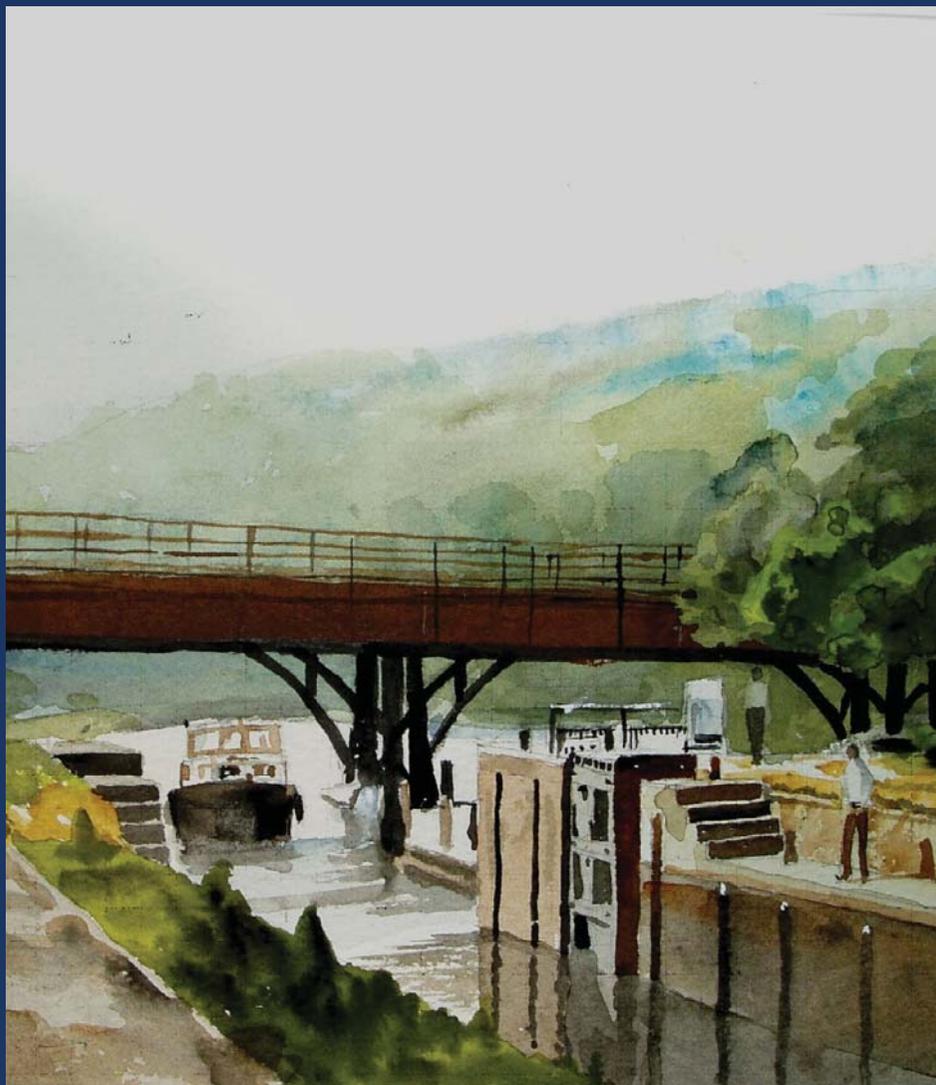


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**Front cover:**

*A section of a painting by Derrick Holt of Goring Lock on the River Thames.  
Derrick's article on the Devall family of Eynsham is in this issue. Do also look to  
attend the OFHS talk in July on 'The Oxford Canal and its People'*



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## SOCIETY OBJECTIVES

1. to advance public education in family history and genealogy primarily within the county of Oxford
2. to collect, index, co-ordinate, publish and make accessible in the interests of family history and genealogy any documents or records relating to the county
3. to promote the preservation of such documents or records
4. to encourage the study of family history and genealogy
5. to assist educationally by lectures or otherwise in record research
6. to co-operate with family history and other societies with similar interests.



The Constitution of the Society is lodged with the Charity Commissioners and a copy is available from the Society's web site or, upon receipt of a stamped addressed envelope, from the Secretary.

