

The Wherwell History Group

Newsletter for August 2010

Dear Member,

This newsletter is to remind you about the 'Behind the Scenes' visit to the Hampshire Record Office next week and our program of meetings for September through to November.

The visit to the **Hampshire Record Office**, near Winchester Railway Station is next week on Monday 16th August. Our host and guide is Mark Pitchforth, chief archivist. The tour **starts at 7.00 pm** and lasts about 90 minutes; sufficient time for a tour of the building, and an opportunity to look at historic documents with a Wherwell connection.

The list of thirteen people who have definitely booked the HRO tour is:

Andrew & Pam Flanagan
Brenda, Peter & Matthew Bryant
David Walton
Judith Herridge
Mike & Mary Gee
Pam Prince
Peg Beesley
Richard & Rosemary Plincke

The maximum size of tour group is 20. If you haven't yet booked a space, then there is still time to respond to this newsletter before the weekend. Anyone coming on the tour who has a specific document or area of interest which they would like to share with the tour group is invited to search the HRO online catalogue at:

<http://calm.hants.gov.uk/DServe/Search%20all.htm>

and reply to this email with their document title and catalogue number; so that documents can be retrieved before the start of our tour.

The Record Office is open to the public from 9.00 am to 7.00 pm. I suggest we meet in the foyer at about 6.50 pm. Richard & Rosemary are making their own way from St Mary Bourne. The Wherwell contingent can probably 'squeeze' into three or four cars, which means it should be possible to pre-book spaces in the dedicated HRO Car Park.

Our regular program of illustrated talks at Wherwell Village Hall on the third Friday of the month, at 8.00 pm continues next month :-

17 th September	Gerald Ponting	<i>Hampshire's Living History</i>
15 th October	Don Bryan	<i>Gun Riots of Winchester</i>
19 th November	Frank Green	<i>The Heritage of the New Forest National Park</i>

Finally, a reminder that subscriptions were due for renewal on 1st June 2010. To date, 34 people have joined or re-joined, which is brilliant!. We expect more people to join once the programme of talks gets going. I hope most of you keep in touch with what the History Group is doing via the Community Magazine; back copies are available to view on the village website at:

<http://www.wherwell.net/news.htm>

Andrew Flanagan