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REPORT OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FOR 1995

The 119th Annual General meeting was held in the High School for Girls, Denmark Road, Gloucester, on Saturday 25 March 1995. Canon Brian Carne, President for 1994-5, took the Chair. Seventy-four members and two guests were present. About twenty apologies for absence had been received. At the start of the meeting members stood in memory of George Boon and Basil Cottle, former Presidents of the Society, who had died during the year.

In his opening remarks the President emphasised the importance of the Annual General Meeting as the occasion on which the Society demonstrated its commitment to its aims and acknowledged the work of those who furthered them. He closed by thanking the Hon. General Secretary for all his efforts on the Society's behalf. The Hon. General Secretary presented the report of Council, which was adopted. The President then presented a bouquet to Mrs. Campbell as a token of appreciation for her work as Meetings Secretary over many years. The Chairman of the Committee for Archaeology in Gloucestershire presented its eighteenth annual report, which was adopted. In presenting the audited accounts the Hon. Treasurer drew attention to the use of the residual funds arising from the Robinson bequest to defray part of the cost of the latest volume of the Record Series. The bequest had enabled the Society to publish record volumes which could not otherwise have been afforded, and he was confident that Mr. Robinson would have been pleased that his generous gift had been used in the way he had intended and to such good effect. The accounts were duly adopted.

The President then put to the meeting Council's proposals to raise the subscriptions with effect from 1 January 1996. The Hon. General Secretary read written representations from two absent members. On the proposal of Prof. Warren the first resolution was amended to include reference to institutions. On the motion being put, the meeting resolved:

- a) to increase the annual subscription to £10 for Ordinary and Institutional Members with a corresponding increase for those living abroad,
- b) to increase the associate rate to £5 a year,
- c) that Life Members be invited to contribute annually the £5 increase,
- d) that the Record Series subscription be increased from £10 to £12 a year.

All parts of the resolution take effect on 1 January 1996.

In proposing the election of Bernard Rawes as President for 1995-6 Canon Carne referred to his work in producing the Archaeological Review, now in its nineteenth year, and his role as founding Chairman of the Committee for Archaeology in Gloucestershire. He had been elected a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of London on the strength of having published reports of all his archaeological work. Bernard Rawes was elected by acclamation. He thanked the Society for the honour and hoped it would encourage younger archaeologists to publish promptly. He then proposed for election the officers, members of Council and its committees and auditors as proposed on the agenda, all of whom were duly elected.

The President then presented a specially bound copy of volume 112 of the *Transactions* to Mrs. Boon. The volume is dedicated to its editor, the late George Boon. The President paid tribute to George Boon's work as editor and his setting of a standard which it will be difficult to emulate. Mrs. Boon thanked the Society for the honour it had accorded her late husband, and spoke of the pleasure he had derived from editing the *Transactions*.

The retiring President gave a full and thorough review of the career of the Gloucester architect Thomas Fulljames (1808–74). Members then adjourned to a magnificent tea prepared and served by Mrs. Morris and her helpers.

119th REPORT OF THE COUNCIL (FOR 1994)

1994 was a year of significant change for the Society. Several important offices have been or are to be filled by new postholders and the Society lost two past Presidents through their untimely deaths. It is a measure of the strength of the Society that candidates of quality are nominated for election to its major offices and that, for the first time for seven years, none of them will be held in plurality.

On 31 December 1994 the Society comprised 1,005 members, being 709 ordinary members, 77 associates, 87 life members, two honorary members and 130 institutions. Since the last A.G.M. the deaths of seven members have been notified: former Presidents George Boon and Basil Cottle (obituaries published in the *Transactions*), H.G. Beard (1968) and Mrs. Sallis (1982), both of whom died in earlier years, Mrs M. Midwinter (1991) and, in the last few weeks, the Rev. Dr. P. Stacey-Lewis (1949) and Leslie Grinsell (1955).

The Council met four times during the year. The term of office of Sir George White as its chairman is due to expire and Miss Mary Bliss, currently vice-chairman, has allowed her name to go forward for election to the chair at the next meeting of Council. Dr. Joe Bettey has agreed to accept Council's nomination for the office of vice-chairman. The Publications, Excavations and Buildings, and Finance and General Purposes Committees met four times in 1994 under the chairmanship respectively of Brian Smith, Christopher Bishop and Peter Warren. As usual the Library Committee met three times under the chairmanship of Christopher Aeschlimann.

As forecast at last year's A.G.M. Mrs. Joyce Morris handed over her duties as Membership Secretary in May to Mrs. Jackie Perry. The Society has bought a second-hand computer for her use and it is anticipated that eventually the membership register and the computerised address list, at present kept by Mrs. Campbell, will both be held on this machine.

Much of the time of Council was taken up with reviewing the Society's long-term financial position. Through the careful stewardship of the Treasurer the Society's finances are sound, but its expenses continue to increase, especially in the field of publication. Over-dependence on investment income (never free from risk) is undesirable. The Council has therefore proposed changes in levels of subscription to the Society which have not been altered since 1984. Council also urges all members able to do so to covenant their subscriptions. At present about £800 a year is recovered from the Inland Revenue for the Society, a task undertaken with great efficiency by Miss Sue Brown. This figure could easily be quadrupled if more members were willing to perform this simple act which costs them nothing.

Another valuable activity is the voluntary distribution of Society publications. Not only are they made available at meetings, but they are also delivered by members all the over the county, thereby saving about £700 a year postage. This task has been co-ordinated for several years by Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Popplewell. Neither is now able to continue. Council thanks them and their helpers for all their work on this unglamorous but most useful chore. The task will be performed henceforth by Mr. and Mrs. Austin for Gloucestershire and Mrs. Campbell for the Bristol area.

In August the Editor of the *Transactions*, George Boon, died after an illness, the nature of which had only been recognised a few weeks previously. The enormous range of his scholarly interests and his meticulous efficiency had rendered his time as Editor a very fruitful one. An obituary appears in the current volume of the *Transactions*, no. 112, which is dedicated to him.

George knew of this decision a few days before he died and thanked the Society for this honour. The President will present a specially bound copy of the volume to Mrs. Boon. The Society is pleased that our printers, Alan Sutton Publishing Ltd., have asked to be associated with this tribute. George had already prepared the text of vol. 112 and sent it to press. Brian Smith, Chairman of the Publications Committee, dealt with the proofs, which were also checked by George's son, Tom. Council hopes that members will see this volume as a fitting culmination of George's work for the Society (though, of course, not intended as such). Dr. John Juřica, assistant editor of the Victoria History of Gloucestershire, has allowed his name to go forward for election as editor for volume 113 only and makes no commitment beyond 1995.

