGM we shall be standing to honour those members who died during

the year. They are:- our late Vice President Mr Peter Marsh, Mr Bruce Lilley, Mr Brian Powell, Mrs Jean Baldwin, Mr David Pennington, Mr Harry Hutchison, Mr Martin Fuller, Mr Jeffrey Steed and Mrs Daphne Davis. We send our condolences to their families and friends.

In mid-January one of our founder-members, Sybil Standing, died. Sybil served on the Executive Committee for many years, her role as archivist being appropriate to her career in the Public Library. As a representative of the Society she also attended and reported back on the meetings of the Town Council planning committee. Sybil was very direct, with a sharp lateral-thinking intelligence and her sense of humour was both zany and disarming.

In Newsletter no. 54 (December 2005) Jim Francis wrote "Captain Osmond File" which is a very full and interesting account of the life of Sybil's father.