

# CADFHS eNewsletter

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## Welcome to your Festive eNewsletter.

*"Christmas gift suggestions: To your enemy, forgiveness. To an opponent, tolerance. To a friend, your heart. To a customer, service. To all, charity. To every child, a good example. To yourself, respect."  
~ Oren Arnold (1900-1980), American author.*

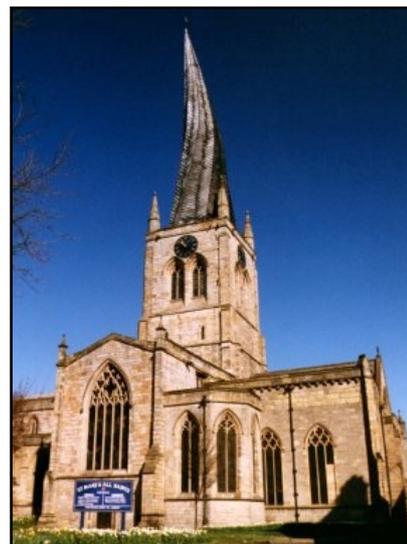
### **A message from our chairman.**

*So it is almost Christmas and then a week later we will be bringing in the new year.*

*I thought this was a good opportunity to wish everyone a Happy Christmas and send a good luck message to you all for the coming new year.*

*I want to reflect on the past year and what a year CADFHS has had!*

*It was a cold start to 2014, when we had to put up with no heating at our monthly venue. Thankfully this did not put our members and visitors off and the heating problem addressed.*



Photograph supplied by Dena Fanshawe

*The meetings have gone from strength to strength and growing*

*in numbers. Our member talks have been most informative and a great help to others and their research. I want to thank those members who have so far taken part.*

*The raffles at the meetings are also key to the society as it helps to reduce costs. We do rely on contributions for prizes of wine, chocolate etc and rarely get a chance to thank those who have delivered, some month on month. So many thanks members for this.*

*Celebrating our 25th year gave us another challenge.*

*Again I would like to thank the committee for giving up their time. Not only did we have the monthly committee meetings but we also had special event planning meetings too, as this size of venture was new to us. (We have had events in the past but not on this scale). However once we had secured the venue, then we had to think about how we would fill the stands: How many for ourselves, how many for other people what we could fit in and where?*

*Many of our committee planned their stands and worked very hard on the displays. Members were asked to contribute and this they did until all spaces were filled.*

*On the day there were research tables for visitors and also thanks to our web master - Neil Wilson we were also able to offer free searches on the 'Forces War Record Database'!*

*There was the advertising and promoting, this went out to as many outlets and different types of media the committee could think of as was possible through the county and the country.*

*A Special commemorative Magazine for September for us all, many thanks to our editors for all their hard work.*

*No less than 7 members turned up to offer their help on the day, many thanks to these as we would not have managed without you.*

*Three new committee members were also welcomed on to the committee.*

*I could go on and on but 'Thank you' is the main message, because without all you, committee and member alike we would not have a society.*

*Wishing you all the very best for the festive season and the coming year. Keith*

## 2014 / 2015 Events

**January** workshops at the library. More information to follow.

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

\* Saturday 1st November  
\* [West Surrey Family History Society](#)

Saturday 8th November  
Huddersfield FH Fair. [http://s514787894.websitehome.co.uk/?page\\_id=332](http://s514787894.websitehome.co.uk/?page_id=332)

## Monthly Meetings First Tuesday of the Month

December 2nd Christmas Festivities. We will be having a fuddle and some some fun, A film show etc.

January 6th 150years of St Mary's School by Leona Martin

February 3rd Member Talk  
Dena Fanshawe 'In Search of Joe'

March 3rd Sue Makay  
'On our own ground'

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

More details visit:  
<http://www.cadfhs.org.uk/meetings.htm>

**Everyone is welcome**

## Members own mailing list at:

[CADFHS@rootsworld.com](mailto:CADFHS@rootsworld.com)

**A new member resource  
launched October.  
Members helping each  
other**

Use this email to introduce yourself and to circulate information to a) help others. b) request help.

It becomes a forum of our own and the mail is archived so once posted can go back over to it.

This can be immense value in reaching out to each other. Your brick walls, lost people? A place to ask for advice, a place to help others.

*You know you're addicted  
to genealogy  
when...*

*You are more  
interested in  
what happened  
in 1814 than  
in 2014*



Kind permission

Twisted Twigs On Gnarled Branches Genealogy

## This Months Gem

[Activities Make your Own  
Christmas Gifts!](#)

**\*A very interesting question with very informative answers.**

One of our members asked this question on a Face Book page recently and I felt it might be something our members also might be interested in:

**Question**

Can anyone tell me please if there was a railway from Liverpool to Sheffield in 1844, or how I can find out ?

Also, what was the weather in Northern England in November of that year ?



