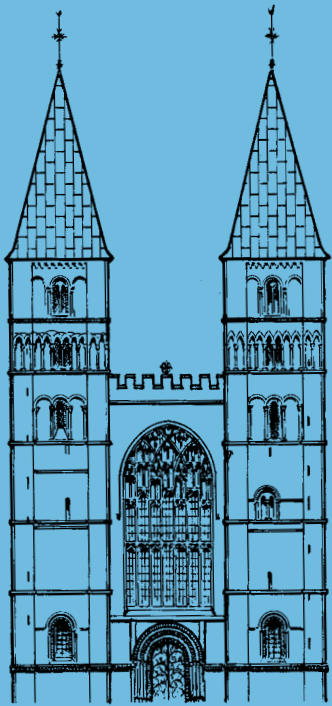


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Within a matter of weeks the Friends of Southwell Cathedral discovered that they were losing both their President and the Chairman of the Council.

We shall greatly miss the involvement of the Rt Revd Paul Butler who in his short time in office has been an engaged and hospitable President. We are nonetheless delighted that his talents have been recognised by his appointment to succeed Archbishop Justin Welby as Bishop of Durham, one of the five senior sees in the Church of England with an automatic seat in the House of Lords. We wish both him and Rosemary a rewarding time in the next few years following their departure from Bishop's Manor in November.



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FAREWELLS



This announcement was rapidly followed by the news of the retirement of the Very Revd John Guille after seven years as Dean. More will be said in the next issue of *Pepperpots*, but between now and May 2014 there is ample time to reflect on the wide-ranging and effective contribution which both he and Sue have made in Southwell, not least their commitment to all aspects of the Friends' work.

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BRIAN WHITEHOUSE 1932-2013

We record with sadness the death of Brian Whitehouse on 17 August 2013 at the age of 81. He had been a familiar figure at the Minster over a long period, always ready to allow his multiple range of skills to be drawn upon for the benefit of the building, the congregation and the Friends, accompanied by common sense and a twinkling eye. We offer our sympathy to his family, especially to his wife, Christine, an ever-present support, who in fact succeeded him in one of his many roles – as Hon. Librarian of the Minster.

He had been a member of the Friends' Council for the past twenty years, always valued for his well informed and thoughtful advice. The Council also appreciated his willingness on numerous occasions to represent the Southwell Friends at national conferences, usually accompanied by Christine.

At his funeral in the Minster on 28 August the address given by the Dean, the Very Revd John Guille, included the following extracts:

I count it a huge privilege to be able to share in this service for Brian and to have had the privilege of knowing him for just over six years. While I can speak of my own association with Brian, just as everyone present will have their own memories and thanksgivings, I am deeply indebted to Christine and members of the family in providing me with additional background information and anecdotes.

Brian's final illness was in the end quite short, but as ever was born with fortitude and complete trust in the life hereafter through the resurrection of Christ himself. Brian thought about this service and in discussion with Canon Nigel requested that we use part of Milton's poem *Lycidas* and the hymn 'He who would valiant be', the words of which in each case, I suggest, take us to the heart and mind of Brian. All tasks were done with kindness and quiet generosity; he was a dutiful, principled man who helped others in their careers, polite, with a pleasant sense of humour.

In the last few days of his life Brian experienced strange dreams. In one of them, railway lines were leading to a building that was at the same time a church and a signal box combined. We can notice, of course, that both church and signal box help us to travel in the right direction, and that these two aspects of the one building express Brian's lifelong great interests, the railway and the church.

After military service, and three years at Selwyn College, Cambridge, Brian's career as a chartered civil engineer for British Railways took him to, for example, Preston, North Wales, London, Glasgow and the whole of Scotland, which he loved

dearly, and finally to Nottingham and Derby. In retirement he continued his enthusiasm for railway signalling, begun as a boy, by working as a volunteer signaller on the Severn Valley Railway and he regularly met railway colleagues at monthly meetings of the 'Euston Troupe' (representatives are here today) and at the 'Office Meeting' of retired colleagues. I know that members of the family are also comforted to see here members of the Probus club (Brian was chair last year), members of the 'Chaps' lunch' from Epperstone and members of the Minster community who are being so supportive.

