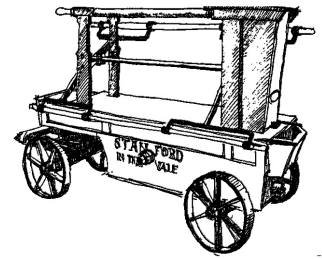


STANFORD IN THE VALE & DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

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Very soon our new season of talks and indoor activities will be starting. Here are details for the first two months.

September meeting

Clive Spinage, a keen local historian who lives locally, will be talking about his interest in Wayland's Smithy, both the myths which surround it and something about the archaeology of the site. Clive has published a small book on the subject which will be on sale at the meeting. **The date is Tuesday 13th September.**

October meeting

Kate Tiller, who for many years was involved with Oxford University Continuing Education courses, especially those connected with Local History, both at Rewley House and in the field, will be our speaker on **Tuesday 11th October.**

Details are now available from Rewley House of the programme of one-day and weekend courses being held during the next six months. These are popular events and do fill up quickly. The programme includes: Vernacular Building in England and the New World; Early English Shire Towns; Shopkeepers and Craftsmen in Probate Records 1660-1760; Recusants and the English Local Community. For more details phone (01865) 270368 or email: ppdayweek@conted.ox.ac.uk

'The Stanford Historian'

The Summer edition, Vol. 4 No.1 due in July has unfortunately been delayed.

Copies should be available at the September meeting.

Urgently required

The Society as yet does not possess its own slide projector. We need the use of one, with carousel, and if possible, remote control lead, for the September meeting. Anyone willing to assist, please contact our Chairman, David Axford on (01367) 718480 -the Secretary is out of the country until the weekend before the meeting. (N.B. Following receipt of this Newsletter Mr Peter Fahy has very kindly donated his projector to the Society – D.A.)

Book Box

The Society is gradually building up a small library of Local History titles, most of which will be available for one month's loan. Lawrence Ward is our librarian, and will bring the Book Box to our meetings. **Donations to the Library** - either books/booklets of local interest, (ie. Places/subjects connected with The Vale of White Horse), or ones dealing with the subject of local history in general will always be most welcome.

Phil. Morris

Hon. Secretary

29/08/05