



FORDHAM HISTORY SOCIETY BULLETIN



THE LATEST EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



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INTRODUCTION

by WENDY SHEPHERD

Our new bulletin was well received and published on the Facebook History Society page, Facebook Fordham Village page and on the FLHS website.

COVID-19 UPDATE

Hall reopening:- The village hall will not be reopening until 1st October; all being well. Therefore our September meeting will not go ahead. I shall contact you nearer the time to give you details of how we will operate our meetings to ensure we are all Covid -19 secure. I will be in contact with Kate Cole to confirm that she is still willing to visit us in October.

Roman Dig Update

Michael Hamilton-Macy

We are now back on site and excavation work has re-started after the Covid 19 lockdown has been eased but with reduced numbers on dig days to comply with government guidelines. We are now digging Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays with an eight person limit per day, one of whom is Jonathan Oldham our site supervisor. Amongst other things we are hoping to find the north wall foundation trench of the underfloor heated room on the north western corner of the main building, this should also be connected to the furnace flue which we have not found yet, fingers and trowels crossed.



IN CONVERSATION

It came to light when I dropped off our first edition of the FHS Bulletin, that a particular couple have been living in the village for 67 years. I sat and chatted in the garden with David and Nancy Cannon (socially distanced of course) and we mulled over quite a few topics;- Covid 19, chickens, Virginia Creepers, Monkey Puzzle Trees, cherry pickers, our health, Three Horse shoes closure and strawberry jam making to name just a few topics. It is amazing what you can discuss in 30 minutes when you have been in lockdown for a while! But Nancy and David are quite an historical asset to our village. A former poultry farmer, David once made the local gazette for the size of his home grown Bramley Apples! But perhaps more fitting as a borough councillor for Colchester who then became Mayor in 1998 alongside Nancy as Mayoress. Both keen supporters of Fordham Village Hall, Nancy has been on the committee for many years.

2020 Programme 20th October – Kate Cole



17th November – AGM

Remembering our casualties of war

ALFRED PUDNEY M.M.
18th September 1918
ERNEST WRIGHT
22nd September 1916
CHARLES HORNE
26th September 1916