

# Newsletter April 2024



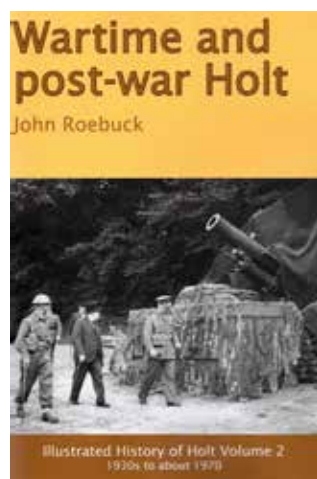
## Moving on *Keith Gosden*

Our AGM is almost upon us at which we lose two of our key Committee members, Treasurer Geoff Davis and Polly Binns our Events Officer. Both have served the Society very well as I will outline at the AGM, and were presented with a retirement gift for their service at the last committee meeting. I, too, will be standing down, having served as Chairman for the past two years.

I would like to thank all the committee members and the wider membership with whom I have had the pleasure of working over the past years. It has been a pleasure for me, and I hope for you as well. Without your support we would not have achieved the diverse range of projects that I have proposed. These include, but are not limited to, our 30 minute film, which is now secure in the UEA Film Archive, the Jubilee Slates in Fish Hill, our booklet *Georgian Holt at Work and Play* and, not forgetting, the setting up of an ongoing record of Holt's array of underground cellars.

I would also like to take this opportunity, to thank three new faces who have joined since the last AGM as co-opted committee members. Our Honorary Secretary, Michael Evans, and Committee members Anne and Paul Plumstead. All three have become invaluable members of your Committee.

Despite having given us a long notice period, we are still without a replacement for Polly, so if anyone would be happy to take on this valuable role, do please let myself or Robin Back know. As I said in my letter to you last month, the identifying and organising of events is not an isolated role, as all committee members work together to help to bring members, a varied calendar of events.



## Reprinted

In 2015, the Holt Society published, a 220pp illustrated history of the town written by former history teacher John Roebuck. It has been reprinted for the second time and is once more available from Holt Bookshop and at Holt Society events, price £13.50.

During the Second World War, the threat of German invasion turned Holt into a strategic centre for coastal defences, shattering its rural tranquillity. Subsequently, its inhabitants, and those returning from war service, had to rebuild their community. This extensively illustrated book is an account of the period, told through the memories of those who were here.

A few copies of an Illustrated History of Holt (from 1900s to 1920s) by the late Keith Entwistle are also available from the Holt Bookshop.

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### AGM 8<sup>th</sup> April, in the Community Centre (The Venue)

Members only, doors and bar open at 6.00pm for a 6.30pm start – closing at 7.00pm.

The AGM will be followed by a talk from Claire Roberts, Chair of Holt & District Dementia Support, entitled '10 years of Dementia Support in Holt'. This is open to both members and the public and commences at 7.30 pm. Doors and bar open from 7.00pm following the AGM. There is no charge for either the AGM or the talk but donations for Holt & District Dementia Support would be appreciated.

### The Glaven: Holt's own River 28 June, 7.30pm at Holt Community Centre (The Venue).

An illustrated account of the river and the work of the River Glaven Conservation Group by Tony Leech.



To reserve a ticket please contact Keith Gosden on 01263 711223 or via [holtmembership@outlook.com](mailto:holtmembership@outlook.com). Members £7, non-members £10.

# HOLT SOCIETY 2024 AGM AGENDA

THE HOLT COMMUNITY CENTRE (The Venue) April 8<sup>th</sup> from 6pm for 6.30 start

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of last AGM – 3 April 2023
3. Matters arising
4. Chairman's report
5. Treasurer's report

## Summary Receipts & Payments Account 1<sup>st</sup> January - 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023

RECEIPTS	£	PAYMENTS	£
<b>Balance brought forward:</b>			
01-Jan Barclays Bank	5,937.05		
<b>Subscriptions &amp; Donations</b>			
220 Subscriptions	1,100.00		
3 Donations	18.50		
	1,118.50		
<b>Event Ticket Sales</b>		<b>Event Costs</b>	
HMS Gloucester	592.00	HMS Gloucester	225.25
St Andrews	329.00	St Andrews	245.02
Talitha	437.00	Talitha	195.00
Norfolk Churches	228.00	Norfolk Churches Trust - donation	100.00
	1,586.00		765.27
<b>Other items</b>		<b>Other Items</b>	
Georgian Holt at Work & Play booklet sales	621.50	Donation to Holt Primary School re HMS Gloucester visit	713.00
		Norfolk Saffron Event 2022 - speaker fee	100.00
		Venue hire & technical support for AGM	233.75
		Posters for display in Nelson House	173.28
		Gifts for three retiring committee members	113.91
		Donation to Holt Youth Project	100.00
		Website Hosting Charges	105.44
		Public Liability insurance annual premium	96.00
		HS Newsletter printing costs	42.48
		Book tokens for Holt Festival Art Prize	30.00
		Stationery, printing and postage costs	164.42
		Additional items	56.53
			1,928.81
		31-Dec Balance at Barclays Bank	6,568.97
	<u>9,263.05</u>		<u>9,263.05</u>
		<b>Potential Future Financial Commitments</b>	
		New HS Website - design and implementation	1,500.00
		Book publication	1,000.00
			2,500.00

6. Election of officers and nominations for vacant positions :

Position	Name	Proposed	Seconded
Chair & Membership	Robin Back	Keith Gosden	Tony Leech
Vice-Chair	Tony Leech	Robin Back	Paul Plumstead
Hon. Secretary & Publicity	Michael Evans	Tony Leech	Anne Plumstead
Hon. Treasurer	Geoff Peel	Geoff Davis	Keith Gosden
Planning Officer	Tim Bennett	Polly Binns	Geoff Davis
Events Officer	Vacant		
Committee Member	Paul Plumstead	Keith Gosden	Tim Bennett
Committee Member	Anne Plumstead	Tony Leech	Polly Binns

7. AGM close – 7.00pm
8. 30 minute INTERVAL – Bar Open and meeting joined by non member guests.
9. GUEST SPEAKER – Claire Roberts, Chair of Holt & District Dementia Support:

***'10 years of Dementia Support in Holt'***