COUNCIL NEWS

Guildford Castle Training Excavation. The second season of excavation is proving popular and the number of applications received is high. Several Societies, including Sussex Archaeological Society have booked visits and it has been decided to again sell special mugs and tee-shirts, which will be available from Castle Arch, the latter at £5.95. The Society of Antiquaries has made a grant of £750 to the Society and further sources of sponsorship are being sought.

CBA GROUP II. Following further meetings to investigate the desirability of re-establishing a Group for the south east — comprising Surrey, Sussex and Kent — an inaugural meeting is planned for the 2nd November. It is hoped that CBA Group II will arrange two meetings a year: an Annual General Meeting with speaker and a Regional Conference.

South Park Farm, Grayswood. Negotiations for the lease of this property are now in their final phase and a note outlining the Society’s aims and proposals for the management of the property will be circulated in the near future.

Exhibition. A series of lunchtime lectures given by members of the Society at the Guildford Institute during May and June was complemented by an exhibition mounted by the Society illustrating the range of its work and activities.

Harold Silver Penny. A Silver Penny (Guildford Mint c.1066) has been offered to the Guildford Museum for £1,200. No information as to its provenance is available, but it is considered to be a very fine striking and possibly unique. Council agreed after discussion that the Society should purchase the coin. (Since the meeting, the Victoria & Albert Museum have agreed to a 50% purchase grant.)

Resignations. Following his move from Surrey, Sir John Davis has resigned as an Honorary Member and Vice-President. Ms Marion Shipley has resigned from Council as she will be living abroad after retirement. Council expressed their warm thanks to her for her past services to Council.

New Members

We are pleased to welcome the following new members to the Society:

Abdy, C H, 17 Seymour Avenue, Ewell, KT17 2RP
Bennett, W J, 23 Glenfield Road, Brockham, Betchworth, RH3 7HR
Botting, H D, Flat B, 82 The Chase, London SW4 ONG
Cole, Mrs B A, 178 Worples Road, Staines, Middx TW18 1EH
Cooper, J C, 42 Peckhams, Oxted Green, Milford, Godalming, GU8 5DB
Cox, Dr C I, 46 Queen’s Road, Guildford, GU1 4JJ
Earnshaw, Miss R E, 5 Fairfield Court, Grange Road, Sutton, SM2 6RY
Forsyth, A N, 14 Beacon Close, Farnham, GU10 4PA
Young Archaeologists’ Club

The Surrey Young Archaeologists’ Club, based at Castle Arch, Guildford, will be participating in this year’s National Archaeologists’ Day on Saturday, 10th August, between 10.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m.

A day of medieval fun and festivity for all the family will be held on the site of the recent excavations of Guildford Medieval Palace in Castle Cliffe Gardens.

Festivities will include:
  - Medieval minstrels
  - Guided tours of the Norman Keep

Demonstrations of:
  - Arms and armour
  - Pottery, tile and jewellery making
  - Spinning, weaving and dyeing

Herbal delights

Competitions

Medieval Tastings Savouries and sweets

Exhibition of finds from excavations of Guildford Medieval Palace

Workshops on Practical Archaeological Techniques and Medieval Crafts

For information tel: (0483) 444752

ARCHEOLOGICAL RESEARCH COMMITTEE  Judie English

Historic landscapes project

The western side of the Mole valley between Leatherhead and Dorking clearly shows the mixture of late Saxon and medieval settlement patterns prevalent over much of south-east England.

Nucleated villages with open fields surrounded by common pasture and waste occur in the valleys and along the spring line on the dip slope of the North Downs — Effingham, the Bookhams, Fetcham and Mickleham.

