The Frenchay Tuckett Society **Autumn 2018 Newsletter**

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Museum December Shutdown

The museum will be open for the last time this year on Wed. Nov. 28th, and reopen on Sat. Jan.5th 2019. This is to allow for our annual "deep clean", updating displays, and some minor re-decoration. If you can help in any way, please contact Margaret Bulmer on 0117 9569324.

Birthday Celebrations



Richard Fox (third from the left at the back) donated many artefacts that we are able to display in the museum. On the 15th August friends from the museum helped to celebrate his 80th birthday, at the museum and then at the White Lion.

Winter Talks Series

Oct 11th

Same excellent speaker as on your programme, Alan Freke, but the title of the talk is

Fry's Many Businesses — It wasn't just chocolate!

This is the story of a very entrepreneurial family, who over more than two centuries were pioneers in many fields. Frenchay Frys were especially inventive, and founded a number of present day businesses.

Nov 8th

The Four Horsemen of the Apocalpse -

a showing of the feature film starring Rudolf Valentino and featuring our own **Nigel de Brulier**.

Copies of the new book Frankie went to Hollywood (The life of Francis George Packer, alias Nigel-de-Brulier) will be on sale at the talk, and are available at the museum for £3.50

Jan 10th 2019

Local Maps in Frenchay's History

Chas Ashley uses Ordnance Survey Maps as a tool to study our past.

These talks are in Frenchay Quaker Meeting House Beckspool Road BS16 1NT starting at 7.30pm. Admission is £2.

Museum Staff News

We have over the Summer attracted a new Museum Curator in Charlotte Appleyard. Gained a Membership Secretary in Madeleine Kruiniger and a new Publicity Officer in Georgina Simmons, that means we still need to find a new Committee Member and of course new Custodians are always welcome. Please don't be shy, we are sure you will find working with the whole Tuckett Society Team both fun and rewarding.

We are sorry to report the death of Sarah Tonkin who was a Custodian at the Museum for several years. She will be missed.

Vintage Vehicle Day 2018

This year our Vintage Vehicle Day on Saturday 14th July was again held in conjunction with the Flower Show. A very successful day – a BIG THANKS to all who helped.

If you are able to help with either preparing for next year's event on July 13th 2019 or being involved helping organise things on the day, please contact Paul Green on 0117 9567020, or Hugh Whatley on 0117 9566378.

Museum Custodians

We always welcome more custodians, so if you are interested in coming along and finding out more, call **Margaret Bulmer on 0117 9569324** for an informal, no obligation, chat Whether you help once a month, or once a year, you will be welcome.

There are many other tasks that need doing, besides manning the museum when it's open. From straightforward cleaning to mounting new displays, there are many jobs waiting. If you feel that you would like to get involved in any way, call Carol Thorne on **0117 9569963** to find out more.

HELP WANTED

Are you up for a challenge? The museum has been given a very old typewriter – pre QWERTY. It seems to have seized up and could do with some TLC to get it working again. Could you help us? If you are interested please ring 0117/9569963. It is a fascinating object and we would love to have it available for visitors to use.

Parish Notice Board



There is a new Parish Notice Board outside the Museum. We have a key! If any one has notices about events in Frenchay, it is a good place to display them.

The flowers in the Museum flower beds have continued to bloom during the long hot summer, and the new box hedge is thriving, all thanks to Hugh Evans.

Museum News

Although we try to display as much as possible lack of space means that we have many items not presently on show.

Our present exhibition has the theme of 'Travel and Exploration' and highlights items in our collection not normally on show. These photographs and paintings highlight a now vanished world.

Also on display are the finds from the Hilly Field found by metal detectorist. David Upton You will be amazed at what lies below the soil.

In November we shall have an exhibition to remember the Centenary since the end of World War 1. This will show the role of nurses during the war. We have a large collection of photographs and memorabilia from The Cleve Hospital in Downend.



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