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# IMPORTANT • IMPORTANT

## SUBSCRIPTIONS 1991

May I remind you that your subscription to the Swinnerton Society becomes due on the 1st January 1991

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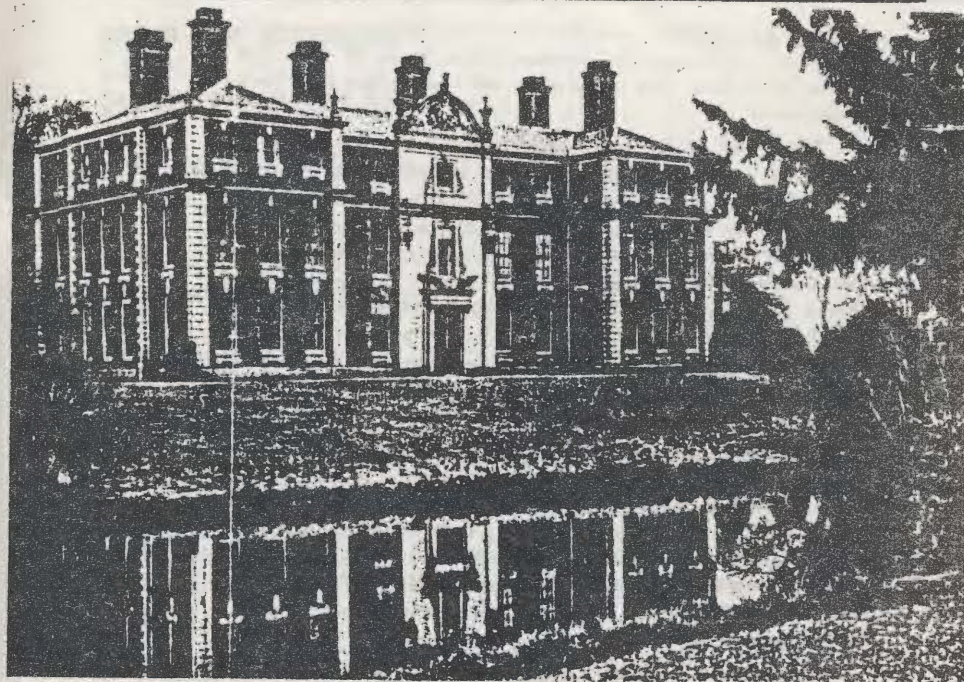
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### Hilton and the Vernons (contd.)



*An attractive view of Hilton Hall looking across the moat.*



A Corner of the Small Library looking through to the Main Library.



in the Hilton kitchens, and the Lord of Essington received a dish of it. Although the grotesque little figure of Jack still remains at Hilton, this picturesque old custom has long been discontinued.

The house inside must once have been as dignified and gracious as its Georgian exterior. But unfortunately much of the old furniture and many of the old pictures, books and other treasures have been sold. However, the handsome panelled library and dining room and the wide oak staircase are impressive. The library looks out over the moat to the Wrekin and the Church Stretton hills. On its walls hang many fine pictures, though few of them are originals. An exception is Kneller's portrait of Bolingbroke. The library and the old library into which it opens are lined with leather-bound volumes, among them a first edition of George Herbert's Poems.

In the dining-room and hall hang portraits of many famous Vernons. Here is Admiral Vernon, the victor of Portobello. Here is Richard Vernon, who bred Diomed, the first Derby winner, and here, too, is a rather stiff picture of Diomed himself, believed to be the copy of a painting by Sir Joshua Reynolds. Finally here is a charming boyish portrait of Henry Vernon, who was page to George the Third, and who grew up to be a well-known hunting squire.

Pictures and books are not the only treasures at Hilton. There is a good deal of old armour, some of it of Cromwellian date. There is also a unique collection of foxes' brushes, all collected by the present owners grandfather, Augustice Leveson Vernon. There must be over 100 of these, no two brushes being alike.

