



*Pitstone and Ivinghoe
Museum Society Newsletter*

New Year 2015

Museum Report January 2015

This must be the worst time of the year, it's cold, wet and horrible, we are still active at the museum although things do slow down a bit. The most popular place on site is the coffee room where we can have the heater on and coffee and lunch breaks tend to last somewhat longer than they do in the summer months. We have had two of our volunteers out of action with medical problems fortunately Roy Cutler is now back with us following a heart bypass operation but on light duties. Nigel Thompson spent Christmas in hospital but is now on the mend and we hope to have him back with us as soon as he is fit again.

However there is still a lot of work going on with nothing new, but projects still on the go. The Cook Collection is still being worked on and it is looking more and more impressive every time one visits the loft. The museum shop is undergoing a complete alteration but still has some way to go as is the stable near the entrance to the Big Barn.

The other two major changes are going well. The room previously occupied by the 3mm railway has undergone a complete redecorating and a new false ceiling is now installed. We are almost at the point of kitting it out with Peter Keeley's model engineering equipment together with all the model engines he has donated to the museum. This will be the model engineering workshop used both as an exhibit and also a workshop where we can carry out some of the more delicate engineering operations.

Two unusual restoration projects are underway, one being an old c1900's bath chair with a wickerwork top. This has been on site for more than 20 years and the top is slowly disintegrating. We are going to restore the wheels and base framework ourselves and get someone to replace the decayed wickerwork top section. The other project is a Funeral Bier, again kicking around unloved for many years. The base wheeled section has now been restored and the top hand carrier for the coffin is well on the way to being finished. Numerous other projects already started are being worked on but the cold weather is taking its toll and slowing things down somewhat.

We are trying additional ways of promoting the museum; one of these is adding some videos of the museum on YouTube. One of these is a general video about the site and the other is about the Lancaster replica we have. If you have a look on 'YouTube' and search for Pitstone Museum you should find the two videos put on by 'Len Caster' a name we have made up but not an actual person. We do need people to write some favourable comments in the space below the clips and click on the 'like' icon which will hopefully bring in a few more visitors. There is also

an entry on Facebook but this site is something I do not use and have no time for. Again if it increases visitor number then I will try it.

It's now into 2015 and looking at the calendar showing the number of working days still to go and considering the state of the site, one wonders if we will ever be ready for Easter opening but we have said this on other years and we always seem to make it.

Norman Groom, Museum Manager.

Stories from Old Newspapers

The Bucks Herald of October 7th 1848

In this issue there is a report of “**The Ivinghoe Petty Sessions**” that were held on Monday the 2nd October before the **Rev.W.B.Wroth, W.Jenny Esq., and Captain J.B.Parkinson.**

James Turner and Thomas Ginger, overseers of Slapton were summoned for not attending to deliver the jury list of their parish. On that day week **Mr. Ginger** in defence said, he knew nothing about the matter as **Mr.Turner** did all the business and was the acting man. The Bench said they did not intend to deal harshly with them; they had the power to fine them £10 each; but, in this case they would only order them to pay the expenses. Mr.Turner: will the auditor allow it? The Bench said they would not. Mr.Turner: Then I don't feel disposed to pay it. The Chairman: Then we will recall our decision and fine you £5. 5s., including costs. Mr. Ginger was ordered to pay the expenses 6s. 6d.

The overseers of Cheddington were next ordered to pay 6s.6d. each.

The overseers of Eddlesboro were the next who appeared to the summonses. **Mr. Thorn**, the acting overseer, said in defence, he attended; but the court had closed just as he came there. The other two **Messrs. Gaddesden and Janes** said they knew nothing about the matter. They were ordered to pay 6s. 6d. each.

Application was made by Mr. Plyor for the renewal of his spirit license at the **Red Lion, Eddlesboro**. This case which stood adjourned from the last petty session was again adjourned till that day week, in order to give Plyor an opportunity to bring forward the parties who could speak on his behalf and testify that he had conducted the House properly for the last 12 months.