The other love represented in the dream is of the life of the church and church architecture, mainly shown in a life of prayerfulness and a search for wisdom. He served here in the Minster as a sidesman, churchwarden, bellringer, steward, a member of the Cathedral Friends' Council, librarian, as well as being father of a former chorister, Edmund, and of a server, Marion, who is now a server at Winchester, keeping up the Southwell-Winchester links.

'In my beginning is my end'. The last anecdote which Brian was able to relate was inspired by an article about the history of the Scout campsite at Kandersteg in Switzerland. (Vincent Ashwin had kindly sent this.) Brian told of the crowded rail journey there as a scout in the 1940s, of standing in the corridor beside the Chief Scout and of the influential leadership of his own scoutmaster, Chris King, who had encouraged a disciplined and religious life.

This had been a great experience for a boy who had lived through the war years, having been born in Croydon but moving several times with his parents and sister Stella to avoid the bombing. An anecdote frequently told in the family is of the four of them sitting under the dining room table in their home at Barrow-in-Furness as the bombs brought the soot cascading down the chimney; of fleeing to the air-raid shelter to the amazement of the people already there who saw four soot-blackened figures arriving – Brian and Christine later met someone who remembered this.

In our reading from St. John's Gospel Jesus was in conversation with his disciples and he said to them: 'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my father's house there are many dwelling places' and 'I go to prepare a place for you. I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the

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DEAN'S COLUMN

Dean John writes-

This Summer

Once again we were blessed with a wonderful day for our Friends' Festival in June. I'm told that it was the largest attendance in living memory! It certainly was a joyous occasion. David Baldwin, Sergeant of the Vestry at St James's Palace, gave a most stimulating talk and, although we were unable to hold our Annual General Meeting as originally planned in the new Jubilee House (because the work had not been completed), this did not prevent us from all having a good time. The Dean of Peterborough preached in his usual challenging and amusing style and I have already been able to book Jubilee House as a venue for our Annual General Meeting next year. It is a splendid building including some very interesting sculptures by local artists and an attractive new chapel. I thought it would be really good if the Cathedral Friends could see these new diocesan offices.

Cathedral Choral Foundation

Many of you as individuals have kindly supported the Chapter's Choral Foundation Appeal. Our target is £50,000 and I'm pleased to record that at the time of writing we are hovering at the £40,000 mark.

Archbishops' Palace Project update

As you read this issue of Pepperpots contractors should be on site starting the work to stabilise the ruins of the Archbishops' Palace (adjacent to the Minster building). Shortly they move into the Great Hall building itself and begin the ground work to create the new Education Garden to the east of the gable end. Many thanks again to all Friends who, as individuals, contributed toward the funding we had to find to partner our £1-million-plus grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund. We now look to the reopening – hopefully in late spring 2014 – and seek kind individuals to volunteer their time and expertise to ensure we 'hit the ground running'. A leaflet is enclosed telling you more about this but, as an example, we are producing new guide leaflets to the Palace – and these will need translating into foreign languages. Equally, the new garden will need those with green fingers to nurse it along, particularly during the first few years. The Lottery is particularly keen on volunteering so, if you think you can help out, we'd love to hear from you!

Projects

The work on the north porch is now almost complete. As is often the case with these things there was a minor hiccup and we had to change contractors at the

last minute. However, the final result is splendid. The ledger stone which was moved from the outer porch is now re-sited near to the vergers' vestry and, therefore, visible to all our visitors. Unfortunately our public-address system has had to be updated from VHF to UHF and this has also meant more expense (approximately £10,000). The Cathedral boilers have also been replaced at a cost of £92,000 and I am grateful to the Friends for a grant towards this work of £10,000. Without the support of the Cathedral Friends such projects as these would simply not be possible. Sincere thanks.

