

The Sandgate Society



Newsletter

Spring 2019 - Events of 2018

A Message from our Chairman

As another year passes the Society has gone from strength to strength. We're always looking for new and better ideas through which we can promote our commitment to the Heritage of Sandgate and we heartily thank all of you who support and assist with this through our events programme.

I would like to invite any of you who can spare the time to become a committee member. There will be 3 vacancies on the committee next year, so if you would like to join us, please let us know before the AGM on 6th March. We are a committed group of people with a big team spirit and we do what we do because we care about Sandgate. May I wish you all a happy and healthy New Year. YOU make the Sandgate Society the great organization it is today.

Warmest wishes



Marjorie Findlay-Stone

POP UP TALKS – These have proved very popular on a Saturday morning and presented by Frank Pyke on The Sandgate Ghost Story – riveting!



The Sandgate Society was very busy this year and this is just a snapshot of our Events:

On 21st April was our first Ceilidh with 47 members and guests stomping to the Abbey Capers band.



On 16th May it was a coach trip over to the home of Ellen Terry, Smallhythe Place in Tenterden, for a viewing of the house and iconic costumes, followed by lunch and a wine tasting at Chapel Down, across the road!



21st July saw our Infamous Big Fat Quiz - a sell out with fish and chips provided in the interval! Appreciated as "suitably challenging", a very entertaining evening.



Also in August was our Vintage Tea Room and Tombola – the Old Fire Station being a welcome respite from the lashing Bank



August of course is our Summer Party and for the first time the weather drove us indoors! This didn't detract from the fun, with an amazing band.



On 26th September Cmdr Colin Tozer RN (Rtd) gave us an amusing talk to a turnout of 65 members on 'A Choppy Passage in the Royal Navy – or how I accidentally sunk an enemy submarine!'



Our busy Events Team:

Sal Kenward, Vicki Fisher,

Hazel Barrett,

Maggie Brinsden (Lead)

October - our Murder Mystery Evening, with many guests dressed to the nines for a 1920s themed night – and a few actually guessed the culprit!



Another visit to the Archives on 6th November celebrated the WWI 100th Anniversary, which dovetailed with our impressive Footprint Project at the Sandgate Memorial.





A very good turnout
at Sandgate
Memorial to watch
the unveiling of the
16 footprints

The start of the
Footprint Project
in Sandgate and
Folkestone. We
commemorated
16 soldiers from
Sandgate.



1st December we rounded off
the year with our sell out
Christmas Party –

mulled wine, Christmas
crooner, turkey and Xmas
puds – what a fabulous
way to complete the year.