The Gloucestershire Record Series volume 7, *Tewkesbury Churchwardens' Accounts 1563-1624* edited by Caroline Litzenburger of the University of West Virginia, U.S.A., was published at the end of November. Postal distribution was deliberately delayed until after Christmas. The volume for 1995 (vol. 8 in the Series) will be the fourth and last part of Bigland (Uley - Yate) with comprehensive indexes and editorial commentary, thereby fulfilling the pledge made in the Record Series' initial prospectus to publish a new edition of Bigland's *Historical Collections* in four parts between 1989 and 1995. If duly elected, the post of General Editor of the Record Series will henceforth be filled by Christopher Elrington, the recently retired General Editor of the Victoria County History. The present editor of the Record Series is glad to be relieved of his task in the sure and certain knowledge that it will soon be in the hands of a vastly more experienced editor who will greatly strengthen this area of the Society's work. Prof. Elrington is already very familiar with the Series, having been one of its editorial advisers; the other is Brian Smith, now chairman of the relevant Committee of the Society. With the change in editorship of the Series the role of editorial adviser becomes redundant. Council takes this opportunity to thank the editorial advisers for their wise counsel and great support for the Gloucestershire Record Series throughout its uncertain early years.

During 1994 preparation of the report on the excavation of Frocester Roman Villa continued and it is hoped to bring it to publication soon. Mr. Price has written large sections himself, assembled all the other contributions and illustrations and drawn these into a coherent text. Discussions are proceeding with the Society for the Promotion of Roman Studies with a view to inclusion in the renowned Britannia monographs series.

Canon Rogan took up his duties as Secretary for Bristol in the autumn, in succession to Dr. Martin Crossley Evans. Dr. Evelyn Christmas continued as Secretary for Gloucester, ably assisted by Dr. Tomlinson and Mr. and Mrs. Austin. In January a few feature of the Northern Section programme - a lecture in Cheltenham - was well-supported despite bad weather and serious disruption to traffic on the Golden Valley bypass.

It is not possible to report on every activity during the year of a Society as large and active as ours. Its day-to-day work continues steadily and is not remarked upon unless it is beyond the commonplace. Council thanks the members of all its committees, and all who help to forward its work in any way, for their time and effort which are greatly valued.

A part of the Society's activities which gives pleasure to many and often attracts new members is the field meetings. For the last eighteen years Mrs. Mary Campbell has been closely associated with these, firstly as assistant and for the last eleven years in full charge. Her thoughtful preparation and meticulous organisation have made these events the highlight of the year for many members and in recognition of this she was elected a Vice-President in 1988. This year she steps down from the post of Meetings Secretary. On behalf of the Society at large Council offers Mrs. Mary Campbell its profound thanks for all her work and for the pleasure this has given to all who have participated in the field meetings.

MEETINGS FOR 1994

Lectures in Bristol

- 'Catherine Winkworth, her sister Susanna, and their contributions to life and thought in the mid-nineteenth century', by Professor P. N. Skrine
 'The Victorian restorations of St. Mary Redcliffe', by The Revd. Canon P. G. Cobb
 'Christopher Thomas and family: Unitarians and soapmakers', by Mr. John Somerville
 'Roman Cirencester', by Mr. Neil Holbrook
 'Mills of the Bristol region', by Dr. Angus Buchanan
 'Domesday Book and the south west', by Dr. Michael Costen

Lectures in Gloucester

- 'New directions in Field Archaeology in the Cotswolds', by Dr. Alistair Marshall
 'The celebrated architect, Mr. Anthony Keck', by Mr. Nicholas Kingsley
 'Stained glass. The Victorian renaissance in Gloucestershire', by Mr. Alan Brooks
 'St. Harold of Gloucester and the dissemination of the ritual murder accusation', by Mr. Joe Hillaby

Field meetings

- April 23 Lydiard Tregoze
 July 10–15 Derbyshire
 17 September Ashleworth and Almondsbury Church

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FIELD MEETINGS 1948–1994

This list was prepared by Mrs. Mary Campbell, who retired as Meetings Secretary in April 1995 after having been associated with the Society's field meetings for 18 years.

Organiser Lieut.-Col. B.S. Browne

- Summer 1948 – Malvern Priory, Little Priory, Chaddesley Corbett churches; Harvington Hall; the Commandery, Worcester Cathedral, the Guildhall and St. Swithun's Church, Worcester
 Autumn 1948 – Swindon, Stoke Orchard and Bishop's Cleeve churches
 Spring 1949 – Tetbury, Horton, Beverstone and Ozleworth
 Summer 1949 – Warwick (including Kenilworth Castle)
 Autumn 1949 – Upper Swell, Lower Swell, and Upper Slaughter churches and Bourton-on-the-Water where Mrs. O'Neil demonstrated the growth of the village from the Bronze Age
 Spring 1950 – Kempley, Newent, Dymock and Much Marele churches
 Summer 1950 – Lichfield; Roman Wall Site; Tamworth Castle and Church; Repton Church and Priory; Tutbury Priory Church; Barton-under-Needwood; Lichfield Cathedral and Bishop's Palace
 Autumn 1950 – Bredon district
 Spring 1951 – St. Oswald's Priory, Deerhurst Church, Tewkesbury Abbey
 Summer 1951 – Cirencester
 Autumn 1951 – Bristol
 Spring 1952 – Kempford, Cricklade and Lydiard Tregoze churches
 Summer 1952 – Banbury
 Autumn 1952 – Yatton, Banwell, Christon and Wrington churches
 Spring 1953 – Northleach, Icomb, Oddington and Great Rissington churches
 Summer 1953 – Hereford
 Autumn 1953 – North Cerney, Rendcombe, Stoke Orchard and Badgeworth churches
 Spring 1954 – Caerwent
 Summer 1954 – Shaftesbury
 Autumn 1954 – Frampton-on-Severn; Frocester; Leonard Stanley and Standish churches
 Spring 1955 – Miserden House; Elkstone, Syde and Edgeworth churches
 Summer 1955 – Marlborough
 Autumn 1955 – Bagendon excavations; Stoke Orchard Church