Assault.—Thomas Darvill* was charged by **Mr. Francis Beesley***, with assaulting him on the 28th of August. Francis Beesley said I am the constable of Pitstone parish. On the 28th of August I was sent for to the **Bell**. Two or three were fighting there, and amongst others, the defendant's brother was there fighting. I laid hold of **James Darvill***, and took him away, and demanded him to be quiet. I set him down in a chair, and while doing so the defendant laid hold of my collar, and threatened to hit me if I did not let him alone. I told him he must

not do that, or he would be in the wrong. He answered, “he be d—d if he wouldn’t though, if I did not let his brother alone.” I then charged him to aid and assist me in keeping the peace. He said, “he would see me b—d first.” He offered to strike me three or four times. **Mr. Daniel Griffin**, of Long Marston, corroborated the above. Darvill, in defence, said he was at the Bell, on the night of the licensing day. **Jilly**, (*should be Jelly i.e. Jellis*)* the landlord of the Bell was fighting with a man named **Dimmock** when his brother came in, when a man named **Archer** knocked him down. He interfered to get his brother away, when Beesley said, “aid and assist you b—r.” He did not assist, for he did not think that the plaintiff had a right to call him such names. He then called **Levy Costin** and **Henry Rogers**, who were both in the house at the time, but their testimony was very contradictory as regards time, and the former was so impertinent, and interfered so while the latter was giving his evidence, that the Bench ordered him out of court. The Bench said there was a great deal of conflicting evidence, but they were disposed to believe the evidence for the assault in preference to the defence, in consequence of the prevarication of the latter, and fined the defendant 1s. 6d., and 18s. 6d. costs, making £1, which was paid.

Elizabeth Rolfe was charged by **John Hawkins**, with taking away some cow dung from Pitstone Common.- Mr. Hawkins said the parishioners and Vestry had come to a resolution of punishing any one they found taking any dung away from the Common, as it impoverished the land. The defendant said she only took two or three pieces of dry cow dung to burn, and thought it would do no harm, as others were allowed to do so. Mr. Hawkins said he did not wish to press the charge. She was allowed to depart on promising to pay the expenses, which were 7s., before the next meeting.

Please note this is transcribed from the actual Newspaper so the grammar and spelling may seem a bit strange. These Newspapers are copyright so I can not show the originals.

*These old Newspapers can found on :-
<http://www.findmypast.co.uk/>*

This web site requires a subscription to view.

John Hawkins C. 1860

(Picture from our archives)

**Notes from the 1851 census.*

Thomas Darvill was 31 a general dealer living at Coles Green Pitstone. Brother James 25



also a dealer was living in Ivinghoe.

Francis Beesley 32 was also a miller & baker.

Thomas Jellis (1831 – 1885) was 38 a victualler and farmer.

Elizabeth Rolfe was a widow of 51 with a 10 year old son Phillip a straw plaiter. She was a housekeeper for Francis Pitchford a widower, who was an agricultural labourer for John Hawkins on Pitstone Green Farm. She was probably widowed or unmarried in 1841 with Phillip 7 months old. They were living in the Pitchford household at that time too.

John Hawkins 39 Farmer of 250 acres employing 20 labourers

Sandra Barnard Editor

Pitstone 1800 – 1850 a Report by WEA.

The following is an extract from our historical documents held on our computer at the Museum. This long report was prepared from a WEA course-project on local history in Pitstone, 1971-72. (The report began in Summer 2013 issue)

Final Part 7

SOCIAL STRUCTURE: FAMILY, KINSHIP AND COMMUNITY

General

It is hoped by means of family reconstruction to gain some insight into how the family functioned as a unit and its response to crises such as marriage, birth, old age and death. It is also intended to explore the nature of the various kinship networks in relation to religion, social status, geographical location etc.

Family and Kinship

Of the families who remained in the village throughout the period, the two most prolific were the families of Jellis and Gollyer (otherwise Collier). In 1851 -there were 5 Jellis households and 6 of Collyer (Collier) Intermarriage with other village families seem to have been extensive.

Note variations of the name Collier were found on the censuses.

A straight comparison of the entries for a single family name in two successive censuses can enable interesting inferences to be made about the role of the extended family. In the case of the Peppiatts, for instance, it becomes clear that Philip Peppiatt, shown in 1857 as an agricultural labourer aged 35, had died by 1861 and we find his widow and one child living with one of Philip's brothers, Shadrach and his four other children living with another brother David who also has their aged father John Peppiatt and three of Shadrachs children living with him in addition to two children of his own.

The Village Community

How much sense of group identity was there in the village as a whole? Common traditions and festivals and common enemies are usual expressions of this kind of solidarity. We learn from Mr. Hawkins senior that there was a tradition of hostility towards inhabitants of Ivinghoe.

