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Front cover:

*Mongewell church's ruined west end, remodelled by Shute Barrington in 'gothick'
style in 1791. See the VCH article in this issue*



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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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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 2019 issue is 15 May 2019. Urgent and short items may be submitted up to 1 June 2019.

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

The cold winter months are perfect for ancestor hunting and I do notice an upsurge in contacts, queries and suggestions between October and April. I have been gathering booklets written by members for our surname project, visiting members to hear their family stories and been hard at work transcribing names for our big surname project database. *The Freeman of Oxford* list has been interesting with many 'famous' names discovered as I slog through the content – they raise a smile. When written with the surname first, I came upon a number of KING Johns, Williams and Edwards as well as James BOND, Henry COOPER and Thomas CROMWELL - but also some unusual ones. I love 'Passion RICE' or wonderful first names with ancient origins such as Egidius, Agabus and Dionysius, along with several Oxfordshire boys who were the gift of God – Deodatus. It makes you wonder about the circumstances of their coming into the world and the expectations put upon them. Then there are the surnames in Oxfordshire such as RAINBOW, FERRIMAN, SLAYMAKER, SPARROWHAWK, EAGLESTONE, GOODENOUGH and GOODGAME which make me imagine the first man who acquired that name. Of course, I am jealous as my family never went in for these easily-traceable unusual names.

I also enjoy looking at multiple records from a given parish and seeing the families, both rich and poor, whose

names came up frequently. Each village had its own. We are grateful for those vicars, parish clerks and village documenters who wrote down more than was legally necessary on their records, to bring these Oxfordshire ancestors alive. One in Lower Heyford caught my eye from the Eureka Partnership book on the people of that parish, describing Sam FLETCHER who caught smallpox in 1727 – he 'had it but it went no further', so he recovered unlike some neighbours. Sadly, Sam managed to be killed five years later by 'the fall of a rock as they were taking it in my yard'.

There have also been recent coincidences in our work, such as two people with different surnames being in touch with me about families originating in Stuchbury, Northants and two from Towersey – both reflecting locative surnames on our research list for Oxfordshire families of STUTCHBURY and TOW(ER)SEY and adding to our understanding of migrations into Oxfordshire. If you have Oxfordshire ancestry on your surname side, do get in touch with your details and do have those DNA tests to support our research. I know spring weather and outdoor activities may be on your minds, but we are grateful for any extra data to help us in 2019.

Sue Honoré

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From the Chairman

Another year and lots of resolutions to keep, or otherwise. I've settled for resolving not to make resolutions I can't keep!

The big issue for the committee at the moment is the lack of person-power. The Society is its members, it has no paid staff. Whatever you want done has to be done by a volunteer from among the membership. Come the AGM we will have three vacancies on the committee and those three include the vital roles of Secretary and Treasurer. We can find a stop-gap solution to the former but not to the latter. Clearly our Treasurer needs to be close enough to be able to attend our committee meetings - there must be someone living in the county, or a nearby county, who thinks it's worth keeping the Society running... are you that person?

That said, I will reiterate thanks to all those volunteers who are too far away to help around the committee table but who do sterling work for the Society in other ways.

Thanks must specifically go, from

the whole Society, to Angie Trueman who has been involved in running the Society for numerous years, has been organising our annual Fair in recent years, and stepped up to the role of Secretary with only modest persuasion. Regrettably, by the time you read this, she will be a resident of the further reaches of Devon. Our loss but perhaps a gain for the Devon FHS.

Thanks must also go too, from everyone, to Steve Pickthall who stepped into the Treasurer's role when Simon moved away from the area but now has to step down at this year's AGM to make room for the rest of his life. Our loss again.

This year's fair will be going ahead, with John Cramer at the helm. A volunteer to shadow him and maybe take on some of the work would, of course, be welcome.

I do believe the Society has a future, do you want to be involved in shaping that future? Meanwhile on with the Journal...