There is little trace left of the ancient Swynnerton family who used to live at Hilton. In the curious Georgian church of Shareshill (I cannot agree with Charles Masfield that it is 'a hideous monstrosity') remain two battered Tudor figures of Sir Humphrey Swynnerton and his wife Cassandra. But the remaining Swynnerton tombs were destroyed with the Swynnerton chapel about 1740.

The Vernons, however, remain at Hilton, where they have lived for four centuries now. As old a family as the Swynnertons or older, they came originally from Normandy. The senior branch of the family has long been established at Sudbury, in Derbyshire, but there are Vernons in other parts of England too. Haddon Hall once belonged to the family, and it was from there that Dorothy Vernon made her famous elopement.

BOUND FOR AUSTRALIA

David Hawkings

p.147

District - Field of Mars

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Indian General Service with Bar for  
North West Frontier 1919

Died 1919 £98.00

Unfortunately, by the time I got to hear of them they  
had been sold.



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## SOME DIRECTORIES

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### THE SECOND AFGHAN WAR (1878-1880) CASUALTY ROLL

A.Farrington

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Gunner **ALFRED SWINNERTON**(5070) E/B RHA.

Killed 27 July 1880 Maiwand

WHO WAS HE?

### WHO'S WHO IN YACHTING

1969

**SWINNERTON, Joseph Edward.** Born 1912. Company Director. Owns: 'Jean Adair'(42-ton M.F.V.type motor yacht). Graduated many years ago from a 10-ft sailing dinghy, through various types of yachts and cruisers to the present 50-ft motor cruiser now that old age is approaching. Clubs:North Wales C.C.;C.A.; Blackpool and Fleetwood Y.C.

Address: Newick Edge, Talbot Avenue, Streetly, Sutton Coldfield, War.

### THE ROYAL AERONAUTICAL SOCIETY List of Members 1972

**SWINNERTON, Ronald Ian.** Compass Rose, 39 Green Lane, Winton, Bournemouth, Hants.

### STREET'S INDIAN & COLONIAL MERCANTILE DIRECTORY 1888-9 NEW ZEALAND Christchurch

**SWINNERTON, J.** Wood Carver Colombo Street

**YOUNG ARTISTS OF PROMISE** Jack Beddington 1957  
*Studio Publications. London & New York*

**H.Swinnerton COOK** 18

b.1926

Address: 145 Sunderland Road, Forest Hill, London SE25

Trained: Bath Academy of Art

Canterbury Art School

Goldsmith's College School of Art



H. Swinnerton Cook  
*Two Figures*  
lithograph

WHO WAS HE ?



We hear that our member Leonard Swinnerton of Chester who is now in his 82nd year, at the request of the local archivist in Chester has made an audio cassette recording his childhood experiences in London where he was born within the sound of Bow Bells (making him a true Cockney) and Chester.

I hope to persuade him to let me have a copy for the family archives.

What an excellent thing it would be if we could persuade all our older members to do this. Those of you who were lucky enough to hear Mrs Margery Thomas's recollections of her time nursing on the Eastern Front in the First World War, with which she entertained us at our Gathering in 1989 will know how fascinating they were. How valuable if we could have a copy in our archives!

So, please talk to your older relatives and see if you can persuade them to talk or, once started, perhaps to stop!

The Federation of Family History Societies have published a little book by Eve McLaughlin called "Interviewing Elderly Relatives" but popularly known to everyone as 'Talking to Granny'! It costs £1.20 and if anyone would like one, they can get a copy through me. It is excellent value and contains many tips on overcoming shyness, what and how to ask them etc. If you could do this you would be making a very valuable contribution to our history.