Subscriptions are renewable annually on 1 January except that those joining during Oct, Nov, Dec have their membership carried forward through the following year.

**Membership renewal forms are distributed with the December journal.**

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**Overseas members** (incl. postage) £12.00

Cheques drawn in sterling and made out to Oxfordshire Family History Society should be sent to the Membership Secretary (see the Who's Who at the back of this Journal).

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Membership details are kept on computer and are used for Society activities only.

## Contributions to Future Issues

The *Oxfordshire Family Historian* is published three times each year with cover dates of April, August and December. Items for consideration should be submitted to the Editor. The earlier an item is received, the greater the chance of inclusion in the next issue. The deadline for the August 2018 issue is 15 May 2018. Urgent and short items may be submitted up to 1 June 2018.

The Editor reserves the right to edit, abridge, reject, or defer to a future date, all material submitted for publication. It is the contributor's responsibility to ensure that material submitted does not breach copyright laws. Contributions remain the copyright of OFHS and the authors jointly. The observations and opinions expressed in the articles and notices in the journal are those of their authors and not necessarily those of the Society.

## From the Editor

2018 is the centenary of two important events – the signing of the Armistice at the end of WWI and the year in which many, but not all, women over the age of 30 were finally allowed to vote. We have articles in this issue covering both the war and suffragettes, along with an interesting miscellany of other subjects.

Recently we have started up a partnership with BBC Radio Oxford, with a monthly segment on Lilley Mitchell's afternoon show on family history. I'll write more in the next journal, but meanwhile do check out the clips of the shows in the Members-Only area (<http://moa.ofhs.org.uk>). A radio show doesn't have time to explain the full story, so we will be publishing various articles in the journals this year, of which there are two in the April 2018 issue – one by Kevin Poile on the non-collegiate students at the University of Oxford (broadcast in March), and one

on a First World War journalist Ernest Fowler, mentioned as a topic above, (broadcast in January).

This issue also contains updates on several aspects of the Society, to keep you abreast of the range of activities we undertake. If there is a subject that particularly interests you, do get in touch with the co-ordinator and if you are able to volunteer for something, so much the better.

Perhaps you have an interesting story to tell on a particular theme in your own family history? For example, do you have an old photograph that would interest members (for which you have copyright permission)? Do send in your articles to the journal. You know where to find me.

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## From the Chairman

It seems like we've only just got going with 2018 – we've just had this year's first meeting of the Executive Committee – and yet I have to wish you *Happy Easter*. Still, we have summer to look forward to before we start thinking about Christmas again!

We may not have met recently, but the committee has already been busy this year. Plans for the Fair in October are coming along nicely, as are plans for

attending other fairs – volunteers are welcome for both activities. Of course all our other activities continue too – this journal, our meetings, our helpdesks (now back in the refurbished Oxfordshire County Library). Projects and publicity continue – new projects are being looked at and new publicity opportunities are being sought.

My own project for the New Year has been to get back to working on the

online version of our booklet *Oxfordshire Parish Registers and Bishop's Transcripts* which we all refer to as 'Colin Harris'. Of course Colin is a real person to whom we are indebted for his work collecting the mass of data (and we mustn't forget Hugh Kearsley who squeezed it all down into a hand booklet). Times have changed and keeping a paper edition up to date is a lot of work (and trees) so we are now presenting the data on a (free, public)

website to be found at – <http://free.ofhs.org.uk> – which includes the 2006 data plus the 2011 and 2016 supplements and also lists the register images available to those with an Ancestry subscription (or access to a library with such).

Happy 'celebration' for whenever you get to read this.

*Malcolm Austen*  
CHAIRMAN

## The OFHS Wills Library

The Wills Library is still growing slowly.

At the time of writing we have 6301 wills and associated documents online free for your use, plus many hundreds of inventories, affidavits etc. which may be included with a will. Over 76,600 persons are indexed as appearing in those documents -- though the true number must be fewer, as people may appear several times in different wills.

If you haven't found the Library yet, it's at <http://wills.oxfordshirefhs.org.uk/>

Have a look -- you might find just that one missing person.

