

Editorial

The reason for this Newsletter is to let you know about the forthcoming Annual General Meeting. The formal notice and Agenda are overleaf. There will be a limited number of spares available at the meeting, so please bring this Newsletter with you. Non-members are welcome, but they are not eligible to vote.

We have also invited our two Ward Councillors, Messrs Hollobone and Wilkinson, Hopefully their diaries will allow them to attend. If their commitments permit we hope that they will stay for at least the mid-evening break, giving them a chance to hear your views on local issues over a cup of tea or coffee.

Our opening speaker this year will be Muriel Searle, the well known local historian. She will be talking about the Ravensbourne valley with particular emphasis on the two large estates which covered the eastern and western slopes of the valley. The Bromley Court Hotel and the Mansion House in Beckenham Place Park were the principle homes of the owners of those estates.

Four posts are up for election. The Chairman, the Secretary, the Treasurer and the Auditor.

Both the Chairman and the Secretary are prepared to stand again. (Personally I think that they must be either mad or masochists.)

However, Alan Marks our Treasurer has moved out of the area, so he is no longer eligible to stand. In between his many other activities, Alan has done a superb job of keeping track of our money. Most importantly he has ensured that those who incur expenses (initially from their own pockets) get reimbursed from the Society's funds with minimum delay. He assures me that the job is not onerous.

Unfortunately Arthur May our Auditor has severe health problems and is unable to continue. So we are also looking for an Auditor. A once a year job.

Can we have some volunteers please. If there any volunteers or nominations for either of these posts, please let Leslie Tucker our Secretary know as soon as possible. His telephone number is 081-464 4734.

See you all at the AGM.

Peter Pain (Editor) 10/2/93