Malcolm Austen
CHAIRMAN



We Need You!
Treasurer, Secretary, help with publicity,
transcribing, website and many
other tasks.

Please Volunteer!

Fairs for 2019

OFHS will be attending the following fairs in 2019:

Family Tree Live - This is a new event and is being held at Alexandra Palace, London, on 26 & 27 April. See the details on the planned programme later in this issue.

The Genealogy Show - Again, this is a new event and is being held at the NEC, Birmingham, on 7 & 8 June.

The Family History Show South West - This too is a new event and joins the list of events organised by Discover your Ancestors. This particular event is being held at UWE, Bristol on 6 July.

Buckinghamshire Family History Society Open Day - This is a regular event for us and it is being held at The Grange School, Aylesbury, on 27 July.

At each of the events we will have our Parish Record & Monumental Inscription CDs on sale as well as the Black Sheep books. We will also be offering a search service.

John Cramer
EVENTS CO-ORDINATOR

Membership

I am writing this report in January (our Editor is a hard taskmaster) and so I am in the middle of membership renewals. While it is a long job, it is also a rewarding one as so many people have renewed (you would not be receiving this journal otherwise) and that shows their willingness to support our Society and their satisfaction with the support that the Society gives them. Your subscription enables us to increase benefits for members, something we are always working on.

A wonderful benefit for me, as I process the membership renewals, is the communication I have with members and, with his permission, I would like to share this email from

David Newman, Member 56.

I think I joined in 1977 following a visit to Somerset House on behalf of an invalid client whose marriage certificate was needed. He would never have managed the circular staircase up to the landing upon which were all the quarterly index volumes - the original search room from 1837. It cost 6d (2.5p) to search any 5 years but I don't think anybody queued to pay more once they had access. There were only 5 or 6 other people searching so the family history craze had not taken off until it all moved to St Catherine's House. Once there, I could not resist checking that my own birth and marriage was recorded. I was hooked and the rest is history... And I

don't think OFHS has ever increased the annual subscription which must be a record! [Note: Sadly we have, as it began at £2.50 per individual and £3.50 for a family.] I also remember going to the Bodleian library and having to take a character reference and swear an affidavit to get in - and to read of Oxford clergy reporting in year 1666 that 'a great and grievous fire rageth this day in London town'... Well that is all 52 years ago and I will shortly be 80. I have

managed to reach ten Newman generations so it has been a great research.

David is among the ten longest standing members of our Society, along with the other 21 members who joined in the first year of 1977, and we thank him and all members for their loyalty.

Susan Mattheus
MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

It is with regret that we note the deaths of the following members:

- 336** FG Hankins of Poole, Dorset
- 3785** John Louch of Belper, Derby, Derbyshire
- 3978** Ian McDiarmid of Woking, Surrey
- 4572** Pat Cooper of Fareham, Hampshire
- 4874** Julia Varey of Reading, Berkshire
- 6136** David Hoffman of Glen Parva, Leicestershire

News from the Churchyards

I write this in January with a freezing wind and more snow promised during the coming week. Definitely not the weather for recording in churchyards, but there is plenty to keep your scribe busy assembling last season's completed transcripts, in particular Bampton which includes a large churchyard and an even larger cemetery — 1274 separate monuments all told! The target is to have the CD complete

before the start of the 2019 recording season.

The Bampton team have now finished work on a number of the smaller parishes in the Bampton benefice, with some still to complete in the 2019 season. Meanwhile the team at Great Tew have also made good progress but much still remains to be done. They were relieved to find the undergrowth hiding many of the

monuments in front of the church has finally been cut back. However it could become a race to get these recorded and photographed before nature takes over again. At Great Milton we completed most of the work on the older parts of the churchyard before winter set in, just leaving the relatively modern extension to be completed in 2019.

We have had interest from local groups at Great Haseley and at Pyrton and training sessions (indoors!) have been scheduled for both these in late January and early February respectively.