**Reply one:** Manchester to Sheffield line was opened in 1845. The formal opening of the Woodhead tunnel and of the whole line between Manchester and Sheffield took place on Monday 2 December 1845, more than seven years after the first ground had been broken. At 10.05 a.m. precisely, a special train of twenty carriages drawn by two engines, with flags flying and the Sheffield Yeomanry Band in

full blast, left the Bridgehouses station in Sheffield. On the train were the S.A. & M. Chairman, Mr. J. Parker, M.P., several of the Directors, the Mayor of Sheffield, the Master Cutler and many Sheffield guests. Dunford Bridge was reached at 10.50 a.m. and, after a wait of twenty minutes to allow the locomotives to take water, the train proceeded through the Woodhead tunnel in and of the whole line between Manchester and Sheffield took place on Monday 22nd December 1845, more than seven years after the first ground had been broken. At 10.05 a.m. precisely, a special train of twenty carriages drawn by two engines, with flags flying and the Sheffield Yeomanry Band in full blast, left the Bridgehouses station in Sheffield. On the train were the S.A. & M. Chairman, Mr. J. Parker, M.P., several of the Directors, the Mayor of Sheffield, the Master Cutler and many Sheffield guests. Dunford Bridge was reached at 10.50 a.m. and, after a wait of twenty minutes to allow the locomotives to take water, the train proceeded through the Woodhead tunnel in ten minutes. On emerging at Woodhead, the passengers gave three hearty cheers, in which no doubt their enthusiasm was mingled with relief at having safely passed through what was then the longest tunnel in the country (3 miles 22 yards). Manchester was reached at 12.15 p.m, to the accompaniment of See the Conquering Hero Comes from the band, which appears to have been the signature tune for the opening of many early railways. At about 1 p.m. the guests from Manchester and district were received by Mr. Parker and the Directors and at 1.35 the special train set out upon its return journey to Sheffield. Stops were made at Newton, Mottram, Dinting, and other places to pick up more guests, and at the junction of the Glossop branch to allow the party to inspect the Dinting viaduct.

The Woodhead tunnel was threaded in 13 minutes and Sheffield reached at 4.20 p.m., the guests then proceeding to the Cutlers' Hall where, it was recorded, "a very handsome and substantial collation awaited them.

Reply 2

1. Liverpool to Manchester railway was in place in 1830 and Manchester to Sheffield railway was in place in 1845 - see <http://www.railmaponline.com/UKIEMap.php> for routes which you can click on for more info; 2.

Unfortunately Met Office data for Sheffield only goes back to 1885 <http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/.../station.../sheffielddata.txt>

Rail Map online - UK & Ireland

UK and Ireland railways, railroads, waggonways, tramways, stations, metro and narrow gauge lines displayed on an interactive Google Map.

RAILMAPONLINE.COM|BY M BROMLEY

3rd reply 1844 (Annual) One of the driest years across England and Wales using the EWP series.

April, May (DRIEST May in that series), June & December all exceptionally dry. EWP

1844/1845. (Winter) A cold winter over western Europe / implied for parts of Britain. (Easton, in CHMW/Lamb)

## Christmas

**Come and join us on Tuesday  
the 2nd of January at 7.30pm**

**Fuddle and Lets  
Party  
Bring something  
if you can  
otherwise just  
bring yourself**



Ho Ho Ho

## Case Studies

**As you may have seen on the 'CADFHS mailing list' we have now launched 'Case Studies' as a member benefit on our website.**

The first one has been launched in November and it is hoped that we can add one per month.

### Why a member benefit?

They are member benefits because we can learn from them.

### What are they I hear you ask?

They are member stories that have been put together based on their own research and experiences on the way

### How can they help?

By helping us to develop our own research based on ideas and doubts taken by others. Now we all have a story in us! Perhaps you would like to share yours?



## CADFHS Guidance 'A How to Document'

Constructing your family history case study.

A case study would be an account of someone or event that you have researched and when written down could help others through your own experience.

What is your story? What did you set out to do maybe?

May be events just unravelled by accident.

What methods of exploration did you use and what was the outcomes?

Showing your problems and solutions?

Brick walls.

Help wanted?

Help given?

Resources?

Problems that have not yet been resolved?

What lessons that you may have learned?



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### CADFHS Officers & Committee

<b>Officers</b>		<b>Committee</b>
Keith Fanshawe	Chair	Carol Morris - Editor
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Keith Feltham	Treasurer	Jayne Smith Membership Secretary
Dena Fanshawe	Secretary	Neil Wilson - Web master & Programme organiser
		Terry Cocking - Printing and promotions
		Committee Yvonne Mason

### CADFHS would like to thanks members

<b>Meeting minutes</b>	<b>Julia Wragg</b>
<b>Librarian -</b>	<b>Enid Gilthorpe -</b>
<b>Raffle</b>	<b>John Bradley -</b>
<b>Refreshments</b>	<b>Doreen Rodgers, Pam Kemp &amp; Gail Rodgers</b>
<b>Leaflet Distribution</b>	<b>Marion yeldham</b>

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Deaths 1880 - 94 11 Fiche £11.00

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### **November Meeting.**

On Tuesday evening the 4th of November we welcomed an old friend of the society back to Chesterfield where she was born. Liz Newbery is one of our long distance supporters and has been a member for many years.

A most interesting talk captivated our audience as we joined across one side of the world to to Iraq in 1949. The flight and journey not without incidence.

Holidays with her gran in Chesterfield and how by 1955 Liz's interest in family history had begun.

We were then fast forward to 1989 when a 3 month visit to The Emirates culminated in a period of 11 years stay; during this time with searing hot summers and the arrival of the world wide web, a greater interest in family history.

How Family history has shaped her life and has taken her to meet distant cousins in New Zealand, Australia, The Emirates, America and Canada. Meeting and hearing from other members of the family all over the world expanded her knowledge of "missing" family members which led her to Rebecca Clarendon Talbot and finally to the National Women's Hall of Fame in Seneca Falls."

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"There's more, much more, to Christmas Than candlelight and cheer; It's the spirit of sweet friendship That brightens all year. It's thoughtfulness and kindness, It's hope reborn again, For peace, for understanding, And for goodwill to men!" Anon'

*Happy Christmas from the team here at CADFHS*