

Researching for the future

The Buckinghamshire Association for Masonic Research (BAMR) held its annual meeting and Papers Day at the Aylesbury Masonic Centre on 21st February.



BAMR chairman David Peck (pictured left) said: "It has been an interesting and constructive

year, with membership slowly increasing and now standing at 94 members. However, we still need to be getting our message over to lodges."

The Association has been supplying speakers to lodges, Lodges of Instruction and the North-East Corner Clubs for new members. It is planning to extend its influence into Oxfordshire and Berkshire, where there are no Masonic research bodies. David Peck has been invited to speak at the Oxfordshire Lodge of installed Masters.

This year's Burnham

lecturer is Association member Brian Baker (pictured below), who will give his talk entitled *Origins and Developments of the Consecration Ceremony* at the July meeting of Bucks Masters Lodge. His lecture was one of three presentations given after the annual meeting.



Other speakers at the Papers Day, which was also open to non-Masons, were Brian Hilton (pictured right) on



Prince Hall Masonry and Bill Dwyer (pictured below) on The Building of Noah's Ark.



Go to www.bamr.co.uk for more information including membership details.

The aims and objectives of the Buckinghamshire Association for Masonic Research are to:

➤ *Promote and undertake study and research into matters relating to Freemasonry in general and the Province of Buckinghamshire in particular.*

➤ *Record and make available the transactions of the Association to all interested parties.*

➤ *Make available a service to provide all Freemasons in the Province of Buckinghamshire and subscribing members of the BAMR with Masonic knowledge and information.*

➤ *Maintain a central register of research papers compiled by members of the Association.*