FESTIVALS, RECREATIONS, FOLKLORE

General

The few scattered pieces of information so far collected are given below. It might be possible to add much more from oral tradition.

Festivals

The "Fig Fair". A document dated 1712 in the Browne Willis MSS at the Bodleian Library, Oxford, refers to the custom of the Fig Fair held annually under Beacon Hill on Palm Sunday when the youth of Ivinghoe and neighbouring parishes met to eat figs and drink ale. It would be interesting to know whether the custom survived into the following century.

The "Wake". We learn from the same source that Pitstone parish wake or feast day was held on the Sunday before Michaelmas.

Ivinghoe Fairs. These were held annually on 6th May and 17th October.

Ivinghoe Music Festival, 1837. An account of receipts and expenditure for a music festival held at Ivinghoe to mark the accession of Queen Victoria in 1837 has recently come to light. The number of tickets sold was 410, receipts being £30.15.0d. The bill for the "orchestra" was £2.2.0.

Harvest Homes, weddings, etc. No information.

Recreations

We know that cricket was played in the village at least as early as 1831. A record exists of a game played between Pitstone and Ivinghoe in that year which gives the names of the players and the "notches of the bat" for each. Two other similar sheets survive, one dated 1834 and the other undated. As regards the social status of the players, a comparison of the names with the 1841 census returns shows that the 1831 team included a tailor, (George Hill), a straw dealer, (John Short), a Victualler (**Thomas Jellis see page 4**) and at least two agricultural labourers (Wm. Kempster and John Collins).

Folk Lore

A recent article by H. Parrott in Chiltern Life shows that belief in witches survived at nearby Tring as late as the 1750's.

PRINCIPAL MSS. SOURCES

Buckinghamshire Record Office

Ashridge Estate Collection

Plan of Pitstone "west of the Barley End inclosures" and reference book, 1909

Terrier (refers to 1809 map) 1829

Valuation of Pitstone, 1840

Deeds of estate properties

This now completes the WEA report.

Pitstone & Ivinghoe Museum Society

Programme 2015

All meetings are held in the Meeting Room in the Pitstone Green Museum at 8pm. Members pay £2.00 and non-members £3.00.

Refreshments are provided.

ALL VISITORS VERY WELCOME



Sue Lipscomb, Programme Secretary

Thursday 22nd January '15 * From Litton Cheney to London 1853; A Walk into Family History**

Dr Anthony Knight's Great Grandfather walked from Dorset to London at the age of 14 to seek his fortune. It is believed that this journey was undertaken alone, although many others were also moving from the country to the city in the mid 19th century because of economic necessity. In 2012, Dr Knight repeated this journey and this is therefore his grandfather's story, as rediscovered by the more recent trip.

Thursday 26th February '15 * An Illustrated History of Radar

A talk by Gordon Gray. After teaching mathematics for 9 years to Oxbridge entry level Gordon then worked for 27 years with the UK's leading radar design team, originally based at the GEC Marconi site at Stanmore and subsequently at Borehamwood and Stevenage. He is now retired and is actively involved in the local community.

Thursday 26th March '15 * The Making of a Nature Reserve**

Mick Jones our speaker tonight is the warden of the BBOWT reserve, Dancersend. He will talk about the history and ecology of the valley where the reserve is situated and the influence the Rothschilds had regarding the ideas of conservation and the concept of nature reserves.

Thursday 23rd April '15 * London to Birmingham by Rail**

Roger Mason's illustrated talk is based on his book of the same name. The book describes 40 fascinating sites that can be seen from the window of the train during this journey and copies will be available at a discounted price. Roger will concentrate on four or five of these sites during the talk, giving us more detail.

Thursday 28th May '15 * Re-discovering the Lower Icknield Way: the archaeological excavation of an Iron-Age/Roman road and settlement at Aston Clinton**

An archaeological excavation at Stablebridge Road in Aston Clinton in the summer of 2014 revealed a Roman road, thought to be the Lower Icknield Way, and the remains of a late Iron-Age and Romano-British settlement. Eliza Alqassar, Archaeological Officer at Buckinghamshire County Council, will talk about the discovery and how it fits into our wider understanding of Iron Age and Roman rural settlement in Aylesbury's hinterland.