By way of light relief I offer this photograph. Our interest is normally

with the front face of gravestones. Here though, in this stone at Great Milton, the moss on the rear face has grown into a perfect stylised family tree.

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Gravestone at Great Milton, moss grown into a tree shape!

Calling all Antipodean Males

In our Oxfordshire DNA project we have many people from the UK and several from the US and Canada, but we know there were many people with strong Oxfordshire surnames who emigrated to Australia and New Zealand. **If you are male with an Oxfordshire surname and live in Australia or New Zealand**, or know of anyone who qualifies (friends, neighbours, relatives), please get them to have a Y-DNA test. You don't need to be an OFHS member to join the DNA/Surname project and you will help ground-breaking research. More details

can be found on the webpages at <https://news.ofhs.org.uk/oxfordshire-surname-project/> or the DNA project at www.familytreedna.com/groups/oxfordshire or do email if you have a question (one of the respondents is Australian) to dna@ofhs.org.uk.

Come on all you southern hemisphere males – help out our research!

(Male testers from other parts of the world are of course also very welcome...)



John Thompson's 1814 Map of Australia, New Zealand, New Guinea and parts of Polynesia

Annual General Meeting Agenda

The Society's Annual General Meeting will take place at 8pm on Monday 24 June 2019 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* by 3 June 2019. A list of nominations will be available at the AGM.

Agenda

- Welcome and opening address (President - Hugh Kearsey)
- Apologies for absence (Chairman - Malcolm Austen)
- Minutes of AGM held Monday 25 June 2018 (Chairman)
- 42nd Annual report of the Society's Executive Committee for 2018 (Chairman)
- Accounts for year ended December 2018 (Treasurer - Steve Pickthall)
- Election of officers and members of the Society's Executive Committee for 2019 - 2020 (President)
- Appointment of Independent Examiner of the Accounts (Chairman)
- Close of meeting

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

*Note that the OFHS Secretary's post is currently vacant, but all correspondence to the Secretary will be dealt with by other members of the Executive Committee.

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Following the Annual General Meeting:

Sue Honoré will talk on *The Oxfordshire Surname and DNA Projects*

Project News

The extraction of all the scattered images from the storeroom at the OHC for the **Buckler & Minn** photographic project has moved ahead. All documents are now logged and ready for sending off for scanning. We're about to issue the purchase order to start the scanning process.

We are in discussions with **FindMyPast** about the possible inclusion of the OFHS Wills Index, whilst still retaining our own 'free-to-view' Wills transcription database on our website.

In terms of **Parish Records**, emphasis has now changed from transcription to rekeying, with checks against the scans. However, some parishes now have to be partially rekeyed to fit with the new GDPR constraints.

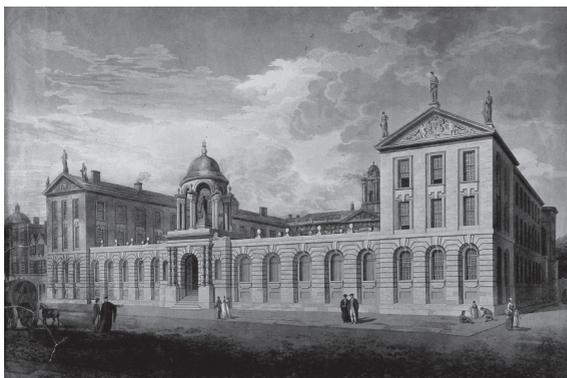
The Oxfordshire **DNA** project now has 350 members. We welcome anyone who has strong Oxfordshire ancestry, so please join if you qualify. The team is especially keen to get more males with

their surname ancestry in Oxfordshire in the next few months to help with the surname project. Sue Honoré has two male DNA test kits bought in the sale to offer to those who want a bit of a bargain. Contact dna@ofhs.org.uk.

The associated **surname project** hopes to make big strides in 2019 and the first few surname reports are now being drafted. Look out for contact via the OFHS blog, social media or email for requests on information on specific surnames. The transcribers are working furiously to get data done before the summer, but more volunteers are always welcome. It's not difficult and quite an interesting job to explore specific lists of Oxfordshire names. Contact surname-project@ofhs.org.uk.