Brian Whitehouse

It saddens me to report the death of Brian, a long-serving member of the Council of the Friends. It was a great privilege for me to be able to take his funeral service and the address given at the service appears on page 2. Our thoughts and prayers continue to be with Christine and members of their family.

The Friends' visits to Westminster and Windsor were a huge success and we now look forward to our visit to Sandringham in April. I record my thanks to Sue Hopkin and her committee for arranging these visits.

As always don't forget you can keep up to date with our events and services on the Minster website: www.SouthwellMinster.org.uk

Every blessing
John.

New Friends

We warmly welcome the following Friends who have joined recently:

Mr & Mrs M.E.Bates	Prof. E.Murdoch
Mr P.R.Cook &	Mr & Mrs F.A.B.Newenham
Mrs M.L.Parejo-Rivera	Mr & Mrs C G J Oldershaw
Mr G.F.M.Dukes	Mr I.C.Robinson
Mrs H.Gillitt	Mrs E.Taylor
Mr & Mrs B.Goodman	Mrs L.J.Wardle
Miss D.Lyon	Miss C.R.Whitt
Ms M.F.Maunder	

BRIAN WHITEHOUSE—

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place where I am going'. I am always thankful for Thomas who then said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' to which Jesus replied in those now famous words, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me'. I suggest it is good to know that the disciples themselves needed reassurance about life after death and, like them before us, this truth and hope I trust reassures us. One letter of condolence described Brian as 'a calm intelligent presence'. May that presence rest in peace and rise in glory.

FRIENDS' FESTIVAL 2013

Photograph by Mary Stacey



ELIZABETH GIBSON has attended many annual festivals and here offers her impressions of the latest one.

The Festival and Annual General Meeting in 2013 took place on 16 June, on a day that resembled April rather than June. However, the programme turned out to be well planned in order to avoid most of the showers and those who 'did' the full day's activities were not rained on when moving from one venue to the next.

As always now, the Dean and his wife invited us to coffee in the Residence and made us all most welcome. Cups of tea and coffee were served and as the crowd grew the noise level rose as old friends were greeted and news of the past year exchanged. The garden was looking beautiful in the sunlight and many people drifted out to enjoy it.

Next it was time to go into the Minster for an interesting illustrated talk given by David Baldwin, Sergeant of the Vestry at the Chapel Royal. This was set up in 1312 as a body of men and boys who travelled with the Sovereign in order to provide music during services held for the monarch. They did not have a fixed home and were part of the Royal Household. By the 17th century they had been given a chapel of their own within the Palace of Whitehall – the home of the King.

Unfortunately the chapel burnt down in 1698 and four years later they moved permanently (when in London) to their present home in St James's Palace. Each weekend they still sing at services, which are open to the public, and the Queen and her family have services there when they are not out of London. We are used to seeing them singing at state occasions such as the Diamond Jubilee service to celebrate the accession of the Queen in 1952 and at the Cenotaph service on Remembrance Sunday, where their Tudor robes always cause comment.

After questions from the audience it was time for lunch. Many people took advantage of the reserved tables in the refectory or elsewhere with friends and

exchanged news. The Dean had kindly given out entry passes to the exhibition sponsored by the Friends in the chapter house, 'Labour of love: embroidery's tribute', which commemorated the Queen's coronation. I much enjoyed this, as I do some embroidery myself. The work which had gone into the items on display was amazing and it was lovely to be able to 'get up close'. There was also modern work by children from local schools with help from the Minster's Needlecraft Guild.

