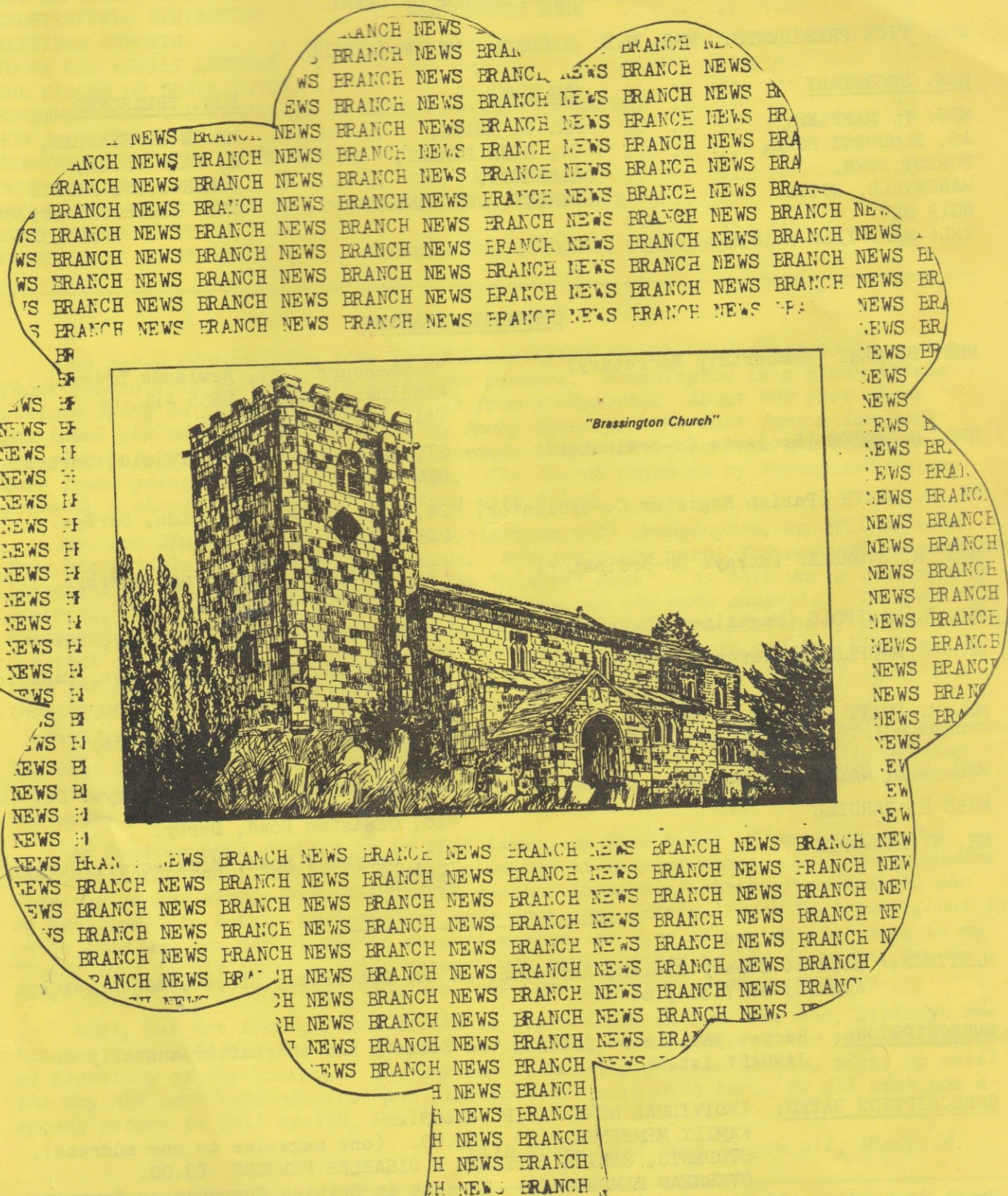


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EDITORIAL

Our cover picture this time is of Brassington church, dedicated to St. James. Thank you to Fred Hall for providing the picture. Brassington is a bleak little village lying on the moorlands, 4 miles from Wirksworth. About 800 feet above sea level the village is surrounded by rocky scenery. The most famous landmark being Harborough Rocks consisting of strange shapes where barrows and chambers were found going back to the Stone Age. The church which is of Norman origin was formerly a chapelry of Bradbourne along with Atlow.

