



The Goddard Association of Europe

NEWSLETTER

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THOMAS GODDARD THE MERCHANT TAYLOR Local Boy Makes Good

I am grateful to Julie of Newbury for sending me a copy of an article she has recently written and had published in the June edition of the *Leicester & Rutland Family History Society Journal*. It runs as follows:

One of the plus sides of being the Research Co-ordinator of the Goddard Association is that I get to research family trees just for the fun of it, not only with my husband's family but anyone surnamed Goddard. One of my favourites is Thomas Goddard, Citizen of London and a Merchant Taylor.

From the information given in his will and using the parish registers, it is possible to establish that Thomas was born in Mountsorrel and baptised in the parish church on 26 April 1604 as "the son of William Goddard". He had a cousin John, son of his uncle Nicholas, who was baptised in the same year in the same church. Thomas had a brother, William, and two sisters, Mary and Joice. I imagine that they were on the same social level as the Herrick and the Nichols families; in fact, Joice married Thomas Nichols of Barrow-on-Soar. It is also possible that they were related to the armigerous Goddard family of Beeby (who are related to some of the Berkshire Goddards), but the connection has not yet been proved.

Thomas's trade was perhaps glove making, a Mountsorrel trade. Gloves were highly prized as a fashion accessory. However, his will shows that he was also in the woolen cloth industry.

The early 1600s were a time of change, danger and conflict, especially in London where the king reigned and Parliament increasingly tried to oppose his wishes. Thomas probably moved to London in his late teens to learn his trade. Was he the "Thomas Goddard, serv[ant] of Thomas Lyon" who was entered into the Merchant Taylors' register on 5 July 1620? He married his first (unnamed) wife soon after as he had a son, Thomas, who was baptised in St Giles, Cripplegate, on 13 October 1622, but presumably died before his father as he is not mentioned in

Thomas's will. He also had two daughters, Ann baptised 1628 and Prescilla, baptised 1629. This wife must have died around 1630 as he married Jane Sampson in 1632 at St Helens, Bishopsgate. They had no children.

During these years and for the next ten the differences between King Charles and Parliament grew until in 1642 Civil War was declared. The City of London Guilds were very rich and very powerful and were involved in both sides in the conflict, both for and against the king. It is not supposed that Thomas Goddard sat on the sidelines, but which side did he support? King or Parliament? As his will asks for the services of Dr Samuel Annesley to preach the sermon at his funeral, I think we can be sure that he was for Parliament as the

good doctor was a friend of the Cromwells.

Thomas survived the Civil War, the following Republic and the Restoration of the Monarchy in 1660 without losing his head, his money or his trade. Either he had friends in high places or he was a skilled reader of men. He made his will on 30 March 1660 at the moment when the City of London Guilds had decided that they would support the return of the monarchy and had sent a messenger to the Netherlands to invite Charles II to return. One suspects that Thomas was a little uneasy at his position under the new regime. Whatever his misgivings he survived to see Charles's triumphant entry into London in April 1660, before dying sometime in May. There was an epidemic of smallpox at this time, but I think that aged 56, a respectable age for the time, and "being sick in body" he died of old age and disillusionment.

In his will he asked to be buried in the parish church of St. Giles, Cripplegate. The parish is given £70 and the warden of the parish £10, and four shillings annually to the minister of the parish. He left no male heir so his estate is to be divided as follows: his wife Jane is given £70 a year for life to be paid out of the money which will be received from some property in St Giles, or she may make some other arrangements with her sons-in-law if she wishes. There is money for his daughters' husbands, Robert Savage the husband of Ann, and Christopher Nottingham the husband of Prescilla, and their children. There is some suspicion of the probity of Christopher and he will forfeit some of the money if he proves laggardly in paying his debts.

Thomas owned a considerable amount of property in St Giles and with profits from these he wanted every year twenty yards of strong kersey in serviceable dark brown or

olive colour to be bought. The material was to be made into coats for ten fatherless children of the parish of St Giles, to be given to them at the beginning of November each year – and he requests that the lame Mary Cooke and Margery Bembridge are among the children selected. He also leaves money for bread for the poor. But it is the next request that will interest Leicestershire readers; he gives and bequeathes “unto the parish of Mountsorrel wherein I was born the sum of ten pounds in trust to be by them put forth and disposed of for the yearly benefit of the poor of the said parish...” £10 is to be spent on bread for twenty-four poor people of the parish. I have tried to discover whether this ceremony is still performed, but no one is prepared to say. And I also gather that during restoration of Mountsorrel parish church the charities and benefits notice has been lost from the church.