Organiser Mr. G.M. Robins

- Spring 1956 – Ripple, Pershore and Strensham churches
 Summer 1956 – Abergavenny
 Autumn 1956 – Fairford, Inglesham, Lechlade and Ampney St. Mary churches; Buscot Park
 Spring 1957 – Sudeley Castle; Stanway House; Buckland Rectory; Court Farm, Broadway
 Summer 1957 – Wells
 Autumn 1957 – Highnam Court; Kempley Church
 Spring 1958 – Quenington Court; Knights Hospitallers excavation; Eastleach Martin, Eastleach Turville, Southrop and Broughton Poggs churches
 Summer 1958 – Breamore House; Romsey Abbey; Porchester Roman Fort; Winchester College, Cathedral and Bishop's Palace; Stonehenge
 Autumn 1958 – Badminton and Doddington Houses
 Spring 1959 – []
 Summer 1959 – Bristol and Gloucester
 Autumn 1959 – []
 Spring 1960 – Bibury and district
 Summer 1960 – Church Stretton, Preston, Kingsland and Bromfield Priory, Much Wenlock, Uniconium and Wroxeter and Ludlow churches; Croft Castle; Priors Lodgings, Much Wenlock; Buildwas Abbey; Longnor Hall; Berrington Hall; Eye Manor

Autumn 1960 – Gloucester Cathedral, the Close, Church House and Parliament House; Matson House; Painswick House

Organiser Mr. G.M. Robins; Assistant Miss Dulcie Bailey

Spring 1961 – Rudford, Pauntley, Much Marcle and Ledbury churches; Hellens House

Summer 1961 – Cirencester, Aldermaston, Silchester, Waltham St. Lawrence, Sparsholt and Uffington churches; Donnington Castle; Speen House, Newbury; Reading Museum; Vyne House; Borlases House, Windsor Castle; the Royal Library, Windsor; White Horse and Uffington Castle; Ashbury Manor House

Autumn 1961 – Sezincote House; Stow-on-the-Wold Museum; Icomb Place; Bledington and Wyck Rissington churches; St. Lawrence Rectory Maze

Spring 1962 – Dowdeswell Church and Manor; Withington Church; Manor House, Old Forge, Corner House, Halewell Close, Court House and Mill Inn, Withington

Summer 1962 – Chepstow Church; Llandaff Cathedral; Gower Peninsula's three prehistoric sites; Weobley Castle; Llantwit Major Church; Ewenny Priory; Caerphilly Castle; St. Woolos Cathedral; Caerleon; Newnham-on-Severn fortifications and prehistoric river crossing

Autumn 1962 – Purton, Winterbourne Bassett, Hinton and Wanborough churches; Buderop Park

Organiser Mr. Paul Page; Assistant Miss Dulcie Bailey

Spring 1963 – Northleach and Farmington churches; Sherborne Park; Old Park, near Northleach

Summer 1963 – All Souls, Christchurch and Worcester colleges, Oxford; Burford, Swinbrook, Iffley, Dorchester-on-Thames, Ewelme and Stanton Harcourt churches; St. Mary's, St. Peter's in the East and St. Michael's churches, Oxford; Burford Museum; Bodleian; Sheldonian; Divinity School, Ashmolean; Old Ashmolean

Autumn 1963 – Avebury Circle, Church, Museum and Vicarage; West Kennet Long Barrow

Spring 1964 – Cirencester, North Cerney and Northleach churches; Sapperton Tunnel; Sale's Lot Long Barrow

Summer 1964 – Ilminster, Ottery St. Mary, Kenton and Tiverton churches; Hembury Fort; Cadhay House; Powderham and Tiverton castles; Exeter Cathedral; Guildhall, tour of Exeter; Blundells School

Autumn 1964 – Bromham and Devizes churches; Devizes Museum, Porch House, Potterne, Roundway Down and Oliver's Castle

Spring 1965 – Hidcote Manor Gardens; Compton Wynyates; Swalcliffe Church

Summer 1965 – Littlecote; Avington, Penn, Little Missenden, Stewkley, Wing, Shottesbrooke, Bray and Charney Bassett churches; Verulamium; St. Albans Abbey; Batchwood Hall, St. Albans; Waddesdon Manor; Shottesbrooke Park; Jesus Hospital, Bray; Reading Abbey; Charney Manor

Autumn 1965 – Egypt Mill, Dunkirk Mill, Longford's Mill, Balls Green Upper Stone Mine, Nailsworth; Thames & Severn Canal including port buildings, Round House, locks and boat yards, Minchinhampton; Ebley Mills and Stanley Mills, Stroud

Spring 1966 – Dymock Church, School and cruck-beamed houses; Kempsey churches, Tithe Barn and Old Grange; Old Nail Shop and Medieval Vineyard, Greenway

Summer 1966 – Melbourne Church and House; Eyam, Tideswell and Hathersage churches; Arbor Low; Stanton Moor; Haddon Hall; Chatsworth; Hardwick; Bolsover Castle; Crich Tramway Museum; Shugborough Park; Deerhurst

Autumn 1966 – Wells Cathedral; Axbridge and Chewton Mendip churches

Spring 1967 – Blackpool Bridge, Fancy Tip and Bream Scowles, Forest of Dean; St. Briavels Castle and Church; Newland; Speech House; Littledean Gaol

Summer 1967 – Brecon Cathedral; Talley Abbey; Carreg Cennen, Llawhaden, Cardigan and Cilgerran castles; Llanddewi Church; Strata Florida Abbey; St. David's Cathedral; Tretower Court; Raglan Castle; Tintern Abbey

Autumn 1967 – Bishop's Cleeve Church and Tithe Barn; Southam House, Pigeon House and Tithe Barn; Prestbury Church; Noverton Lane Moat Site

Spring 1968 – Evesham Almonry Museum; North Littleton Manor Farm and Tithe Barn; St. Lawrence and All Saints churches, Evesham; Wickhamford Church and Manor Gardens
 Summer 1968 – Lichfield Cathedral; Croxden Abbey; Alton Towers Ruin; St. Giles, Cheadle; The Potteries; Little Moreton Hall; Stafford Record Office; Stafford Church; Chillington Hall
 Autumn 1968 – Treowen, Wonastow; Grosmont Church and Castle; Kentchurch Court

