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Best wishes for Christmas and the New Year to all our Members

A few words from your Editor ...

Thank you for all your letters and emails, without your contributions we wouldn't have a magazine.

This issue sees the return of the competition, the prize is a single annual subscription – the draw will take place at the January meeting.

I look forward to more of your letters, have you made any exciting discoveries about your family? Can your experience help anyone else?

Also it would be interesting to know how you store your information, do you use family history software? I have a few loose leaf binders full of information so I need to sort it all out, if we have another winter like last year it will be a good time to do it.

Format for Newsletter Contributions Preferably typed using Microsoft Word or Works, or handwritten, then please either:

- email the file to me at Familyhis@aol.com or
- post handwritten copy/CD/floppy disk, to me at the address on the back of the Newsletter

Deadline for inclusion in the next Newsletter 19 January 2011

Kate (Editor)

FORTHCOMING SPEAKERS

19 January 2011	To be announced
16 February 2011	History of the M & GN Railway & Staff Records by Chris Rouse
16 March 2011	Hugenots by Michael Gandy
20 April 2011	Looking for a Black Sheep by Linda Hotchkiss

LETS LOOK AT A CHURCH No.60 – St Margaret, Morton-on-the-Hill



Arriving at the church of St Margaret, Morton-on-the-Hill, we were greeted by the screech of peacocks a bird that famously embodies the deadly sin of pride and whose presence in the graveyard adds an exotic touch to this tiny old church the original tower of which dated back to Norman times. These fowls have every right to be proud for the present day St Margaret's is a memorable and unique structure. The church lies tucked away on the Morton Hall estate, well off the beaten track and could truly be called one of the hidden gems of Norfolk for nobody would ever come across it by accident on their travels. St Margaret's was a small round towered church much like a number of others in our area and it cannot have changed much since the days of Jeff Egge who was rector in 1330 - an engraving by John Sell Cotman shows it in its nineteenth century prime. The tower was described in 1958 as 'one of the loftiest in the county its height being enhanced by its elevated site'. Then, on Easter Sunday the following year, disaster struck. The Verger had just left when in the still night air, he heard behind him a noise 'like a lorry load of gravel being emptied' and upon investigation found to his horror that the entire tower had collapsed leaving large heaps of flint, mortar and Norfolk carstone everywhere and sending the church's three bells crashing through the nave roof. The fallen bells are now at Attlebridge church and the present bell which dates from 1793 was found in the coach house of Morton Hall and later set up in the ruins of the nave. For a number of years, St Margaret's remained desolate until in 1980, Lady Prince-Smith, owner of the peacocks, who lives next door in Morton Hall was able, with the help of the Norfolk Churches Trust and a number of

volunteers, to have a large glass screen built across the end of the nave and by retiling and restructuring the remains of the tower and west end of the building completely transforming it into an exciting sculptural whole. Although regular worship ended on the day of the disaster and the church, which joined with Weston Longville the next year, is now redundant, occasional services are still held, and we noted with interest a leaflet used in one and containing Hymns to commemorate Sir Robert Southwell. The Southwells were a well known family of recusants and their impressive tomb chest is St Margaret's chief monument. Robert, their most famous son, was ordained a Jesuit priest after a period of study in Rome during a period in English history when this was not always a smart career move. Returning to England in 1586, Southwell ministered to a number of well-to-do Catholic families for six years before being arrested and tried for treason an offence which he denied. A new law had just been brought in however stipulating that English subjects who had entered into priest's orders in the Catholic Church were forbidden from remaining in the country for longer than forty days on pain of death. As Southwell had obviously in modern terms exceeded the duration of his work permit he was sentenced according to the custom of those barbaric days to be hanged, drawn and quartered at Tyburn where he died bravely eliciting much sympathy from those who witnessed his execution and in 1970 was canonized by Pope Paul VI. Southwell was also a poet and is the author of two of the hymns sung at his annual commemorative service. In the centre of the nave is the grave of another Norfolk worthy, the beruffed octogenarian Katherine Awdley, daughter of Sir Richard Southwell of whom it is written: 'she lyved 45 yeares a widdow. She kept good hospitality. She was charitable to the Poore'. Leaving St Margaret's to the sound of the peacocks, we admire once again both the church and its idyllic setting - the surrounding grounds were laid out by Sir Joseph Hooker of Kew at the end of the 19th century and contain a number of rare trees. Together, they create a haven of rural peace and tranquillity (except for the peacocks that is).

