SAS VISIT TO EAST MEON
arranged by J. C. M. Blatch

Saturday, 26th September

East Meon, near Petersfield in Hampshire, is the epitome of the English village as we imagine it from English novels and other sources. Compact, built on an interesting medieval grid pattern with houses and cottages ranging in date from the 13th century to the present day and situated in beautiful country. It is a true village in the sense of community rather than being a commuter week-end retreat. In addition, it possesses a mainly Norman church described in Pevsner’s guide as “one of the most thrilling village churches in Hampshire”. It has one of seven Tournai marble fonts, dating from the first half of the 12th century, to be seen in this country (two others are at Lincoln and Winchester cathedrals) and a pulpit of 1706 originally from Holy Trinity Minories, which before its demolition stood near the Tower of London.

Mr. Frederick Standfield, our guide for the day, has lived in East Meon for the past 27 years and has written an excellent “History of East Meon”.

8.30 a.m. Meet the coach at the Red Cross public house, Reigate, at the junction of West Street, High Street and Park Lane.
8.45 a.m. Dorking Halls.
9.15 a.m. Guildford, rear of B.R. station, Guildford Park Road.
10.15 a.m. Arrive for coffee at ‘The George’.
(approx.)
10.45 a.m. Guided tour of East Meon church.
11.30 a.m. Visit the adjacent Court House. This has a fine medieval hall dated to the mid/late 14th century. It was the administrative centre of the Manor of East Meon, owned for many hundreds of years by the Bishops of Winchester who were the largest landowners in southern England.

12.30-
2.00 p.m. Break for lunch. ‘The George’ is able to provide a wide range of lunches from a Ploughmans at £1.50 to something more expensive.
(Please state if lunch is required as they must be ordered in advance. Please pay on the day.)
2.00 p.m. Perambulate the village with visits to three attractive houses, by kind permission of the owners.
3.30 p.m. Subject to weather conditions, a visit to Old Winchester Hill, some two miles to the south of East Meon, with glorious panoramic views of the surrounding country, and
some interesting barrows left undisturbed by the Iron Age builders of the fort on the hill.

4.15 p.m. Return to the West Meon Hut for afternoon cream tea. 
(Please state if not required).

Tickets: Members £8.20, non-members £8.30. Students and children half price, to include administration, coach, gratuity, morning coffee, afternoon tea and donation. Please send s.a.e. with cheque to Mrs. Jean West, 123 Ewell By Pass, Ewell, Epsom KT17 2PX (Tel: 01-393 8970) not later than 10th September to enable final arrangements to be completed.

Saturday, 19th September

COACH OUTING TO “THE LUNT” & COVENTRY

(Organised by Surrey Roman Villa Group)

A coach outing has been arranged for a guided tour of the partially reconstructed Lunt Roman Fort and Roman Army Museum at Baginton, near Coventry, in the morning. Lunch — picnic, restaurant or pub — in Coventry. The afternoon in Coventry will be for independent visiting to places of interest, e.g. Cathedral, Herbert Art Gallery and Museum, 14th century Whitefriars, the restored medieval Spon Street, St. Mary’s medieval Guildhall, Tudor almshouses, Museum of British Road Transport. The coach will start from Dorking Halls at 8.30 a.m. with a pick-up at Guildford Railway Station at 9.00 a.m. Cost £6.75 (£6.50 O.A.P.) to include coach fare, driver’s gratuity and admission and guide charges at The Lunt. Optional cream tea in Coventry £1.50. For booking forms please contact Mr. L. Le Mottee, Little Rising, Ermyn Way, Leatherhead KT22 8TW. (Ashtead 74107).

SOCIETY NEWS

Changes in Despatch of Publications
As from 1st June, a new addressing system has been used for the posting of all Society literature and publications. The Society has changed from its manual envelope addressing machine to a computerised system, which has entailed re-typing names, addresses and subscription information for all members.

Would you please check that the name and address printed on the envelope containing this Bulletin is correct. If there are any changes which need to be made, please let me know immediately at Castle Arch.

Susan Janaway

Lithic Tool Research Group
The Group’s organiser for 1987/88 is Pat Nicolaysen; her address is 295 West Barnes Lane, New Malden, Surrey KT3 6JE.

Surrey History and Archaeology Club
As members will have read in the last Bulletin, a children's club is being set up, jointly organised by SAS and Guildford Museum. Young people between the ages of 8 and 18 will be invited to join the club which will meet once a month on Saturdays, usually at Guildford Museum, beginning in September.

A competition to find a name for the club has been announced in the local press and results of this and more details about membership will appear in the next Bulletin.
At this early stage we would like to compile a register of voluntary assistants who could help to supervise the junior club meetings, usually from 10 to 12 a.m., as well as helpers for occasional all day coach outings.

We would also be interested to hear from anyone who would be interested in giving a talk or demonstration to the club on any aspect of Archaeology or Local History.

If you can help in any way, please contact Julia Arthur or Gwyneth Price at Guildford Museum, Castle Arch, Guildford GU1 3SX. Tel: Guildford 505050 ext. 3542.

