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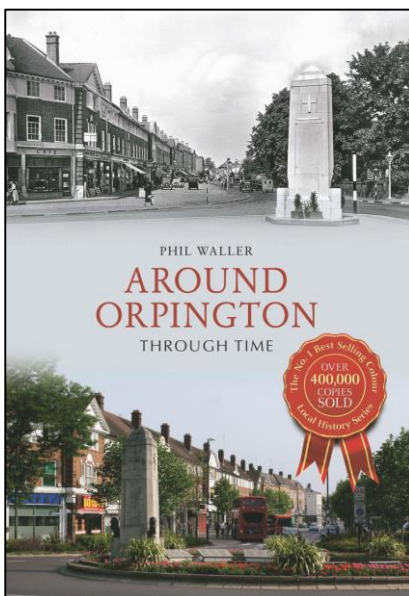
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AROUND ORPINGTON THROUGH TIME BY PHIL WALLER

First mainstream local history publication for Orpington and its former district in 30 years!

Phil Waller and the Orpington History Organisation are pleased to announce the 'pre-order' launch (21st October 2013) and subsequent formal launch (28th October 2013) of 'Around Orpington Through Time' by Phil Waller, published by Amberley Books.

This publication continues the extremely popular local history book series by Amberley Books (over 400K copies of books in this series sold). 'Around Orpington Through Time' is an intuitive, 96 page, full colour 'then and now' image book with informative captions on each page. Read, page by page, and go on a journey around Orpington and its district and see what is hidden by today's world. Scratch the surface and you will see that the town, only a village less than 100 years ago, has grown into an important suburban town. The book also features the former Hamlets and Villages, some also changing significantly, some remaining as they were, as the railway, industry and the arterial road system changed this part of Kent forever.



This website has been set up as an information/landing page for the book – www.around-orpington.co.uk

Important notes for articles and promotions

- This is the first mainstream local history publication on Orpington and it's District in 30 years;
- Although not produced for financial gain by the author, all proceeds will be reinvested within the Orpington History Organisation (OHO), to buy related material at auction;
- Many well-known Local Historians and members of the OHO have been involved in producing the book, including free use of old and modern images from their collections;
- The London Borough of Bromley Local Studies Department and the Bromley Museum have been extremely supportive of the production of this book;
- The book is available overseas for many of Orpington's former residents, to purchase more locally, who have emigrated (there are a great number);
- Jo Johnson MP is an avid supporter and has attended our events and follows us on twitter. (Mr Johnson has also agreed to assist in promoting the book).

Background on the Author

Phil Waller was born and raised in Orpington, attending local schools. Phil's hobby of local history studies (since the age of 15) has led to the creation of the Orpington History Organisation which is now has over 3000 active enthusiasts across the world. The hugely successful website, Facebook/Twitter and physical displays at local events continue to grow with many people joining the 'OHO' day by day.

The Orpington History Organisation has a collection of over 2000 images (including many rare items) which have been gathered over the past 10 years, some items being donated or permanently loaned to Phil and his team. Amberley Publishing contacted Phil at the perfect time and invited him to author a book on Orpington (and its District) following the formula of their very successful 'around' series which have collectively now sold over 400,000 copies worldwide.





If you would like more information about this topic (including hi-res images for promotional activities), please contact Phil Waller (phone number given upon request) or email at p.waller@orpington-history.org