

## Report on the 12<sup>th</sup> January 2024 Meeting

### 'Admired Women'

Mary Birchall delivered an excellent presentation about her dearly beloved grandmother, Lily. It was very well illustrated, from sepia portraits to colour images.



There was even a photo (here it is) of Lily with the celebrated aviator Louis Charles Joseph Bleriot, for whom she was an interpreter in his travels around Great Britain. Nice one, Mary! This was such an interesting talk that did justice to a life well lived. We look forward to more contributions from Mary and indeed the rest of us.

Next, Roger introduced Granny Fryer, whose 90 years spanned the era of railway expansion to the sputnik. A wonderful old girl who had brought nine children into the world and lived a blameless life, starting in the unedifying crowded streets of east Leeds and living to see several grandchildren graduating from Cambridge, Oxford and Durham.

The meeting concluded with a taster from Jenny Collis and Mary Gracie, who have been working on the wills of two people noted for their connections with Knutsford. We look forward to that, next time.