Library
The Visitors Book is now safely back on the Library table, having spent two or three weeks in the Pamphlet drawer. Hatchlands is now a Mini Library in itself, having acquired 33 feet of 6’6” high shelving free, all the books and Journals are shelved and easily accessible.

Journals recently transferred to Hatchlands:
- Dumfriesshire and Galloway Natural History and Antiquarian Society.
- Glasgow Archaeological Journal.
- Journal of the Historical and Archaeological Association of Ireland.
- Journal of the Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland.
- Kilkenny Archaeological Society.
- Montgomeryshire Archaeological Collections (including Powysland).
- Proceedings of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland.
- Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland.
- Transactions of the Glasgow Archaeological Society.
- Ulster Journal of Archaeology.

The Library is scheduled for re-decoration in August this year and will be closed for this purpose for two weeks from 10th August 1987. Apologies to Members for any inconvenience caused during this time.

Recent Accessions to the Society’s Library

GENERAL
- Anderson, M. D.: Misericords, Medieval life in English woodcarving. (Penguin 1956)
- Birley, Anthony: The People of Roman Britain. (Batsford 1979)
- Blake, Hugo and Davey, Peter: Guidelines for the processing and publication of Medieval Pottery from excavations. Occasional Paper 5 (Dept. of the Environment 1987)
Darvill, Timothy: The Archaeology of the Uplands: a rapid re-assessment of archaeological knowledge and practice. (CBA 1986)
Darvill, Timothy: Upland Archaeology. What future for the past. (CBA 1986)
English Place Name Society. Journals 17 (1985) and Journal 18 (1986)
Finn, R. Weldon: The Domesday Inquest and the making of the Domesday Book. (Longman 1961). (Donation)
Hadingham, Evan: Secrets of the Ice Age. (Heinemann 1980)
Hattat, Richard: Iron Age and Roman brooches — a second selection of brooches from the author's collection. (Oxbow 1985)
Headley, Gwyn and Meulenkamp, Wm.: Follies, a National Trust Guide. (J. Cape 1986)
Hinchliffe, John: Preservation by Record: the work of the Central Excavation Unit 1975-85. (HB & MCE 1986)
Holder, P. A.: The Roman Army in Britain. (Batsford 1982)
Hudson, Kenneth. The Archaeology of the Consumer Society. (Heinemann 1983)
Longworth, Ian and Cherry, John (Editors): Archaeology in Britain since 1945 (BMP 1986)
McLaughlin, Eve: Annals of the Poor — a McLaughlin Guide. (FFHS 1986)
McLaughlin, Eve: Parish Registers — a McLaughlin Guide. (FFHS 1986)
Milligan, E. H. and Thomas, M. J.: My Ancestors were Quakers. (Society of Genealogists 1983)
Ormrod, W. M. (Editor): England in the Fourteenth Century. (Boydell and Brewer 1986). (Donation)
Palgrave-Moore, P.: How to locate and use Manorial Records. (Elvery Dowers 1985)
Parkes, P. A.: Current Scientific Technology in Archaeology. (Croom Helm 1986)
Rahtz, Philip: Invitation to Archaeology. (Blackwell 1985)
Rogers, C. D.: The Family Tree Detective. (Manchester University Press 1985)
Smith, Roger Finch: Roadside settlements in Lowland Roman Britain (BAR 157 1987)
Southern History Volume 8
Stead, I. M.: Celtic Art. (BMP 1985)
Weir, Anthony and Jerman, James: Images of Lust — Sexual Carvings on Medieval Churches. (Batsford 1986)

LOCAL — SURREY
Arrowsmith, R. L.: Charterhouse Register, 1769-1872. (Phillimore 1974)
Bolitho, Hector and Peel, Derek: The Drummonds of Charing Cross. (G. Allen & Unwin 1967). (Donation)
Harries, J. M.: Crondall in the time of Elizabeth I. (Farnham and District Museum 1986). (Pamphlet, donation)
Inglesant, D. and Gibbons V.: Puttenham & Wanborough during the Second World War. (Pamphlet, donation)
Map: Surrey from Space. (Surrey County Council 1987)
Walters, John: Aldershot Review. (Jarrolds 1970). (Donation)
Ward's Croydon Directory. 1937
Westlake, Flora: The way we were — a social history of the village of Rowledge. (Rowledge Parish Church 1986)

LOCAL — EXCLUDING SURREY

Bidwell, Paul T.: The Roman Fort of Vindolanda. (English Heritage 1985)

