

A Message from BSTS Chairman Rodney Hoare ...

As many members are aware, our Chairman Rodney Hoare has been seriously hampered performing Shroud activities over the last four years due to ME, the still little understood illness associated with loss of energy. He writes:

I feel fine, but am still very short of energy. There are two BSTS jobs which I find onerous, and would be very glad if anyone among the Society's members might volunteer to take them on. These are:

(1) Keeping the Society's collection of its tape-recorded lectures, and making and sending copies of these to members requesting them. This is more easily done if the volunteer already has a facility to copy standard cassette tapes. (2) Managing official photographs of the Shroud on behalf of the Society, and sending out copies when ordered. Current stocks are exhausted, and this will involve the volunteer liaising with a supplier to be chosen. [Probably Studio Scoffone of Turin, who have developed a new process for getting the best out of the original Enrie negatives - Ed.]

Anyone willing to take on either or both of these tasks - at present demand is light, but may escalate in the lead-up to the 1998 exposition - should contact Rodney Hoare at 23 Elm Grove Road, Salisbury SP1 1JW, tel. 01722 326273.

DIARY DATE

BSTS Meeting Wednesday 25th October 1995
AGM followed by **Professor Paul Nicholls'** lecture
'A Chemist Looks at the Hypotheses of' Dr. Garza Valdes and Dr. Dmtri Kouznetsov'

7 pm The Society of Authors.
84 Drayton Gardens, South Kensington, London SW10
[nearest Underground Gloucester Road, then due south.
Drayton Gardens is a turning South of Old Brompton Road]

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