Reports on **Monumental inscriptions** and **Wills transcription** projects are included separately in this issue of the journal.

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Left, Queen's College, Oxford: south-east view. Aquatint with etching by R.G. Reeve after J. Buckler.

The OFHS Wills Library

The Wills Library is still growing.

At the time of writing we have 6697 wills and associated documents online free for your use, plus many hundreds of inventories, affidavits etc. which may be included with a will. Over 82,000 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. Be aware that because the Testator index is in alphabetical order of names *as they appear in the wills* different spellings of the 'same' surname may be a long way apart. ACRES/AKERS; SOUCH/SUCHE; SIMES/SYMES etc.

We have about 275 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

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/

(for PCC wills held at TNA)

and:

<https://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

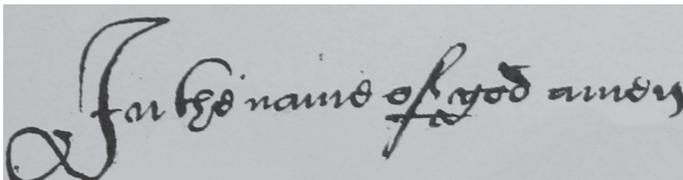
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The famous first few words from an Oxfordshire will. Photo by Sue Honoré

News from Oxfordshire History Centre

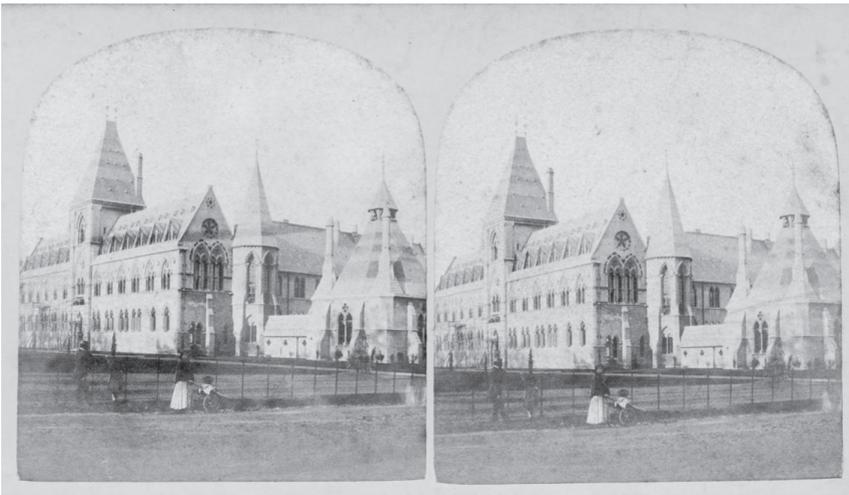
Early stereoscopic images of Oxford

Oxfordshire History Centre's collection of stereoscopic image cards from the 1860s has been digitised. These photographic images are now available on our Picture Oxon website at http://bit.ly/pox_stereo.

Stereoscopic photography developed from 1832, and stereoscopic cards were particularly popular between 1851 (when Sir David Brewster demonstrated his refracting stereoscope to Queen Victoria at the Great Exhibition) and the early 1870s. They could perhaps be considered as the tourist souvenirs of

the mid-19th century. Many of the images are instantly recognisable, though with subtle differences such as railings around the Martyrs' Memorial; wide empty roads; and spacious views uncluttered by parked vehicles or bus stops. They offer a fascinating insight into what has – and hasn't – changed in Oxford over 150 years.

Spiers and Son on the High Street published a series of at least 80 views of Oxford on stereoscopic card, taken by eminent photographers including P H Delamotte, whose photography students included Queen Victoria and Prince Albert, and Joseph Cundall, a



One of the stereoscope views of Oxford University Museum of Natural History, Parks Road, Oxford, c. 1860 (Creator unknown). – ref: POX0577562

founder member of the Royal Photographic Society of London. This series included quite extensive background information on the reverse of the card about the buildings or views illustrated. Oxfordshire History Centre's collection includes 14 images from this series.

