

Grayshott Heritage

Speaker: John Childs



Grayshott is a large and busy village at the junction of Hampshire, Surrey and Sussex. Grayshott Heritage was set up as a millennium project to record, research and promote interest in the village's history. This presentation will describe how we are set up, how we interact with the community, some of our current projects, and a few of the challenges and opportunities in front of us.



WINDOW ON THE PAST UPTON GREY

Upton Grey History Society

Speaker: Patrick Symmington

Window on the Past is a project to make all the historical information on our village freely accessible via a website. Thousands of pieces of information (photos, maps, documents, sound recordings, research) will be stored in 'The Cloud' on a database which enables us to give multiple references to each entry. Users can search by period, location and key themes such as the church, village life, education, etc, making the connections between the different pieces of information and following their own interests. It means we are saving everything we have for posterity. Our community is very supportive of the project and people are unearthing more information for the database all the time. The talk will cover how we went about the project, and how it offers so much more than the traditional ways of publishing local history.

Panel Discussion on local photographic archives covering such issues as securing contributions, preservation, digitisation and providing access.

Panel members:

Richard Croft, Kingsclere Heritage Association

Chris Hobby, Milford-on-Sea Historical Record Society

Matthew Goodwin, Hampshire Record Office

Chaired by Roger Ottewill, Chair of the Local History Section of the Hampshire Field Club

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Local History Section

Community Archive Forum Programme

17 March 2018, 9:45am-1:00pm

- 09:45 ~ 09:50 Introduction and welcome
- 09:50 ~ 10:10 Buriton Heritage Bank
- 10:10 ~ 10:30 Hook Local History Group
- 10:30 ~ 10:50 Mothers' Union Archive
- 10:50 ~ 11:20 Break
- 11:20 ~ 11:40 Grayshott Heritage
- 11:40 ~ 12:00 Upton Grey History Society: Window on the Past project
- 12:00 ~ 12:30 Panel discussion: Photographic Archives
- 12:30 ~ 13:00 Open to the floor

Forthcoming Event at the Hampshire Record Office

Saturday, 21 April 2018: 9:20 to 3:45

**Spring Symposium on the theme of
Hampshire and the Wider World**

Organised by the Local History Section of the Hampshire Field Club & Archaeological Society in collaboration with the Wessex Centre at the University of Winchester

Please see flier for further details.

Synopses of Talks

Buriton Heritage Bank

Speaker: Doug Jones



The Buriton Heritage Bank was launched in the spring of 2001 as a way of collecting, recording and sharing the local history of the area.

The parish of Buriton has a rich and fascinating heritage with agriculture and industry spanning years of sheep-grazing on the South Downs, thriving local hop gardens, chalk quarrying and local lime works. Archaeological evidence indicates Roman, Saxon and medieval sites and there are also significant cultural connections: the Bonham Carter family and, before them, Edward Gibbon (the historian) owned the local manor farm; and John Goodyer, one of Britain's greatest botanists, also lived in the parish and is buried in the churchyard.

There was a danger of losing knowledge about the past and the Heritage Bank project set out to ensure that information was recorded, shared and explained.

The project encourages the local community to explore their local heritage and to find out more. It is generating a greater interest in, and respect for, the local area.

The 'Heritage Bank' idea allows the whole community to 'pay in' or 'deposit' information, experience and research and also to be able to 'draw out' information from this pool of knowledge - to enhance people's own appreciation of the local heritage and to develop their own studies. Youngsters of the parish can draw on the knowledge of older residents; newcomers can learn from those whose families have lived in the area for generations; and those with a good knowledge of the local natural history can share and explain it to others.

The talk will explain the concept and illustrate some of the findings.

A Heritage Lottery Funded Project in Hook



Hook Local History Group
Est. 1987

Speaker: Paul Cluett

A short talk by Paul Cluett on how Hook Local History Group secured Heritage Lottery Funding to produce an audio visual on Hook and digitize its records and use of Facebook. The aim is to increase interest in Hook's local History and attract new members to the History Group whilst increasing the knowledge of Hook's local history across the wider community. The talk will touch also on the added benefits from the project and progress to date.

Mothers' Union Archive

Speaker: Christine Clode, Archivist, The Mothers' Union, Winchester Diocese



The Mothers' Union is a Worldwide Christian Organisation with a membership of 4 million across 83 countries. It was begun in 1876 by Mary Sumner, wife of the incumbent at St Mary's Old Alresford. George Sumner eventually took up a post at Winchester Cathedral and they lived in 1 The Close, Winchester where most of the initial executive committee meetings took place. We staff and support two contact centres, run a Dementia Café, take families Away From it All on annual holiday, and involve ourselves in many social issues, locally, nationwide and worldwide.

Our records are deposited at the Hampshire Record Office as part of the Winchester Diocese and provide valuable information into the history of the organisation and its changing role in today's society. During the 140th anniversary celebrations in 2016 we were able to retrieve and display many of our stored records, much admired by His Grace, the Archbishop of Canterbury during his visit to the Cathedral.

The continuing work is in depositing records from branches and recording our history, some of which is now shown on the Winchester Mothers' Union website. www.muwinchester.org.uk