MEMBERSHIP NEWS Sheila Cope

SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE NOW DUE (if you do not pay by Standing Order)

£10 joint for two members at the same address, £6 single membership.

We now number 460, still short of our Chairman Derek's cherished aim of 500 but perhaps not too bad for a town like Dover. We are the "workhorse" for the surrounding area, after all. There are always spare Newsletters available and these may act as ambassadors to introduce our Society to potential members.

The "churn" of Newsletter distributors continues. Judy Betts at River and Alan Sencicle, who delivered at St Margaret's, have now retired and we thank them both for many years of devoted and efficient service. It was so pleasing that other volunteers came forward, with no armtwisting required. We therefore welcome Tony Bones, John Cotton, Angela Upton and Barry Vaughan to the team. We have been able to re-organise some of the rounds, particularly in the Town Centre, thus spreading the load more evenly.

For over 20 years I have kept a few copies of each Newsletter in case they were needed for reference. The bookcase is now full and I plan to reduce the numbers by

bringing surplus old copies to the meetings and members will be welcome to take them. Please ask me if you ever wish for a particular number of the Newsletter. What I cannot do is to search through for a specific topic since no overall index exists. Indexing and cross-referencing of Newsletters remains a task needing to be done. Are there any volunteers?

Sadly, in November we lost Tessa George who was a Newsletter proof reader and onetime committee member. In addition we send our condolences to the friends and families of other members who have died during the year including Mrs Ann Bertelsen, Mr Norman Gould, Mrs Audrey and Mr David Atwood (who donated our lectern), Mr Mike Igglesden, Miss Grace Jackson OBE, Mr Clive Meredith, Mr Keith Gawn and Mrs Sheila Farrell.

Welcome new members are: Mr H Harris, Mrs A Burke, Mrs V Wratten, Mr L Graeme, Mr A Hoad, Mr S & Mrs L Hoad, Mrs J Gavin, and Mr P & Mrs S Whibley.

AGM A reminder to all members

The Annual General Meeting this year will take place on Monday 15th April. This is the last of the winter meetings until October. All members are urged to attend.

All nominations for elected posts within the committee and any resolutions must be received by the secretary no later than 14 days before the date of the AGM.

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