

Stockcross and Surroundings Historical Association
Minutes of the Meeting at Stockcross Village Hall, Stockcross
Monday 26th September 2017 at 7.30pm

Attending - Colin, Irene, Viv Angie, Jackie, Keith, Shirley,, Tom and Leigh

Apologies - Jane, Felicity, Carole, Laurelie, Jonathan, Chris

Matters Arising

Maps at the museum - not done

School information - not done

Enquiries

1. Received from David Pearce 1, Brunswick Road, Pudsey, Leeds re his late father Geoffrey Henry Pearce who was in the RAF Bomber Command and lived at 15 Stockcross. Tom Darling was also in Bomber Command and met Geoffrey Pearce so he will contact David Pearce. Viv has sent holding reply with photo of what was 15 Stockcross (Chapel; Road where Hanover flats are now)

2. Received from West Berkshire Museum re Ernst Haartman German POW and requesting info on Tom Wallace. Members able to advise that Tom Wallace was head Gamekeeper for Sutton Estate.-Tom & Ethel Wallace lived at Shepherd's Farm after Sidney Martin(who died 12/2/1975 aged 72), they later moved to 80 Glebe. German POWs are remembered at Halfway Farm and Italian POWs at Bradfords Farm both in Nissan huts near railway line.. No specific knowledge of Ernst. Viv Will Reply.

3. Received from Lance Cole email <mailto:colemediacomms@gmail.com>. Great grandson of George Elms. Advises his great uncle and George's brother, Jesse Elms died at Ypres but is not on the Stockcross memorial, he had returned from Australia to join up. Viv to ask for any further military information. Jackie has some family tree information.

Finance

Bank approx. £1023, income of £70 from Stockfest Radio Pirates talk.

SASHA will be rent free until next July.

Viv to purchase security for the laptop at a cost of 39.99

Tim requested to purchase laptop to projector cable.

Projects

Archive - Pubs transferred from Jackie to Irene

Tom and Leigh have finished the cemetery inscriptions and are checking for errors. We are looking forward to seeing the results of all their hard work.

Oral history - no report

Historicengland.org.uk

We looked at the list of "listed" building for Stockcross and area.

It was agreed to ask Ken to photograph these so they can put up on the SASHA website with a link to Historic England web site

Speakers

October - James Sadler - History of the Kirby Estate

Suggestion if finance will permit Speakers Oct Nov Dec no meeting

2018 Jan AGM speakers Feb April June Aug Sept

Discussions on other possible speakers and subjects,

Vicars of Stockcross - Viv

Keith will try and obtain photograph of Geoffrey Marsh.

Normans talk and possible trip to Avington church with David Peacock

Kennet Valley at War

Various by Nick Young and Phil WoodNext Meeting

NEXT MEETING Monday 30th October - Talk by James Sadler