Mr. Ron Slack has long family associations with Brassington, as will be seen from his article included in this issue. His ancestors were, for several generations licensees of the public house called the "Miners' Arms". As this was a lead mining district, the pub was frequented by lead miners, as the name suggests. The pub sign has recently been renewed, and now, hanging outside is not a picture of a lead miner, but that of a coal miner! The present licensee, the villagers and Mr. Slack say that the sign is not appropriate, and of course who would think it was? Little thought was given to the area when the sign was decided upon.

I would again like to thank everyone who has sent contributions for the magazine. Now that we have enlarged Branch News (22 pages this time) I am gradually getting down the pile I had. If your article hasn't appeared yet, it hasn't been put in the waste paper basket; it will appear.

As Pauline says further on in this issue, we have heard of many successful contacts being made, and it is always pleasing to know of these. We Correspondence Secretaries are always very pleased to receive letters of thanks from members who we have tried to help. Some members have even sent little 'Thank You' cards, but in which ever way you acknowledge it doesn't matter, as long as you do it. Here is my "THANK YOU" to all these people, whoever you have written to, be it to me, or any other member of the society. You are true Family History Society members.

Last, but not least, I would like to pay tribute to Pauline, who, although she has not been well and has had a spell in hospital, never shirked her responsibilities as Secretary of the Society. She was busily working for the Society right up until the day she went into hospital and also took her work with her. We all wish you a speedy return to full health, Pauline.

With Every Good Wish to you all, Winifred.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

- 5th October - 'Gypsies and Travelling People' (their history with particular reference to South Derbyshire and North Leicestershire) by David Smith. (Slides)
- 2nd November - The History of Tombstones, by Eileen De Ville.
- 7th December - Members' Evening.

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We welcome the following new members who have joined us by July 20th 1984.