The original parish registers are held at the Norfolk Record Office (Cat. Ref. PD93) and comprise Baptisms 1559-1955 & 1981, Marriages 1561-1958, Burials 1559-1812 and Banns 1755-1813 and 1824-1948. Microform copies cover the same dates except for Banns which end in 1904. Archdeacon's and Bishop's Transcripts all date from 1600 and end in 1896, 1837 and 1896 for Baptisms, Marriages and Burials respectively. The Parish Chest items include Settlement Certificates and Examinations 1766-1799 inclusive, two removal orders for 1778 and 1785, an inventory for John Barker dated 1758 and Morton Town Land Papers 1862-1997 inclusive.

Roderic & Denise Woodhouse

FOOD FOR THOUGHT - Lucky August

Back in August my wife and I visited the Hebridean islands by coach, which included several ferry crossings. My ever helpful daughter, who had visited the area many times, suggested warm and wet clothing as the wind always blows, its bound to rain and don't forget your anti-midgie cream. In the event the sun shone, the midgies didn't attack and the wind forgot to blow. Even our guide was surprised how calm it was. How lucky we were. The following week the weather changed, the heavens opened and the sea was so rough that ferries were cancelled. Yes August was a lucky month and I was able to pass on some of my August luck into the family history field.

Earlier in the month we were just finishing off our MI recording at Weasenham All Saints when a couple arrived looking for evidence of an ancestor who was buried there. There is a headstone but they would never have found it without our help, for it had fallen and was difficult to read. But, amazingly, less than an hour earlier we had cleaned that inscription, solely because during the typing-up I had queried the spelling of a place name mentioned on it.

Also in August I was attempting to find a few interesting headstone epitaphs at North Elmham for a display at their local history event. An inscription to a man 'accidentally killed at Derby Station' looked a likely candidate but I wasn't over optimistic about discovering more. However, I received a package through the post, mistakenly addressed to me, relating to The Wyvern Index - an Index of people associated with the Midland Railway. I re-directed the package and informed the sender of my action. In my letter I mentioned the epitaph, thinking it might be of interest to him. What a stoke of luck, by return of post, I was informed that my man was already in the index - not as a passenger, as I suspected, but as a porter working at Derby station. This was followed by a copy of the Derby newspaper report of the inquest, which gave a little more about the man, and a full report on the accident, which caused his death

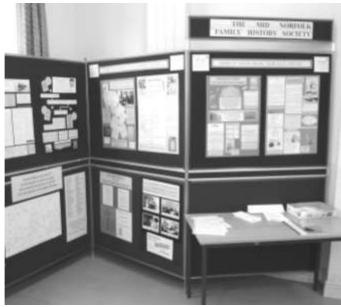
To top it all, during the Bank Holiday, having set up our display at Elmham, I had just popped in to see everything was ok, when I met a fellow passenger from that coach trip. She was looking for the burial place of her great grandparents who she thought were buried in the churchyard - not in our MI book, therefore no headstone. But later, I checked our Burial Index and there they were, two of the very few, which actually gave grave locations!

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Was it luck, accident, fluke, coincidence, serendipity or sheer chance that the weather was perfect, the Weasenham couple chose that time for their visit, mail was sent to the wrong address, or the burial place searcher chose those few minutes that I was at the Elmham show? Or is it possible that someone up there is 'pulling my strings'?