One minor request is interesting: Cousin Hugh was to be given £30 to purchase a frame on which to make silk stockings and Captain Salter was to advise him on the choice of the frame. The art of making silk stockings had been known for a hundred years, but they were still an expensive item of dress.

The importance of the executors of the will passed me by at first. They were Mr Thomas Grimshaw, Mr Thomas Sturges, Mr John Fine, and the surprise, Mr Richard Edlyn. *The Dictionary of National Biography* says of Mr Edlyn that “He practised his noble science in new buildings in Sugar Loaf Court.....from the style of his writing he must have been a more than ordinarily literate knave.” In other words, he was an astrologer and fortune-teller; in those uncertain days such men flourished, but I would not have expected such as Thomas Goddard to be friends with one!

Finally, perhaps we can judge Thomas Goddard to have been a kindly and generous man, for besides the coats for the orphans, he left an old suit of clothes for “Nurse Dickinson”, and others for his wife’s kinsman in St Bartholomew’s Hospital. Clothes in those days were made to last and were often handed on or down, but it was a kind gesture all the same. Besides being an able man, I think Thomas must have been a very thoughtful and generous one. If any of the readers of this article knows anything more about this Goddard family I would be very grateful to hear of it.

Patrick Goddard of Plymouth has compiled a very large family tree of Leicestershire Goddards from the fifteenth century to the present day and has made a tentative suggestion as to Thomas Goddard’s ancestors. He also has information on families which married into the Goddards; Beeson, Hemingway, Marriot and Sharpe – and also my Siddons family as far back as 1663 in Ibstock.

CAN YOU HELP?

Maxine Cadzow of 109 Winona Road, Mt Eliza, Victoria 3930, Australia, who writes: “My Goddards are an elusive lot who seem determined to remain hidden from me. It is time to throw my family names into the Goddard melting pot to see if a bit of stirring brings the odd one to the surface. My George Goddard was born in Bath, Somerset about 1858. He was the son of George Goddard and Ann Dainton. This couple already had a son Albert born about 1855. It is likely that young George had a twin sister Emily Jane. There may have been other children but I haven’t found them to date. Around 1860 George and Ann gathered up their family and moved to the Paddington area of Middlesex. George had been a stone cutter in Bath, but I don’t know how he earned his living after the move. In due course young George became a painter and decorator, and married Lucy Alice Busby at Holy Trinity, Paddington in 1880. His big brother Albert had married an Irish lass, Bridget Reardon from Limerick, in the same church in 1876. Albert was also a painter and decorator. Here are the families of the two brothers and sister:

Albert and Bridget had the following children: 1876 Selina and Ann (twins), 1878 George, 1880 Albert, 1883 Henry, 1886 Mabel. Bridget died before the 1901 census, possibly in 1899.

Young George Goddard and Lucy Busby had the following children: 1881 Florence Louise, 1885 Maud Alice (known as Mabel), 1887 Beatrice, 1888 Harold George, 1890 Jeanette, 1892 William, 1893 Arthur Charles (known as Dick and also my father), 1895 Olive Constance, 1896 George, 1899 Horace, 1903 Theresa.

Emily Jane married a gent called Hilbert Thomas Hale and they had these children: 1888 Hilbert, 1891 Gertrude, 1893 Ethel, and maybe more. This came from the invaluable 1901 census, and I link this family to mine as one of George’s children, Beatrice, was listed as a niece staying with the Hales.

My father was secretive about his family and strangely he made a mystery trip to New Zealand in his old age in the 1970s. He declined to discuss this trip, so I hope it was to make a connection with a family member whose descendants might be reading this in 2004. (I should be so lucky!) Somehow all my Goddards seem to have evaporated along the way and I have had no luck in tracing any of the above other than my father who came to Australia in 1913 and married here in South Australia in 1916. I must have dozens of cousins and second cousins somewhere out there.....are you one of them?

