

We are very grateful to Mark and his team at the Dolphin for undertaking repairs to the RX 134 the Stacey Marie. You can see how splendid she looks now.

Work has also been done on the Half Sovereign Cottage to make it watertight.

We are delighted that the Fishermen's Museum now has a small team of volunteers as well as its dedicated staff. We are grateful to Peter Broughton, Chris Floyd and Mick Pelling.

If you would be interested in volunteering at the Museum please call in and see Jan our Shipkeeper. Volunteers also welcome at Hastings History House – please see Anne or email ohpscontact@gmail.com



Congratulations and thanks to Dee Day White, Tush Hamilton and their team of volunteers for giving the top of the town another beautifully restored lifeboat who finally reached her resting place in October. David Renno has written a Diary of the Cyril and Lilian Bishop which is on sale at the History House and the Fishermen's Museum at £7.50. Donations are made from the sales to the Macbean and Bishop Trust for the maintenance of the two historic boats.



In addition to two share certificates for the St Leonards on Sea Steam Laundry Company, Gary Dyer has given us the stamp pictured right and one for Cornfield Garage. The St Leonards Steam Laundry leased their premises to Bradford's in Bexhill Road. They also built the Laundry Cottages there. We have also been given 3 large volumes of a ledger, Cash Book and



a Share Ledger. These volumes will make a wonderful source for anyone researching the period they cover. We may sell the two stamps to raise funds so if anyone is interested do put in a bid. There is a wooden box to go with the laundry stamp.

Various planning issues - The planning file grows on the application for Brewery Yard, the Conservation Officers comments and the response from the architect make interesting reading. The Right of Way application has been lodged and will I hope rumble its way through the system. There is an application to demolish Mill Farm in Mill Lane for a new dwelling. No details of the history of the house or any current pictures have been lodged with the application.

We were sorry to learn of the death of John Speer who for many years was an assistant shipkeeper at the Fishermen's Museum and a good friend to the OHPS. We send sympathy to his family and thanks for suggesting donations to OHPS in John's memory.

A reminder that your OHPS subscriptions for 2018 are due - £10 individual and £15 for two people at the same address/family. You will find a form enclosed and we would be grateful if you would return with your payment. Please don't post any cash through the History House letterbox but fine to hand it in. Bacs details are: CAF Bank, sort code 40-52-40 account no 00003831. Please give your name as a reference if you wish to pay this way. Many thanks for your continuing support.