TFG

NORTH ELMHAM CHURCH FLOWER FESTIVAL



The Society's Display

During the August Bank Holiday weekend the society provided a display for the Local History element of the N Elmham Flower Festival. In addition to advertising the Society, it featured our recently N Elmham Memorial Inscription booklet, containing all the 900, or so inscriptions in the church and churchyard, and the results of a little research into four 'interesting' headstone epitaphs from the book. The event was very well supported and considerable interest was shown in our exhibit, which hopefully may result in some new local members.

CAR PARKING AT THE NATIONAL ARCHIVE (KEW) – AGAIN

In our Summer Newsletter we reported that a new day car-parking scheme was to be introduced at TNA Kew on the 27 April 2010. Readers may not be surprised to hear that it did not happen. Visiting the TNA website - how to find us - said that it would commence 31 August - 'see our news story'.

And the 'News Story' said that 'due to technical difficulties, we are postponing the launch of the visitors' car park booking system until Tues 14 Sep. We hope to launch the booking website and telephone booking line on this date. Visitors can continue to park free of charge until Tues 28 September, after when they should pay in advance for a space'.

I checked again on 10 Sep and it is still not happening. Their 'latest news' says that they will give at least one months notice.

Although it is almost a joke, members are reminded that when it does come into operation there will be a flat rate of £5 per day. Visitors who drive to the TNA without having booked and paid for a space in advance will not be able to access the car park. So, if you are thinking of visiting Kew by car, visit www.nationalarchives.gov.uk, while you are at the 'thinking stage' Just in Case, the technical problems have been overcome.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The AGM was held at the September meeting, and Tom Garland spoke to the meeting

In my endeavours to keep the Chairman's report brief and to the point, I could simply say "as per last year" because thankfully things haven't changed much - not even the committee - although we are all a year older and maybe a little wiser, I would like to think that, we as a committee have done most things right and thanks to the continuing support of you, the membership, the society has had a good year.

Our membership on Jan 1st was 260 - 30 less than the previous year and a

little concerning because, although Joan tells me that the numbers always fall at membership renewal time, they usually bounce back, but his year, to date, we have only 9 new members. However, locally we are doing ok, Graham's excellent programme of speakers has attracted an average audience of just over 36, which is only a little down.

Our Newsletter is now printed locally to order at a fixed price per copy, which is proving more convenient and less expensive. Another plus side is that we can now accept photographs, which helps make it more interesting. We all appreciate Kate's efforts as editor, but no matter how good she is at compiling the newsletter, she can only print what we submit and she always needs our stories and experiences.

Our own publications continue to sell well - 180 this year. Over winter our small five strong churchyard memorial inscription recording team, completed the 900 memorials at North Elmham, which was the 60th churchyard, for which we have a booklet. This was followed by Morton-on the Hill, both Weasenham churchyards and Wellingham.

We had a display, promoting the society at the North Elmham History event, over the August bank holiday. This was in addition to the Annual Norwich and Gressenhall Fairs. We may have to rethink these fairs for at both events book sales were disappointingly low and interest in our local Burial Index seems to be waning. However, commission from our register transcriptions submitted to the National Burial Index and operated by findmypast, continues to be a major source of income for the society.

The Income over expenditure account, reproduced on the next page, shows a surplus of £237.31 - not a great deal of money, but we have almost £5000 in the bank (collecting a minimum of interest) and no big expenditures planned, consequently I recommend that membership inscriptions remain unchanged for yet another year. (Subsequently approved at the September AGM)

Tom Garland

MID NORFOLK FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY - INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31St JULY 2019

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I report that the above Income and Expenditure Account is in accordance with the books and records supplied to me

NRO SEARCH ROOM CLOSURE DATES

The Norfolk Record Office search room will be closed from Monday, 29 November to Saturday, 11 December inclusive. It will reopen on Monday, 13 December.

They will continue to answer enquiries during stocktaking, and the exhibition gallery at The Archive Centre will be open as usual, except on Saturday, 4 December and Saturday, 11 December.

http://www.archives.norfolk.gov.uk/documents/pdf/exhibition_catalogues/conservation_today.pdf for details of the current exhibition.)

Thanks to Susan Maddock, Principal Archivist, Norfolk Record Office for this information.

