



# DARTBOARD

THE NEWSLETTER FOR THE DARTFORD  
BRANCH OF THE NORTH WEST KENT  
FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY

## BRANCH MEETINGS

### SEVENOAKS

THERE ARE NO MEETING THIS MONTH



### BROMLEY

CATCHING UP WITH FAMILY RESEARCH

Sharon Hintze



### DARTFORD

CEMETERIES OF SOUTH LONDON

Brian Parsons



## WORKSHOPS

### Computer Group

Library Experts  
Booking Code WKS4



### Germans in WW1 London

Zoe Brooks  
Booking Code: WKS5



### Friday DNA Group

Victor Nutt  
Booking code:  
FDNAG13



Dartford Branch Meetings are held at the Dartford Science & Technology College, Heath Lane, Dartford on the 1st Saturday of the month from 9.45am to 12.30pm.

### OUR TALK TODAY, 11th JANUARY IS: THE HISTORY OF BUTTONS

**Alison Ellman-Brown**

Alison has been collecting for 40 years & has a wide variety of materials. She accidentally started collecting buckles & eventually joined The British Button Society. She will bring a wide collection of buttons with her.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR  
I WISH EVERYONE A HAPPY, HEALTHY &  
PROSPEROUS 2020**

### SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS £££

Maureen Griffiths will be in the hall today to continue collecting membership renewal subscriptions. Maureen will accept both cash & cheques & if you have neither on you today please see her for advice. If you don't renew your membership soon please be aware that you will not receive the March edition of the Journal.

### THE JOURNAL ONLINE



As from now members can elect to receive future copies of the Society's Quarterly Journal electronically rather than receiving paper copies. This has been requested by a number of members. As well as helping to reduce printing & postage costs it should, fingers crossed, help the planet. At least that is my main reason for opting for this alternative, but reduced storage requirements is also a big factor.

If you wish to add your name to the list, & this can be done at any time, please email [chairman@nwkhfs.org.uk](mailto:chairman@nwkhfs.org.uk) or speak to Tony Codling.

All past editions of the journals are on the Society's website in the Member's Only Area (MOA) in the drop down menus of either Community or Members bar at the top of the page. To access these you will have to be a society member, & registered on the website. If you have any problems with the latter please email [webmaster@nwkhfs.org.uk](mailto:webmaster@nwkhfs.org.uk) or speak to Tony Codling. As well as our journals those for Tunbridge Wells are also available, please see the last edition.

## Writing Group

Pauline Heathcote  
Booking code: WKS6



Workshops are held on advertised days at KCC's Joydens Wood Library, 80 Summerhouse Drive, Bexley, Kent, DA5 2EE.

PLEASE REFER TO THE SOCIETY'S WEBSITE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING THESE, ALL FUTURE MEETINGS, WORKSHOPS & MUCH MORE

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Raffle	Pat Cornelius
Reception	Sheila Elisak Pauline Heathcote
Old magazines & journals	Frank Parsons Judith French
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## AND ALSO .....

Please do not forget that all Branch Newsletters for the 3 branches of Bromley, Dartford & Sevenoaks are also available to read on the website as well as the twice monthly Society eNewsletter compiled by Stella Eames. If you wish to subscribe to the eNewsletter please email [emailinfoservice@nwkfhs.org.uk](mailto:emailinfoservice@nwkfhs.org.uk) & state 'Please add my name to your emailinfoservice'. To avoid our emails being classed as spam we are required to obtain written permission from members to allow us to send emails to them. Alternatively please use the download link to download the form from the website.

## REMINDER

Our Secretary, Sheila Elisak, has asked me to remind you of the following:



It is very important that you sign in at each meeting. In the event of an emergency evacuation please do not leave the site before you have had your name ticked off so it is known that you are not still in the building. If you are a society member, but your name does not show on the relevant list, please add your name to the bottom of it. Non-attendance at meetings for 6 months means your name drops off.

**The visitor's list is for non-members only.**

## REMINDER 2 (first issued June 2018)

This is a message from the principal of this meeting venue, the Dartford Science & Technology College, who has contacted us with the following important information:

**A new pupil has started this college who suffers severe allergic reactions to nuts & aerosols.**

**Therefore we have had to ban these items from the premises to ensure the pupil's safety. Please can all visitors refrain from bringing any products that are aerosol based or foods that may contain nuts onto the college site.**

We do hope that you all will understand the importance of this request, & thank you for your understanding.

## CAMBRIDGE ARCHIVES REOPENING

Further to the article in the Dartboard number 300 the latest information is the new archives were due to open last month. A former bowling alley in Ely has been refurbished & contains more than 7 miles of shelving in an environmentally controlled space. More info soon, I hope.

## AND FINALLY.....

As I was getting towards the end of preparing this newsletter I received the very sad news that Vera Bailey passed away suddenly on New Year's Day. I never knew Vera, but must have seen her in passing, although I expect many of you have memories of her from when she was an active member of the society. Vera held the post of Society Secretary from 2002 - 2011 & 2012 - 2015 & was a keen supporter of Dartford Branch. Her funeral will be at Medway Crematorium, Robin Hood Lane, Bluebell Hill, Chatham, ME5 9QU, on Friday 7th February. I currently know of no other details.