

Minutes of Meeting of SASHA

Monday May 28th 2018

Present Jane Batt, Jackie Caufield, Leigh & Tom Darling, Colin & Irene Hanbury, Jonathan Hawkins, Felicity Merchant, Christopher Moore, Tony Simms, Carole Throup, Viv Wilson, Shirley Wernham, Margaret Smallwood

Mike and Brenda Wilson, Mike Pike, John Richards

Apologies Angie Tyler

As we have had speakers at the last 3 meetings a catch up is necessary.

1. We have nearly finished listing SASHA ephemera and it is packed into museum quality boxes which are kept under the stage. The listing will be brought to all the members meetings.
2. Viv will contact the Vicar of Kintbury again regarding the visit to Avington church, for our June meeting. Hopefully David Peacock will be able to come with us as he wrote the book on the church. We will meet at the hall and car share, Viv will be emailing to confirm the trip is on.
3. The July speaker will be Jeff Evans who has written a book on the history of TV Pop Music shows from the 1950's onwards like 65 special Top of the Pops, so that should be a fun meeting.
4. August will be a "members only" meeting.
5. West Berks Museum has been in contact, does SASHA have any ideas on exhibitions the museum could put on. Any thoughts???
6. GDPR (data protection legislation) Chris has done a course for his work. Viv is getting new forms by all members to cover us.
7. Alan Bennett, a relative of Arthur Penwill school master at Stockcross School has contacted SASHA after looking at our website. He has provided us with extra information and identified his Gran Dora Penwill and others from some of the SASHA photographs.
8. Martin Elms a relative of George Elms(the builder) has been in touch Jackie has found some information and Jane will reply to him.
9. A query has been received about the history of Bayford House formerly The Gables owned by the Weatherby family and this has investigation has turned up more information for SASHA's records.
10. Viv has been adding to the website, look under Research to see the history and images of the Bowls Club, Mothers union and Stockcross House(the old vicarage). Under the " members only" area a) the transcribed census 1841-1911, b) the memorial Inscriptions and map, images c) Funeral register, d) Baptism register, e) marriage register f) confirmation record If you have a problem looking at the Members only section let Viv or Irene know.

Oral History

Jane and Carole treated us to snippets from the 6 people who have shared their stories. These were 5/6 minutes long and concentrated on their early years.

Jack Perris Tom Darling Ken Rutterford Richard Rutterford Shirley Wernham Mike Pike

It was very interesting and entertaining and provoked a lot of comments and memories.

Diana Norman's (nee Mason) story has been recorded and is being transcribed etc. In the autumn June and Margaret Palmer are next. Then Charlie Goodenough's daughter Carol and Jack Perris's daughter Susan are telling their stories which will extend the age group of those who have been interviewed.

The plan is hear some other segments choosing a different theme at another meeting and to discover how to give access to some of the oral history via the website.

Next meeting last Monday in June