NOT A QUAKER REGISTER

Having been led to believe that in addition to using numbers, only the Quakers used the letters 'ber' to describe some months. I was very surprised, that whilst transcribing Great Witchingham's Parish Burial Register for the National Burial Index, during the years between 1678 and 1700, months are sometimes recorded as a number followed by 'ber'. Without giving it too much thought what date would you transcribe the following 1679 entry?

Robert Skilling was buried 8 ber. 23

Answer on page 14

A KING BEFORE HIS TIME

Above the entrance door in North Witchingham church is a two metre square painted canvas of a Royal Coat of Arms. The shield depicts the arms used by the Stuart monarchs and it carries the monogram 'CR' and at the bottom are the words:

"Ex Dona (The gift of) Oliver Le Neve Arm: 1 Jany 1660"



Several weeks before recording those words, for our latest Memorial Inscription booklet, I had done a little research into Charles I and II for a piece in our Autumn Newsletter. With this fresh in my mind I knew that Charles I was executed on 30 Jan 1649 and Charles II was proclaimed king 14 May 1661. History tells us that during the interregnum all 'Royal' coats of arms were removed and replaced by those of the 'Commonwealth'. Consequently, I argued, that on Jan 1st 1660, when Oliver made his gift to the church, England was in fact, king-less, ruled by The Lord Protector.

Then the penny dropped! At that time the Julian calendar was in use - the

year started on March 25th - in 'New Style' this was 1 Jan 1660/1 or N.S. 1 Jan 1661. Most of us are familiar with register entries before 1752 whereby a child that died in infancy could well be buried between Jan 1st and March 24th and be baptised between March 25th and Dec 31st of the same year. But this was out of the register context and at first sight appeared as though the king was on the throne before his time.

Tom Garland

WW2 - THE HOME FRONT

Katrina Siliprandi gave a talk at the October meeting about life on the home front during the Second World War in Britain. It was illustrated with pictures of objects from the Norfolk Museums and Archaeology Service collections and photographs from various archives. The talk was greatly enhanced by contributions from the floor. Many members had memories, recollections or stories to add to the evening.

We were reminded that when war was finally declared on September 3rd 1939 after the German invasion of Poland on September 1st many preparations had already been made on the home front. 38 million gas masks had been issued in September 1938, in Norwich distributed from City Hall. There was a great fear of gas because of the impact it's use had in the First World War and now there were aeroplanes to deliver it. We saw different types of gas mask, including a photo of a pram that looked more like a mini armoured vehicle. Children were shown practicing putting on their masks, and neighbours chatting over the fence wearing theirs.

On 1st September 1939 17,000 members of the Women's Voluntary Service helped organize the evacuation of 1 ½ million people, including 48% of all school children. Children from industrial areas were sent to the country where they would be safer. Children under five were usually accompanied by their mothers; children of school age usually went with their classmates and teachers. 4,000 special trains were used to evacuate children from the cities. When they arrived at their destination they might

be distributed by billeting officers as in Diss, or taken to the village hall to be claimed by householders. We thought about the confusion and distress they must have felt. Many evacuees came from the poorest and most overcrowded urban areas and the families they went to were frequently shocked by their physical condition and manners. War workers were billeted for a 'government guinea', while householders were paid 10s 6d per child, 8s 6d if they took more than one. They could be compelled to take a child if necessary, which must have led to some unhappy experiences all round. Later in the War the allowance was increased by a laundry allowance of 3s 6d, in recognition of the costs resulting from bedwetting. Mothers were only issued with one 'visit an evacuee' cheap day return rail ticket each month. The decision to send children away was left to their parents – though pressure from the government was considerable as is epitomized by the slogan – 'keep them happy, keep them safe'. Despite this by January 1940 88% of mothers and 86% of children had returned home, only to leave again when the bombing finally started in earnest.

Before war broke out Anderson shelters were distributed to householders earning less than £250 p.a. and were purchased by others.

