

## FENLAND FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY A.G.M. 2011

### SECRETARY'S REPORT

Those of you who have listened to, or read my reports, over the past few years will have noticed that I no longer report on the work of the Society's Secretary. Instead, I have been trying to drum up support for the Committee by appealing for new members to take over some of the positions on the committee. To get new faces and new ideas for the benefit of all members of the F F H S . However, I seem to have failed dismally.

As you will all be aware we are celebrating the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Fenland Family History Society this year. At the same time several members of the committee are also celebrating the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their election onto the committee.

I am sorry to report that to date there have been no names put forward by members willing to join our committee. This is a pity as there will be no respite for the long suffering, long term members of the committee, several of whom have suffered poor health during the past few months. None of us are getting any younger, and many have other family commitments to contend with.

As you may recall, I mentioned this problem last year, and in previous years. But it seems to have fallen on deaf ears.

This year there seven members due to stand down.

**In-spite of their own problems, they have all agreed to continue in their posts for a further two years. We may not be so lucky another year, so please do consider whether you might be able join the committee and take over some small part of the running of your club.**

**If you cannot become a committee member, could you at least become a deputy to a committee member and offer some assistance to lighten the load, some form of 'job sharing', and learning what is required in that particular position. You might be surprised at how much you enjoy the experience, and how much you learn in the process. Many of you will not realise just how much you have to offer until you put it to the test.**

**Come on. Surprise me. Make me eat my words next year. You could if you really wanted to.**