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MEETINGS

Meetings are held at 7.30 p.m. on the last Friday of each month  
at :-

Cressy Fields,  
Cressy Road,  
ALFRETON.

SUBSCRIPTIONS :-

Subscriptions become payable on joining the Society and thereafter annually on January 1st. New members joining after October 1st in any year will not be required to renew on January 1st following.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES :-

MEMBERS	£1.50	
SENIOR CITIZENS	£1.00	
STUDENTS	£1.00	
JOINT MEMBERSHIP	£2.25	(to include one magazine per couple)

We needed publicity. We've got it!

Recently the Society hit the headlines in the 'Derbyshire Times' under an article headed "Family-Tree Researcher Discovers a Murder". The story will be found elsewhere in this issue. This led to Yours Truly being interviewed on 'Radio Derby'. Our exhibition in Ripley Library created great interest and prompted an article to be written about the Society under 'Newspoints' in the 'Ripley and Heanor News'. We hope this publicity will help to attract new local members, who we need to help with the work of the Society.

The evening of entertainment held at Cressy Fields and sponsored by us as a "Thank You" for the free use of a room for our meetings was a great success.

The work of recording the monumental inscriptions at Pentrich has now been completed. The final section will be found at the end of this magazine. The inscriptions in Alfreton church-yard are almost completed and a start has been made at South Wingfield.

Finally I would like to thank members who have contributed to this issue of "Branch News" and would also like to appeal to members to think about putting pen to paper to write articles which can be included in further issues.

W.E.W.

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### R E S I G N A T I O N   O F   K E N   D A V I S

It was with sincere regret that, at our last A.G.M., we accepted the resignation of our first Chairman, Ken DAVIS. His drive and enthusiasm were a source of inspiration both to the rest of the Committee and to all our founder members generally. He was the instigator of many of the schemes which we now accept as routine, particularly the transcribing of M.I.'s which was greatly facilitated by his initial efforts in touring round the local churchyards to report on the conditions of access, a matter of great importance to our disabled members. He also negotiated with the Warden at Cressy Fields for us to use the amenities of the home for our meetings. In fact our Society could never have got off the ground without Ken's enthusiasm and devotion. But the work he has now undertaken to help the disabled is of such great value to the community that we know we must relinquish his services to us.

In saying our reluctant farewells to him as Chairman we offer our sincere good wishes that the DIAL project (Disablement Information and Advice Line) which he has inaugurated and which, after a recent conference has "snowballed" into a nationwide scheme, will meet with equal success, a well-deserved reward for the creator of such a wonderful scheme.

M.E.J.

#### SNIPPET :

Child killed in Road Accident (yesterday's news you think?)

In St. Helen's Churchyard, Stapleford :-

"Sacred to the memory of Thomas, son of Thomas and Hannah BRAMLEY who was killed by the Times Coach, 26th January, 1833, aged 5 years."

M. E. Johnson

MEMBERSHIP DETAILS

The following new members have joined the Society since our last issue of Branch News. Details of families being researched are given where known. May we take this opportunity of welcoming them into our midst.

- 39. Mrs. TOPLISS,  
Quarry Road,  
Leabrooks.
  - 40. J. G. SHENTON,  
Sandy Lodge,  
6, Highland Road,  
Cheltenham,  
Gloucestershire.
  - 41. J. L. NICHOLSON,  
Chawton Lodge,  
Chawton,  
Nr. Alton,  
Hants.  
GU34 1SL.
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Relay,  
Maryland,  
21227,  
U.S.A.
  - 43. M. R. PAXTON,  
8, Over Lane,  
Belper,  
Derby.
  - 44. M. L. SPENCER,  
5, Mettesford,  
Hurst Farm Estate,  
Matlock,  
Derbyshire.  
DE4 3DZ.
  - 45. Mrs. C. M. GREGORY,  
Tansley House,  
Tansley,  
Matlock,  
DE4 5FE
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99, Little Morton Road,  
North Wingfield,  
Derbyshire.
  - 48. S. G. HALL,  
Moxellan,  
Upper Wyche,  
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WR14 4DH
  - 49. The Revd. Fr. Conrad L.  
KIMBROUGH,  
632, Hillside Avenue,  
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28209  
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- BLORE of Derby
  - ELLSON of Ripley
  - COAPE of Farnath Duffield
  - PLATT of Ashford
  - BARKER
  - BRAILSFORD
  - CHAMBERS
  - WALTERS of Litchurch, Derby
  - MORTON of Litchurch, Derby
  - GRATTON/GRETTON of Bonsall
  - Interested in postal history.
  - ALSOP
  - BASSET of Langley, Derbyshire and  
of Staffs.
  - FITZHERBERT of Etwall and Ash
  - GILBERT of Mickleover
  - BERESFORD
  - COCKAYNE of Ashbourne

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and Derby
51. W. F. SANDERS,  
352, King and Water,  
Kitchener,  
Ontario,  
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BARRADELL of Spondon
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MIDDLETON of Swadlincote  
and of Blackfordly,  
Leics.
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California,  
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FOX of Hathersage  
STORER of Mill Town, Glossop  
and of Chapel-en-le-Frith
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Duffield,  
Derby.
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71, Lisbon Avenue,  
Twickenham,  
Middlesex. WARD of South Normanton  
CLARKE of Pinxton  
CHARLESWORTH of Pinxton and  
Youlgreave  
HOLLING of Tibshelf  
and Cawthorne, Yorks.  
PLUMBER of Sutton-on-Trent  
NUTT of South Wingfield  
DAKIN of Tupton

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HELP WANTEDHOWE

Any information about ancestors of Joseph HOWE, born Eckington,  
1820. Please contact Mrs. E. M. FUREY,  
58, Stumperlowe Crescent Road,  
Sheffield. S10 3PR.

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CORRECTION

A mistake was made in the list of names in Issue Number 1.

In names traced by Mrs. STUMBLES, HOOK OF ALFRETON should read  
HOOK OF ALFRISTON, SUSSEX.