On the slopes of the chalk Downs there were isolated farmsteads and small hamlets, a scattered settlement pattern which has been partially lost with the imposition of the Polesdon Lacey estate and Norbury Park and with increasing urbanisation. A Bookham Survey of 1548 names five landholders with houses at Polesdon which, with non-landowners and families, could perhaps represent a population of about 50 people. Some lost settlement is suggested by field names given when the Polesdon estate was sold after the death of its owner, Richard Brinsley Sheridan — Further Hamlet, Middle Hamlet and Hither Hamlet. Similar arguments for settlement shrinkage can be advanced for Bagdens, Finnaces (Phoenice Farm) and Old Dene.
Settlements on top of the Downs leave less trace. A Thorncroft Survey of 1629 shows what is now a 30a arable field as a holding of six fields with a farmhouse and yard called Brownsland (see John Blair's "Early Medieval Surrey", p.47) The holding can be traced back to c. 1275 so fieldwalking the arable should prove interesting. The woods of Norbury Park contain evidence of more fields and it seems likely that we will be able to reconstruct a series of fields covering most of the Downs west of the Mole. Whether or not these fields were settlement sites is a question which may be answered by fieldwalking those which are now arable and by documentary research; a number of holding names are known — Blacklands, Fattesgrove and Wellcotts among others.

It is likely that these scattered settlements result from secondary colonisation of the waste when population expansion caused land shortage during the eleventh to thirteenth centuries. However it is now recognised that this scattered and shifting pattern was the norm throughout England prior to the development of open fields and has a direct lineage from Iron Age and Romano-British settlement in ethos though not necessarily in locus.

This is only one aspect of work in progress; we hope to gain more evidence of earlier settlement, perhaps Saxon from the "old" Norbury site by the river, perhaps Romano-British from a possible pottery scatter found on the Downs in 1938. Post-medieval research is also in progress and may form the basis of a later note.

If you would like to join us, please contact:

Steve Dyer (daytime) — 081-541-8091
Judie English (evenings) — 0483-276724

STOP PRESS

A workshop on the identification and processing of lithic artefacts has been arranged for Saturday 21st September, at the Christian Community Centre, Dorking, to begin at 10.00 am, concluding at around 12.30; coffee will be served beforehand. Anyone wishing to attend is asked to let Steve Dyer or Judie English know in advance. Participants are welcome to attend the meeting of the Lithic Tools Research Group on the same afternoon, details of which will appear in the September Bulletin.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

There will be the first in a series of "Open Days", designed to introduce members to the resources and scope of the Society's Library, on Saturday, September 21st 1991. Whether you are a new member or one of many years standing, do you really know everything about the rich variety of material, printed and illustrative, the Library has to offer, and how it can help your research?

Now is your chance! Drop in to Castle Arch any time between 10.00 am and 4.00 pm on the 21st September — coffee or tea and cakes will be on offer, and so will a guided tour of Library resources on any subject of your choice, plus a small exhibition of some of our treasures.

New Library Guides should also be available on the day.

There will be other opportunities to find out more about the Library at other Open Days to be arranged.
Library Cards

Susan Janaway, Membership Secretary

All members who have renewed their subscription for 1991/92 should have received their library card for the current year. If you have not been sent one and you know your subscription is up to date, could you please contact Susan Janaway at Castle Arch (telephone 0483 32454).

Several members have still not renewed their subscription. Would you please do so now before I am forced to take further action!

VISITS COMMITTEE

SAS Visit to Langley Marish, Upton Court, Frogmore House

Saturday 31st August 1991

arranged by Josephine Carter (Tel. 0483 505502)

Coach Pick up points:

8.00 am Guildford — rear entrance of Guildford BR Station in Guildford Park Road.

8.30 am Dorking — Mole Valley Council Offices, Pippbrook, opposite Dorking Halls.

9.00 am Reigate — Red Cross Public House at the junction of West Street, High Street and Park Lane.

9.45 am Coffee at the Red Lion Inn, Langley, which is opposite the Church.

10.15 am St Mary's Church. Mrs Muriel Kemp, the Curator, will introduce us to the recently restored church. ‘One of the most rewarding churches of Buckinghamshire’ (Pevsner). She will tell us of the bequests of Sir John Kederminster — Almshouses (1617) and a library (1631). We will visit the Library and the Kederminster Pew in groups while others view the Church & the Almshouses nearby. There are pubs in the village for lunch.

