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EDITORIAL

We enter the 25th anniversary year of the Society with no sign of running out of interesting things to report about sundials. The run of back issues of the *Bulletin* occupies about 16 inches of space on my book shelves and they represent a large amount of effort from many authors, all of whom I thank.

There cannot be many journals which carry articles on topics with such a wide spread of time—from prehistory to dials made in the last few months. One new dial in this issue (page 21) even includes both these extremes and in between we have early dials which have been excavated, found in old drawings and literature, or were just waiting in museums and private collections for someone to look at closely and describe properly.

Researching sundials takes you to places that you might not normally visit and there is no doubt that the more closely you study a sundial the more that you see and the more

interesting they become. The development of the internet has provided the means to discover new dials, and details about known ones, that otherwise would remain hidden. Even watching TV can suddenly throw up a dial which 25 years of BSS Recorders have missed. So I would like to encourage members to research at least one sundial, old or new, each in the coming year and then to report on it in these pages. That should keep the *Bulletin* full for another quarter-century!



Erratum

In the article on *The Reworking of Mass Dials* by Tony Wood in the previous issue (*BSS Bull.*, 25(iv), pp. 40-41 (Dec 2013)), the statement that Lamas was “near Sandringham” was made. In fact it is about 50 miles away though the rest of the story is true.