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Sutton Courtenay Local History Society

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Dear Nigel

It was good to see you and Mary Thompson the other day when you visited in response to my email about the visitors book in my possession.

This book seems to be the visitors book from Sutton Courtenay Manor covering the years 1909 – 1917. From memory, it came into my father's possession in the 1960s from a workman, clearing out a shed at the Manor. Packed with the names of visiting celebrities of that era – politicians, socialites and writers – it is likely to be of considerable interest to the village.

Inserted at the end of the book, a teenager's collection of football memorabilia from the 1940s, suggests its earlier usage long before my dad saw it. At any rate, it remained forgotten at the bottom of a cupboard till I unearthed it recently and I wondered if it might be a useful contribution to the local history archive? I am accordingly very happy to donate it to SCLHS.

Sincerely

Jonathan Blinman