Organiser Miss G.R. Wright; Assistant Miss Dulcie Bailey

Spring 1969 – Berkeley Castle, Church and Hunt Kennels; Wanswell Court; Sharpness Docks
 Summer 1969 – Cottesbrooke Hall and Church; Brixworth, Lamport Rushton, Rothwell and Castor churches; Eleanor Cross, Geddington; Rushton Hall School; Triangular Lodge, Rushton; Jesus Hospital and Market Hall, Rothwell; Longthorpe Tower Wall Paintings; Peterborough Cathedral; Castor excavations; Fortheringhay; Rockingham Castle; Stamford Hall Roman and Medieval sites; Jewry Wall
 Autumn 1969 – British Camp, Malvern; Great Malvern Priory; St. Ann's Well; talk on 'Water Cure'
 Spring 1970 – Kilpeck Church; lecture from Dr. Zarnecki; Eardisley, Stretton Sugwas and Brinsop churches
 Summer 1970 – Sherborne Abbey; Purse Caundle Manor; Cerne Abbas; Bere Regis, Studland and Puddletown churches; St. Mary's and St. Martin's churches, Wareham; Maiden Castle; Wimborne Minster; lecture at Langton Matravers on 'Ancient Purbeck'; Dorchester Museum; Maumbury Rings; Dorchester Roman sites; Milton Abbey; Lacock Abbey and House
 Autumn 1970 – Somerton, High Ham, Muchelney and Low Ham churches; Muchelney Abbey

Organiser Miss Dulcie Bailey; Assistant Mr. Robert Knapp

Spring 1971 – (Including A.G.M.) Fairford Church; Barnsley Park and Barnsley House
 Summer 1971 – Chetwode Priory; Senate House, Corpus Christi, King's, St. Catherine's, Jesus, Christ's, Emmanuel, Downing, Trinity and Clare colleges, Cambridge; St. Benet's Church, Castle site, Old Bridge and Round Church, Cambridge; Ely Cathedral; Stowe School; Willen Church
 Autumn 1971 – Ramsbury and Hamstead Marshall churches; Littlecote; Crofton Pumping Station
 Spring 1972 – Treago; Garway Church and Dovecote; Abbey Dore; Skenfrith
 Summer 1972 – Morville Hall; Chester Walls and Cathedral; Eaton Hall; Eccleston, Bunbury, and Acton Burnell churches; Beeston and Chirk castles; Dorfold Hall
 Autumn 1972 – Arlington Mill and Row; Kelmscott
 Spring 1973 – Lullington and Cameley churches; Ston Easton House
 Summer 1973 – Uppark; Fishbourne; Chichester Cathedral and Bishop's Palace; St. Mary's Hospital and Grey Friars; Boxgrove Priory; Bignor Roman Villa; Hardham and East Meon Church; Arundel Castle, Catholic Cathedral and Church
 Autumn 1973 – Caerphilly Castle; St. Fagan's Museum; Castell Coch
 Spring 1974 – Hartlebury Castle; Worcester Cathedral and Old Palace
 Summer 1974 – Heysham Church and Village; Holker Hall; Cartmel Priory Church; Levens Hall; Lancaster Priory, Church and Friend's Meeting House; Gawith Snuff Mill, Abbot Hall and Church; Avoncroft Museum
 Autumn 1974 – Ashleworth Tithe Barn, Court, Church and Manor; Chartist Settlement; Upleadon Church and Newent Falconry Centre
 Spring 1975 – Brympton d'Evercy; Milborne Port Church with lecture by Dr. George Zarnecki; Town Hall
 Summer 1975 – Hen Domen; Ruthin; Llanrhaedr, Wrexham, and Guilsfield churches; Viroconium and St. Andrew's Church; Rhuddlan and Ewloe castles; Llangollen; Old Oswestry; Powis Castle
 Autumn 1975 – Elkstone and Temple Guiting churches; Notgrove Burial Chamber; Cotswold Farm Park
 Spring 1976 – CENTENARY SPRING MEETING Deerhurst Church; Tewkesbury; Centenary Dinner
 Summer 1976 – CENTENARY SUMMER MEETING Cirencester
 Autumn 1976 – CENTENARY AUTUMN MEETING Dinner at Berkeley Castle
 Spring 1977 – Frampton-on-Severn; Frocester; Leonard Stanley

Organiser Dr. Basil Cottle; Assistants Miss Dulcie Bailey and Mrs. Mary V. Campbell

Summer 1977 – Waverley Abbey; Pepper Harrow Farm Buildings; Watts Memorial; Compton, Albury Old, Stoke D'Abernon, and Guildford churches; Guildford Cathedral; Polesden Lacey; Abbots Hospital, Guildford; Loseley Hall
 Autumn 1977 – Miserden Church and Park; Camp Long Barrow; Over Court, the Church and the Wells, Bisley

Organiser Dr. Basil Cottle; Assistant Mrs. Mary V. Campbell

Spring 1978 – Biddestone and Hardenhuish churches; Maud Heath's Causeway, St. Giles Chapel & the Monument; Bowood; Chapel Plaister
 Summer 1978 – Cotehele; St. German's Priory; Lanivet and St. Neot churches; Lanivet Crosses; Restormel Castle; Lanhydrock House; Castle Dore and Tristan Stone; Chysauster prehistoric village; Lanyon Quoit; St. Just; Sancreed Church; Merry Maidens; Fougou at Boleigh; St. Buryan Church; Tintagel
 Autumn 1978 – Nunney Castle; Witham Priory; Lytes Cary and Bruton Abbey and Church; Packhorse Bridge; Sexey's Hospital, Chapel and Committee Rooms
 Spring 1979 – Lydney Park; Westbury-on-Severn; Flaxley Abbey; Newland Almshouses, Church and Old Grammar School
 Summer 1979 – Elgiva Hall; Oxburgh Hall; North Elmham Cathedral; Ranworth, Great Yarmouth, and Wymondham churches; Caister Roman town; Blickling Hall; Felbrigg Hall; Norwich churches, Cathedral, City Wall, Round Tower, Blackfriars, Strangers Hall, Great Hospital and Assembly Rooms Crypt, Norwich; Audley End
 Autumn 1979 – St. Woolos Cathedral; Peterstone; Tinkinswood Long Barrow; Dyffryn Gardens; Llancarfan; Howe Mill; Old Beaupre; Penhow
 Spring 1980 – Trelech, Kilpeck and Peterchurch churches; Skenfrith; Monnow Bridge, Monmouth
 Summer 1980 – Valle Crucis Abbey; Llandysilio, and Beaumaris, and Llanelian churches; Penmon Priory, Holyhead; Barclodiad-y-Gawres and Bryn-Celli-Ddu Chambered Tombs; Beaumaris Castle; Swallow Falls; Erddig
 Autumn 1980 – Hailes and Oddington churches; Rollright Stones; Chastleton House