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Tho' lost to sight, to memr'y dear  
Thou ever wilt remain

Old song attributed to George Linley 1798-1865

THE COMPLETE BOOK OF EMIGRANTS P.W.Coldham  
1661-1699

*A Comprehensive Listing Compiled from English Public Records of Those Who Took Ship to the Americas for Political, Religious, and Economic Reasons; of Those Who Were Deported for Vagrancy, Roguery, or Non-Conformity; and of Those Who Were Sold to Labour in the New Colonies*

1662 26 February - 6 March. Shippers by the *Mary Fortune* of Bristol bound from Bristol for New England: John Speed for William Dunning, JOHN SWINERTON, George Lane, John Collins, John Younge. (PRO:E190/1240/6)

*This would be John (JS.445) b.circa 1633 going to join his father JOB SWINERTON, the first emigrant. John later became a doctor and famous as "Dr. John Swinerton of the House of the Seven Gables". He worked to help the mass-hysteria victims of the Salem Witch Trials and died at Salem, Massachusetts on the 6th January 1690.*

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HISTORY OF BILSTON G.T.Lawley 1893

"In 1774. A Vestry Meeting was held to consider what should be done with the money left by *Mrs Mary SWINERTON* to the poor, at which it was unanimously agreed that a certain quantity of land, late the property of Brooke Crutchley, Esqre and his two daughters, Catherine and Anne Crutchley, and Mrs Jane Robins, called the Churchyard piece, near the present Chapelyard be purchased by ye Chapellwardens (sic) for an additional burial ground and that the residue of the money over and above the £20 left by Mrs Swinnerton towards purchasing the ground, should be raised and defrayed by levy."

(At this stage, I have no idea who this lady was.)



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## LETTERS FROM THE PAST

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To Mark Swinnerton from his brother Frederick

P.S. I send you  
my photo.

Bonnie Moor  
Simla  
India

July 9th 1891

Dear Mark and Sarah

I received the copy of the beautifully printed paper you sent also the copy for Charles. He however has left India for England on a year's leave so he will see it in England. I congratulate you very much on being made the first Mayor of Marysville and if .. (*illegible*) should paint your portrait in your robes etc. to hang in your council room - if you have one - so that future generations of Marysvillians should know that a Swinnerton was their first Mayor - an event which marks the beginning of what will probably be a great city one of these days. Send me your photo - cabinet - in your robes and I will make a gift of your portrait to Marysville to be hung in your "city hall". It will be a precedent likely to be followed if I come around Puget Sound one of these days. But I really had no idea that Puget Sound was inhabited by any sane Flathead Indians. "Niggerheads" are more common now I suppose.

I hope Sarah and the children are all well. You are awfully stingy of letters I must say and Father complains bitterly that you never write to him. Don't be so damned unfeeling, old fellow!

I am in the summer Capital of India painting great nobs. Also keep things going by taking pupils. I have plenty of friends and orders. Sometime I hope to do Japan, Australia and home by the new ocean route, in which case I will most certainly look you up in Marysville and do a little collecting and shooting. Also paint your successors in the Mayorship.

I see you are a landed proprietor etc. Good! From Puget Sound to the Himalayas is a good step and I rather think the mother that bore us would be astonished at seeing her sons scattered in this fashion. Charles only returned from the Black Mountain Expedition a short time ago.

Now look here Mr. Mayor. Drop me a line soon and send that cabinet photo - in robes, etc. - Twig?

I suppose that the two babies have grown to big girls now? Give my best love to them and to the others and to Sarah and with the same to yourself, I am

Your affectionate Brother

Fred

N.B. But do write to Father.

### *Notes by Douglas Swinnerton*

Frederick Swinnerton (1848 - 1918) was an artist who is well known by his works all over Europe. He lived in Rome like his brother Joseph, the sculptor and was an interpreter in Italy during and after World War I. He died not long after the war. Douglas wondered if he ever became an Italian citizen but says he never heard that he did.

In 1893 he married Louise Angelo, daughter of Colonel Angelo of the Bengal Army and lived in India a great portion of his life. They had five children - Richard, Charles (father of our chairman, Colonel Jeremy Swinnerton), Joseph, Margery (our member Mrs Margery Thomas) and Catherine.



## A LETTER FROM CHINA

Valerie and Hans Dall

November 1990

Dear *Sau & family*

Yet again another year is speedily drawing to a close, and our thoughts turn especially to family and friends around the world. We send you our warmest Season Greetings and wish you a very happy New Year, wherever you are.

1990 has been a very exciting year for us, to a large extent because of the amount of travelling we have been able to do within this fascinating country.

