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TAHC REPORT January 2023

Dear Members and Volunteers

The New Year started on a sad note when, after a long illness, Barry Deacon died. Barry had served as TAHC Secretary from 1994 until 2014. The Archives paid a tribute to Barry at his funeral on January 30th. Since reopening on Monday 9th of January the Volunteer Team has worked 184 hours on the premises and 130 hours at home. Homeworking time is generally understated as volunteers often fail to record it and in addition Maddie does up to 20 hours per week cataloguing photographs at Torcare. One new volunteer, Paula has joined the Team. We all love what we do!

78 visitors have come in to view the cabinets that have been redressed by Tom and Fiona with St John Ambulance memorabilia donated by Barry Watts in the 1990s. His father, George kept all the small equipment and daily journals from the mid 1930s until the 1950s How fortunate for Torpoint's History that George Watts was not restricted by data protection laws! If you or one of your ancestors cut their foot on a piece of glass at the Lawn, George may well have given you First Aid and recorded your name in his journal!

Chris and Paul were invited to Millbrook by Colyn Thomas. Colyn wished to donate his interesting collection of local photographs and memorabilia to TAHC. It will take a while to catalogue everything and Room 4 is bursting at the seams! Research is progressing on the proposed book "Torpoint's Forgotten Terraces"

Regards



Mike Pearn, Chairman

Copy to The Hub Manager (for info).

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