

Local Population Studies Society

NEWS-SHEET and INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS

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New FirstView articles

The following two articles have been posted in the FirstView section of the Local Population Studies Society (LPSS) web site. They may be viewed and/or down loaded by members of LPSS and subscribers to *Local Population Studies*:

Romola Davenport and Max Satchell, 'Malaria, Migration and Merry Widowers in the Essex Marshes 1690 – 1730'; and

Peter Jolly, 'Unregarded but Ubiquitous: a Demographic Study of Rural Charwomen, Household Structure, and Familial Relationships'.

Books available

The Local Population Studies Society has been contacted by Prof. Alan Armstrong about his book collection, and whether anyone would be interested in acquiring it. The collection consists of about 110 items, including Flinn on Scotland, Connell on Ireland, Drake on Norway, R. Woods and N. Shelton, *Atlas of Victorian Mortality* (Liverpool, 1997); and the complete 13 volume set of *Pioneers of Demography* in facsimile form published by Gregg International. He also has a set of copies of *Local Population Studies* comprising issues 1-90. He is looking for a small financial recompense for them.

Prof. Armstrong is based in Kent, and it may be that the collection will need to be transported from Kent by the purchaser.

If anyone is interested in acquiring any of these publications, please contact the Editor of *Local Population Studies* (PRAHinde@aol.com) in the first instance. I should perhaps add that the 'official' archive of hard copies of *Local Population Studies*, which is currently held at the house of the Editor, is missing issues 1-6 and 8-10, so the Editor is hoping to acquire these from Prof. Armstrong's collection.

Some readers will remember Prof. Armstrong from his work on the history of Kent and Norfolk, as well as his book *Farmworkers: a Social and Economic History 1770-1980* (London, 1988); and the occupational classification scheme he presented in the volume edited by Tony Wrigley in 1972: W.A. Armstrong, 'The use of information about occupation', in E.A. Wrigley (ed.) *Nineteenth-Century Society: Essays in the Use of Quantitative Methods for the Study of Social Data* (Cambridge, 1972), pp. 191-310. The latter was based on the late-nineteenth-century occupational classification scheme of Charles Booth and became known as the 'Booth-Armstrong' scheme. It was a standard approach for some decades.

British Association for Local History Annual Dymond Lecture

This year's Annual Dymond Lecture will take place on Thursday 5 December 2024 at 7.00 p.m. The speaker will be Craig Lambert and John McAleer of the University of Southampton, who will be presenting a talk entitled 'English merchant shipping and early modern maritime communities, c.1588-c.1765'.

The talk will examine how England's merchant fleet developed over these two centuries, who sailed in the ships and what roles the sailors played in their local communities; and how war, politics and regional differences affected English seaborne trade.

The lecture is free to members of the British Association for Local History and costs £5 for everyone else. To book, visit <https://www.balh.org.uk/dymond2024>.

Local Population Studies

Local Population Studies 112 is shortly to be published. It will be available electronically by 5 September 2024 and will be going to the printer by the same date. We hope that hard copies will be printed and distributed during the month of September.

We are now preparing material for *Local Population Studies* 113, which we hope to have published by the end of 2024. We are in need of shorter pieces to accompany the full-length articles which *Local Population Studies* has traditionally published. If you have made an interesting discovery in your own research, please consider writing a short description of it (even as little as 500 words) and sending it to the Editor of *Local Population Studies* (editor@localpopulationstudies.org.uk OR PRAHinde@aol.com).

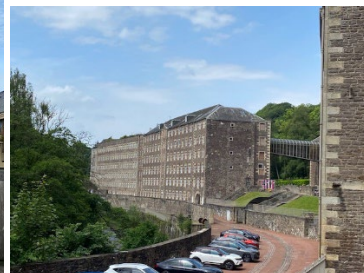
Finally, here is a short pictorial quiz for anyone who is interested. Can you identify the places in the following photographs?



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