The 'star exhibit' was one of the dresses worn by the maids of honour at the coronation in 1953 which was moving on to Buckingham Palace for the annual exhibition in the Queen's Gallery. The Queen had also lent one of her ball gowns. Also on display were wonderful church vestments used at coronation services, such as the one lent by the Dean and Chapter of York, which was worn at the coronation of George III in 1760, and the one worn by our own Bishop Ridding at the coronation of Edward VII in 1902.

At 2.00pm the Friends re-assembled in the nave for the AGM. As usual this went smoothly and was followed by tea. This was served in the crossing because the new Jubilee House had not been finished and handed over in time to welcome us.

It was soon time for Festal Evensong when the preacher was the **Dean of Peterborough (the Very Revd Charles Taylor)**. Brief extracts from his sermon follow:

'Lift up your eyes and look around' in Isaiah 60.

When you visit a cathedral or another such church open regularly to the public, your perambulation of the interior may well be interrupted by a call to prayer. The perception that some have of our historic cathedrals simply as monuments, museums or, as we say nowadays, 'heritage', is not uncommon. And the image of their existence as dry, dusty and out of touch with the world at large would almost certainly have been reinforced for any casual visitor fifty years ago.

Yet in the last thirty to forty years, most if not all the

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- 7.30 a.m. Morning Prayer and the Litany (BCP)
- 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)
- 9.30 a.m. Family Eucharist (CW1)
- 11.15 a.m. Sung Eucharist (BCP)
- 3.30 p.m. Evensong/Evening Prayer (BCP)

MONDAY

- 8.30 a.m. Morning Prayer (CW)
- 9.00 a.m. Holy Communion (CW1) *Sacrista Prebend*
- 5.45 p.m. Evensong/Evening Prayer (BCP)

TUESDAY

- 7.30 a.m. Holy Communion (CW1) *Pilgrims' Chapel*
- 8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer (CW)
- 5.45 p.m. Evensong/Evening Prayer (BCP)

WEDNESDAY

- 7.30 a.m. Holy Communion (CW1) *St Oswald's Chapel*
- 8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer (CW)
- 12.15 p.m. Holy Communion (CW1) *Sacrista Prebend*
- 5.45 p.m. Evensong/Evening Prayer (BCP)

THURSDAY

- 7.30 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP) *St Oswald's Chapel*
- 8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer (CW)
- 9.45 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP) *Airmen's Chapel*
- 12.30 p.m. Silence and Meditation *Pilgrims' Chapel*
- 5.45 p.m. Evensong/Evening Prayer (BCP)

FRIDAY

- 7.30 a.m. Holy Communion (CW1) *St Oswald's Chapel*
- 8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer (CW)
- 5.45 p.m. Evensong/Evening Prayer (BCP)

SATURDAY

- 8.30 a.m. Morning Prayer (CW)
- 9.00 a.m. Holy Communion (CW1) *Pilgrims' Chapel*
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On a lovely clear sunny day in July a group of Steeplepeople met up with Mandy, Robin and Kate who are volunteers with the Potwell Dyke Grasslands group to take a walk around the meadows and learn about the wild flowers that grow there. We like to visit the grasslands every few years to see what is blooming and what changes there have been since our last trip. We found a great many different flowers which we could identify using a photo chart that our guides provided. We saw yellow rattle, ragged robin, burdock and many others but the highlight was a pyramidal orchid that had only just come into flower.

After lunch in Trebeck Hall we began our craft

session, making wipe-clean memo boards decorated with cut out flowers from some old calendars. These were given to Steeplepeople by the Minster Shop some time ago and we have been waiting to use them! We mounted the pictures and a sheet of white paper on black paper, then laminated it so that a message could be written on it with a wipe-off pen. Everyone was pleased with the final result!

Our next activity day will be on Saturday 16 November and we would love to see both old and new members. If you would like to know more, please contact me on 01636 813248.