Thursday 25th June '15 * The History of Leavesden Airfield in Wartime**

Our speaker, Derek Sayell is a member of the Abbots Langley History Society. He will give us an illustrated talk which will focus on the development of the airfield during the Second World War. His interest was sparked by a collection of photographs he was given which are now part of his PowerPoint presentation.

Thursday 23rd July '15 * Cheese Wine and Antiques**

Our very popular evening at the museum with Stephen Hearn is appearing once again in our programme. The museum will be open from 6.45p.m. to allow members and their friends to walk around the exhibits, and then the refreshments will be served at 7.15p.m. Refreshments will include a ploughman's platter and complementary glass of wine. Please do not bring more than two items for Stephen's comments and valuations. We hope you will park in the orchard. You will need a ticket for this event and a booking form will appear in our newsletter nearer the time.

Thursday 27th August '15 * Hobbies Evening**

Our evening which showcases our members and the wide range of hobbies that interest them is being featured again. The hobby you decide to show us does not have to have historical links and could be one you have shown us before. If you truly have nothing to bring, then do still come and learn more about other people's hobbies. If you have friends who would like to show us their hobby or simply enjoy the evening, please bring them along. This year we are again including a supper with quiches and salad with a complementary glass of wine. You will need a ticket for this event and a booking form will appear in our newsletter nearer the time.

Thursday 24th September '15 * An Introduction to our three newest rooms**

This evening we will put on display two rooms which will be opened to visitors for the first time in 2015; Peter Keeley's Workshop and the Book Binding Room. We shall also show you the Print Room which opened during our last season. Group of volunteers will have worked very hard to bring these rooms to life and Peter's Workshop will provide a fitting tribute to his memory. A finger buffet and drinks will accompany this evening; details to follow and pre-booking will be necessary.

Thursday 22nd October '15 * Subterranean Secrets**

Edna, the alter ego of Amanda Pickard has been fortunate enough to have worked at the Imperial War Museum's Cabinet War Rooms. Since leaving Churchill's WW2 secret underground bunker she has collected a series of images on subterranean London during WW2 & devised this fascinating talk. The talk is in 3 sections, firstly she sets the scene and explains why it was necessary to transfer many wartime activities underground. Edna then talks about Churchill's Cabinet War Rooms, including behind the scene images of how they are today. The final part of the talk features images from the many other wartime secret locations around London.

Thursday 26th November '15 * AGM *** A talk by one of our members**

Talk to be confirmed nearer the time. **Please note the AGM start time will be 7.30pm.**

Thursday 17th December '15 * Christmas with Films from the Archives**

Frank Banfield will be returning once again with his amazing film archive. He has a vast collection of 16mm cine films, and will choose a selection, mainly of local interest, dating from the 1930s to the 1970s. These films will be interspersed by our usual mince pies and mulled wine.

Please note that this is the third Thursday of the month.

Thursday March 12th '15 * VISIT**

A Visit has been arranged to the de Havilland Aircraft Museum

Website: <http://www.dehavillandmuseum.co.uk/>

SATNAV postcode: AL2 1BU

Cost: £12.00 per person which includes a 2hour guided talk followed by tea and biscuits. This has been booked between 2pm and 5pm and we will need a minimum of 10 people.

Please contact Sue Lipscomb a.s.a.p.

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PITSTONE GREEN FARM AND THE HAWKINS FAMILY

PART 5

An item that appears regularly in a farm account book from 1839 is "one quarter's pew rent £1". Samuel's second son John who took over the farm after his father's death, advanced most of the money for building the present Wesleyan Reform Chapel in 1865. After Samuel arrived in Pitstone he became a leading member of the vestry, the body that was responsible for running the largely self- governing villages of those days.

When William Buckingham was trying to arrange for people in the villages to be vaccinated against smallpox, a disease that was prevalent causing deaths and disfigurement, it was Samuel Hawkins he consulted in Pitstone. "Feb, 13th 1814, To Hawkins Pightlesthorne, respecting vaccination of parish." Samuel's eldest Samuel junior also became a member of the vestry until he took a farm at Chesham, financed by his father who over the years had made money by his farming. After twenty- two years at Pitstone Green Farm it was double the size and the landlord had built his new buildings and a large new farm house. In the mid 1830s when all her children were grown up Sarah died. Samuel married again, a young wife Mary. Possibly she was the daughter of James Jeffs, leather cutter and farmer of Hounslow Middlesex. He is mentioned as residuary guardian of any children of this marriage. A family legend has it that when Samuel brought his new wife Mary back to the farm in an evening for the first time after their marriage, he found the house locked up and no one seemed able to hear his knocking and requests for entry. He and his new wife had to spend their first night at the farm in the barn.