We have almost 270 contributors, many sending in just one or two wills, a few offering hundreds. We are grateful to all of them. If you haven't joined in yet, why not? Wills can be a tremendous help in your research, especially where PRs are patchy or non-existent. At first sight the older ones may appear completely unreadable, but on the whole they aren't, it just takes practice. If you need help with transcription - or to have it done for you

- we can offer that. Free of charge - all we ask is permission to add the will to the website. Just e-mail [wills@ofhs.org.uk](mailto:wills@ofhs.org.uk).

Copies of pre-1858 wills are obtainable from OHC, (online) from TNA, and (online) from FindMyPast, all of whom have kindly agreed that we may publish transcripts of 'their' wills.

Online indices are freely available at: [www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/help-with-your-research/research-guides/wills-1384-1858](http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/help-with-your-research/research-guides/wills-1384-1858)

(for PCC wills held at TNA) and <http://search.findmypast.co.uk/search-world-Records/oxfordshire-wills-index-1516-1857> (for Oxon-proved wills available from FMP)

All post-1858 wills are held centrally, and may be searched for at:

[www.gov.uk/search-will-probate](http://www.gov.uk/search-will-probate)

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# News from the Churchyards

There is not a lot to report in this issue. Snow covers Shotover as I write this in mid-January and it is certainly no weather for wandering around Oxfordshire's churchyards. However your scribe is still kept busy putting together the CDs resulting from last year's transcribing. By the time you read this I hope to have completed the transcripts for Sandford St Martin,

Wroxton and Littlemore (the latter, transcribed by Mary Steele and her team from the parish). Some, or maybe all, of these may still be being checked or they may already be released. Check on the OFHS website to see when they are available.

Meanwhile we will be preparing to start work on some more churchyards. More volunteers are always needed. In

particular we have been asked to record at Great Milton. This is reasonably close for me but not for other members of our two existing teams who are respectively based in the north of the county and in the Witney area. So if you are based south east of Oxford and fancy some 'fun in the churchyard' do please contact me, either by email or at one of our meetings. I would love to hear from you. No previous experience necessary!

*Alan Simpson (3960)*

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*A tiny solid-fuel stove let into the wall of the church immediately beneath the pulpit at All Saints, Wroxton. Clearly the Rector was not intending to freeze during his long winter sermons, even if the congregation did! Photo by Alan Simpson*

# OXSIL – the Oxfordshire Surname Interest List

Anyone who has ancestors connected with Oxfordshire is lucky in the resources and services available to them. Readers of the *Oxfordshire Family Historian* will be familiar with the multitude of services provided by the Oxfordshire Family History Society. They, very likely, also know that a query on the Oxfordshire RootsWeb mailing list (long may it last) is likely to get expert answers. Perhaps fewer know that OXSIL is available – and free – for them to make contact with other people researching the same ancestors as they are. In fact, we are about to reach 21 years of providing support for Oxfordshire family history.

The core of OXSIL is a database of 11,000 surnames that have been submitted by 4,900 individuals ('users') in the hope of making contact with others interested in the same ancestors. The names can be consulted by anyone visiting the OXSIL website ([www.oxsil.org.uk](http://www.oxsil.org.uk)). If they wish to contact one of the users, they complete a form with a short message. We then email the message to the user concerned, who should then contact the enquirer directly to start an exchange. The names currently on OXSIL depend on the interests of the users but, not surprisingly, the most common names in the county (see [searches.oxfordshirefhs.org.uk/popular.html](http://searches.oxfordshirefhs.org.uk/popular.html)) are well represented on

OXSIL. However, OXSIL is likely to be most use for researching less common, but not out-right rare, names. Take the name LUCKETT for example. The 1881 census of Great Britain recorded less than 800 people with the name. Roughly a quarter of these were in Oxfordshire. If you were to search for the name on OXSIL, you would find that there are nine researchers interested in making contact. Most of their LUCKETTs were from the area around Bampton and Witney with some from the parishes near Gloucestershire. The earliest of their postings was in 1999; the most recent was last December.