2.00 pm Upton Court. Mrs Brenda Lawrence will show us this late 15th century timber framed building which is being conserved by her family. Our entrance fees contribute to the Upton Hospital Breast Screening Project.

3.45 pm Frogmore House, which opened to the public last year for the first time. It is particularly associated with Queen Charlotte and the Duchess of Kent, mother of Queen Victoria. Queen Mary’s Flower Room is intriguing. Wallpaper in the Gallery was painted by Princess Elizabeth in the 1790s. The restoration revealed murals which covered the staircase walls from 1716 to 1760. The Royal Mausoleum and its gardens will not be open.

5.00 pm Saville Gardens licensed self service restaurant has been warned of our coming but a formal tea has not been booked. This gives members a choice of menu. Please let me know if you prefer to miss tea so I have numbers for the restaurant.

Please wear badges.

TICKETS: Members £15 OAP £14.50; Non-members £16 OAP £15.50 to include coach, gratuities, donations, entrance fees, administration and morning coffee but not Saville Garden tea.

Please send SAE with cheque to David Evans, 48 Guildford Park Road, Guildford, Surrey GU2 5NF (Tel: 0483 64079).
SAS Visit to Chiddingfold
Saturday 14th September
arranged by Avril McDowall

10.30 a.m. Meet at the Church where a brief history of the Village will be given and notes and maps distributed.
There are over 100 listed houses in this village and the visit is intended to show how some of the earlier houses which have been retained, have been modified and extended in some cases, in response to changing needs, fashion and circumstances.
The Domestic Buildings Research Group are providing guides in the houses where required. Numbers will be restricted to 30, to divide into groupings of 10 for house visits.
There are ample facilities for lunch in the village. An alfresco tea will be provided at Chandlers for those who would like it before returning home at about 5.30 p.m.
Transport in own cars to Chiddingfold. Please park in Coxcombe Lane, opposite the Village pond, or in the Swan Car Park.

TICKETS: Members £2.00, Non-members £2.50, Students 50p to include administration, tea and donations. Please send SAE with cheque to: David Evans, 48 Guildford Park Road, Guildford, GU2 5NF (tel: 0483-64079)

SURREY INDUSTRIAL HISTORY GROUP

The major practical project for the Group over the last couple of years has been the restoration and display of the gantry crane from Burton’s statue foundry in Thames Ditton.
The crane has been re-installed on rails on dwarf walls so that it can now be operated exactly as it was for 65 years in the foundry. The crane is displayed at the Old Kiln Museum in Reeds Road, Tilford and will be “opened” by TV personality and industrial historian Bob Symes on 28 July at 2.30 pm.
This day is “Rustic Sunday” which is the main event of the Old Kiln Museum’s year and so as well as the gantry crane and the normal museum displays there will be craft demonstrations, morris dancers, train rides and plenty to eat and drink.
SIHG is pleased to record its appreciation to SAS for financial assistance with this project and to invite members to join them for these celebrations at one of the biggest private collections of village and rural life.

Pillbox Update

If you’re out walking anywhere in Surrey and happen to see groups of strange people acting in a furtive manner peering into hedges and undergrowth please don’t look askance at them as they could well be SIHG members. For it is now well over two years since the start of our “Surrey Pillbox Survey” and more volunteers are coming forward all the time.
These apparently strangely behaving souls are finding the work very interesting and many now report that it gives a definite purpose to their Sunday afternoon rambles through our lovely countryside. If you would like to join them in this survey of still
extant World War Two defence works, which include anti-tank and aircraft obstacles as well as pillboxes, then please contact Chris Shepheard at the address below. Our survey will be the first comprehensive list of these sites ever made, for the wartime records of these works were apparently destroyed soon after their completion, and new sites are coming to light all the time.