Samuel's children, living at home not like their father marrying again so soon after their mother's death and showed their disapproval by locking him out. We know little enough about Samuel's children and nothing at all about their upbringing. Out of a total of fourteen there were in 1839 eight survivors - five sons and three daughters - the youngest, James being just 21 years old, and, like most of the others already married. Sarah, the eldest had died when she was eight, Alice and Gadsden, twins died in their first year and as we have already seen, three daughters Sarah II, Elizabeth and Hannah had apparently died as adults after marrying and producing offspring.

Husbands and wives, so far as we can identify them, were drawn from the children of local farmers and tradesmen. Samuel the eldest son (born 1808) married Elizabeth Somes of Ivinghoe in 1830. About the same time he became tenant of Barley End Farm and a member of the parish vestry and trustee of the charity lands. Some two years later however, he left Pitstone and moved to

Chesham where he is mentioned in a court case of 1833. In his father's will he is described as "of Wood Farm, Chesham, Farmer". His descendants were still living in Chesham at the beginning of this century.



John, the second son (1811)* who was to succeed his father at Pitstone Green Farm, is described in the will as "of Pitstone, corn factor". A few months before his father's death he married Emily, daughter of James Heley of Ivinghoe, glazier and speculative builder.

Son of John 1811

John Henry Hawkins as a young man.

(Picture from our archives)

About Jeffrey, the third son (1812) nothing is known except that he was alive in 1838. William the fourth son (1814) married Sarah, daughter of Thomas Buckmaster, Miller of Ivinghoe, in 1841. He was then described as a farmer resident at Pitstone. An item in a farm account book dated 27th May 1839 "Paid W. Hawkins a bill for drilling £3 7s 1d" On his marriage he changed his occupation and

became a miller like his father - in-law. In the 1841 census he is shown as occupier of Brook End Mill.

He was still there in 1843 but had gone by 1851. James the youngest son (1818) married Harriett London of West End Farm, Cheddington, in 1838, became a butcher in Hemel Hempstead and in 1850 emigrated to the USA with his family. Two years after arriving in America when he was thirty-five years old James died of cholera or yellow fever at St Louis which was at that time the jumping off place for the westward migration, leaving his widow with five small children between the ages of 9 months and 12 year. She married again and her two sons were involved in the Civil War in 1861 on the side of the North. Their names were William and James and they lived until 1906 and 1907 and had 8 and 7 children respectively. Their and their sister's descendants still live in America.

Of Samuel's sons -in law George Groom, Mary's husband was a grocer in Ivinghoe and Charles Rogers, who married Sarah, was a butcher. Ruth married James Price of Picotts End and Ann Married Richard Gadsden of Northall. The

details of Sarah II, Elizabeth and Hannah's marriages are not known. In August 1839 Samuel Hawkins died. He was sixty-six years old. An account book kept by one of his sons from May 1839 - June 1841 with day to day expenses and receipts give information about what was happening on the farm at the time. Several items connected with Samuel's death appear in 1839

August 16

15 pairs of gloves	14s 4d
Paid J. Colyer.. for seeing to Farther	£1
Paid Mrs Chowns .. Do	17s 6d

October 15

Paid Cox for ring Farther's knell	1s 0d
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December 27

Paid Tunstall for attending Farther	£10 6s 0d
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1840 February 1

Mr Parrott Attorney Administration	£50 3s 6d
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Note this is how the word Father was spelt..

In those days as well doctors and solicitors fees must have seemed high. Samuel's Will, signed on the 11th September 1838 and proved in 1840, is a disappointingly impersonal document and was evidently drawn up by a solicitor. It has long repetitive clauses and not a single endearment or other expression of emotion. One clause reads "Provided always and that and my will is that my Children by my present Wife or my said present Wife shall not participate in any moneys that may arise by the death of any of my present children or their Issue or Grandchildren herein named in any manner whatsoever nor shall my present Children or their Issue or Grandchildren herein named participate in any moneys that may arise by the death of my said future Children in any manner whatsoever my intention being that my two families in case there shall be a Family by my present Wife shall not interfere the one with the other" It begins with bequests of £100 to Mary his "present wife" and £100 to each child by (there were none).