Anyone can submit a name from Oxfordshire for inclusion by completing the simple form at [www.oxsil.org.uk/add-a-surname/](http://www.oxsil.org.uk/add-a-surname/). This is checked to make sure that the data requirements have been complied with and the name then goes live on our database. Several names can be submitted on the same form. Users can also submit further names at any point. If they use the same email address, the new names will join their existing profile. At the beginning of each month, we issue a list of the names added in the previous month. This is circulated to all OXSIL users (unless they opt out), to the Oxfordshire RootsWeb list, on Facebook and on the OFHS news blog. Together with each name it is possible for the user to specify a time range and a location within Oxfordshire.

This helps people searching the website to select the user most likely to have shared ancestors.

OXSIL is an independent activity under the control of Paul Brazell and myself and with the very active support of Wendy Archer. In fact, we work closely with OFHS in a number of ways. Perhaps the most obvious of these is that – in addition to the main service – we run the OFHS Surname Interest Directory for OFHS. This is open only to OFHS members (we ask for and check your membership number). It allows members to list surnames they have found anywhere. In addition, we routinely advise people contacting OXSIL on the ways in which OFHS might help

them. OFHS also tells new members of the service we offer. In recent years OXSIL has taken a stand at the OFHS Fair. This gives us the opportunity to chat to a wide range of users and to demonstrate the ways OXSIL can be used.

Our biggest challenge is that email addresses go out of date. If this happens, and we fail to get a message through, we remove that email from our database. So, if you think that you have already registered a name with OXSIL, please check from time to time and please, please, inform us when you change your email address.

*Bill Seary (4424)*

OXSIL CO-ORDINATOR



## Oxfordshire on Facebook

The OXF Facebook groups are proliferating. We now have:

Oxfordshire: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/OxfordshireFamilyHistory/>

Banbury: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/BanburyshireFamilyHistory/>

Bicester: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/BicesterFamilyHistory/>

Witney: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/WitneyFamilyHistory/>

and the OFHS main page is at:

<https://www.facebook.com/oxfordshirefhs/>

We encourage you to join the appropriate group(s).

*Wendy Archer (0154)*

# Annual General Meeting 2018

*The Society's Annual General Meeting will take place at p.m. on Monday 25 June 2018 at the Exeter Hall, Oxford Road, Kidlington, Oxford OX5 1AB.*

Any non-members present may not vote on any Society business. The Society's constitution allows for a maximum of twelve members of the Executive Committee. Members of the Society may nominate candidates, with their agreement, for the posts of the honorary officers and committee members. Nominations must be received by the Secretary, Angie Trueman by 1 June 2018. A list of nominations will be available at the AGM.

Following the closing of the meeting, and before the invited speaker gives his talk, there will be a short opportunity for members to raise any matters concerning the Society that have not been dealt with under sections 4 and 5 below.

*Angie Trueman*

*SECRETARY*

*Oxfordshire Family History Society*

*% Oxfordshire History Centre*

*St Luke's Church*

*Temple Road, Cowley*

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## AGM Agenda

1. Welcome and opening address (President)
2. Apologies for absence (Chairman)
3. Minutes of the AGM held on Monday 26 June 2017 at the Exeter Hall (Chairman)
4. 41st annual report of the Society's Executive Committee, for 2017 (Chairman)
5. Accounts for year ended 31 December 2017 (Treasurer)
6. Election of officers and members of the Society's Executive Committee for 2018–2019
7. Appointment of Independent Examiner of the accounts
8. Adoption of new Constitution
9. The Chairman closes the meeting

### **Following the Annual General Meeting:**

Christopher Fance will talk on:  
*Finding Relatives Using DNA Tests*

# News from Oxfordshire History Centre

## History Centre Fire Suppression System

In December the gas cylinders, forming part of the fire suppression system at the History Centre, were replaced, bringing us into line with latest fire regulations. As one would expect, these cylinders are scattered throughout our three floors of strongrooms, and considerable movement of records and dismantling of shelving was involved in getting the old cylinders out and the new ones in! Although the process involved shutting the public service for a week, we all now have the reassurance of a fire protection system for Oxfordshire's archives that is in the best possible health.

## Tyndale Community School Visit

At the end of October, about 50 Year 4 children (8–9 years old) from a nearby primary school in Cowley, Oxford, visited the History Centre as part of their Local History Day.