After our return to Beijing from Europe in January we immediately headed north to Harbin for a week on a trip which combined work with the celebration of the Spring Festival. We chose the coldest week in 10 years - 28 C during the day down to - 39 C at night - it was cold! There wasn't a meeting room which we went to that had heating. We sat in temperatures of - 12 C or lower. We nevertheless enjoyed the visit, especially the snow covered river and forest landscape, and seeing the ice-carving display for which Harbin is famous. A few weeks later saw us heading southeast to Yunnan Province of which Kunming, the city of Eternal Spring, is the capital. We spent a week in Yunnan mainly in the north, visiting farmers and agricultural institutions. Yunnan is a beautiful province with many minority nationality people, who give it a lot of colour and charm.

In May we spent a week in Anhui Province on a "diplomatic" tour with a group of Ambassadors and their wives. We will never forget our first sight and crossing of the Yangtze river, so famous in Chinese history

June saw Valerie heading to Europe for a 6 weeks visit with her parents, Susan and family and Christian. Whilst she was away, Hans made a fascinating trip to Qinhai Province where FAO has a fisheries development project in a salt lake at 3000 m altitude in breathtaking mountain scenery and to Gansu Province where FAO supports a desert control project. In early July Hans visited Fujian Province, on the coast, where FAO also supports several projects.

During August a visit to open an FAO fisheries training course was made to the seaside resort of Beidaihe - a most popular place for a holiday - five million is the estimated number of summer visitors to this resort - including China's top leaders.

September saw us going our separate ways again. Hans to Guangdong for a watershed training course and to Sichuan to look at a Yak project (believe it or not). Valerie went to Qu Fu - the home of Confucius - a trip organised by the teachers of Chinese to foreigners. But the big event for Valerie was her two weeks Silk-Road trip in October. She and a few

others from Beijing joined with a Canadian tour group and had a most fascinating and interesting time. They went as far west as Kashgar and then traced their way eastwards along the northern silk road. They visited Urumchi, Turfan - with the ruins of two old cities almost as extensive as Pompeii - then to Dunhuang and riding camels into the Gobi Desert in the moonlight. The group moved eastward to Jiayuguan the end of the Ming Dynasty Great Wall - the earlier stretch of wall from the Han Dynasty can still be seen near Dunhuang. Then Lanzhou and so to Xian the ancient capital of China, with its Terracotta army. A large part of the travelling was done in a specially refurbished train called the China Orient Express. This was one of those trips of a life time.

Before we leave for home-leave and Christmas in Europe, we will actually travel together to Guilin, a well-known Chinese beauty spot, where FAO will organize a pesticide training course.

China is so vast and varied, that travel is essential, if one is to even try to begin to understand this wonderful country and its people.

The year had several other highlights, one of which was Hans celebrating his 60th birthday in April - far from the family but together with good friends, some of whom we first met more than 30 years ago. In March Hans made another quick trip, this time to Hong Kong for medical tests. The local doctors were in doubt but the specialist in Hong Kong said Hepatitis. 8 months without alcohol and on a mild diet finds Hans 13 kgs. lighter and fighting fit.

We enjoy life in Beijing. Valerie still participates in Tennis tournaments and was a ladies Singles Finalist in a big tournament this year - unfortunately she was not the winner!

Our children are well. Susan, Ditlev and Ida Maria are now back in Copenhagen after thoroughly enjoying their 18 month on the Faroe Islands. Christian has finished renovating his apartment. Maybe he will now be able to save for a trip to China. Valerie's parents are well and we look forward to seeing them shortly.

Although we have travelled much and enjoyed it tremendously, we, of course miss family and friends and think of you constantly. As we send you our warmest best wishes for the season and for a peaceful happy New Year, we hope that our paths may cross in 1991. If you should be able to come to China, we will be most pleased to look after you - and China, in spite of its poverty and many other problems - is indeed a fascinating place to visit.

With all good wishes.