Doubtless it was his remarriage which prompted Samuel to make his will in the first place. These were the only individual bequests except that his five sons were to divide his clothes between them. For the rest, the two eldest sons, Samuel and John were appointed trustees to sell the estate within two years and divide the proceeds among the beneficiaries who were to be the testators wife, present and future children, and four of their grandchildren: Ann Cross, Jane Heley and Sarah and Ann Rogers. Each legatee, male and female alike, was to receive one share of the whole, except the two Rogers grandchildren who were to have a share between them. The reason for this was clearly that the grandchildren in question

were regarded as inheriting the shares which their deceased mothers would have had.

The trustees were to be at liberty to carry on the farm until the sale but Mary was to have the right to remain in the house until she received her share. The value of the estate for probate purposes was estimated at "under £2,000", which probably meant it was not far short of that amount. Although it is a hundred times as much as the value of the goods left by William Hawkins the Elder in 1751 it can scarcely be regarded as a large fortune especially as at least a quarter of it is accounted for in farm stock alone not to mention household goods. On the other hand, we must take into consideration the likely expenses already entailed in making provision for Samuel's very large family. The 1839-41 cash book shows a wide variety of produce sold. We learn from it that the principal crops were wheat, barley and oats, but that a wide variety of other crops were also sold including beans, peas, tares, hay, fruit, straw, plaiting straws, milk, butter, eggs, fowls, ducks, cattle, sheep wool and pigs.

To be continued

**** see article on page 4***

Letters to the Editor

Dear Madam Editor,

I am sure your readers will remember the article by Norman Groom a few editions ago lamenting the broken beam in the roof of the old barn and alluding to the high cost of professional advice/work.

I took it upon myself to approach the Aylesbury Centre of the National Trust, through committee member, Mary Flower [who is also a PIMS member] for financial assistance. The barn does actually belong to the NT although it is part of the lease holding by the museum. The Centre meets monthly and raises money for local NT properties each year.

I am pleased to report that the Centre have donated £775 to the museum for repairs. It is conditional that the works are carried out to the roof. It would be wise for the museum to keep in touch with the Centre, reporting progress, etc., with the hope that further grants may be forthcoming in future years.

Geoff Evans

Membership

As we come to the end of the 2014-15 season, we are all looking forward to 2015-16. As this will be the last Newsletter before the Easter Open Day, I would like as many people as possible to renew their membership before that date. A

membership renewal form is included in this newsletter. Remember, we now have the Cook Collection open, along with many other exciting new and refurbished exhibits. We also have a full schedule of talks in the Meeting Room. Please send your cheques with a stamped self-addresses envelope to the museum. The address is on the form. Remember that the membership fees are now £12 for a single member and £18 for joint membership. Please note that your cheques will not be banked until April.

Bill Barnard (Membership Secretary)

Programme 2015

You will all discover the complete programme of events as an insert within this newsletter and I hope you will be pleased to see some of our old favourites, namely the Cheese, Wine and Antiques evening and the Hobbies evening. A form for you to apply for tickets for these popular evenings will appear in a future newsletter as they require exact numbers to aid our catering. Last year the evening when we introduced members to our new exhibition space housing the Cook Collection was a great success and this year we intend introducing members to three new rooms so that you can see what our volunteers have been doing during the winter months!

I do however need members' help regarding the AGM. For the last two years Dennis Trebble has given an excellent talk at the end of the formal business of the evening. I would like to continue this trend using expertise from amongst our membership. Once we have concluded the AGM and served drinks there will probably only be time for a talk lasting between 30 and 45 minutes. Please consider this and email me with your offers. You might want to talk about your hobby, your job, a holiday location; in fact anything you think might interest our members.

Finally, please note that we have a visit this year on March 12th. Please email me asap if the de Havilland aircraft museum is something that would interest you.

Sue Lipscomb Programme & Minutes Secretary

Cover page

Museum display picture by **Pete Farrar**

Open Days 2015

Easter Monday **April 6th**

Early Spring B.H. **May 4th**

Whitchurch Morris Men

Spring B.H. Monday **May 25th**

Sunday **14th June**

Sunday **12th July**

Tappalachian Dancers

Sunday **9th August**

B.H. Monday **August 31st**

Sunday **13th September**

Sunday **11th October**

Wicket Brood Morris Men

Opening times from

11.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.

Admission charges.

adults £6 children £2.

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