The two separate classes were given a brief introduction to the history of St Luke's and William Morris's involvement, its conversion from a church, and who now visits the History Centre and why.

The students and their teachers and other helpers were then guided through a selection of maps, photographs, school records and other resources on



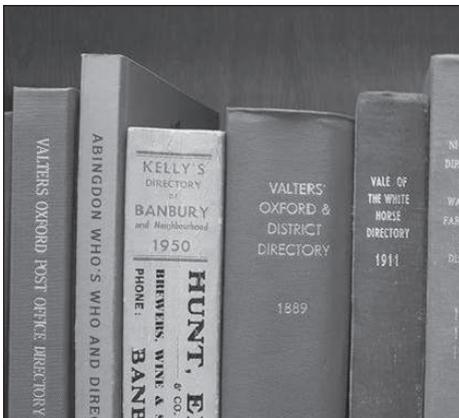
*Top: New gas cylinders being installed at the OHC.. Middle and bottom: local schoolchildren visiting the OHC resources.*

## Scene Around

display in our searchroom showing how Cowley has changed and developed over the past 150 years. As well as responding to the questions that we asked about the different maps on display, the children were full of their own questions, most of which we could answer between us!

They were also given a 'behind-the-scenes' look around one of our strongrooms and the Conservation Studio, to see how documents are preserved and made accessible for anyone who wishes to use them.

This was a new venture for the History Centre, which entailed closing our regular service for several hours to prepare for and accommodate the classes. The enthusiasm and interest in the historical resources and in the building itself demonstrated by the children and the teaching staff resulted in rewarding sessions for all of us. We now hope to be able to offer similar events for other schools in the area.



*Some of the Oxfordshire directories stored at the OHC*

## New list of Oxfordshire directories

A list summarising Oxfordshire History Centre's collection of county, city and town directories is now available to download from our website – <http://ow.ly/6g0V30fPd4o> – scroll down to 'Trade and Street Directories'.

The original purpose of directories was to provide information about towns and villages for residents and visitors.

They comprised a general description of the area covered, and details on transport, churches, schools, local government, shops and businesses. Information on individual people was also included. In earlier editions this was restricted to gentry, clergy and people in business. Later, directories also included both street and alphabetical listings of householders.

Directories locate individuals in a particular place and time, and can be particularly useful in the years between those covered by censuses and for the period before censuses were taken. They also contain background information, giving context to life in the community at the time they were published.

Readers will also find the free online collections of directories provided by the University of Leicester and University of Oxford useful:

<http://bit.ly/1kjanOm> - Oxfordshire directories on SOLO (Oxford University)

<http://bit.ly/1HqmpLy> - Historical directories of England and Wales 1750–1919 (Leicester University)

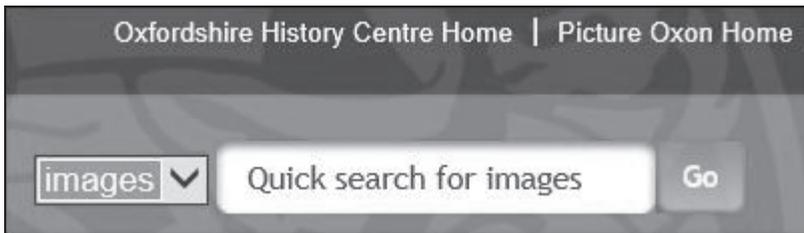
## Easier listening and viewing

Users of Oxfordshire History Centre and any Oxfordshire public library now have direct access to digitised oral history recordings and high resolution digitised photographs from History Centre collections. Picture Oxon – [www.pictureoxon.org.uk](http://www.pictureoxon.org.uk) – the online catalogue of our audio and image collections, now provides direct links to mp3 audio files and large jpeg images.

We hope users will appreciate not having to wait while staff produce listening copies on CD or cassette tape

from strongrooms, nor having to make an appointment through our photographic officer to see original photographs which have been digitised. The added bonus is the wider availability of this digitised content across Oxfordshire’s library network. Note that unrestricted access to these enhanced resources is not available outside Oxfordshire County Council’s network.