Patricia Kearns, via John of Accrington, to trace descendants of Edward John Goddard, b. 1876 and living in Windsor in 1901. She knows of several photos that appear to be of this Goddard family and would be glad to hear from anyone who could help to identify them.

THE GODERVILLE CONNECTION

I am grateful to Elsie Gibbs, whom members of longer standing will remember kindly hosted the 1996 AGM at Sheldon Manor, for picking up on the Goderville story in the last Newsletter. She writes: "Thank you so much for the last Goddard Association Newsletter, which had what was for me the very exciting news of Anne Offor's Goderville researches. I emailed her as soon as I could and had such a kind reply, and it has inspired me to get together all my Sheldon researches and to start to put them in order. It seems to me that there might be a distinct possibility that our Sir Walter de Goderville (who was granted the Manor of Chippenham, Sheldon and Lowden by Henry III in 1231) may have been a direct descendant of Godard de St Leger, Lord of Goderville. Sir Walter came to England with Falkes de Breaté, and Breaté is only a few miles from Goderville. He married as his second wife Hilary de Malesmains and it was the de Malesmains family just about then who held Ulcombe in Kent, mentioned by Anne as held by Geoffrey de St Leger's father. So plenty to go on with!" Can anyone else take this any further?

CIRCUS ENTERTAINER

A Paul Goddard we have not heard of before: as 'Professor Crump' he is a children's circus entertainer. In a brief article in the 16 April edition of *World's Fair*, he is described as "the nicest person and kids' entertainer" you could wish to meet. This snippet has come to me via Julie of Newbury from a pen friend who is a circus enthusiast.

LUCKY OR LATE?

Ian of Balcatta has recently found a forgotten document amongst his papers. Unfortunately it dates from 1 November 1980, so you could be too late. It did not apply to him so he did nothing further about it. It came from Dr Arnold A. Levin, Jnr, Counsellor at Law of 510 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10036. It reads as follows: "I represent certain next of kin in an Estate now pending in the United States. We are trying to locate on the Goddard side of the family, certain heirs who might have a claim, with others, to the assets now in the Estate. In particular, I am looking for the descendants of: Silas George Goddard, Robert Henry Goddard, Tom Edwards Goddard, Emily Mary Goddard and William John Goddard who were born between 1863 and 1879 in Wiltshire and Dorset, England. They were children of Henry Goddard, a Carpenter, and Emily Mary Goddard, née Edwards, his wife. If you have any knowledge of any member of this family, please write to me at my above address, giving me the facts of your parentage and the names of your grandparents. I obtained your name from the Electoral Rolls. Thank you for your assistance."

ANONYMOUS PAPERS

At the AGM Brian was handed several papers, but has no idea from whence they came and there are no identifying names on them. They are:

Medway Marriage Index 1559-1812,

A Descendants Chart beginning "William Goddard (1810)" with Pershore, Wednesbury and Reading among the places the family lived.

Some hand written charts of Goddard families who lived in Suffolk, Sussex and Chatham.

Please will whoever handed them in identify themselves to me.

Julie of Newbury

POET LAUREATE

In Birmingham at the end of June my wife picked up a brochure for Birmingham Museums and Art Gallery, detailing forthcoming events for 2004. On 14 May – sadly already past – there was an afternoon of poetry, a recital by local people together with Birmingham's Poet Laureate, Roz Goddard.

CHURCH OF FOOLS

Stephen Goddard, who founded the very popular shipoffools.com website a few years ago (see Newsletters 56 & 61) has been in the news again. The world's first cyber pulpit, Church of Fools, part of the same internet site and sponsored by the Methodist Church, had to be shut down after only a week as too many people were logging in as Satan and placing obscenities. Stephen, a spokesman for the cyber chapel, drew an analogy with John Wesley, the eighteenth century founder of Methodism, who was sworn and spat at in his early days of preaching, but triumphed in the end. "At least we know we are not preaching to the converted," Stephen said. I am grateful to Ted Marshall of Nottingham for this piece in a recent edition of *The Times*.