Coles, Bryony and John: Sweet Track to Glastonbury. (Winner of 1986 British Archaeology Book Award). (Thames and Hudson 1986)
Cunliffe, Barry: The City of Bath. (Alan Sutton 1986)
Foster, Jennifer. The Lexden Tumulus — a re-appraisal of an Iron Age Burial, Colchester. (BAR 156, 1986)
Hobley, Brian: Roman and Saxon London. (Museum of London 1986)
McWhirr, Alan. Houses in Roman Cirencester. Cirencester Excavations III. (Cirencester Excavation Committee 1986)
McWhirr, Alan. Romano-British Cemeteries at Cirencester. Cirencester Excavations II. (Cirencester Excavation Committee 1982)
Miles, David (Editor): Archaeology at Barton Court Farm, Abingdon. (CBA Research Report 50 1986)
Milne, Gustav. The Port of Roman London. (Batsford 1985)
Parker, Rowland: Cottage on the Green. (Papworth). (Rowland Parker 1973)
Sussex Industrial History 2. Summer 1971
Tweddle, Dominic: Finds from Parliament Street and other sites in the city centre. (York Archaeological Trust 1986)
Wacher, John and McWhirr, Alan: Early Roman Occupation at Cirencester. Cirencester Excavations I. (Cirencester Excavation Committee 1982)

Surrey Industrial History Group Conservation Awards
In 1983 the Surrey Industrial History Group, which is a group of the Surrey Archaeological Society, instituted an annual award recognising major contributions to conservation work to buildings or objects of industrial interest in the County. The award consists of a 12 inch diameter circular plaque featuring the SIHG logo, the year, and the words ‘Surrey Industrial History Group Award’. The plaque was designed by Tony Harcombe, a member of the Group Committee, and the pattern was produced using a computer controlled milling machine at the University of Surrey. Each year a plaque has been cast in aluminium by J. I. Blackburn & Co. at Catteshall Works, Godalming and painted black with white lettering.

The first plaque dated 1983 was awarded to Mr. and Mrs. J. Loarridge of Cosford Mill, Thursley, who had restored and conserved their home in the mill house and the adjacent water mill. The following year the brothers Gerald and Raymond Thomas were the recipients for their work at Outwood Windmill. Then in 1985 Fraser Clayton and Linda Malings were presented with the plaque for conserving Baynards station on the closed Horsham to Guildford railway. The fourth plaque dated 1986 was awarded to Tony Harcombe for his work on conserving his collection of stationary internal combustion engines which are housed at his museum in Westcott.

The accompanying photograph shows Tony with his plaque and one of his restored engines.

The awards have generated much publicity for the work of SIHG both locally and in the national industrial archaeology press. The Group plans to continue to make the awards each year and has selected recipients for 1987 and 1988.

Alan Crocker
Surrey Heath Museum
Surrey Heath Museum is now open at new premises in the centre of Camberley. Occupying part of the new Civic Office complex in Knoll Road, the Museum's imaginatively-designed permanent display covers local history and the heathland habitat, whilst a programme of temporary exhibitions focus on subjects of local and regional interest. The Museum also provides a range of other services for schools, visiting parties and researchers. Further information from Camberley 686252 ext. 526. Opening times: Tuesday-Saturday 11.00-5.00. Admission free.

Courses in Archaeology and Related Subjects
Caterham Valley Adult Education Centre
“Latin and Palaeography for Local Historians.” 20 week course to include the study of local documents in both Latin and English with a variety of materials aimed at different levels of skill and interest. Tutor: Mary Saaler. Wednesday evenings beginning September 23rd.

Guildford Branch W.E.A.
“Byzantium”. Tuesday evenings beginning on 29th September at Guildford Institute. Tutor: Lady Hanworth.
“Exploring Surrey”. Thursday mornings beginning on 1st October. Five meetings at Guildford Institute and five outdoor meetings.
“Medieval History — including 1066”. Friday afternoons beginning on 2nd October at Guildford Institute. Tutor: Bernard Downing.

Brochures describing the W.E.A. classes will be available from Guildford Library or telephone Guildford 577309 for details.

MEETINGS ETC.

July 31st, Wednesday, 8.00 p.m.
THE ENVIRONS OF ROMAN LONDON. Talk by Nicholas Fuentes to Wandsworth H.S. at Friends Meeting House, Wandsworth High Street.

August 5th, Wednesday, 8.00 p.m.
THE BAYEUX TAPESTRY AND THE LEGACY OF GUILLAUME 1027-1087. Talk by Enid Butler to Nonsuch A.S. at St. Mary’s Church Hall, Ewell.

September 8th, Tuesday, 7.45 p.m.
STONEHENGE. Talk by Alan Profitt to Croydon N.H.S.S. at East Croydon U.R. Church Hall, Addiscombe Grove.

November 14th, Saturday, 2.15-5.30 p.m.
ASPECTS OF ROMAN LIFE IN BRITAIN. Half-day conference arranged by the Council for Kentish Archaeology at Christ Church College, Canterbury. The speakers will be: Mark Hassell, Tony Rooke and Brian Philp. Tickets £1.00 available from Conference Organiser, 5 Harvest Bank Road, West Wickham, Kent BR4 9DL. (Cheques payable to C.K.A., please include s.a.e.).

Bulletin Issues
Copy for the September Bulletin is required by the Editor by Saturday, 8th August. Material for the October issue must be received by Saturday, 5th September.