Vicki Loughton

FRIENDS' FESTIVAL 2013

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English cathedrals have been transformed from Barchester-like places of ease into lively centres of Christian worship and mission, to the extent that they have recently been variously described as 'flagships of the spirit', 'shop windows of the Church of England' and even 'supermarkets of religion'. Moreover, as our towns, cities and nation become ever more culturally diverse, cathedrals find themselves functioning as regional icons of identity for people of all faiths and people of none. This regeneration of cathedrals as centres of worship and mission, of cohesion and identity, is all the more remarkable when set against the numerical and financial decline of much of the rest of the Church in England and Western Europe. This suggests a life and a role far removed from the perception of cathedrals as monumental museums.

You might therefore be surprised to hear me say that the role, or rather one role, of a place such as

this is still that of the monument. *Si monumentum requiris, circumspice*. If you seek his monument, lift up your eyes and look around. By their very existence, through their history and heritage, by the daily round of worship and prayer, with the celebration of the sacraments and the Church's year, cathedrals today not only tell, but also serve to interpret and to shape the continually evolving Christian story, making the life of Christ visible.

And if this monumental ministry is to be sustained, develop and grow, as I believe it needs to in an increasingly diverse, secular and sometimes hostile world, then both the financial support and the active engagement of such groups as the Friends are absolutely vital. I wish you every blessing for your share in the ministry of all our cathedrals as centres of worship and mission, of community and identity: living monuments to the life and grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, the one true God who is with us all evermore. Amen.

OUT and ABOUT

Photographs by Mary Stacey

Right: Castle Acre Priory

Below: Sandringham



SUE HOPKIN, Events Secretary, looks ahead

Our visit to St George's Chapel, Windsor was a wonderful day. As always it was so good to have the Dean and Mrs Guille with us and we thank them for their amazing support. Our next event will be the last which they will share with us. It is a visit to Sandringham and Castle Acre on Thursday 3 April 2014. We have an interesting day lined up, but you must be aware that Sandringham House itself will be closed. We can have splendid views of it if we pay to go into the gardens and

museum which are open that day.

We shall leave Southwell from outside the Cathedral Shop at 8.00am. This early departure allows for what may be a slow journey to Norfolk. If it proves not to be, we shall have more time at Sandringham. The coach will drop us very close to the Visitor Centre which contains the restaurant and shops. Coffee will be available on our arrival.

It is possible to have a short or longer walk in the gardens. The museum is about 15 minutes from the entrance. Admission is extra: £8.00 each or £7.00 if more than 20 of us wish to enter*.

I have organised a two-course lunch for us at 12.45pm prompt with a vegetarian option. After that we shall visit the exquisite Sandringham Church where we shall be shown around by the Rector.

The afternoon continues with a drive to Castle Acre. There we shall be met by the Bishop of Lynn (the Rt Revd Jonathan Meyrick) who will take a service for us in the parish church after talking about Castle Acre Priory. He will then provide us with drinks before we leave**. We hope to reach Southwell between 8.00pm and 8.30pm.

The cost will be £30.00 to include coach, driver's tip and lunch. An application form is enclosed.

Please ring me on 01636 830446 if you have any queries.

Our next visit, 18 September 2014, will be to Taylor's bellfoundry in Loughborough. Full details in the next issue of *Pepperpots*.

Note

* If more than 20 wish to visit the gardens and museum, Malcolm Stacey will collect the money on the coach, if possible the right amount.

** As we shall be having a substantial lunch we shall not be stopping for tea, so you may wish to bring food and drink for the return journey.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

The visit to Westminster Abbey had been awaited with eagerness and it did not disappoint. Here two Friends recount their experiences from different angles.

Westminster Abbey is the embodiment of our heritage. This edifice stands witness to the greatest and most influential elements of our spiritual, constitutional and intellectual life across millennia. One Saturday in April the Friends were given a marvellous opportunity for a guided tour and to enjoy time in other parts of the abbey complex too. By kind permission of the Dean of Westminster we enjoyed lunch in Cheneygates, the medieval house of the abbots of Westminster, and also a tour of the Jerusalem Chamber.

