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## WILLOU0HBY SOCIETY FORMED 1962.

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Secretary's Annual Report to be submitted at the Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday November 27th 1974 at 7-30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

Membership. 75 an increase of 11 over the past year.

#### Society Meetings.

Eight Monthly Meetings have been held with an average attendance of 48. At the January meeting Mr Parrot gave a most interesting talk with slides of the Tallyllyn Railway.

The National Trust was explained most clearly by Mr Moisey at the February Meeting. On to March when our own member Mrs Pygott gave an excellent talk on the Church During the Middle Ages with slides ,taken by herself from many counties.

April saw us looking at the Art of Brss Rubhings, and also many Rubbings done by Mrs Lee our speaker from Southam,

We were all on our best behaviour at the May Meetinq; When Detective Constable Sutton told us the work of the C.I.D.

Our friend David Barby gave his usual vivacious talk on the subject of antiques, this time smaller items, Hat Pins, Tiles, Glass Bottles and Silverware.

As usual we did not meet in July and August, but resumed our monthly meetings in September, when Dr. R.N Greenshields a Bio-Chemist from Aston University spoke on bread Making and Yeast Fermentation. We all enjoyed his talk and demonstration on making your own bread.

So on. to October when the Gentlemen challenged the Ladies to a quiz. The Gentlemen were leading at Coffee time, but the coffee put new heart into the ladies who won the contest by 1½ pts. So it is the ladies to challenge the gentlemen in1975.

#### Social Activities.

The Annual Social was held in December and again everyone spent an enjoyable evening. A Carol Evening was held on December 19th when the Dunchurch Silver Band played Carols and selections, a collection was taken and together with the profit from coffee a total of £9-95 was given to the band.

A Dinner was held at the "Butchers Arms" Priors Hardwick on March 14th. when 51 members sat down to au excellent meal (not forgetting the strawberies).

The Outing this year was on June 15th when we visited the Elan Valley. On the .Evening of June 19th the Car Rally took place every one agreed it was another successful event.

The Cheese and Wine evening was held on Saturday September 14th This year the competition for the Gentlemen was a salad, and for the ladies a plate of Hors D'Oeuvre. The Art Society exhibited their Paintings and the profit for the evening was  $\pm 17-07p$ 

On Wednesday Oct 16th. 20 members visited the "Heart of England" Newspapers at Learnington and spent a very instructive 2 hrs. being shown how a newspaper is produced.

### COMMITEE MEETINGS.

The committee have held 10 meetings, and as usual the attendance has been excellent. It is hoped that early in the new year the scrapbook Cover will he finished.

In presenting; this report it is again very pleasing to the Officers and Committee :and I sure to all members that our Society flourishes. Let us hope that we can arrange interesting speakers and events to keep your interest in the year of 1975.