If you let Chris know the approximate areas in which you normally walk then he will send you a list of the known map references thereabouts. Many sites are on or near to public footpaths and once you get a feel for their placement along natural defence lines you will soon be turning up new sites, never before recorded.

Later this year the group is to host a one day symposium at the University of Surrey into “Britain’s World War Two Defences” with speakers from all over the country. Hopefully many of our volunteers will be able to attend and meet like minded “hedgerow peepers” from other areas, and be able to hear just how and why these structures were built in the first place.

Chris Shepheard, “Rose Cottage”, 22 Ridgway Hill Road, Farnham, Surrey, GU9 8LS. Telephone: Farnham 710664

NOTES

Recent Excavations at the former Brooklands Race-track

Graham N Hayman

Proposals for mineral extraction within the central area of the former Brooklands Motor Track near Weybridge, aroused considerable archaeological interest as suggestions had been made earlier this century that an Iron Age village may have been enclosed by the circuit. Additionally excavations in the 1960’s and 1970’s revealed sites of Iron Age, Saxon, and medieval date just to the north of this area, but on the other side of the River Wey. Consequently, a programme of evaluation was undertaken by staff working for the Surrey County Archaeological Unit (SCC) to assess the potential of the area. Evaluation took place in the first half of 1990 and combined geophysical surveying with trial trench excavation. In general the trench was relatively flat though topographical undulations did exist and distinct ‘high spots’ were considered potentially favourable for settlement as the low lying areas were known to flood or become marshy in winter. Therefore, this work ensured that areas of higher ground were at least sampled by machine cut trenches while ground believed to be of lesser potential was sampled more randomly.

The evaluation programme identified two important settlement areas within the circuit. The northern site produced a small number of Iron Age features including several substantial pits (measuring up to 2.5m long by 1.12m wide by 1.2m deep) but no structural remains were found. These features, which may have been storage pits of some kind, indicated that there had been some degree of Iron Age settlement in the vicinity, but whether this lay largely outside the area excavated or whether shallower remains on the site had been lost remains uncertain. The remaining features on the site dated more or less continuously from the 12th to the 20th century and consisted
for the most part of ditches and pits though one area of burning may have indicated
the location of a medieval building. Until earlier this century the site is known to have
been occupied by Hollick Farm, the latest brick foundations of which were revealed,
and many of these features are no doubt associated with this building and its
predecessors. This suggests that there may have been some continuity of settlement
from at least the 12th century though the name of the farm may suggest that it had
even earlier origins.

The southern site was of much greater interest as a large number of Iron Age and
Roman features were discovered. The most significant discovery was an Iron Age
ring ditch, measuring approximately 24m in diameter with an entrance towards the
east, which most probably surrounded a single round house. No structural remains
were discovered within the enclosure though it is probable that erosion of the
contemporary ground surface may have removed all traces of shallow features such
as hearths or construction beam trenches so this interpretation remains likely. The
ring ditch was recut at least once, possibly coinciding with some internal rebuilding
work, and was surrounded by many features which included ditches and numerous
small pits. The pits were presumably for domestic rubbish and most contained
quantities of pottery and burnt clay though no organic material survived in the acidic
soil; when properly examined many of the burnt clay lumps were identified as
fragments from loom weights or spindle whorls indicating that this was an important
activity on site. The phasing of the Iron Age features has yet to be determined though
finds from each part of this period may be present.

The features of Roman date also consisted mainly of pits and ditches though one
small 2m square four-posted structure was identified. Little more can be said about
these features until further work is done, though examination of the finds shows that
the material present ranges from the 1st to the 4th century AD. Many of the later
Roman features were located at the southern end of the site but ran into an area
containing much modern disturbance — some of these features contained pieces of
Roman tile so it is possible that a building was once present in this vicinity but all
traces may have been destroyed by subsequent activities. The recent excavations
and finds recovered, particularly from the southern site where so many Iron Age
features were revealed, are of considerable interest and represent a substantial
addition to our understanding of the Iron Age in Surrey.

