

Faversham Society Newsletter

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From the chairman

HAROLD GOODWIN

In November we marked the 55 years of the Faversham Society with a cake cut each day in the Fleur at lunchtime as one group of volunteers finished and another started. The society became a legal entity on 17 November, 1962.

The society has had a remarkable history campaigning to save what is best from our past and creating heritage for the future. In the Fleur de Lis Heritage Centre, we have an active group of curators and a museum; the VIC and shop, which contributes so much to the funding of the society and awakens interest and provides interpretive material; and our library and archives. In Gatefield Lane our quality “preloved” bookshop is a veritable treasure trove of interest.

Each year we hold a reception in the Assembly Rooms to thank those who volunteer to open their houses and gardens, and the volunteers who steward, for Open Houses and Open Gardens. These events contribute significantly to our funds but more important they educate residents and visitors alike about the history and heritage of Faversham. The Town Walks and the work of our community archaeologists similarly contribute to our understanding and appreciation of our past and of what we should value and pass on to our children and grandchildren.

The Faversham Historians group

Well done, Sophie

BRIAN WINTLE-SMITH



Sophie was the ninth young visitor to choose the Fleur Museum for the presentation of her gold Wheels of Time badge, awarded for having visited 25 of the participating Kent museums.

After receiving her award, Sophie kindly stayed to help our chairman, Harold Goodwin, cut the final confection of our “Cake a day” week to mark the society’s 55th anniversary.

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