930. Mr. and Mrs. COOPER, 81, Kirkby Folly Rd., Sutton-in-Ashfield, Notts. Searching - COOPER of DERBY 1880; DEWICK of DERBY c. 1882; TURNER of RIPLEY; HOUSELEY of RIPLEY; ALLCOCK of CODNOR 1893.
934. Mr. P. SLATER, The Flat, 3, St. Thomas Rd., Derby. Searching - SLATER of DERBY and SALISBURY 1875.
958. Mrs. J.A. GLASBY, 89, Brockwell Lane, Chesterfield, Derbys. Searching - HAWLEY of CLAY CROSS 1858; JESSOP of PILSLEY 1897.
959. Mr. Lewis DAVENPORT, 56, Crayford Rd., Alvaston, Derby DE2 0HN. Searching - FANTOM of WIRKSWORTH 1791; TURNER of Sth. WINGFIELD 1720; SMITHURST of MORTON & CRICH 1803 & 1810; BLITHE of TIBSHELF & Sth. WINGFIELD 1711; BATTERLEY of CRICH 1810; GODBER of MORTON 1700.
960. Miss C. BEAUFOY, 202 Kahutia Street, Gisborne, New Zealand. Searching - PAGE of DERBY (John, son of Charlotte & William, bn. 1854).
961. Miss Nancy ROBERTS, 56, Union Street, East Brighton, 3187 Victoria, Australia. Searching - GLOVER of HARTSHORNE c. 1800 and of LIVERPOOL, Lancs. c. 1850; STRINGER of LONDON & INDIA c. 1830; SWAINE of NOTTINGHAM & DERBYSHIRE c. 1800; CUTHBERTSON of anywhere in ENGLAND c. 1800.
962. Mrs. Ruth EDDINGTON, 43-840 Sanysidro Circle East, Palm Desert, CA 92260 U.S.A. Searching - SOARE of St. Werburgh, DERBY, COVENTRY & LONDON 1662; WALKER of St. Werburgh, DERBY 1662; FINNEY of St. Michael, DERBY 1662; HOOD of All Saints, DERBY 1774; BELL of DERBY, MALTON, York; NEWARK, Notts. 1793; BRYAN of BURTON-on-TRENT, and of DERBY 1789.
963. Mrs. Mildred SHARPE, 1631 Goodwin Pl. Kamloops, B.C. Canada V2B 4K8. Searching - THACKER of BURTON-on-TRENT 1800; INGRAM of BURTON-on-TRENT 1870; PHILLIPS of SHEVIOCK & LISKEARD, CORNWALL 1822; HOSKEN of LISKEARD & ARGIBBET, CORNWALL 1830.
964. Mr. A.C. VERRY, 52, Athlone Crescent, Lower Hutt, New Zealand. Searching - BRINDLEY of BUXTON & SWANWICK 1848; BEECROFT of RIPLEY area & of NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 1825; VERRY/VERRIER of HEREFORD, GLOUCESTER & of RIPLEY, Derbys. 16th cent.; SAGE of GLOUCESTER, STROUD & BRISTOL 1811; MANGER of LUTTERWORTH, Leics. 1800; MOORE & GEARY of BARTON under NEEDWOOD, Staffs. 1800.
965. Mrs. Pam LLOYD, 30, Kashmir Cresc. Frankston, Victoria, Australia 3199. Searching - BRETNALL (John) of ILKESTON 1780, (wife Hannah bn. GREASLEY, nee HICKTON, 1785). ALDRED (Hannah) of ILKESTON, m. Elijah BRETNALL approx. 1830.
966. Mr. R. DALLISON, 117, Epworth Circle, Fredericton, N.B. Canada, E3A 2M7. Searching - DALLISON of BURTON-on-TRENT and DERBY 1850; HORTON of the same.
967. Miss Gail L. CLAYTON, 421, Luster Ave., Madison, WI 53704. Searching - CLAYTON of MELLOR pre. 1800; CLAYTON of GLOSSOP 1813 and of HAYFIELD 1817-1835 and of the STOCKPORT district of Cheshire 1845-1851; HILL of MORTON 1780.
968. Mrs. P.A. HADLEY, Cumberland College of Health Sciences, School of Physiotherapy, Lidcombe 2141 N.S.W. Australia. Searching - SOMERSALL of SOMERSAL HERBERT, DOVERIDGE, MARSTON MONTGOMERY, SUDBURY, ROCESTER, UTTOXETER, BRAMSHALL & MARCHINGTON. In particular John 1604.
970. Miss Judith ELLIOTT, 16, Twyford Court, Vinters Park, Maidstone, Kent. Searching - ELLIOTT of CHESTERFIELD/STAVELEY pre. 1812 also of SKEGBY nr. MANSFIELD, Notts. pre. 1812; MAJOR of STAVELEY 1900; EMINSON of Sth. LINCS. c. 1700; BRUMBY of Nth. LINCS. c. 1800.
971. Mrs. I.M. WOOD, 6, Milford St., Derby DE1 3EL. Searching - SHIPLEY of DERBY and of CASTLE DONINGTON; TILLSON of MELBOURNE.
972. Mr. R.P. SMITH, 11, Queensway, Kirkby-in-Ashfield, Notts. NG17 7GG. Searching - MALTBY of SELSTON, Notts. 1820; BINNS of WAKEFIELD, Yorks. 1850; DAVISON of LEEDS, Yorks. 1870; HUTCHINSON of MALTON, Yorks. 1820; CHETWOOD of DAWLEY, Shropshire 1900.
973. Mrs. Mary LOOSEN, 28, Fifth Road, Newbury, Berks. RG14 6DL. Searching - CHAMBERS of CHESTERFIELD 1830's; ALLEN of CHESTERFIELD 1830's; WHITAKER of LEEDS, Yorks. 1800's; FALKINGHAM of KNARESBOROUGH, Yorks. 1820's.