*Valerie*  
Valerie

*Hans*  
Hans



## PROFESSOR HENRY HURD SWINNERTON.

Mrs Margaret Taylor has written to say how interested she and her sister Mrs May (who I forgot to say is also a member) were to read the article about their father. She was kind enough to say that she thought he would have felt very honoured by it. She told me that he did not know that he had been registered as Henry as he was baptised and always known as Rudolf until he took Matric when he had to produce a birth certificate. This came as a great surprise to him and he supposed his mother had changed her mind between baptism and registration!

She also told me there was a new reprint of his book "Fossils" which he wrote for the Collins New Naturalist Series in 1960. It has just been published by Bloomsbury Books, an imprint of Godfrey Caves Associates Ltd. She said that it is most gratifying that there is still a demand for it, he wrote it at the age of 85 while living with her. We do not have a copy of this so I must look out for it.

## THE MASTER TREES

The 4th sheet is enclosed with this journal, so far I expect you have been able to work out how they fit together but from now on the layout gets a bit more complicated so here is a key to show you how to join them together.

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# Apiarists are warned on starving bees

By Michael Drake.

A 'bee alert' was sounded across the province today as apiarists tried to assess if any honey has been made in the past two months. And Mr Lawson Swinerton, president of the Ulster Bee Keepers Association gave a grim warning to those who were expecting produce from their hives.

"For God's sake make sure your bees are not dying of starvation.

"The past two months have been disastrous ones for people keeping bees and there are many reports right across Ireland of bees actually falling out of the hive dead.

## No honey

"If they are not fed they will die of starvation and that is what is happening.

"Only this morning I was talking to a beekeeper as far south as Cork and he has no honey in his hives whatsoever. And one would think down there they had a chance of getting a bit better weather than we did.

"We have had four bad years in beekeeping, all because of the weather and if things don't improve this will go down as the worst one in living memory."

Mr Swinerton who has been in bee-keeping for around 50 years said the situation had been a promising one early in the spring.

"During May and June we had lots of honey and we were quite optimistic we were finally going to get a bumper year.

"I have over thirty hives and at that time it would have taken almost three men to lift one of them. Today one man can lift a hive quite easily it is so light. There is nothing in it but the bees themselves. There is certainly no honey.

"I have been feeding my bees - he has 36 hives with something like 90,000 bees in each of them - during July and August to keep them alive.

"Basically they require 2lbs of sugar per pint of water and I am feeding them about a gallon of that mix ever two days.

"What I am concerned about is that some beekeepers may not yet realise the seriousness of the situation. They must be alerted to the danger of starvation. So check hives immediately and if the bees require food give it to them at once," he said.

It is estimated there are some 700 apiarists in Northern Ireland



## Any excuse to celebrate

MALCOLM and Philip Arthers had different reasons for celebration after the Members' race at the Atherstone point-to-point, Clifton-upon-Dunsmore. Malcolm Arthers, MFH and Clerk of the Course, was runner-up on True Tip. He is considering, but not relishing, the idea of retirement from pointing after 29 seasons, to make way for his daughter.

Philip, his brother, refusing to be deterred by his weight, won the heavyweight section of the Members'—riding at around 15 stone. □



Mrs Norman Swinnerton with Mrs Jean Tice.

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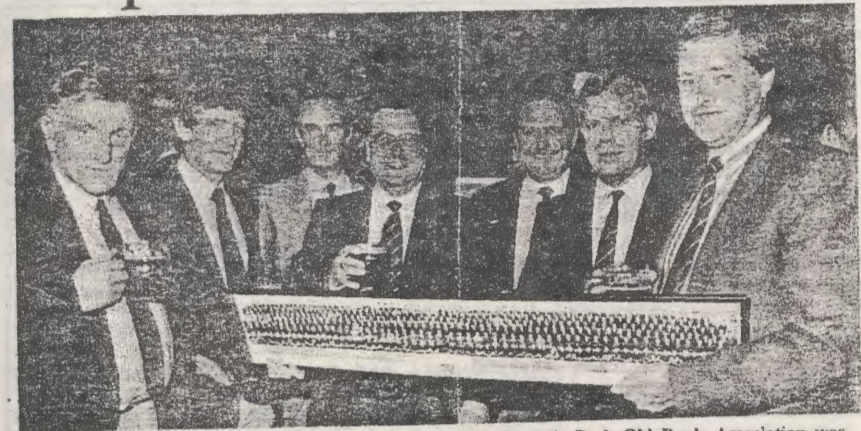
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or Telephone Secretary 581747