Organiser Canon Eric Gethyn-Jones; Assistant Mrs. Mary V. Campbell

Spring 1981 – Wanswell Court; Westonbirt; Dyrham Park; Syston Church
 Summer 1981 – Southampton Walls and Museum, Winchester College, Church of St. Cross; The Vyne; Pamber Priory; Broadlands; Danebury
 Autumn 1981 – Sherborne town and castles
 Spring 1982 – Ironbridge
 Summer 1982 – Canterbury Cathedral; tour of Canterbury; The Pharos, Painted House and Church at Dover; Broome Park; Walmer, Deal and Richborough castles; Knowle
 Autumn 1982 – Caerleon, Caerwent; Chepstow

Organiser Mrs. Mary V. Campbell

Spring 1983 – City of Bath with lecture by Professor Barry Cunliffe
 Summer 1983 – Abercamlais House, Merchants House, Tenby; Caldey Island; St. David's Cathedral; Carew Cross and Castle; Pembroke Castle; Lamphey Bishop's Palace; Manorbier Castle; Margam Abbey Church and Castle
 Autumn 1983 – Isle Abbots, Huish Episcopi, Curry Rivel and Trull churches; Poundisford Park
 Spring 1984 – West Kennet Barrow; Avebury Stone Circle, Church, Manor House and Folk Museum
 Summer 1984 – Sudbury Hall; Rievaulx, Byland and Mount Grace abbeys; Harwood; York Viking Centre; Grays House; tour of York; Aldborough Roman town and Museum; Newby Hall; Melbourne House and Church; Harvington Hall

- Autumn 1984 – Bishop's Cleeve, Beckford and Winchcombe churches; Stanway; talk on Winchcombe
Spring 1985 – Dorney Court and Eton College
Extra Meeting – Longleat House and Library
Summer 1985 – Killerton House; Castle Drogo; Sharpham House; Mamhead House; Cadhay, Knightshayes; Ugbrooke; Powderham Castle; Sanders at Lettaford; Dartington Hall
Autumn 1985 – Bredon Hill Fort; Tewkesbury; Deerhurst
Spring 1986 – Mells Church and Stockton House, near Warminster
Extra Meeting – Chenies Church and the Manor House, Chenies
Extra Meeting – Joint Meeting with Woolhope Society, tours of Newent and Ledbury
Summer 1986 – Belton House; Washington Old Hall; Tynemouth Monastery; St. Paul's at Jarrow, St. Peter's at Monkwearmouth, Escombe and Staindrop churches; Jarrow Hall and monastery ruins; Hadrian's Wall; Corstopitum, Chesters Fort; Housesteads, Steel Rigg; Corbridge; Hexham Abbey; Wallington; tour of Durham and Cathedral; boat trip along River Wear; Bowes Museum; Raby Castle, Richmond Town, Castle and Theatre; Tatton Hall and Old Hall
Autumn 1986 – Edgehill Battle Site; Broughton Castle; Hook Norton Church
Spring 1987 – Abingdon Town, Abbey, Checker Hall, St. Nicholas and St. Helen's churches; Milton Manor House
Extra Meeting – Joint Meeting with Woolhope Society, tours of Malmesbury and Fairford
Summer 1987 – Sherborne; Maiden Castle; tour of Dorchester; Bere Regis and Morton churches; Corfe Castle; Lady St. Mary and St. Martin's churches, Wareham; Tarrant Valley (chalkland settlement through the ages); Chettle House; Milton Abbey; Battiscombe Manor; Wimborne Minster; Kinston Lacy Gardens
Autumn 1987 – Bronllys Castle; Bredwardine and Clyro churches; Moccas Park
Spring 1988 – Caerleon; Welsh Folk Museum
Summer 1988 – Melrose, Dryburgh, Jedburgh and Kelso abbeys; Floors and Thirlestane castles; Smailholm Tower; Mellerstain House; Traquair House; Bowhill; Edinburgh; Burrell Collection, Glasgow
Extra Meeting – Orkney, visiting Broch of Gurness; Earls Palace; Click Mill; Brough of Birsay Church and Viking settlement; Skara Brea; Grain and Rennibister Earth Houses; Orphir; Unstan, Cuween, Maes Howe and Widford chambered tombs; main sites on islands of Rousay and Wyre; Kirkwall Cathedral; Italian Chapel
Autumn 1988 – Bishop's Lydeard and Crowcombe churches; Taunton Museum and Castle, Crowcombe's Church House
Spring 1989 – Worcester Cathedral, Commandery, Tudor House Museum, and Greyfriars; Ripple Church
Summer 1989 – Tours of Bristol, Gloucester and Cheltenham
Autumn 1989 – Gloucester Docks; Dean Heritage Centre; Tintern; Lancaut
Spring 1990 – Bristol Docks; the *Great Britain*; Little Sodbury Manor
Summer 1990 – tour of Northampton; Higham Ferrers, Earls Barton, Brixworth,, Holy Sepulchre and St. Peter's churches; Delapre Abbey and Northampton Record Office; Northampton and Geddington Eleanor Crosses; Deene Park; Rockingham Castle; Canons Ashby
Autumn 1990 – Rowlands House and Jordans House Grotto near Ilminster; Forde Abbey
Spring 1991 – Tretower Court and Castle; Llanfilo Church; Brecon Gaer Roman Fort; Llansantffraed Church; grave of Henry Vaughan
Extra Meeting – Nyland Hill and Axbridge
Summer 1991 – Bourton-on-the-Water, Blockley, Oddington, Adlestrop, Chipping Norton, Lower Lemington, Barcheston and Honington churches; Charlecote Park; Four Shire Stones; Rollright Stones; Chipping Norton Museum; Honington Hall; Blenheim; Christ Church, Oxford
Autumn 1991 – Chavenage House; Sapperton Tunnel; Tetbury Church
Extra Meeting – Southside House, Wimbledon
Spring 1992 – Osterley Park; Chiswick House and Gardens
Extra Meeting – Galloway, visiting Stones of Torhouse; Whithorn ruins and Museum; Isle of Whithorn;