During the evening we were reminded through pictures of many other aspects of life on the home front including: women's war work, Music while you Work, the problems of food production and rationing, the blackout, the Baedeker Raids when Norwich was severely bombed, air raid precautions and the home guard.

The talk finished with some pictures of VE celebrations.

Time ran out before we could look at some of the fascinating items the audience had brought along so this will form the second half of a future meeting.

Katrina Siliprandi

NEW MEMBERS' INTERESTS

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NOT A QUAKER REGISTER (Answer)

R. Wxxxx

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new email address:

23rd October

Similarly 7 ber was September, 8 ber October, 9 Ber November, 10 ber December

The system fell into disuse with the introduction of the Gregorian calendar

COMPETITION CORNER

The prize for the competition in this issue is one single annual membership subscription to the Society.

The question for the Winter competition is

I was watching the television recently when the racehorse sales at Newmarket were featured, but all the prices were in guineas, this apparently is traditional. So how much, in UK pounds, would I pay for a horse costing 1000 guineas?

Answers to Kate please by 18th January 2011 ... either

email (familyhis@aol.com) or
post (address on back cover of this Newsletter),

or

bring your answer to the meeting on 19th January 2011 and hand it to Sue when you sign in.

Correct answers will be put into a bag and drawn at the January meeting.

There is one prize, which is one annual single membership subscription, which will be in the form of a voucher.

Open to members only, UK or overseas. One entry per member. Please include your membership number with your entry.

YOUR LETTERS

Christine Peach sends her thanks ... she asked for information about the hamlet of Ivy Todd near Necton

Back in April you very kindly printed my request for help in the Mid-Norfolk FHS newsletter.

Is it possible now for me now to express my thanks for all the help I received. I am so grateful. My cousin and I now know the address of her parents home. Mission accomplished!

Many thanks Christine Peach

John Clarke has asked if any member can help with the following ...

John is seeking any member who has the WHEALES name in their tree. His great grandfather is James WHEALES Clarke and John is trying to find out why he was christened with the middle name. He has noted that there are many WHEALES in Norfolk, in the 1841 census there are two Susan Wheales in Beeston (born 1766 and 1793), and also listed is Elizabeth 1806, Petre 1806, Sharlotte 1816, John 1821, Robert 1821, Margaret 1826, Hariet 1829, George 1831, Edmund 1832, Sarah 1834, Petre 1839 and George 1841.

Are any of these married to a Clarke.

If you can help please contact Kate (Editor) address and email on the back cover.

Gloria Keshow from Australia is researching her convict ancestor in the Swaffam area, she writes ...

my g\grandfather William was sent to Swaffam court 27th October 1847 and was transported to Tasmania where he married a Mary Lewis. William came out on the Maria Somes (2), he gave his next of kin as John William and Mary Shearing, brother and sister.. would appreciate it if someone has information, would be delighted to locate a family member and/or descendants of my great/grandfather...

Gloria Keshow. nee Shearing daughter of Ethel and James Shearing ...

Again - If you can help please contact Kate (Editor) address and email on the back cover.

A Christmas Tale

Years ago, I was trawling through parish registers, as we do. I was looking in West Norfolk in about 1600-1700 at baptisms. I came across a boy called Christmas, and at the time I wondered who would want to be called Christmas.

Sometime later I came across another baptism for a boy called Xmas. Funny name to call someone, but there you go.

A couple of years ago, looking at baptisms in Necton for about 1600 I came across Xopher son of so and so. I looked and it and looked at it, then it clicked, as the boy's real name was Christopher as the X is really a cross for Christ.

The boy whose baptism was recorded as Xmas, was really called Christmas. Now I know why Xmas is called Xmas. A lot of people did not know that

PS ... and I was born on Christmas day.

