

Wickham Skeith History & Film Group
AGM Wednesday 16 April 2014 – Chairman's Report

Our meetings over the last year have been as varied as ever. Roy Colchester gave us some poignant stories from the Great War in his talk on "Letters from the Front"; John Goodhand presented another of his fascinating talks on Pub Signs; Basil Abbott talked about Diss Common as well as hosting a most successful visit to Diss & its museum. A particular theme this year has been the number of home produced evenings. Alistair's videos expanded from Wickham Skeith characters & events to Eye & on our closest meeting to Halloween, Sheila Wright gave us her "Ghostly Tales". Our 10th anniversary meeting last month was a great success with a large turnout to take an imaginary stroll around the village 100 years ago.

I hope you will forgive me for mentioning the talk I did on the fostering of Barnardo's children last May. We had a record attendance & the story has taken off after my research was publicised in the Barnardo's magazine. As a result, we will be producing an exhibition here on Sat 19 July which we hope will be of interest not just in the village but to a much wider audience.

Our finances are in a good state & we've been able to keep the entry fee at £2 now for 8 years.

Finally, many thanks to all of you who support us & to the committee, for their continued help & support over the last year.

Pete Davidson