

**The
John Hampden Society
Annual Report**



Financial Statements

For the Year Ended

31st December 2011

Registered Charity 1098314

Foreword

The trustees present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2011.

Trustees

The trustees who served during the year are shown below.

Sam Hearn	Chairman
Derek Lester	Honorary Treasurer
Anthea Coles	Honorary Secretary
Roger Paynter	Membership Secretary
Roy Bailey	
John Gabbitas	
Ian Hollenden	

Structure, Governance & Management

The Society has been a registered charity since 2003. The structure, governance and management are set out in its constitution agreed by the membership in 2003.

The objects of the charity are to:

- Make the character and achievements of John Hampden better known to the general public.
- Provide a library and archive of materials for research into Hampden's life and works.
- Preserve, conserve and erect monuments and artefacts associated with John Hampden.

Day to day responsibility for both restricted and unrestricted funds is delegated to the Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer.

Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Trust and of its surplus or deficit for that period. In preparing financial statements the trustees are required to:-

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- Prepare financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Society will continue in business.

Bankers

Lloyds-TSB Bank PLC
49 High Street
Canterbury
Kent
CT1 2SE

Registered Office

2 Farm Close
Chalgrove
Oxon
OX44 7RL

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Accounts

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985 and the Charities Act 1993. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

As far as the Trustees are aware they have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant information.

Funds

The charity currently has no restricted funds. The funds under its control can therefore be used to further any of the Society's objectives.

Activities

Members visited the Chiltern Brewery on 22nd January for lunch, a guided tour and a short address by Roy Bailey.

The AGM was held at Chalgrove Village Hall on the 8th April. Before the meeting members had the opportunity to visit the battlefield monument and the nearby information boards erected by the Chalgrove Battle Group with acknowledgements for a grant from the Millennium Fund. Several members also took advantage of the offer of a guided tour of St Mary's church Chalgrove. Bob Heath-White, St Mary's lay preacher and authority on its medieval wall paintings, explained their significance. Bob signed his authoritative work for those who purchased his book.

The annual dinner was held at The Spread Eagle Hotel in Thame on the 18th June. Earlier in the day a commemorative wreath was laid at the battlefield monument, and before the meal a wreath was placed at the Thame memorial to John Hampden, close to the house in which he died. Miles Hobart-Hampden delivered a short informal talk before the meal about his experiences of growing up as a descendant of John Hampden.

Members met once again at Hartwell House for lunch on 25th September. Before the meal author and historian Adrian Tinniswood gave a talk on the Barbary Pirates, the threat they had posed to the coastal inhabitants of Britain and the relevance of the Ship Money Tax.

This year the Society had only a token presence at the Bucks Local History Fair held at RAF Halton on 1st October. The Executive Board is grateful for the efforts on the day of members Jim Rodda and Bob Hammond.

The Society published four quarterly editions of its newsletter, the Patriot newsletter.

Roy Bailey gave a talk on John Hampden to members of the Weston Turville Probus Group. Bookings for talks in 2012 have been received.

The Future

The trustees have kept the membership subscription rate under review during the year and have decided to bring forward a resolution to increase the members' annual subscription rates from January 2013. The subscription rates have remained unchanged for nine years and have only been revised once before since the organisation was founded in 1992.

**John Hampden Society Income & Expenditure Account
for the 12 Months ended 31st December 2011**

INCOME	Notes	2011	2010
Members' Subscriptions Gift Aid included	1	1,300.89	1,067.00
Annual Dinner		478.00	484.00
AGM			350.00
Paypal Income		83.22	
Events		1,084.00	622.00
Goods & Books Sold		166.90	137.00
Fees for Talks		25.00	135.00
Other donations		25.00	60.00
Interest Earned		1.92	2.00
Library Deposits & Rent		20.00	
		3,184.93	2,857.00
Expenditure		2011	2010
Cost of AGM		76.78	424.00
Cost of Annual Dinner		450.00	404.00
Events		1,096.90	439.00
Printing Software			397.00
Software			72.00
Office Supplies			143.00
Stamps Used			547.00
Postage Paypal/Expenses		79.41	
Internet Fees			29.00
Printing Other		413.72	30.00
Wreath		50.00	25.00
Miscellaneous		200.30	10.00
Paypal Charges		2.60	0.00
		2,369.71	2,520.00
Net Surplus/ (loss) for the period		815.22	337.00
Opening Stamp Stock		582.00	470.00
Opening Accruals		0.00	-112.00
Opening Debtors		0.00	0.00
Closing Stamp Stock		414.00	582.00
Closing Accruals		0.00	0.00
Closing Debtors/Creditors		131.23	0.00
Opening Bank Balance		4,087.41	3,678.00
Closing Bank Balance 31/12/2011		5,033.86	4,087.00

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Balance sheet as at 31st December 2011

	Notes	2011	2010
Tangible Assets	3-4-5-6	0.00	0.00
Total Fixed Assets			0.00
Stock of stamps	2	414.00	582.00
Debtors			0.00
Cash		4902.63	4,087.00
Total Current Assets		5316.63	4,373.00
Creditors Uncashed Chqs @ 31/12/2011		131.23	
Net Assets		5,316.63	4,373.00
Unrestricted Funds		5316.63	4,373.00
Restricted Funds		0	
Total Charity Funds		5,316.63	4,373.00

Notes & Policies

1. Subscriptions include Gift Aid of £207.39
2. Stamp stock is valued at cost at the year's end. Opening balance plus purchases less closing stock equates to stamps used.
3. Books etc bought for re-sale are written off in the year of purchase.
4. The Society has a library of many reference books. Catalogue available on website.
5. The Society owns a medallion sculpture of John Hampden. Loaned to and displayed by Thame Museum.
6. The Society has its own website www.johnhampden.org