Christopher Harpley

Forever Norfolk

John Clarke wrote this poem when he was feeling very nostalgic for Norfolk

Oh! Norfolk, the county of my birth I do miss thee more with a tear 'Return', a voice within for all its worth

In my mind this scene does reappear To me you are the best county on earth Your country fields and seaside with its pier

Those Sunday afternoons after dinner Strolling along contented beside a seashore Memory although old, is not dimmer

Keep these coming back to my soul evermore So might I, as old age comes remember This my Lord to thee, I do implore

My county to me forever sing this song For this is my love of Norfolk you sing Though now at a distance, to you I belong

Ancestors mine I am not abandoning My heartfelt love of you is strong As back through centuries I'll be travelling

John Clarke

- 'FindMyPast' has offered a subscription renewal discount of 10% to FFHS Members as an added incentive for joining/rejoining. The code is FED65. The code cannot be used in conjunction with any other promotion or free trial and it will expire on 31 July 2011.
- * Ancestry now have searchable BMD 1837 2005 online!

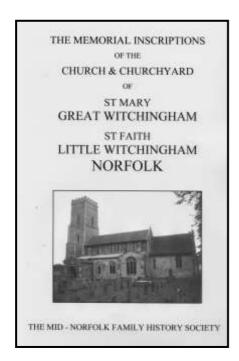
PRICE RISES AT LDS FAMILY HISTORY CENTRES

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (LDS, or Mormons) have recently increased their prices for the ordering of microfilms to £7.50, but they will remain available to you at the Family History Centre for your use for 90 days. Despite the considerable rise in their fee, if you live distant from the Record Office that holds the records you wish to view and within easy reach of a Family History Centre this still represents very good value.

As a reminder, you can find out what is available (including parish and other world wide records), by perusing the Family History Catalogue on line at www.familysearch.org where you can also discover the location of your nearest Centre,

Our local (Dereham) LDS Family History Centre is on Yaxham Road, near the Tesco roundabout and is open Tues, Wed and Thurs 6pm - 9pm (Thurs 6.30). To make an appointment, to find out the new procedure for ordering films, or simply see what they have to offer, please ring during these opening hours (01362 851500).

THE SOCIETY'S RECENT PUBLICATIONS



THREE MORE CHURCHYARD MEMORIAL INSCRIPTIONS RECORDED

By the time this Newsletter goes to print three more churchyards will have been recorded and added to our MIs list.

St Mary GREAT WITCHINGHAM St Faith LITTLE WITCHINGHAM St Andrew WELLINGHAM

Collectors of our MI booklets should note:

Little Witchingham has only 15 memorials and is included in a single booklet with Great Witchingham £2.80 plus p&p

And Wellingham has only 85 memorials and is our third booklet to be produced in A5 format £1 plus p&p

Please add postage and packing ... UK 2nd class ... 81p per book (Wellingham 50p) Overseas:

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Please send orders to Kate (address on back page), Cheques should be made out to 'Mid-Norfolk Family History Society'

For a full list of publications available see the Mid-Norfolk Family History Society website - www.tsites.co.uk/sites/mnfhs/

Visiting Norfolk to do some research?

Why not stay at Albert's Cottage in the village of Ashill? Over 200 years old, the character cottage overlooks the village pond. Fully furnished, the cottage has two bedrooms, one with a four

poster bed and the choice of storage heaters or a log burning stove.

burning stove.

The inside of the cottage is complimented with a delightful garden and private parking.

Contact Mary or Dennis for details

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Or contact by email: Willie.h.1945@virgin.net

SOME INTERESTING WEBSITES

 $\underline{www.english\text{-}heritage.org.uk/NMR}$ - Links to over 400,000 images dating from 1850s to present day.

<u>www.victorianlondon.org</u> – Dictionary of Victorian London. Copy of the site is available on CD for £12. For more information email: lee@vistorianlondon.org

<u>www.gravestonephotos.com</u> – Indexes of names and relationships which appear on grave monuments. For the majority of English counties at least one graveyard is covered, and there is good coverage of Durham, Norfolk, Suffolk, Surrey and Yorkshire. You can also request free images of gravestones

<u>www.missing-ancestors.com</u> – This site contains information on industrial and reformatory schools and the like in England and Wales during the 19th and early 20th century, with lists of staff and children. There is also some information for Scotland

Tracing Your Family Tree? Norfolk

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