OBESITY

Obesity has been very much in the news in recent months as lack of exercise, watching too much TV and unhealthy eating habits take their toll on the nation's youth. Denise of Solihull has kindly sent me a cutting from a May edition of the *Solihull News*, which highlights the link between obesity and type 2 diabetes. Dr Pippa Goddard is a Dorridge based clinical biochemist working at Birmingham Childrens Hospital, and she has spoken out about the dangers in store for obese children.

NEW MEMBERS

A warm welcome to those new members who have joined the Association since the last Newsletter:

Mrs Sandra Kaye Gill, 3 Brighton Close, Geraldton, Western Australia 6530.
Mr Paul Frank Goddard, 1 Moondara Drive, Bangalee, New South Wales 2541, Australia.
Mr Reg G.D. Goddard, Tree Tops, Camrose, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA62 6HG.
Mr Robert Geoffrey & Mrs Jane E. Goddard, P.O. Box 947, Morley, W. Australia 6943.
Mr Henry C. Morgan, 6 Conyers, Wymondham, Norfolk, NR18 0TE.
Mr Roger Sayer, 31 Grampian Way, Oakham, Rutland, LE15 6NX.
Mrs Glennis Wade, 8 Tidmarsh Street, Reading, Berkshire, RG30 1HX.

LETTERS TO AMERICA

Joan translates the penultimate sentence as: "Nellie (Ellen) is in service. Her Lady has given her three weeks holiday and she has gone to Lincolnshire."

The next: "Foord Road June 30 1919

My Dear son

and daughter. I have not received a letter from you for 5 weeks and that one was dated the 7 of may so it is 8 weeks since my last letter left you I do hope you are all keeping well and that you are all right. I sent the few German bits that Fred got a month ago I hope you got them it was not much but it was all I could get. It is a blessing that peace is sined isent it the peapel went mad in the streets on Satarday and the sirens went for nearly half an hour the one on the baths is so close to us that the noise is deffing the town is bedecked with flags yesterday was thanksgiving sunday I went to church the servis was verry Butifull.

I do hope the Germans will act up to what they have sined. We are all well hear thank god and hope you are the same. I hope you got my letter saing I got your photos all right and your pleased we all was with them. now with much love to Alta and the chirldring and the same to your self your loving mother C. Goddard.

thanks be to god how giveth us Victory"

And again: "65 Foord Road, Folkestone 1920

My dear son

and daughter I received a letter from you yesterday the first for a month so I was thankfull to hear that you was all keeping well as I am better myself then when I last rote to you and all the rest are well except poor Emily Freds wife she is verry ill with a quinsy throat she as been bad for som time I feel quite worred a bout her with all them littel chidring. The strike ondley lasted a week but Fred and Jack lost a weeks work over it. Kate and Jack are given to London for a few days on Saturday Jack gets a weeks holada with a free pass so they are given to see Louisa.

Kathleen [Louisa's daughter] is in a office as a short hand tigest and gets £1.10 a week. Mabell is still at the Harber telgraph office and gets on very nicely.

I sopose you got my letter telling you Sams girls getting married.

We have some nice weather lately bright and sonniedays and cold nights.

I think this is all this time so with my dearest love to Alta and the chirldring tell me how old thay are now. with much love to your self your loving mother C Goddard."

And the last: "65 Foord Road. 14 Feb 1921

My dear son

and daughter I thought I would right a few lines to let you know I received your letter and to say how thankfull I was to hear and to know your hand was not trubeling



In the last Newsletter I transcribed the first of the five letters from Joan Dibble's great great grandmother to her son who had emigrated to America. Here, with characteristic spelling, lack of punctuation and interesting social history, are the others: "Foord Road, Folkestone, Kent. June 2 1919.

My Dear son

and Daughter I received a letter from you last week and it was thankfull to hear that you was all keeping well you do not say if you have got work I do hope you have for I am afraid given in to the army as been a great loss to you I hope you got my letter saing received the Photos all right and how Pleased we was with them also saying young Jack as got home he is looking better then he was when he forst arived the War Office as aloued him a penchon of 10 shillings a week for 6 months for his health to improve I hope he will be stronger in that time Dear Bert I have sent the first few bits that we got it was no youse waiting anne longer as things are not to be got

Walter Philpot came home yesterday from France he is looking well. I am better then I was last week when I rote to you all the rest are well.

