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COUNCIL NEWS

Co-options to Council

At the first meeting of the new Council held in January, it was unanimously agreed that Mr M J Alexander, Dr D G Bird, Miss J M Carter, Mr M J Curtis, Mr P Tarpole and Mr R J Webber be co-opted as members of Council for one year.

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday, 25th November 1989 in the Great Hall, Farnham Castle. It is proposed to arrange organised tours after the meeting, instead of the usual formal lecture. Full details will be given later.

New Members

We welcome to the Society the following new members: P. J. Duffitt, 13 Hillside Court, Harvey Road, Guildford, GU1 3NA; D. G. Evans, 9 High Garth, Esher, KT10 9DN; L. J. Gorton, 41 West Hill Avenue, Epsom, KT19 8JX; Miss H. Lindsay, 21 Ennismore Avenue, Guildford, GU1 1SR; J. S. McCracken, St. Lukes House, 270 Sandycombe Road, Kew, Richmond, TW9 3HP; Ms. L. Mepham, 1 Vicarage Gardens, Netheravon, Salisbury, Wilts, SP4 9RW; Mrs. E. R. Moss, 2 Links Road, Winchester, Hants. SO22 5HP

Young Archaeologists’ Club

Ms Philippa Cousins has taken over the position of the Club Organiser since Gweneth Cowie left a year ago to take another post. The membership is now 60: 41 Juniors (8-12) and 19 Seniors (13-18). Future meetings will include a trip to Lightwater where members will “get their hands dirty”, and a trip to Bagshot Archaeological Museum, where they will get a look behind the scenes and see conservation work, etc.

The Club has a quarterly Newsletter and is in desperate need of fresh articles and would be pleased to hear from anyone who would be interested in writing a short article (1000 words) on archaeology or local history, or who would give a talk or demonstration to the Club.

It has been suggested that a second Club be formed in the eastern part of the County and it would be interesting in helping to organise this, or any other aspect of the Club’s activities please contact Philippa Cousins at Guildford Museum, Castle Arch, Guildford.

VISITS COMMITTEE

SAS Visit to Shoreham arranged by Alan Gillies

Tuesday 1st August

8.45 a.m. Coach leaves Reigate at the junction of Park Lane, West Street and the High Street

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LOCAL GROUP AND SOCIETY NEWS

Haslemere Archaeological Group

The Group has been concentrating on local nineteenth century history for the last year or two and, consequently, it has decided to change its name to "The Haslemere Archaeology and Local History Group". It is hoped that this will attract new members with special interests as well as those interested in archaeology.

Surrey Record Society

In order to conserve storage space, the Society is selling its back stock of the following volumes at only £1.00 each plus postage. An invoice will be sent with the books. Readers will be aware that once out-of-print, these will attract high prices in the standard second-hand book market.

Vol. VII Pipe Roll for 1295. Surrey Membrane; paper reprint (1968)
Vol. XV Surrey Manorial Accounts; paper reprint (1968)
Vol. XIX Surrey Fines 1509-1558; paper reprint (1968)
Vol. XXIII Guild Book for the Episcopal Visitations of the Diocese of Winchester, 1581-1582; paper reprint (1968)
Vol. XXV Wimbledon Vestry Minutes 1747-1768 (1965)
Vol. XXVI Forrester Cartulary (1968) [covers Ewell and area]
Vol. XXVII Kingston upon Thames Register of Apprentices 1563-1703 (1974)
Vol. XXIX Weybridge, Ewell, Morden, Tadworth (including Ewell) Register of Apprentices 1563-1703 (1977)

These volumes are obtainable from Mr M.E. Blackman, 65 Wolsey Drive, Walton-on-Thames, Surrey KT12 3BB

Wesley Archaeological Research Group

Excavations on the site of 31 Church Street, Walton-on-Thames (TQ10156658), are uncovering important information about past occupation in this area of the town. Work is currently concentrated on the post-medieval deposits which have revealed a changing pattern in the building sitings on this particular plot. The finds include a varied selection of 13th-18th century pottery sherds, cut bones, oyster shells and the hint of prehistoric occupation in the area in the form of worked flints. A finds processing centre is being established, with the kind co-operation of Walton Working Men's Club, in 29 Church Street, and work on the excavation and finds processing will continue throughout the summer. Volunteers with no experience necessary, are welcome. For further details contact Mike Curtis, 4 Cottimore Terrace, Walton-on-Thames, Surrey KT12 2BY (tel 245957).

COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT: COUNTRYSIDE AND HERITAGE DIVISION

David Bird

The County Planning Department has recently been reorganised into four Divisions, which have involved the bringing together and restructuring of the old established Sections. All Countryside, Historic Building and Archaeology functions have now been gathered together in a new Countryside and Heritage Division. Each of the four main functions is led by a Principal Planning Officer, including Alan Black, for Conservation (historic buildings, etc) and Design, and David Bird, for Archaeology (with the new title of Principal Archaeologist).

An apology to Richard Williams. The workshop at Beddington, held on the new Division. Formerly with Avon County Council, he has a strong interest in landscape history and archaeology, and in conservation management across the board, and is hoping to bring these aspects of the Division's work more into line with the other activities. It is particularly keen to encourage cooperation with the Society and local groups.

Beddington, near Lewes

The Excavations Committee will reconvene at the Archaeology Centre on Friday 25th August. Please write for an application form to Chatfield, Institute of Archaeology, 31-34 Gordon Square, London WC1H 0PH.

EXCAVATION NOTICES

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EXCAVATION TRAINING COURSE

There will be two six day courses, one in July, and the second from Monday to Thursday for beginners an experienced team welcome. Techniques to be taught include environmental sampling, use of geophysics.

Archaeological Survey Training Course

August 1989. The course will be based in Eastbourne and will take place within the area of the Weyside Group. Participants will be taken to site along some of the methods of archaeology, with a focus on levels, plane-tabling, use of geophysics.

The fee for each course is £55 for members (£60 for non-members). A camping site (one mile from site) is provided. Further information: Christine Crickmore (see above).

Surrey Heath Archaeological Society

South Farm Lightwater: The fifth site will be Beddingham, pilot study to be directed by G H Cole for the Trust.

Public viewing facilities and visitor services will be available on Monday 10 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. Volunteers wishing to help at the Archaeology Centre, 63 High Street, KT22 2BY, are requested to contact 0276-51181 to request further information.

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Early Guildford Borough Council

An apology to Richard Williams. The correct map based on the Inchnock known 18th century stones is shown.

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Gillian Drew

The Library has produced six notecards showing a variety of views from the Society's collections. These are in the form of striking black and white prints and show views of Leatherhead, Milto, Kingston, St Marthas, Farnham and Burford Bridge. They are available with an envelope at 20p each from Castle Arch and shortly from other outlets.

The Library also hopes to have a series of postcards on sale later in the year.