## A picture from the past



● The 73rd annual reunion and dinner of the Chester Queen's Park Old Boy's Association was held at the City Club in St Peter's Churchyard on Friday. The toast was proposed by Andrew Firman. Left to right: Colin Swinnerton, John Thompson, Charles Green, Andrew Place, Bob Smith, David Parker and Michael McGarva view the 1957 photo of the school. (3140B7)

## Church and Europe

From the Reverend Dr Brian  
Thomas Swynnerton

Sir, The observations made and the questions asked by the Reverend Alan Booth in his letter (December 9) can be corrected and answered with complete assurance by clergy, like myself, who have had the privilege of serving in the Church of England's diocese of Europe.

I have experienced great Christian unity at every level, as well as constant support and cooperation. For example, I recall sharing with a Lutheran pastor a sacrament of holy matrimony as a girl of a German Lutheran church married a Church of England soldier. I had the joy of celebrating the Holy Communion in two Roman Catholic churches in Spain every Sunday and I had the privilege of Cardinal Ursi and the Italian Greek Orthodox Archbishop in Italy attending my induction, conducted by our own Bishop of Europe, in the English Church in Naples.

When I preached in the great Roman Catholic Cathedral of San Gennaro, Naples, to mark the week of prayer for Christian unity in 1985, my congregation included Catholics, Anglicans, Greek Orthodox, Baptists, Methodists, Lutherans and many smaller Christian denominations.

I consider that, thanks to Archbishop Runcie and John Satterthwaite and Edward Holland (Bishops in Europe), as well as many clergy of the Church of England serving in every part of the EC, the Church of England is in the forefront of developing relations of caring and sharing in a very real and practical way. I beg to suggest that the United European Christian Church desired by Mr Booth already exists. I ask all Christians to pray for that Church and the great work it is doing, has done and will do in the future.

Yours sincerely,

BRIAN THOMAS  
(Chaplain), SWYNNERTON  
Acton Reynald School,  
Shrewsbury, Shropshire.



## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at Swynnerton on Sunday the 14th October 1990.

A Churchwarden of Swynnerton, Steve Parkhouse welcomed all members of the Society present and wished us a pleasant meeting.

The President opened the meeting and welcomed all those present thanking them for their attendance.

APOLOGIES were received from P R Swinnerton, Mrs C M Swinnerton, N W R Watts, Mrs D Cunningham, D Hawley, J Hawley, C Swinnerton and L Swinnerton.

There were 22 members and family present.

THE MINUTES of the last Annual General Meeting held on the 9th September 1989 were approved and signed. There were no matters arising from these minutes.

### CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

The Chairman reported that the Council had met twice during the past year at Norfolk and Swynnerton. Regrettably the proposed trip to the Isle of Man for this AGM had had to be cancelled due to a Grand Prix being held on the Island the weekend of the AGM: accomodation would not have been available and the cost would probably have been prohibitive to some members of the Society.

The Treasurer had had some difficulty in obtaining help from the bank and had been unable to produce audited accounts for the year. The books had been passed to Col Iain Swinnerton who had produced a provisional Income and Expenditure report for the previous year. The Council had decided to put forward to the AGM that the financial year should change to coincide with the subscription year which was 1st January to 31st December. This would overcome some problems encountered. If this was approved it would mean that the AGM next year would be held in June. Also there would be a suggestion for new subscription rates.

### FINANCIAL REPORT:

Col Iain Swinnerton presented a provisional Income and Expenditure report for the year ending 30th June 1990 (see attached). Due to circumstances explained in the Chairman's Report no audited accounts were available for the year ending 30th June 1990.

Col Iain Swinnerton proposed that the financial year be altered so that it ran from 1st January to the 31st December. This was seconded by T F Swynnerton and carried.