16 Tunsgate, Guildford

A watching brief during construction work on the site of the Nationwide Building
Society offices revealed two features, in addition to a general scatter of 19th century
slipware and post-medieval pottery.

After removal of a concrete floor by the contractors, an irregularly shaped pit (approx
71" x 84" x 50") constructed of rough chalk blocks some 2' deep was revealed, the
floor being the natural chalk.

It is believed the pit was formerly a cesspit and part of the stable area of the old Three
Tuns Inn built in the High Street in 1535 and the contractors allowed one day for its
clearance. The material recovered has been dated by Matthew Alexander, Curator of
Guildford Museum, to the period 1690-1720, and includes a blue stoneware half-pint
mug with a medallion of William III, a pint beer pot with a crown and initials AR (Anna
Regina), a silver half-crown of Charles II, together with many clay pipes of late
17th/early 18th century, and a seal with the initial PC.

A great number of high class goblets were also recovered together with 6 plates of
early 17thc Delftware, made in Liverpool.
A second feature, believed to be a well, was found cut into the natural chalk at approx 7' when the site had been cleared. The well was excavated to a depth of approx 12' until it became dangerous to proceed further. It contained a large amount of medieval pottery including Surrey whiteware and shell tempered wares, identified and dated by Phil Jones of the Surrey Archaeological Unit to 1175-1250.

The work was undertaken by staff at Guildford Museum and volunteers at very short notice and with the kind permission of the Contractors. All finds are at Guildford Museum. (Abridged from notes prepared by John Boas.)

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**SUSSEX ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY TOUR OF PUNIC AND ROMAN TUNISIA**

**Sunday 27th October to Sunday 3rd November 1991**

This special tour will be led by David Rudling, Chairman of the Society’s Archaeology Panel, and has been organised for the Society by Pingrum Specialist Tours. Visits include Kerkouane, the best preserved Punic town in Africa, Carthage, Zaghouan, Dougga, Kairouan and Sousse to name a few.

To qualify you must be a member of the Sussex Archaeological Society (or a spouse of a member). Non-members may join for a subscription of £12.50 for 1991. Full details and booking forms can be obtained from Janet France, Sussex Archaeological Society, Barbican House, 169 High Street, Lewes, East Sussex BN7 1YE

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**EXCAVATIONS**

**Beddingham Roman Villa. 27th July – 29th September.** See Bulletin 257 for details.

**Guildford Castle Training Excavation.** 8th – 28th July 1991. See Bulletin 255 or apply to Castle Arch.

**South Farm, Lightwater.** 3rd August — 1st September 1991. See Bulletin 256 for details.

**Scadbury Manor, Chislehurst.** 14th and 15th September Open Weekend.

Guided tours will be given at 15 minute intervals throughout both afternoons, the first at 2 p.m., the last at 4.30 p.m. There will also be a slide show, refreshments and a bookstall. Admission free. (Parking by ticket only: apply enclosing s.a.e. to Mr. M. Meekums, 27 Eynsford Close, Petts Wood, BR5 1DP)

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**COURSES**

**Birkbeck College, University of London.** The College offers a wide range of courses in Archaeology and allied subjects such as British Archaeology, Egyptology, ancient farming, traditional rural life, as well as two Diploma Courses, one in Archaeology and the other in Field Archaeology. Post Diploma courses of more advanced studies are also available in Archaeological draughtsmanship, the study of animal bones and human skeletal remains. For a copy of the Prospectus, write to: Archaeology Courses, Centre for Extramural Studies, Birkbeck College, 26 Russell Square, London WC1B 5DQ. Tel: 071-631-6633.
MISCELLANY

Andante Travels have sent details of their Study Tours in Ancient Cultures and Civilisations designed and led by qualified professional archaeologists to a wide range of locations — Palaeolithic Dordogne, Pre-history in Southern Germany, Viking Denmark among them. The cost of tours ranges from £500-£1000 and discounts are offered on 6 or more booking together. Full details and a provisional programme for 1992 are available from Andante Travels, Grange Cottage, Winterbourne Dauntsey, Salisbury SP4 6ER Wiltshire. Tel. 0980 610979.

