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Welcome to your February eNewsletter.

February's Meeting Tuesday the 3rd of February 2015

Member talk:

'In Search of 'Our' Joe' by Dena Fanshawe

As I am the one that goes around asking members to give their time for free, to come along and to give us a talk. I thought I better volunteer too:-

As a child I found I had an absent uncle, a brother of my father.

I remember hearing his name now and then, but someone I had never seen. Merchant Navy, America, Canada, wonder if he ever married Twin girls! All these words I remembered but the one that always rang in my ears were, "hey, our Joe!". And always said with a smile on their faces.

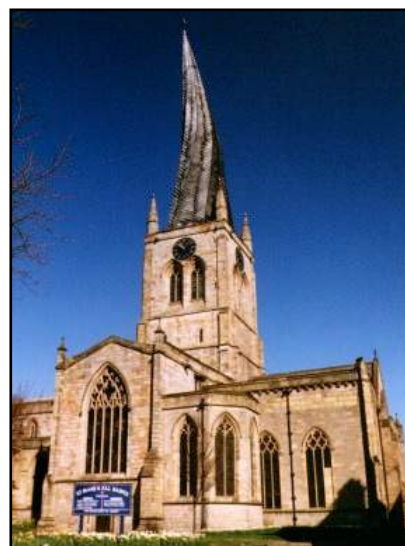
Then in 1962 I over heard my Aunts and my Mum talking, one of my Aunts said that 'our Joe had died'. But they did not really know if it was America or Canada? Or anything about if has far as I knew. At first I think my Aunts thought he might have left some money, but they soon found out to the contrary and that he had died sadly as a pauper and money was requested to bury him. But sadly at that time no one had that much money, so nothing was sent and Joe was to be heard of again.

From time to time he was mentioned and I later knew that he had joined the Merchant Navy and so went to sea.

Before she died my Aunty Alice gave me a lot of lovely old photos as I was the one who had always showed interest in the family past. Amongst them was a lovely photo of a good looking young man, fair hair and was sat on a hay rack along with his friend George.

On the back on the picture it shows that this was taken around 1944.....

A couple of years ago and thing getting easier in family research I wondered if I could find out anything about. 'Our Joe?'



Photograph supplied by Dena Fanshawe

Was we in for surprise after surprise as Keith and I embarked on to what was to become so fascinating as we found out more about: Life in the Merchant Navy and on the tankers during WW2?

Acknowledgements and many thanks will go to many for their tremendous help.

- ***Lee Fanshaw of Winsconsin** - *No relationship established but met throughout Family History World Wide Ancestry*
- * **Diane Shaw** Via Canada Genealogy Forum
- ***Rolland Swank** in search for the Torpedoed Ships 1942
- ***Veteran Affairs Canada VAC**
- :***Bill Lee**
USS WEST POINT
ReunionAssociation historian

January meeting

What a refreshing start to the New Year.

Local Author Leonie Martin talked us through the first chapter of her book.

It had been her intention to cover the first two chapters but time flew as she told us about the local history of the mid nineteenth century in Chesterfield poverty stricken area of the Dog Kennels which was an area that lay below the Market Hall and square. Known also as the 'Yards' the narrow alleys ran south ward from the square.

Many Irish and Catholic family immigrated from Ireland to here at the time of the potato famine! The need for education of the poor led to the first Catholic School being created in the Dog Kennel and is where it all began. Look out for the full write up in the June magazine

This Months Gem

[Kelly's Directories](#)

Did you know?

Kelly's Directory was a trade directory in the United Kingdom that listed all businesses and tradespeople in a particular County, city or town, as well as a general directory of postal addresses of local gentry, landowners, charities, and other facilities.

The namesake and originator of the directory was Frederic Festus Kelly. In 1835 or 1836 he became chief inspector of letter-carriers for the inland or general post office, and took over publication of the Post Office London Directory, whose copyright was in private hands despite its semi-official association with the post office, and which Kelly had to purchase from the widow of his predecessor.

He founded Kelly & Co. and he and various family members gradually expanded the company over the next several decades, producing directories for an increasing number of UK counties and buying out or putting out of business various competing publishers of directories.

