

Officers report for 2025

### **Zoom Meeting Co-ordinator**

We have had our now normal twelve meetings in 2025. Under the old face to face system we used to have just eight meetings a year, using the spaces to fit in two auctions, the AGM and the Annual Show. The number of attendees at each meeting was in the range of 9 to 13, showing slide shows of between 88 and 227 photographs, and chatting from 7.00pm through to as late as 11.44pm, though members who needed more sleep tend to drop out from 9.00pm onwards. In addition to exchanging news and general discussion, we followed the traditional subjects on the membership card, adding the following themes as suggested during the year of the Russo-Japanese War, colourful uniforms, the enemies of empires, war films, the Hundred Years War, and Forts and Circumvallations

James Opie

### **Advertising Officer**

I regret to say that I found myself unable to devote as much time to the vital job of filling the Bulletin with adverting to support the publication costs and introduce our members to new and old providers of goods and services as well as letting our members advertise their own needs and disposals at very favourable rates. I have therefore given notice of my resignation to the National Committee from this post, but would be very happy to support any new applicant for the post with all the ideas and background knowledge necessary to carrying out these duties.

James Opie