From Oxfordshire’s recent history, the oral history collections capture residents’ opinions on the coming of the M40 motorway, as well as reaching right back to direct experiences of



Title	Along the M40. Part 1
Production Corporate Body	BBC Radio Oxford
Production Date	1971
Description	Clifford Morris talks to people who live along the route of the M40 motorway. 1) Introduction; 2) The first two miles - Stokenchurch to Hill Farm (Beacon Hill); 3) Third and fourth miles - Lewknor, Nethercote and Postcombe. Mr. Benfred, headmaster Lewknor School and Mrs. Graham, Beech Farm, Postcombe, give their views; 4) Fifth mile - Adwell House. Owner Mr. W.R.A. Birch Reynardson. 5) Sixth mile - Harlesford Farm, Tetsworth. Mr. Bill Stokes. (30 mins)
Audio Link	<a href="#">Listen to audio file MT_667.mp3</a>

*A screenshot showing one of the audio recordings available on Picture Oxon*

## Scene Around

World War One, or of harvesting before mechanisation. If you've lost touch with a genuine Oxfordshire accent, then you will also find plenty of examples of local dialect.

When looking for photographs or oral history sound recordings on Picture Oxon ([www.pictureoxon.org.uk](http://www.pictureoxon.org.uk)) remember to select Audio or Images next to the search box, before running your search.

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[www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/  
oxfordshirehistory](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/oxfordshirehistory)

# News from the Berkshire Record Office

## What new archives are now available at the BRO?

Recently catalogued items include records of former Newbury solicitors Pitman & Bazett, 1481–1937 (D/EPT); and those of Windsor solicitors,

Stuchbery & Son which includes deeds of the Presbyterian meeting house in Wantage, 1704–1893 (D/ESB). The records of the Royal Merchant Navy School (now Education Foundation), 1827–2002, are now available (D/EX2363); and other school records



*Attendees on a recent workshop on preserving your family memorabilia run by a conservator at the BRWWithin Picture Oxon users can select either images or audio resources*

include material for: the White House School, Wokingham, 1785–2012 (D/EX2314); Lambrooks Haileybury School, Winkfield (D/EX1832); Reading Collegiate School (D/EX2522); Maiden Erlegh School (D/EX2541); as well as a log book for Denchworth School, 1863–1891 (D/EZ187). We have also received a deposit of manorial records from Oxfordshire History Centre relating to

Petwick and West Challow Manor, 1577–1609 (D/EX2525); and Wantage Manor, 1757–1912 (D/EX2524).

The BRO collects records relating to the whole of Berkshire, so to find out what we may have, take a look at our online catalogue:

[www.berkshirerecordoffice.org.uk/search-archives/](http://www.berkshirerecordoffice.org.uk/search-archives/).

If you're interested in seeing any of this material, why not get in touch and make a visit? If you can't come in person we can help undertake research on your behalf. For more information on this, family or local history in general as well as the opportunity to read our latest monthly highlight or our newsletter, *The Berkshire Echo*, please visit our website:

[www.berkshirerecordoffice.org.uk/](http://www.berkshirerecordoffice.org.uk/).



*The 'Colours More Than Sentences' exhibition shows illustrations of Oscar Wilde's Ballad of Reading Gaol*

## What's going on at the BRO?

### Colours More than Sentences

14 March to 8 June 2018, during normal opening hours

*Colours More than Sentences: Illustrated Editions of The Ballad of Reading Gaol* is a national first for Reading – an exhibition of artists' interpretations of Oscar Wilde's classic poem, drawn from around the world. Available during our opening hours (Tuesday and Wednesday 9am to 5pm, Thursday 9am to 9pm and Friday 9am to 4.30pm). FREE admission. Why not come along and take a look?