St. Ninian's Chapel; Glenluce, Sweetheart and Dundrennan abbeys; Kirkmadrine inscribed stones; Cardoness, Caerlaverock and Threave castles; New Abbey Mill; Culzean House; Blairquhan House, Kircudbright Town, Harbour and Museum, Maclellan's Castle and Broughton House; Ruthwell Stone; Gatehouse of Fleet Village

Organiser Mrs. Mary V. Campbell; Assistant Mrs. Janet Somerville

Summer 1992 – Luton Hoo; Dunstable Priory; Ashwell Village and Church; Welwyn Roman Baths; Hatfield; Verulamium Museum, St. Albans and Waltham abbeys; Hampton Court Palace

Autumn 1992 – Ewelme Church and Almshouses; Bodleian Library and Exeter College Hall, Oxford

Extra Meeting – Guernsey (Spring 1993, led by Mr. Nicholas Thomas), visiting Guernsey Museum, Castle Cornet, Victor Hugo's House, Les Fouaillages, La Platte Mare, Dehus Dolman, Les Trepieds and Creux Dolman chambered tombs, St. Appolines Chapel, Catel Church, the Occupation Museum, Fort Grey and Vale Castle, La Roque Balan, Duvaux Farm and Sausmarez Manor, the menirs at St. Martins and Catel. Visits were also made to Herm and Jersey

Spring 1993 – Salisbury Cathedral, Close and museums; Rockbourne Roman Villa

Summer 1993 – Segontium; Wroxeter Roman Town; Harlech, Criccieth, Caernafon, Conway and Powis castles; Cymmer Abbey; Conway town walls; Llanaber, Clynnog Fawr; Pistyll, Llangwnnagl and Aberdaron churches; St. Cybi's Well; Portmeirion; Lloyd George's Cottage and Museum; Penarth Fawr Hall House; Dyffryn Ardudwy Chambered Tomb

Autumn 1993 – Wells Museum and Cathedral; Wookey Hole

Organiser Mrs. Mary V. Campbell; Assistant Mr. Cedric Neilson

Spring 1994 – Somerford Keynes, Purton and Lydiard Tregoze churches; Lydiard Tregoze House and Park

Organiser Mrs. Mary V. Campbell; Assistant Mrs. Janet Somerville

Summer 1994 – Kedleston Hall; Pevril Castle; Abbeydale, Sheffield and Kelham Island museums; Hardwick Hall; Chatsworth; Sheffield University Archaeological Department; Cromford Mill, Eyam, Bakewell, Steetley and Youlgreave churches; Arbor Low Stone Circle; Pool's Cavern, Buxton; Cresswell Craggs; Haddon Hall

Extra Meeting – Fairfield, Stogursey; Stogursey Church

Organiser Mrs. Mary V. Campbell; Assistant Mr. Cedric Neilson

Autumn 1994 – Almondsbury Church; Ashleworth Church, Court, Manor and Tithe Barn; Foscombe House

OVERSEAS MEETINGS

1980 Normandy, France

Leader Canon Eric Gethyn-Jones; assistant Mary Campbell

1981 Brittany, France

Leader Canon Eric Gethyn-Jones; assistant Mary Campbell

1982 Burgundy, France

Leader Canon Eric Gethyn-Jones; assistant Mary Campbell

1983 Normandy, France

Leader Canon Eric Gethyn-Jones; assistant Mary Campbell

1984 Loire Valley, France

Leader Canon Eric Gethyn-Jones; assistant Mary Campbell

1985 Bourge and Dordogne, France

Leader Bernard J. Ashwell; assistant Mary Campbell

1986 Isle de France, France

Leaders Derek Hadden and John Coales; assistant Mary Campbell

1987 Alençon, France

Leaders Derek Hadden and John Coales; assistant Mary Campbell

1988 NO OVERSEAS MEETING

1989 Dublin, Ireland

Leader Yvonne Stafford; assistant Mary Campbell

1990 Brittany, France

Leader John Somerville; assistants Janet Somerville and Mary Campbell

1991 NO OVERSEAS MEETING

1992 Paris, France

Leader Yvonne Stafford; assistant Mary Campbell

1993 NO OVERSEAS MEETING

1994 Troyes, France

Leaders John Coales and Yvonne Stafford

1994 Greece

Leaders John and Janet Somerville

BRISTOL AND GLOUCESTERSHIRE ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

ACCOUNTS

Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended 31.12.94

		1994	1993
<i>Income</i>			
Subscriptions		5,659	4,648
Sales of Publications		404	360
Investment Income, bank interest and tax reclaim	9,556		
Less: allocated to Records Section	<u>(2,900)</u>		
		6,656	9,538
Sales of Library books		296	
		<u>£13,015</u>	<u>£14,546</u>
<i>Expenditure</i>			
Publications			
Transactions vol. 111	9,891		
Less grant towards	<u>(2,039)</u>	7,852	8,984
Grants & subscriptions	37		
Less loan granted repaid	<u>(100)</u>	(63)	256
Library		1,804	2,026
Administration			
Printing & Stationery	449		
Officers Expenses	567		
Miscellaneous Admin.	<u>998</u>		
		2,014	2,364
Newsletter		1,433	1,126
Purchase of equipment		290	
		<u>£13,330</u>	<u>£14,756</u>
<i>Excess of Expenditure over Income</i>		(315)	(210)
Balance due from Records Section written off		(1,609)	
General Fund at 31.12.93		159,978	160,188
<i>General Fund at 31.12.94</i>		<u>£158,054</u>	<u>£159,978</u>

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Balance Sheet as at 31.12.94

	1994	1993
<i>Assets</i>		
Investments at cost	129,092	129,092
Bank and deposit balances	29,760	26,708
Debtors		924
Amount due from Records Section		4,132
	<u>£158,852</u>	<u>£160,956</u>
representing:-		
<i>General Fund</i> as at 31.12.94	158,054	159,978
<i>Creditors</i>		
Amount held for Ditches (N. Cerney) excav.	338	338
Creditors	460	540
	<u>£158,852</u>	<u>£160,856</u>
<i>Investments at 31.12.93</i>	<i>Cost</i>	<i>Market Value</i>
£21,828 9¼% Exchequer Stock 1998	20,000	22,390
£10,344 9½% Treasury Loan 1999	10,000	10,609
31,000 Charishare units	50,127	64,232
5,741 Charities Official Inv. Fund units	30,000	36,639
10,000 Edinburgh Investment Trust ordy. shares	18,965	30,250
	<u>£129,092</u>	<u>£164,120</u>

- Notes: 1. No value is placed on the Society's library or stock of publications.
 2. Income is credited as received.
 3. The Investment income (excl. bank interest) is divided 2/3 General Fund 1/3 Records Section as resolved by the Council.