Nellie is given for her hoada this week her Ladie as given her 3 weeks she is given to Linking Shear. Now with much love to Alta and the chirldring and the same to your self your lovin mother C. Goddard"

you much and to hear that you was all well you did not say if you ad a happy xma but I hope you did.

I am still not verry well myself I have been verry poorley for some time all the rest are well thank god except poor Emely she dos not get anny better she as taken to her Bead again now she looks like a Block of marbull and almost skeleton it is a year come march she as taken ill it is enemick blood I am so sorry for her husband he is a nice young man and most kind to her. We have ad it verry cold for some time but to day is a nice bright day now with much love to Alta and the chirdring and the same to your self your loving mother
C Goddard

4 years ago to day Alf Sheen died."

Charlotte Ann Goddard, née Page, widow of Frederick Steed Goddard, general labourer, died on 27 July 1921 at 49 St Johns Street, Folkestone, (her daughter Louisa's house) aged 79 years. Two more letters to Bertram belong to the series, both written on black-edged mourning paper, as was the fashion in those days. The first is from his sister Louisa (famous as the widow of the police sergeant murdered at Houndsditch – see Newsletter 51) and her daughter Kathleen at 49 St Johns Street: "July 31st

My dear Bert

I hope you received our cable telling you our dear mother had passed away, it was just a little before 12 o'clock on the night of July 27th, we could see her getting weaker every day and it was marvellous how she existed so long on the little sips she was able to take. She was perfectly conscious till the end & about 11.30 she looked up and told us to go to bed. That had been one of her great troubles during her illness that she would keep us from our rest. We never sat up with her, because when bed time came she was so anxious for us to go to bed but one or the other was in and out of her room during the night, & if I sat beside her for a little while she would always say "go back to bed" & dear Bert last Sunday evening we were all sitting with her & she had been dozing a little then she roused up and beckoned me to her bedside & said "give my dying love to Bert, he came and looked over me just now" I said "yes mother & he is sure to be thinking of you" The end was quite peaceful, she was very restless all day, she said she was not in any pain but so weary & every now and then she prayed to be taken, but at the last after she had told us to go to bed she settled her head on the pillow and gradually went in her sleep. We laid her to rest with father yesterday (Saturday) it was a beautiful summer day, and it was mother's wish for Mr Camb???? to carry out the arrangements & St Johns clergyman to take the service. We were afraid that there would be a difficulty about the latter as mother had left that parish but it was all

arranged just as mother would have liked. We took her in to St Johns church and Mr Low conducted the service, everything went off quite satisfactory & our only regret was that you were unable to be with us. There was beautiful flowers for her & I put your name with mine as I was one alone of course. Bert don't please think of sending money for it but I knew you would have wished me to do so, it was a lovely cushion of white flowers with mother in mauve flowers. There were photographs taken, so I hope to send you some later on. Now dear Bert try to think as we do that mother has been spared much suffering as we know with her complaint & great age she could not have good health again & we know she is at rest. I will write again very soon of business arrangements, but I can't go with it just now. Please give my love to dear Alta & kisses to the children.

Lou and Kath"

Nell has added a note to Lou's letter: "All here & all join with me in fondest love to you all. Your other sister Nell."

And the last letter is from the same Nell Goddard of 21 Terlingham Gardens, Folkestone, to her brother, Bertram Charles Goddard, in Olathe, Colorado, seen below in US Air Force flying gear in a photograph taken in 1919 at the time of the first letter. I will print the last letter in the next Newsletter.





Some of the members assembled on the lawn prior to the meeting – Photo by John of Accrington

The eighteenth AGM of the Association was held at Purton near Swindon on Sunday 16 May; 33 members were present, including our New Zealand co-ordinator, Julie of Christchurch. After a welcome from the President, apologies were tendered. The Minutes of the last year's meeting were approved and signed; there were no matters arising.

Treasurer John gave his report, indicating the healthy state of the Association's finances with an excess of income over expenditure on the year of just over £300 and a balance of assets at just under £13,000. He was thanked for all his hard work over the year. Brian then gave the Research Co-ordinators' Report, and this is to be found in full on the next page.

There followed the election of officers. Richard, Eileen and John of Shrewsbury were returned unanimously as President, Secretary and Treasurer respectively. Brian and Philip were re-elected to serve on the Executive Committee.

