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Next Event

Monday 20th July
Guided Walk in
Old Faversham Town
Meet at 10.15am
At 'The Vaults'

Diary Dates

Monday 17th August
Workshop
7.30pm Booth Hall

Chairman's Message

Thanks must go to our secretary Carole for organising another excellent speaker for our meeting on the 15th June, Doug Lindsey gave a very interesting talk on the history of the Kent & East Sussex Light Railway which runs from Tenterden for 10½ miles through the Rother Valley terminating at Bodiam close to the National Trust Castle. If there is sufficient interest we are happy to consider organizing a trip on the railway sometime in 2016. On Wednesday 8th July, 16 of us travelled up to St. James Theatre in London to see the production 'The Dreamers' a musical based on the story of a soldier from Southborough who died in the First World War when the HMS Hythe sank following a collision with another ship whilst on its way to Gallipoli. On Friday 10th July Sally and Ray Tong paid a visit to the archaeological dig which was taking place in a field just North of the Pilgrims Way. Apparently large quantities of pottery and bones were found together with post holes and pieces of timber indicating this was possibly the site of a Saxon settlement. I have asked the archaeologist if they will give us a report on their findings as soon as they are able. Whilst we do not usually meet in August we have booked the Booth Hall for a workshop evening on Monday 17th to enable us to continue sorting out and cataloguing papers, photos etc. this will be at the usual time of 7.30pm. Following the departure of Tony Taylor from the village and our committee, we really need someone to replace him so if you are interested and can spare one evening each month please give me a ring.

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