In 1897, Kelly & Co Ltd became Kelly's Directories Ltd, and continued to produce County Directories, which are now an important source for historical and family history research, until the mid-1970's.

Transcribed from: Kelly's directories



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Twisted Twigs On Gnarled Branches Genealogy



*Genealogy: Collecting
dead relatives and
sometimes a live cousin!*

**Whats on round and about.
at the Chesterfield
Museums**

Click above for more
information

**Medieval Barber surgeon
12th February 10am - 4pm**

Find out about Medieval
Medicine and the scary tools
used

**Potters' Art
17 January - 14 March**

**The Victorians
4th April - 27th September**

**All Museum exhibitions and
events are free entry**

Web site updates

January's Case Study has been added.

Member contribution '**Finding Lucy Shearn**' by Liz Newbery.

<http://www.cadfhs.org.uk/MembersCaseStudies.html>

[There is a guide to writing a case study is available on this web page too.]

Early Magazines - More have been added and Numbers 1 - 50 are now
available in the member's area. Click below:

[you will need your password](#)

Did you know?

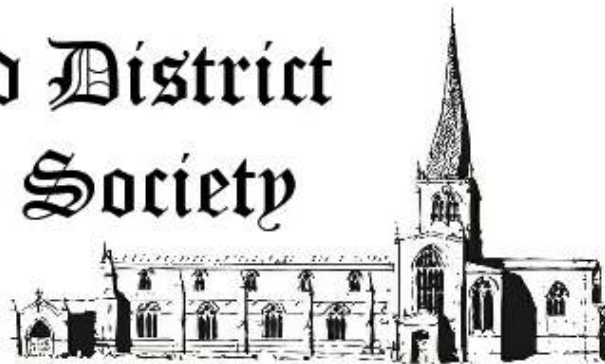
That you can now update your members interests on line too?

And if you are a joint member? You can now add more member interests for each
member.

Click on this link to: [Edit your membership on the website here](#)

Chesterfield And District Family History Society

Est. 1989



C.A.D.F.H.S.

Invite you to join us at our
next meeting to be held at
St. Hugh's Roman Catholic Church,
Littlemoor, Newbold.

On the

3rd February 2015

When the speaker
will be

Dena Fanshaw

'In Search of Joe'

Doors open at 7 p.m.

And the meeting starts at 7-30 p.m.

Admission Members £2:00 and Non Members £3:00

Refreshments are included

Contact us at -www.cadfhs.org.uk

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**2015 / 2016
Meetings**

February 3rd

Dena Fanshawe In search of Joe.
Includes life on the Pacific in WW2

March 3rd "On Our Own Ground"
(story of settlers to the Cape of
Good Hope) by Sue Mackay

April 7th Discovering the
Derbyshire Record's Office talk by
Archivist Becky Sheldon

May 5th Making the most of a Will
by John Titterton

June 2nd Lady Arbella Stuart-the
Queen that Never by David
Templeman

July 7th Crime and Punishment
Over the Centuries by Brian
Smailes

New August Meeting the 4th.

Monthly Meetings

First Tuesday of the Month

£2.00 members and £3.00 guests.
Includes complimentary
refreshments.
Doors open at 7pm

More details visit:

[http://www.cadfhs.org.uk/
meetings.htm](http://www.cadfhs.org.uk/meetings.htm)

Everyone is welcome

External Events

April WDYTYA Show @ The NEC
Birmingham

[http://www.whodoyouthinkyoureally
arelive.com/competitions](http://www.whodoyouthinkyoureallyarelive.com/competitions)

28th July 2015

Chesterfield Museum - Living
history display by Tony Rotherham
on Robin Hood.

Check events nationwide here:-
<http://geneva.weald.org.uk>

Getting involved with your society

Projects

Write a case study to help others with ideas for their research

<http://www.cadfhs.org.uk/MembersCaseStudies.html>

*Tell us a story you know about to do with WW1 They do not have to
be soldier stories or be from our area!*

<http://www.cadfhs.org.uk/1914.html>

Send photographs for our Church /Chapel /War memorials project.

Check here to see if yours are there?

<http://www.cadfhs.org.uk/ccm1.html>

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Meeting minutes	Julia Wragg
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