Under any other business the President raised the question as to where the Association's records should ultimately be deposited, and the Committee's concern as to who would take over if present Committee members were not able to continue. Members were asked to consider these points and to advise of any willingness to volunteer. The matter of ease of access of the website was also raised.

It was agreed that the next AGM should be held on

either 15 or 22 May 2005 at a venue to be announced but which would be in a northern location.

Patron Peter, in his usual kind expression of thanks to the Committee, wondered if they ought to worry too much about the immediate future, since Goddard genes were evidently strong, given the presence of Mildred Jeanie Goddard who would celebrate her one hundredth birthday in three months time.

This was followed by the announcement of the winner of the Howard Goddard-Jones Memorial for 2004. This presented the President with something of a dilemma, since the winner was most unexpectedly present but the item for presentation was not. Indeed, had the President not been so busy the previous week, it would already have been in the post to New Zealand. For the Committee had decided to make the award to Julie of Christchurch, the Association's co-ordinator there, for all her work over many years. She had surprised us all by appearing from New York just prior to the meeting. She was too amazed to respond other than to say she was glad the President did not have the inscribed paper-weight (for that was the item) with him as she had no wish to cart it round Europe for the next fifteen weeks!

There was then a brief question and answer session on aspects of genealogical research, after which tea and biscuits were served. A raffle of many items generously donated by members raised £55 which, as always, went towards defraying the day's expenses.

RESEARCH CO-ORDINATORS REPORT FOR 2003-04

The impression is that it has been another busy year; whether it really has, or whether the fact that we are a year older has something to do with it, is something to think about. Additionally, family commitments have taken a significant upturn.

We would estimate that over 75% of our enquiries now come through e-mail. It is appreciated we live in the so-called 'Silicon Valley' and many local inhabitants work in 'IT' and who regard having a computer and associated wizardry to be essential, but we are now finding that people of all ages and in many parts of the world have a computer and access to e-mail and the steadily increasing number of genealogical files which are on the World Wide Web. Having said that, we buy C4 envelopes by the pack of 100 and smaller ones by the 1000.

Over the year we have represented the Goddard Association with a GAE stand at the Kintbury History Exhibition; the Wiltshire Family History Open Day at Swindon; taken coffee with Mr Marreco at Aldbourne, Wiltshire, to discuss a possible museum in the village; and had visits from several members to see archives. Many visits have been made to Berkshire, Hampshire and Wiltshire Record Offices. Jennifer Walker obtained a copy, on CD, of the eighteenth century Recipe Book by one Edward Goddard of Savernake, outside Marlborough (Wiltshire Record Office ref. 9/35/17). We will make a CD copy for members who might be interested. We have also written several articles, for and about the GAE, during the year; the next to be published will be in *Practical Family History* and is about the Goddards as a 'One Name Study' and the work of the GAE.

Several members have made great strides with their Wiltshire/Berkshire/Hampshire family tree; this is shedding new light on the very prolific Goddard family originating from around Pewsey, Wiltshire. And we now have linked seven members of the Goddards who use Boaz as a male first name, and they are combining their researches into their tree which is based in the Vale of the White Horse in Berkshire/Oxfordshire. Patrick Goddard has sent in a very large tree of a family of Leicestershire Goddards, but has had to resign himself to discovering that he is not descended from the nobility! Find a Goddard who is! Two researchers have been put in touch with each other, one has photographs of a Windsor Goddard family who moved to Bath, and the other is the Bath family who had no idea that the photographs existed.

This year's monograph comes as a complete surprise, at least to me as the editor and for once the writer, as it relates to a family of Goddards along the borders of

Berkshire and Hampshire and Surrey, while it had been intended that it should relate to the Market Harborough and Leicestershire Goddards. But I got side-tracked. I, like several other researchers, could not believe that the Holland and Samuel Goddards found in the Leicestershire branch were not related to those of the same name found in the North Hampshire branch. However, after combining seven or eight trees gathered over the years into one tree, which presently identifies over 800 persons and showing, beyond reasonable doubt, that the two branches are unrelated, I decided that I ought to publish my findings on the North Hampshire branch. This was really because too much time had been spent chasing shadows to complete the Leicestershire monograph in time for it to be published for the AGM this year.