After an explanation of the problems encountered by having different subscription rates J E Swinnerton proposed that one subscription fee be applicable to adult members of the Society at £5.00 p.a. and £3.00 p.a. for junior members. This was seconded by J Swinnerton and carried.

Lady Swynnerton suggested that from her experience the National Westminster Bank would be able to give accurate details of subscriptions paid by standing orders and Col I Swinnerton agreed to look into this.

Col I Swinnerton reported that he would have audited accounts within the next few weeks and these would be presented to Council and also at the next AGM.

It was proposed that the provisional Income/Expenditure report be approved and the deferment of the balance sheet as above be approved. Proposed by L W Swinnerton and seconded by T F Swynnerton and carried.

Greetings and Best Wishes for the Festive Season to you all.

1990 has not been the best of years for me, the hospitalisation in April really threw me and somehow I 'lost' three months! However, I am now back on schedule and with this Journal have caught up at last. I hope by the 1st January 1991 to have caught up with my correspondence as well so that I can start the New Year really up-to-date. Who knows, I just might get back to doing some family history!

We have had one or two hiccups in the society as well - with the first ever major change of officers, some jobs seemed to fall between two stools, no-one was quite sure who was responsible for them and so they didn't get done. However, that is all sorted out now and we are 'on stream' again. Our Treasurer had a lot of trouble with the bank who did not seem to be able to tell him from whom a standing order had come. We have been charitable and assumed that you all have paid your subscription for 1990 but some standing orders were only for £2 or £3.50.

So - as renewal time is here again, I am asking everyone to start again from scratch and complete new forms. These will automatically cancel any now in existence.

The necessary forms are overleaf and you can do one of 4 things.

1. Complete the ordinary subscription renewal form and send me a cheque for £5 (The only reduction now after the resolution at the AGM is £3 for a student). Make cheques payable to 'The Swinnerton Society'.

2. Complete the same form AND the Covenant form and send me a cheque.

3. Complete the Banker's Order form and return it to me.

4. Complete the Banker's Order Form AND the Covenant form and return them to me.

I hope as many of you as possible will do No.4, this makes the administration of the society much easier and I estimate could increase the society's income by about £175.

IMPORTANT - RETURN THE FORMS TO ME FOR REGISTRATION, I WILL SEND THEM ON TO YOUR BANK

Please do it *STRAIGHTAWAY*, do not leave it till after Christmas when you might forget! I should then have to write again and remind you which all takes time and the society's money.



Iain



## FAMILY NOTES

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### CONGRATULATIONS

to Alastair Iain Harding Swinnerton on his marriage to Julie Ann Thompson at Yetminster, Dorset on the 20th October 1990.

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Flying Officer David Swinnerton to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

### BBC TV NEWS

Several of you wrote to say that they saw a DR. CLIVE SWINNERTON on the Six-o'clock news on 23rd July 1990. He was discussing the water shortages in the South West and you wondered who he was.

I can answer that very easily, he is a former member of the society, a member of the Chester Branch and brother to our member Dr. G. S. Swinnerton of Canada.

### NEWS FROM ST. MARY'S, SWYNNERTON

At the 3rd Nov 1990, the Restoration fund stood at:

Total at 14 October 1990	£53486.01
Giving	92.50
Sponsored Walk/Ride organised by Helen Ladell	170.00

Total	£53757.51
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Christmas Services will be held on:

23rd	10.30am	Holy Communion
	7.30pm	Carol Service

24th	11.30pm	Holy Communion
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## THE SWINNERTON SOCIETY

was founded in 1973 as a non-profit making organisation devoted to the research and publication of Swinnerton Family Records and the support and welfare of St. Mary's Church, Swynnerton, Staffordshire.

Research into the family history had been started in the 1870s by the Reverend Charles Swynnerton FSA. Over the course of the years he wrote a number of articles and papers about the family and gathered together many Swinnertons from all over the world.

Interest in the family history became dormant after his death in 1928. The present Archivist resumed research into the family records in 1952 and founded the Society in 1973. Today it has a world-wide membership and holds a 'Gathering' at Swynnerton every 3 years. It is registered as a Charity No. 518184.