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RECORDS SECTION YEAR ENDED 31.12.94

	1994	1993
<i>Income</i>		
Subscriptions	3,567	3,254
Sales of publications	1,157	1,278
Investment Income Allocation ^{2(a)}	2,900	
	<u>7,624</u>	<u>4,532</u>
<i>Expenditure</i>		
Volume 7 ¹	4,486	6,413
Purchase of Past Publications	234	
Brochures		170
Editorial expenses	1,340	701
materials for vol. 9 (Gloucester Acta)		
Less grant	(500)	
	<u>(5,560)</u>	<u>(7,284)</u>
<i>Excess of Income over Expenditure</i>	2,064	(2,752)
Records Fund at 31.12.93	(3,673)	(921)
<i>Records Fund at 31.12.94</i>		
Written off to General Fund of the Society ^{2(b)}	<u>(£1,609)</u>	<u>(£3,673)</u>

- Notes: 1. Publication of Vol. 7 (*Tewkesbury Churchwardens' Accounts*) expends the balance of the bequest from the late A. Bruce Robinson for the publication of parochial records.
2. The Council has resolved:-
- (a) 1/3 of the Society's investment income be allocated to the Records Section
 - (b) the amount advanced from the General Fund of the Society for Records publications be written off. This is the same as the deficit on the Records Fund at 31.12.94., the bank balance from the Robinson bequest having been utilised in reduction of the debt.

We have examined the accounts of the Society set out above which are in accordance with the books and records produced to us.

KPMG
Chartered Accountants, Bristol
21 March 1995

COMMITTEE FOR ARCHAEOLOGY IN GLOUCESTERSHIRE

18th Annual Report 1994

The Committee met five times during 1994 and discussed various matters relating to the archaeology of the County. The Local Government Commission's review of the County's local authority structure continued to concern the Committee pending the final decision by the Secretary of State on the Commission's recommendations in favour of the status quo.

The Committee has now finalised the unpublished excavations list. The completed list was submitted to the Bristol and Gloucester Archaeological Society and GADARG for comment and emendation. The final version has now been submitted for publication in the next issue of *Glevensis*. The Committee has also spent some time discussing the involvement and role of young people in archaeology in the County. Considerable concern was expressed in view of the limited opportunities for the involvement of young people and children in archaeological activities. It was noted that the County has no Young Archaeologists club and that the provisions of the Child Act and Health and Safety legislation mean that it is difficult to involve young people in excavation or indeed in post-excavation work. Our regular look at planning matters and the news and views exchange provided the Committee with the opportunity to share information and raise issues of concern. The number of planning applications continues to increase reflecting the revival in the building trade. The County Archaeological Section continues to monitor such applications, undertake desk-top assessments, evaluations, watching briefs and excavations where necessary.

The Cotswold Archaeological Trust has also had a busy and successful year. The Roman small towns project is nearing completion. The Medieval Cotswolds research project is well under way and a project funded by English Heritage to bring the Cirencester Excavation Committee backlog to publication has just started.

Major excavations continued at Frocester and Wortley. The first volume of the Crickley Hill excavation reports was published in the year. Dr. Alistair Marshall continued his Iron Age research project at the Park and the Bowsing sites in Guiting Power.

Annual Symposium

The 17th Annual Symposium was held at the Trinity Road offices of Cotswold District Council. Thirty-three people attended to hear talks on Iron Age and Roman pastoralism, the Cirencester Urban Assessment, lock-ups and prisons, two case studies of work by the Gloucestershire Buildings Recording Group, Gloucestershire stone mines and updates on recent work by the County Archaeological Section, the Cotswold Archaeological Trust and Wessex Archaeology.

Archaeological Review for 1994

The annual review of archaeological work undertaken in the County was prepared by Bernard Rawes and published in the *Transactions* (above, pp. 183–207). The Committee once again thanks Mr. Rawes for his continued dedication and hard work in compiling the Review. Contributions are always welcome from archaeologists, societies or museums.

Membership

The Committee welcomed two new members this year. Richard Sermon joined as the representative of Gloucester Archaeology and Simon Lawton of the John Moore Countryside Museum was co-opted to represent Tewkesbury District. Helen Okell, who was covering Guy Kilminster's work at Cheltenham Art Gallery and Museum for the last 18 months, has now completed her contract in the area and resigned from the Committee. We are most grateful to her for her contribution. At the beginning of the year Guy Kilminster was elected as Chairman and John Paddock as Honorary Secretary.

Finances

Administrative costs for 1994 were £52.48. These were met by the Bristol and Gloucestershire Archaeological Society. The Annual Symposium made a profit of £74.49. At the end of the year the Committee's balance stood at £457.28. £67.76 remains in the Mobile Exhibition Fund. Mr. G. Leighton continued to assist the Committee with its financial affairs and we are most grateful to him for his help and advice.

John Paddock
Honorary Secretary

In June 1995 the Committee for Archaeology in Gloucestershire adopted a new constitution, which was ratified by the Society's Council. The full text is printed below:

CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMITTEE FOR ARCHAEOLOGY IN GLOUCESTERSHIRE

- 1.1 The Bristol and Gloucestershire Archaeological Society has established a Committee to be known as the Committee for Archaeology in Gloucestershire for the purpose of co-ordinating and representing archaeological interests in the said County to governmental, public, charitable and commercial organisations and authorities. The Committee shall also seek to stimulate and educate the public in archaeological matters.
- 1.2 To these ends the Committee shall:
 - a) promote the collection and recording of information on archaeological evidence in the County;
 - b) maintain contact with national and local authorities, archaeological societies and organisations and with individuals, on all matters affecting the archaeology of Gloucestershire;
 - c) encourage and promote the protection of archaeological evidence;
 - d) encourage the publication of material relevant to the archaeology of the County;
 - e) increase the public's awareness of the archaeology of the County.
- 1.3 The Committee shall have power to deal with all matters within its responsibilities defined above.