So the document this year relates to one of the several families who live on the borders of Berkshire, Hampshire and Surrey. This year it is less of a monograph and more in the best traditions of a "Flat pack DIY kit", with many of the pieces missing and of those pieces that are there, they don't fit together very well. Do not look for a monograph next year; I am expecting to be poached by IKEA or MFI any day now! But thanks to the valiant work of David Goddard, Ernest Goddard and Iris Trunley, I give you "Yateley, Cove and Farnborough Issue 2004" (obtainable from Richard of Malvern, address on p.8). Next year "Market Harborough and Leicester", I hope.

It is the intention over the next twelve months to convert all the previous monographs into an electronic form such that they can be not only "Printed on Demand" but, also for computer users, made available on CDs. Additionally all the monographs could also be made available on the website, if that is what the customer requires.

There is an ulterior motive to this rework, to make this aspect of our work easy to hand over to a successor. Both Julie and I are another year nearer the time when we shall perhaps have to "downsize" and move from our present house, where the dining room has been turned into an office, into something much smaller. Every year we accumulate more Goddard paperwork, more files, more notebooks (remember, we have fifteen years worth of files now over-filling one filing cabinet) and one day – perhaps suddenly – we may no longer be able to continue running the co-ordination. We think that the GAE members must give this some consideration and take action before the inevitable event. The question we must ask is: "What is to be done with all the papers and documents that we and other members have when these can no longer be kept by the present owner?"

Brian & Julie of Newbury

HONOURS

A Goddard was honoured in the Queen's Birthday honours: Arthur Roy Goddard received the MBE for services to health, education and the community in Exeter. Our warmest congratulations to him.

THE TEMPLE LEGACY

Stephen Goddard of Buckhurst Hill has written a monograph considering the longlasting influence of the Temples, father and son, on the Church of England. Tracing the personal biographies of Frederick and William Temple in turn, he reveals two far-thinking churchmen – ahead of their time in different centuries – whose thinking is still relevant to the Church's ongoing evolution. 'Frederick had the task of leading the Church out of what could perhaps be described as the dead orthodoxy of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries into the Victorian era. William similarly had to lead the Church out of a Victorian wilderness into the modern era.' His fifty page work, *The Temple Legacy*, is occasional paper 31 and is available from The William Temple Foundation, Luther King House, Manchester, M14 5JP, priced £4.

SPOKESWOMAN

The spokeswoman for the Royal Berkshire Ambulance service is Julie Goddard – no, not our Julie of Newbury as she hastens to point out!

PROFESSOR PETER GODDARD

Professor Peter Goddard, whose potted biography appeared in Newsletter 59, is on the move again. He has recently been appointed Director of the Institute of Advanced Studies at Princeton.

MANYDOWN MANOR

There is a review of a new book in the *Hampshire Family Historian* for June 2004 which may interest the several members whose Goddards come from the Silchester and Wootton St Lawrence area of Hampshire: *The History of the Manor of Manydown, Volume I 1800-1900 by Ken Smallbone, Part I The Tithing and Parish of Wootton St Lawrence*. The review says, "The bulk of the book proceeds by taking us on a detailed journey around the area under each sub-tithing to visit the 200 individual properties held by the manor in 1844". There is mention of William Allen (who married a Goddard) and Daniel Goddard amongst the wealth of information said to be contained in the book – but the writer says that this is only a summary of what he has left so far unpublished. The drawback is that the book is priced at £35! Members who are interested might find it cheaper to employ a researcher to look at the book in the Hampshire Record Office (who surely will buy a copy). The writer's e-mail address is <Ksmallbone@aol.com> Julie of Newbury

HOWARD GODDARD-JONES MEMORIAL



The President and Julie of Christchurch, our New Zealand co-ordinator, at the AGM – but minus the presentation paperweight! The photograph was taken by John of Accrington.

ROBERT GODDARD

Play to the End is the latest Robert Goddard thriller with, as always, an intricate plot. Set in and around Brighton, it relates to actor Toby Flood and his estranged wife Jenny. Once you have picked it up you will, also as always, have difficulty in putting it down again until you have read it to the end!

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