

## SPECIAL EVENTS

**Craft Fair:** Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Their Past Your Future:** Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>

12-4 p.m. Following on from last year's event on the First World War we are inviting people to bring along their possessions, photographs and memories from the Second World War.

**Bringing History Alive:** Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, with costumed actors.

**Escapade Medieval Society Day:** Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup>

Authentic 13<sup>th</sup> Century tournament which includes knights fighting on foot and an insight into medieval life.

**Burnley Junior Alliance Band in Concert:** Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>

**Romeo and Juliet (outdoor theatre):** Sunday evening, June 26<sup>th</sup>

**The Race for Life:** Sunday, July 10<sup>th</sup>

## EXHIBITIONS 2005

**Northern Exposures April 23<sup>rd</sup> – May 29<sup>th</sup>**

Colour Landscape photography by Malcolm C Mentha L.R.P.S.

**Nature Illustrated June 4<sup>th</sup> – August 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Natural History illustrations complemented by specimens from the collections.**

**The Celebrated Connoisseur**

**Charles Townley 1737-1805**

June 18<sup>th</sup> – September 4<sup>th</sup>

Celebrating the Bi-centenary of the purchase of Charles Townley's celebrated collection of classical statues by the British Museum.

**Furniture by Burnley College**

June 20<sup>th</sup> – July 16<sup>th</sup>

New work by this year's students.

**Padiham Photographic Society**

October 1<sup>st</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>

**The Sea**

October 1<sup>st</sup> – December 31<sup>st</sup>

Paintings of the sea to celebrate 200 years since the Battle of Trafalgar on October 21<sup>st</sup>.

## Income & Expenditure for the Year to 31st March 2005

2004		2004/2005
	<b>Income from Members</b>	
910.00	Subscriptions	1286.50
	Profit from:	
62.46	Refreshments/Bar	3918.26
1955.56	Events	3959.50
	<b>Less Expenses</b>	9164.26
125.26	Postage, printing etc	120.14
85.00	Meeting expenses	437.21
	Refreshments	2273.28
	Other	678.47
		<u>3509.10</u>
		5655.16
	<b>Income from Visitors</b>	
472.56	Donations, Hall Box	1597.66
832.42	Legacy & Donations	<u>36.00</u>
		1633.66
	Interest Received	98.06
	<b>NET INCOME</b>	<u>73786.88</u>
	Balance from previous years	16519.05
	Uncleared cheques	318.71
49353.00	Donations to Hall	<u>3763.01</u>
		<u>£ 20,461.63</u>

### The Funds are held as:

Current a/c	4234.48
Deposit	15083.78
Bar/Cash	<u>1,143.37</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>£ 20,461.63</u>



# THE TOWNELEY HALL SOCIETY

April 2005  
Newsletter

### Patron

Sir Simon Towneley, KCVO, JP, MA, D.Phil.

*The Towneley Hall Society is a Registered Charity  
(No. 515939)*

**Dear Member**

### **Celebrity Lecture/Dinner**

Lady Lucinda Lambton came to Towneley Hall on March 12<sup>th</sup> with her husband Sir Peregrine Worsthorpe, accompanied by our Patron, Sir Simon Towneley. Her illustrated lecture about "Old America" was fascinating and delivered with charm and enthusiasm. The entire evening was an unqualified success and will surely be a most memorable highlight of our Anniversary Year.

### **40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration**

Accomplished pianist, Simon McClure who often plays at Towneley Hall for weddings and other social events has offered to perform a benefit concert for the Society. As the AGM is usually quite brief, we thought that a social event to follow could be fun and would fit in with our programme of events to mark the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. A buffet will be available immediately after the Meeting and the Concert will begin at 8.30 p.m. Simon has submitted a programme which encompasses music from Shows and Films over the last few decades and will surely please most musical tastes. You may even like to sing along! Tickets are now available at £10 inclusive and a warm welcome is offered to family and friends who may wish to come along for what promises to be a thoroughly entertaining evening. The date is Monday, May 16<sup>th</sup> 2005.

### **Spring Event**

Taking a look back at the Sixties proved to be a winner with a good attendance. An excellent slide show of Burnley as it was then presented by our Chairman, Tony Mitchell brought back memories to most of us. Additional items by members of the Society, an appropriate musical background and Black Forest Gateau for the sweet course helped to take us back to when the society

was founded in 1965. Special thanks to those who brought raffle prizes and/or memorabilia to display.

### **Manchester Jewish Museum**

There is still time to book for our visit on Tuesday evening, May 10<sup>th</sup> priced at £8 per person including transport. We are to arrive there at 7.30 pm for our escorted tour which will end around 9.30 p.m. The Museum is housed in the oldest purpose-built synagogue in the city on Cheetham Hill Road and was opened in 1874. Car-sharing is being organised with the driver's expenses to be reimbursed. A booking form is enclosed.

### **HELP!**

On Bank Holiday Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, Escafold Medieval Society Day will be held at Towneley from around noon to approximately 5p.m. The Society has an opportunity to have a few stalls out in the courtyard in front of the shop. A book stall, with compact discs, videos, etc. possibly a tombola and/or tuck shop. The number we have depends entirely upon the number of volunteers to man them. If you can spare a couple of hours to fund-raise for Towneley please tell me (Rita Walsh).

### **Heritage Lottery Funding Bid**

Stage 1 has been submitted and approved by the HLF. Stage 2 application is now being worked up in detail. Burnley Council must demonstrate that they will manage improvements for 10 years. The Management and Maintenance plan is now available in draft form from the Secretary upon request. With regard to the school building on lower Towneley, we are able to formally Object in April when Lancashire County Council submit outline planning permission. Burnley Council is only a consultee but will try to influence the final design. Detailed design will commence in February 2006. Proposals are for the old school to go in 2011 and the site to be returned to park land.

For your opinions to be correctly reflected by the Society we need to know what you think. Please speak to a member of the Committee.

### **Towneley Hall Shop**

The Shop now has on display a limited edition of engraved crystal, including paperweights, tankards, perfume bottles and other items priced from £4.99 to £30. Also new in stock is a range of pewter-ware priced from £9.99 to £24.99 offering attractive gift options such as drinks flasks and pocket notebook holders.

For a modestly priced special present for someone you care about, or even yourself, we can recommend the Video (£7.50) or DVD (£8.99) entitled "Spellbound at Towneley Hall".

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> May 2005**

Copies of the Annual Report and Accounts and the Minutes of last year's Annual General Meeting will be available.

The 2004/5 Committee is:

President	Mary Egerton
Chairman	Tony Mitchell
Secretary	Rita Walsh
Treasurer	John Hagan
Members:	Irene Birchenough
	Audrey Hall
	Frank Rushworth
	Cynthia Sanderson
	Gordon Thompson

The Curator, Susan Bourne, is an ex-officio member of the Committee.

If you are interested in helping with the work of the Society, or wish to nominate anyone for office please complete the enclosed form.