



Welcome to
The Sussex Family History Group
Annual Conference and AGM 2018
at
Clair Hall, Haywards Heath
Saturday 14th April 2018

*Please collect your name badge
on arrival at the conference*

Conference Timetable

09:30	Arrival, tea & coffee will be served.
10:15	Conference opened by SFHG Chairman
10:30 – 11:30	Dr Geoffrey Mead: “ <i>A man may have constant employ</i> ”
11:30 – 11:45	Comfort Break
11:45 – 12:45	Sharon Hintze: <i>Family Search – Building & Preserving Family History.</i>
12:45 – 2:15	Lunch Tea & Coffee will be available for all.
2:15 – 3:15	Chris Horlock: <i>Brighton from old photographs</i>
3:20	Raffle Draw
3:30	End of conference, Chairman’s closing remarks Tea & coffee will be available for members
4:00	The 45th Annual General Meeting of the Sussex Family History Group.

Speakers and Stalls

Dr Geoffrey Mead

I was born and raised in Brighton with an unsuccessful time at B&H Grammar. After several years in the retail trade with Sainsbury’s and M&S, I went to Sussex in 1980 as a 'Mature Unqualified' student to read Geography. My courses were mainly in human geography, although I still pursue my earlier interests in rocks, soils and physical geography. Having a 2.1 I went into adult education as a tutor for CCE Sussex, where I was eventually the Convenor for Landscape Studies and Local History Open Courses. I taught on the CCE six-year degree course for Landscape Studies for many years. I took my MA on interwar Brighton while teaching for University of Surrey and from that research moved on to a PhD at Sussex; the topic -'Scattered squalor-Downland Homes' - looked at the interwar housing developments at Patcham, Brighton.

Although retiring in 2010, I still teach part-time for the Global Studies and Business schools at Sussex, as well as for WEA and U3A across South East England. I also talk to many social groups across the South East.

My interest these days is in taking guided tours around Sussex rural spots and around the city of Brighton & Hove, either for local interest groups or for the general public in Brighton Festival Fringe and Heritage Open Days.

When I do relax it is at our cottage on the Lleyn peninsular, NW Wales, where I am known as 'The Englishman Who Picks Up The Litter' [but in Welsh ...obviously!].

Sharon Hintze

Sharon retired in 2017 after twenty years as director of the London Family History Centre which continues to be based at The National Archives in Kew. For those who don't know, the LDS film collection previously at Kew has been transferred to the Society of Genealogists. However, more than 80% of the films are now available to view online at any LDS Family History Centre.

Sharon continues to speak and write about family history and has recently spent a few happy days with friends chasing their Inskip/Inskip connections through a number of Sussex parishes. She is a Fellow of the Society of Genealogists, and has diplomas in genealogy from both Birkbeck and Strathclyde. Being a Mormon, she is a fifth generation family historian. Her ancestors are half Danish and half from the British Isles.

All of her gg grandparents walked from the Missouri River to Utah, although one of them was not a Mormon, but a member of the US Army.

Chris Horlock

Chris was born (1953), brought up and educated in Brighton, but now lives in Shoreham. He was a full-time teacher for nearly forty years in several West Sussex schools; for most of that time he was a year leader and subject coordinator for history and geography. Now retired, he has written nine books on Brighton, one on Sussex and is a regular columnist for Sussex Life magazine. He travels all over Sussex giving talks on Brighton and Sussex history, has appeared on television several times and owns a vast archive of local photographs, prints and ephemera on which he draws to accompany his writing.

Welcome to you all.

SFHG BOOK-STALL. Will have their usual excellent selection of family history and genealogy books, media and other genealogical items.

WEST SUSSEX RECORD OFFICE Please offer support and welcome to one of our Record Offices that supports what SFHG does so well.

EAST SUSSEX RECORD OFFICE The Keep have been wonderfully supportive to the SFHG. Do take a look at their stand and ask how this new Record Office is gradually unfolding.

EASTBOURE FAMILY ROOTS. An opportunity to see one of the prominent local FHS.

HURSTPIERPOINT HISTORY SOCIETY This time we welcome a local history society to conference.

PETER DUNCAN will be offering a large variety of historical postcards.

JANET PENNINGTON Janet will be selling a new book *Lives, Loves and Letters: The Goring Family of Wiston,*

Sussex, 1743-1905

RAFFLE- you can buy raffle tickets throughout the day. The prize draw will be at 3.20pm.

Venue Information

Clair Hall, Perrymount Road, Haywards Heath, West Sussex RH16 3DN

How to get to the conference

By Road: From the A23, take the A272 towards Haywards Heath town centre. Cross the mini roundabout at Paddockhall Road and continue to the B2028 turn left into The Broadway and continue down Perrymount Road. Clair Hall is towards the end on the right.

Free car parking is available at Clair Hall: however there are a limited number of spaces. Alternative parking facilities can be found at NCP car park in Clair Road and the car park at Haywards Heath railway station (both pay and display).

By Rail: Haywards Heath mainline railway station is approximately 5 minutes walk from Clair Hall. It is served by regular trains from London, Crawley and Brighton.

