

# HARRIETSHAM HISTORY SOCIETY

## NEWSLETTER

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### Next Event

**Monday 17th October 2016**

**7.15pm—7.30pm**

**Harrietsham Village Hall**

**Speaker Tessa Sillers**

**‘From India to Harrietsham’**

**Members £1.50**

**Visitors £3.00**

### Diary Dates

**Tuesday 15th November**

**Joint meeting with the  
Gardening Society**

### **Chairman's Message**

I am sorry I missed the last meeting as I understand this was very entertaining with Alan Haines doing some magic as well as giving his talk. Regrettably I will probably miss the beginning of the meeting on Monday next due to a clash with the PPG meeting in Lenham but hopefully I shan't miss too much of Tessa's talk based on her mothers memoirs. I am pleased to report that our day trip to Ypres on Tuesday 4th October was very successful and we were able to visit two memorials as well as the Menin Gate and Ypres Reservoir Cemetery where we placed a wreath at the grave of Major Buckingham. Marjorie was also able to place a wreath at the grave of her uncle, Henry William Deeks who is also buried at the Reservoir Cemetery. Stephen has added some additional information on the Lives of the first World War website following our visit. Could I just remind everyone that our meeting in November is on Tuesday 15th and not on our usual Monday evening as we are having a joint speaker with the gardening society. With regards to our Christmas social evening on the 5th December we have made a booking to have a meal in the restaurant at The Dog & Bear Hotel following the decision of the majority at the September meeting. Carole Bell will be handing out menus on Monday evening for you to make your choices but places can only be reserved on payment of the full price of the meal chosen, the cost for 2 courses is £17.95 and 3 courses is £21.95. I do hope as many of you as possible will join us with your partners.

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