Editorial

It would appear that fate has caught up with me as I start as the new Editor of your *Transactions*. In the mid-1980s, if I remember correctly, I was flattered to be invited by Ivor Bulmer-Thomas to become editor, but I put him off because of my existing academic commitments at the University of Warwick. Now, in my retirement, events have come full circle. I think that it was Gwyn Meirion-Jones who took over then, and several other outstanding editors have followed since: it goes without saying that they will be hard acts to follow.

I am grateful to fellow Trustee, Jill Channer, who has volunteered to be Assistant Editor, in case back-up is required, though it has not been needed for this volume. I am also grateful to Matthew Saunders for standing-in as editor of Volume 55 last year, and for providing me with much assistance with the content of this current volume; and also to Murray Wallace of Direct Offset for accommodating any differences in working methods that come with a new editor.

I have several ideas for the *Transactions*, the first one of which I have been fortunate enough to implement in this volume – namely the revival of the tradition of printing the Anniversary Address. The last one to appear in the *Transactions* was that of Christopher Stell in Volume 38, 1994. I have always felt that the Address fills a gap for members unable to attend the AGM as well as providing a useful record for those who did, and I am most grateful to Nicholas Molyneux, the speaker in 2011, for the extra work involved in seeing his talk into print.

The contents of your *Transactions* reflect the offerings I receive. I am always on the look-out for new articles, and even more so currently on ecclesiastical topics. So keep sending me your ideas and manuscripts for consideration. My contact details are inside the back cover.

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