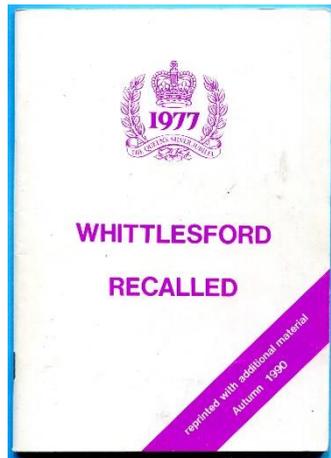


The Whittlesford Society 45 years of Publications Recalled! – part 2

The first issue of *'Whither Whittlesford'* in Autumn 1975 established a quarterly pattern reporting on Society news and progress plus regular features on *'Village Landscapes'*-(past and present details of each village street in turn starting with High St); *'The Parish Pump'* (describing village clubs & activities-like- WI, social and sports clubs etc); plus *'Who's Who'* and *'What's On'*.

By its second year, village thoughts had turned to marking the **Silver Jubilee** – 25 years since the Coronation! As Whit Soc's first remit was 'Whittlesford Past' AND as the oldest village resident was to be 100 in July 1977, the idea of a book focussed on the changes in Whittlesford during her life seemed an ideal way to merge the memories & memorabilia of old Whitsers with research/publishing skills of 'comers-in' and photos/photographic reproduction by Peter & Frances Dumbleton!



That special villager was **Jane Elizabeth Douglas**, born into the prolific Nunn family; wife, then WW1 widow, of a key village figure, whose son, **Harry Douglas**, was even more a leading player in this community for many decades, and whose grandsons, **Nick and Rob Maynard**, now of Church Close, provided invaluable information and fascinating material from and about her for our recent major WW1 research project.

'Whittlesford Recalled' was an outstanding success. Free copies were given to every school child and by the end of Jubilee Day virtually every household - & visitor -to our splendid village celebrations had a copy too! A last minute technical hitch meant it wasn't till *Whither Whittlesford no 10* that a superb 12-photograph insert – again by the Dumbletons - provided another outstanding record of that great village event.

As years went by the reputation and significance of *'Whittlesford Recalled'* were increasingly appreciated and spare copies widely sought. So in October 1990 on Whit Soc's 15th anniversary the entire original publication was reprinted with addenda (by Chris Taylor and Tony Carter respectively) on the history of Whittlesford before 1877 and on developments in the village since then. We do still have a few precious archive copies! [Contact Meg: infowhitsoc@gmail.com - ☎ 833386]