- 2.1 The Committee shall consist of:
- a) members appointed by the following bodies as set out below:
Bristol and Gloucestershire Archaeological Society – 2 members
Gloucester and District Archaeological Research Group – 2 members
Gloucestershire Society for Industrial Archaeology – 1 member
Dean Archaeological Group – 1 member
- and
- b) representatives of the museums in the County with archaeological collecting policies;
representatives of archaeological field units active in the County;
the County Council Archaeologist.
 - c) There shall be power to co-opt up to five additional members.
- 2.2 The members and representatives defined in a and b above, shall be members either of the Bristol and Gloucestershire Archaeological Society or of Corporate Members of the Society.
- 2.3 The Committee shall review its membership annually and make any representations in respect thereof, that it may think fit, to the Bristol and Gloucestershire Archaeological Society.
- 3.1 The Committee shall meet not less than three times a year and five members shall form a quorum.
- 3.2 Membership of the Committee shall run for one calendar year and members shall be eligible for re-appointment.
- 3.3 The Committee shall appoint a Chairman and Secretary from amongst its members. Such appointment shall run for one calendar year and the officers shall be eligible for re-appointment.
- 3.4 The Committee shall report on its work to the Annual General Meeting of the Bristol and Gloucestershire Archaeological Society.
- 3.5 Except as provided above, the Rules of the Bristol and Gloucestershire Archaeological Society for the conduct of business shall apply to this Committee and the expenditure commitments shall be subject to the prior approval of the Council of the Society.

Obituaries

LESLIE VALENTINE GRINSELL, M.A., O.B.E.

14 February 1907–28 February 1995

Leslie Valentine Grinsell, archaeologist, prehistorian, egyptologist and numismatist was born in Hornsey, London, the son of Arthur John Grinsell, a silversmith's manager. He was educated at St. John's College, Hurstpierpoint, Oakfield School, Crouch End, Highgate School, and Pitman's College, Southampton Row, from where he matriculated to London University in 1925 before entering Barclay's Bank.

In 1926 he made his first walking tours of the Sussex Downs, stimulating an interest in field work and prehistory which continued for almost 70 years. He measured and classified the Sussex barrows and assembled all the available early references and excavation records relating to them. Upon completing his survey of Sussex in the late 1920s he turned his attention to the barrows of, in turn, Surrey, Berkshire, Hampshire and the Isle of Wight. He systematically published his findings in the Sussex Archaeological Collections, the Surrey Archaeological Collections, the Berkshire Archaeological Journal, the Proceedings of the Hampshire Field Club, and the Proceedings of the Prehistoric Society.

In 1941 he was posted to Egypt with the R.A.F. to work in air photographic intelligence, identifying camouflage and bomb decoys and assessing bomb damage. While stationed in Cairo he studied the pyramids and other antiquities, learned to decipher hieroglyphs, and gained a good knowledge of Muslim architecture and Coptic monasteries. He was able to put that expertise to use when he came to Bristol and undertook the preservation of the numerous drawings of the tomb of Sety I by Giovanni Battista Belzoni and took charge of the city museum's diverse collection of Egyptian antiquities. He returned to Egypt a number of times and in 1994 he founded and endowed the Amelia Blandford Edwards Lecture in Egyptology at the University of Bristol.

He came to Bristol in 1952 as curator of archaeology and ethnology at the City Museum, where he remained for twenty years. He became an expert on the Bristol mint and published *A Brief Numismatic History of Bristol* (1962) and *The Bath Mint* (1973). He made a study of Gloucestershire barrows, updated 30 years later with Dr. Tim Darvill, and in the late 1970s and the early 1980s he undertook field work and research on the barrows of Devon. Leslie Grinsell made an important contribution to the work of the Prehistoric Society and was closely involved with the Bristol and Gloucestershire Archaeological Society from 1952 and with the Cambrian Archaeological Association from 1961. He also encouraged the formation of the Bristol Archaeological Research Group (now the Bristol and Avon Archaeological Society) in 1962. His work was honoured by the Bristol and Gloucestershire Society in 1986 when volume 104 of its *Transactions* was dedicated to him.

Leslie Grinsell was a shy man. He encouraged numerous young archaeological enthusiasts, many of whom have become leading figures in their specialist fields, but he was often awkward in company. Those who attended them will long remember his archaeological courses at the Folk House, Bristol, and his Youth Hostel countryside archaeological weekends, which were always meticulously planned and included visits to his numerous favourite teashops in the South-West. He was unmarried.

M.C.E.

JOYCE POPPLEWELL

The sudden and unexpected death of Joyce Popplewell on 25 April 1995, at the age of 72, robbed Gloucestershire of a keen and ardent worker in the field of local history. When Joyce retired from her profession of orthodontistry she, and her husband Wilfred, came to live at Waterley Bottom, Dursley. From that time she enthusiastically pursued her interests, initially in archaeology, latterly in local history, and complemented her practical abilities with an increasing range of academic achievements. These included an Open University degree and a certificate in landscape history from Bristol University. At the time of her death she was in the second year of the M.A. course in local history at the latter university.

Joyce was one of those amateur archaeologists whose talents were encouraged and expanded under Peter Fowler on the excavation of the Roman farmstead at the Row of Ashes Farm, Butcombe, and who later assisted on various local 'digs', including the M5 rescue excavation at Lodge Farm, Alveston. She joined the Society on her retirement in 1972 and soon became one of those hard-working and reliable volunteers who form its backbone, helping at meetings, delivering *Transactions*, scraping away on excavations and spending countless hours transcribing documents at the Gloucestershire Record Office. She was a member of the Society's Council for more than fifteen years.

In her later years Joyce devoted her time and energy to the study of her 'adopted' parish, North Nibley. It was the subject of her unpublished dissertation for the Certificate in Arts (1982). Her published researches on the history of the parish include transcriptions of the 1629 seating plan for its church and of the 1666 will of Mary Smith (*TBGAS* 103 (1985), 179–84; 110 (1992), 151–8). The many hours she spent in the Gloucestershire Record Office editing the Lloyd-Baker diaries bore fruit with the publication in 1993 of *A Gloucestershire Diarist: Lt. Col. A.B. Lloyd-Baker. The Early Years, 1897–1919* (reviewed *TBGAS* 112 (1994), 230–1). Sadly she did not have time to write an introduction to her transcript of the Gloucester apprenticeship registers, intended to appear in the Gloucestershire Record Series.

Of passing note to future local historians, in the absence of any other permanent memorial to Joyce and to Wilfrid, whom she predeceased by three weeks, the plantation they created next to their home at Waterley Bottom is to be called Popplewood.

J.D.