Keep up to date on what's going on at the BRO by visiting our 'Events' page

# Useful Addresses

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## **Oxfordshire County Library:**

Westgate, OXFORD, OX1 1DJ  
Open 09:00–20:00 Mon, Tue, Wed  
Thu; 09:00–17:30 Fri, Sat  
Closed Sun and Public Holidays  
Web: [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/  
oxfordcentrallibrary](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/oxfordcentrallibrary)  
Tel: 01865 815509

## **Local Studies Centres at other Libraries:**

Abingdon 01235 520374  
Banbury 01295 262282  
Didcot 01235 813103  
Henley 01491 575278  
Wantage 01235 762291  
Witney 01993 703659  
Web: [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/libraries)

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oxfordshirehistory](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/oxfordshirehistory)  
Open 10:00–17:00 Tue,  
09:00–17:00 Wed–Sat  
Closed Mon, Sun, Public Holidays and  
Bank Holiday weekends

## **Berkshire Record Office:**

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Open 09:00–17:00 Tue, Wed  
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Web: [www.sog.org.uk](http://www.sog.org.uk)

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280 The Meadway, Tilehurst, READING,  
RG30 4PE  
Tel: 0118 941 0211  
Web: [www.rfhc.org.uk](http://www.rfhc.org.uk)

## **The National Archives (TNA):**

Ruskin Avenue, Kew, RICHMOND,  
TW9 4DU  
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# Diary Dates

For more dates, especially the many events hosted by the Society of Genealogists in London, see the joint GENUKI/FFHS event calendar at [www.geneva.weald.org.uk](http://www.geneva.weald.org.uk).

Events in bold will have an OFHS presence.

## April 2018

- Up to Dec Woodstock, OXF  
'Oxfordshire Remembers  
1914–18 Part II' Exhibition  
Soldiers of Oxfordshire  
Museum OX20 1SN  
(extended dates)
- Mar-Nov Wallingford, OXF  
'Treasures with Tales'  
Exhibition
- Apr 3 Nook Norton, OXF  
'1066 and Oxfordshire's Part  
in the Norman Conquest'  
Talk by Julie Ann Godson  
Baptist Church Hall, Netting  
Street, 7:30pm
- Apr 7 SOG, LDN  
'Wandering Ancestors & How  
to Find Them'
- Apr 23 Canterbury, KEN  
'Military records – Army, RAF  
and Royal Navy'  
IHGS, Cost: £55

## May 2018

- May 5-6 **London, LND**  
**The Name Event**  
**Earls Court, SW6 1UD**  
**Advance Tickets Only**
- May 12 Wilton, WIL  
Wiltshire FHS Family  
History Day

- May 14 Radley, OXF  
'Oxford's Base and Brickish  
Skirt: The Development of  
Oxford's Suburbs 1850-1914'  
Talk by Liz Woolley  
Primary School Hall, 7:30pm
- May 19 Burford, OXF  
Levellers' Day Festival
- May 22 Henley, OXF  
'Leander Rowing Club: The  
First 200 years'  
Exhibition at River & Rowing  
Museum, finishes 15 July  
2018

## June 2018

- Jun 23 York, YKS  
The Yorkshire Family History  
Show
- Jun 30 **Swindon, WIL**  
**SWAG Family History Fair**  
**Steam Museum, SN2 2EY**

## July 2018

- Jul 14 Ellesmere Port, CHS  
'Across the Water' Seminar  
Guild of One-Name Studies
- Jul 28 **Aylesbury, BKM**  
**Buckinghamshire FHS**  
**Open Day (see advert on**  
**page 64)**

# Meetings at Exeter Hall

Oxford Road, Kidlington  
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General meetings take place in the large hall.  
Bookstall and computer advice from 7:15pm. Talks start at 8:00pm.  
Computer meetings (\*) usually take place in the small hall.  
Doors open at 7:15pm. Talks start at 7:30pm.

**9 April 2018\***

*Fixing Photos – Alan Simpson*

**23 April 2018**

*Old Photographs: their Identification and Dating – Tom Doig*

**21 May 2018**

*Poverty, Pestilence and Public Health in Victorian Britain*  
*Dr Simon Wenman*

**25 June 2018**

*AGM followed by Finding Relatives using DNA Tests*  
*Christopher Fance*

**23 July 2018**

*The Oxford Canal and its People – Muriel Pilkington*

**Back cover:**

*William Ernest Livesey Fowler, the author of a WWI diary  
and subject of one of the articles in this issue. He is pictured with his two sisters,  
Elsie and Lilian, circa 1900.*