Oxford booksellers *Thomas and George Shrimpton* of Broad Street also published a series of views of Oxford on stereoscopic cards, of which we have 8. Other publishers represented include *Wheeler & Day* of Oxford and *Negretti and Zambra* of 59 Cornhill, London.

Stella Wentworth

LOCAL STUDIES LIBRARIAN



The Genealogist subscription website – free access at Oxfordshire History Centre

Visitors to Oxfordshire History Centre can now enjoy free access to its 'Diamond' subscription to *The Genealogist* website, which has a largely British focus in the records it covers. Providing a useful comparison to datasets available on the Ancestry

Library and Findmypast platforms, *The Genealogist* includes General Register Office (England & Wales) indexes, pre-1837 non-parochial registers (National Archives classes RG4-RG6), and UK census returns.

Turning to content which is unique to *The Genealogist*, most significantly there is a complete set of The National Archives copies of England and Wales tithe maps and apportionments, where images have been scanned from TNA's black and white microfilms. These are useful for Berkshire and Oxfordshire alone, as Oxfordshire History Centre has no other indexed route into the apportionment contents, thus making them an effective companion to our hires colour digitised tithe maps. *The Genealogist* also offers good coverage of trade and street directories, including for Berks and Oxon, with some editions not available elsewhere.

You can find out more information on coverage of our new subscription at www.thegenealogist.co.uk/coverage/?type=diamond

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If you cannot find the role you are seeking in the list above, please contact the Helpline (see column 1 on this page) or consult www.ofhs.org.uk.

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.

Events in bold will have an OFHS presence.

April 2019

Apr 3 SOG, LND
'Death and Taxes: Understanding Death Duty registers'

Apr 14 Abingdon, OXF
'The Thames at War'
1940s day at Abingdon Lock

Apr 26-27 Alexandra Palace, LND
N22 7AY
Family Tree Live Show

May 2019

May 11 Amersham, BKM
GoONS 'From Cradle to Grave'
Seminar

May 18 York, YKS
FFHS Every Ancestor Matters II
Conference
Priory Street Centre, York

May 18 Burford, OXF
Levellers' Day Event
10:30am-3:30pm

May 24 (SOG), Gloucester, GLS
SOG visit to Gloucestershire
Archives

June 2019

Jun 7-8 NEC, Birmingham, WMD
The Genealogy Show

June 21 SOG, LND
Visit Huguenot Museum

June 22 York, YKS
The Family History Show

Jun 27 SOG, LND
'The who, where and what of
looking for family in New Zealand'

July 2019

July 6 Bristol, BRI
The Family History Show South
West
Held at UWE campus

July 17 SOG, LND
Monumental Inscriptions—a
Good Source?

July 27 Aylesbury, BKM
Bucks FHS Open Day
Grange School

July 27 SOG, LND
Latin for Beginners

Meetings at Exeter Hall

Oxford Road, Kidlington
OX5 1AB

General meetings take place in the large hall.

Items for sale 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.

1 April 2019*

Apps for Family Historians – Malcolm Austen

29 April 2019

Name Lists of the 17th and 18th Centuries – Michael Gandy

20 May 2019

Picture Oxon – Mark Lawrence

3 June 2019*

Computer Group – TBA

24 June 2019

AGM, followed by

The Oxfordshire Surname & DNA Projects – Sue Honoré

22 July 2019

*Divorced, Bigamist, Bereaved – Interpreting your Ancestors’
Second (and Subsequent) Marriages – Rebecca Probert*

5 August 2019*

Fixing Fotos for Free with GIMP – Alan Simpson and Kevin Poile

Back cover:

*Some of the self-published books on Oxfordshire families, most from our OFHS members,
that are helping the Oxfordshire surname project research*