At the heart of the abbey lies the tomb of Edward the

Confessor, its grey-green stones worn smooth and shiny as testimony of countless Christian pilgrims across the centuries. The opportunity to attend Evensong and to hear the choir and the Dean's reading of the Road to Emmaus were other special features of our visit.

Thus, a cold and unpromising 'spring' day turned out to be an occasion of terrific warmth, interest and pleasure. Grateful thanks are due to the Dean of Westminster and to our own Dean for his efforts in securing the visit and to Mrs Sue Hopkin, whose painstaking arrangements helped to make the day so very enjoyable.

Carole Ulanowsky-Rose

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WESTMINSTER ABBEY

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'Early to bed and early to rise, makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise'. This maxim was put to the test on Friday 26 April and Saturday 27 April when I had to get to Church Street, Southwell before 7.30 am in order to join the party of intrepid Friends taking part in the outing to Westminster Abbey. Sue Hopkin called the register and when all had answered 'present, Miss', we were able to depart and were very soon purring down the M1. The early start and the late finish meant that we had to have two drivers on board.

We enjoyed a very smooth and enjoyable ride, with one service-station stop, and sooner than anticipated (it seemed) we were driving through inner London. The famous street names came thick and fast and then, after a glimpse of Big Ben, Parliament Square and the sore thumb of the Queen Elizabeth Conference Centre, we'd arrived – 45 minutes early! Time for a stroll, then, before we were led into the Deanery for an excellent soup-and-sandwich lunch, after which our two lively guides appeared. Off we went in a genteel crocodile to the Abbey nave to begin our special tour.

The nave was teeming with people, but our two verger guides swiftly divided us into two groups and began the tours. They both displayed an aura of great authority and so, whenever we arrived at a stopping point, all the folk who were examining that particular artefact seemed to melt away and leave the field to us. We had to have our wits about us to keep up and I must confess that I did on one occasion find myself with the other group, albeit briefly.

We were privileged to get a close up of parts of the Abbey denied to ordinary visitors and it seemed that every step of the way we were walking through the history of England. Space does not permit even the briefest summary of the treasures that the Abbey holds, but the highlights for me were the chapel of Edward the Confessor, the Lady chapel and Poets' Corner.

The chapel containing the shrine of St Edward the Confessor is at the heart of the Abbey. Around it are the tombs of Henry III, Edward I, Eleanor of Castile, Edward III, Philippa of Hainault and Richard II with his queen, Anne of Bohemia. It was awe-inspiring merely to stand there.

The Lady chapel contains the tomb of Elizabeth I and her half-sister Mary Tudor. I had not known that the fiercely Catholic Mary and the pragmatically Protestant Elizabeth, who pursued such diametrically opposed policies in life, had been united in death by James I, who ordered this marble monument to be erected. On the base are the words: 'Partners in throne and grave, here we sleep, Elizabeth and Mary, sisters, in hope of the Resurrection'. Poets' Corner is in the south transept and the first person to



Lunch in the medieval setting of Cheneygates

Photograph by Mary Stacey

be buried there was Geoffrey Chaucer (honoured because he was Clerk of Works to the Palace of Westminster, not as the author of *Canterbury tales*). The alphabetical list of those commemorated illustrates the fact that, for some, fame does not endure.

After the tour of the Abbey we were shown to our reserved seats for Evensong and our two guides switched effortlessly into their verging duties. As soon as the service finished we were whisked off to the Deanery and the Dean (the Very Revd John Hall) showed us the three famous Chambers carrying the names Jerusalem, Jericho and Samaria. In 1413 Henry IV was taken ill in the Abbey as he prepared to journey to the Holy Land. Shakespeare gives us this exchange:

King: Doth any name particular belong unto the lodging where I first did swoon?"

Warwick: 'Tis called Jerusalem, my noble Lord.

