Roger Passmore (1933-2009)

With much regret we report the death of Roger Passmore on 16 February. Roger and his wife Pat will be known to many members, having been active members of the society since 1991. Roger spent his childhood in Sussex where his father farmed. In his turn Roger studied agriculture but then worked overseas, spending 16 years in Uganda before returning to take an MSc in tropical agriculture in Reading. This was followed by periods working in Ecuador, northern Nigeria, Pakistan and Ghana. Roger had always been very interested in woodwork and when he and Pat decided to return to Sussex he attended the furniture restoration course at West Dean College, following which he set up his own restoration workshop and also taught short courses at West Dean and other venues. Ill health over the last few years has meant his very sound contributions have been much missed at society events. Our sincere condolences are sent to his wife Pat and to their family.

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