King: Laud be to God. Even there my life must end. It hath been prophesied to me, many years, I should not die but in Jerusalem, which vainly I supposed the Holy Land. But bear me to that chamber; there I'll lie. In *that* Jerusalem shall Harry die.'

After a visit to the Abbey shop our coach arrived and we departed at about 5.30 pm. At such an hour, inevitably, progress was slow and, after taking the A1 route home, we arrived back in Church Street at about 10.00 pm, voicing grateful thanks to Sue for yet another fabulous trip.

So was I healthier, wealthier and wiser following my visit? Certainly not healthier (consumption of motorway food); definitely not wealthier (purchases in the Abbey shop); but wiser (in the sense of gaining greater knowledge, understanding and insight). Yes, indeed, I am sure of it. The visit had been a wonderful, wonderful experience. A day-long immersion in a warm bath of history.

David Turner

PEPPERPOTS

NEWSLETTER OF THE FRIENDS OF SOUTHWELL CATHEDRAL

St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle

Thursday 5 September was an isolated day of high summer which made the Friends' autumn visit even more rewarding.

Barbara Worrall writes:

We arrived a bit late because of a traffic jam on the way down, so ended up eating sandwiches in the blazing sun. We assembled at the Castle for 2.00pm after showing our passports. We were greeted by one of the Military Knights, Col. David Steele, a retired Argyll and Sutherland Highlander, who is Clerk to the Friends and Companions. He explained the role of the Military Knights and we then split up into four groups and were taken on a tour of St George's Chapel.

The Military Knights were originally known as the Poor Knights because they had fallen on hard times. King Edward III's letters patent provided for 24 to be appointed, although in these early days there were never more than three appointed at one time. Their main role was to pray for the souls of the departed. In 1833 their name changed because occupants of the posts were now retired military men.

Our tour round the chapel began by looking at the various chantry chapels. These had survived the Reformation. The first St George's Chapel was built during the reign of Henry III in the 13th century. Edward IV began the building of the present chapel and his tomb is in the north quire aisle. The chapel was not finished until the reign of Henry VIII. We went into the Catherine of Aragon loft from where Royalty can watch the proceedings without being seen. This is above the tomb of Edward IV in the quire.

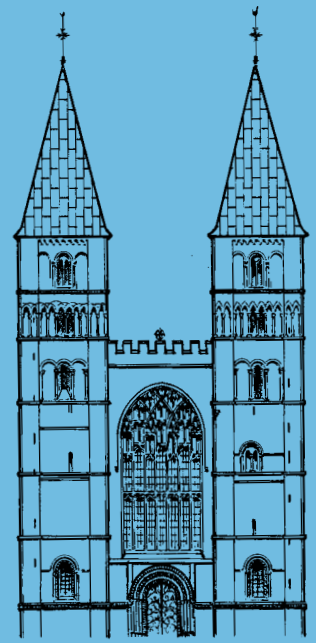
The quire is an area taken up by the Knights of the Garter. The Order of the Garter is crucial to the College of St George and to St George's



Photograph by Mary Stacey

Chapel. Its establishment led directly to the foundation of the choir by statute in 1532 and they lent support to the daily services of the college and the Poor Knights. The order has a basis in Arthurian legend. There were 24 knights appointed by the king. The name is said to evolve from an incident when the Countess of Salisbury dropped her garter. It was picked up by the king and, when people laughed, he remonstrated with the reply 'Honi soit qui mal y pense'. Each knight has a stall, banner and stall plate. The knights are appointed by the Queen to reward them for their services to the state. Their procession from the Castle is a familiar sight on television. Another interesting fact was that when Charles I was buried without ceremony in the chapel vault his head was stitched back on.

After our very interesting visit we were given tea and cakes in the cloister before we joined many other people for Evensong. Our grateful thanks go to Sue Hopkin and her committee for a most enjoyable trip.



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