Glass Furnace Sites of the Weald. David Crossley, co-author of “The Iron Furnaces of the Weald” (Leicester Univ. Press 1985) would like to get in touch with archaeologists interested in the Wealden glass industry. He has obtained a Leverhulme grant to update records of English glass furnace sites and plans to visit those in the Weald this summer. Anyone interested should contact David Crossley at the Centre for Extension Studies, Division of Continuing Education, University of Sheffield, S10 2TN (Tel: 0742-768555 x 4920/1). (From SIHG Newsletter)

Horton Light Railway. One of the aspects of Surrey industrial history which seems to be inadequately recorded is the mental hospitals in the county and particularly the complex of five large hospitals in Epsom and their associated infrastructure.

One important part of this was the Horton Light Railway which ran between Ewell West Station and the Hatch Estate in Epsom. Leslie Roy Wells and Michael Goodhand who are currently writing a history of this railway would welcome assistance from anyone with knowledge of this line.

They are interested in any reminiscences of drivers, and accounts or diaries, and photographs or newspaper articles relating to the line or its four engines, “Hendon”, “Crossness”, “Sherwood” and ”Hollymoor”. Also they would welcome help with the mechanics of loading, weighing, shunting and operating light railways.

Would any member able to help please write to Leslie Wells at 31 Wyeths Road, Epsom KT17 4EB or telephone 0372 770445. (from SIHG Newsletter)

CONSERVATION MATTERS

Weald and Downland Open-Air Museum

20th May saw the opening of a new permanent display on historic brickwork. It includes mock-ups of brickwork from the earliest times to our own century and includes a whole display on the art of brick rubbing.

The National Stone Centre

The purpose-built National Stone Centre opened a year ago on the site of former quarries at Porter Lane, Wirksworth, in the Derbyshire Dales (tel: 0629 824833). It is open daily except on Christmas and Boxing Days. There are plans for providing expanded training, conference and seminar facilities, a geological observatory, the reconstruction of quarry cottages and a son-et-lumiere simulation of a quarry explosion.
**Building Conservation Centre**

The Ancient Monuments Society Summer Newsletter reports that on 14th March His Royal Highness the Duke of Gloucester opened the Building Conservation Centre based at West Kent College in Tunbridge Wells. Its aim is ‘to combine training of advanced conservation skills for those already employed in the building industry with the provision of advice and information to all involved in the conservation field — historic building owner or architect, site foreman or craftsman’. Courses at the centre are, we learn, already attracting European interest. Further information from 0732 358101 (Stan Halls) or 0622 696099 (Tony Wimble).

**The Crafts Council**

The Crafts Council has a new chairman and a new address. It is now headed by Sir Nigel Broakes, described as ‘developer and silversmith’. The new offices are located in the converted Claremont Chapel at 44A Pentonville Road, Islington, N1 9BB (071 270 7700).

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**ORDNANCE SURVEY — 200 YEARS OLD**

To celebrate their Bicentenary, Britain's national map makers have organised a series of exhibitions round the country including:

- **1st May – 30th September**
  Waterloo Building, Tower of London "Mapmaking in the Tower of London — Ordnance Survey in the Early Years". This Exhibition concentrates on mapping produced at the Tower between 1683 and 1841. Maps will be on sale within the Exhibition area.

- **17th July – September**
  Royal Geographical Society, Kensington Gore A celebration of Ordnance Survey 1" mapping organised by the Charles Close Society

- **23rd September – 1st October**
  International Cartographic Association 1st October Bournemouth. This is the first occasion this event has been held in this country, and Ordnance Survey will have three displays including a technical exhibition demonstrating Digital Mapping.

As part of their celebration Ordnance Survey plan to launch a stamp issue on the 17th September and have promised a number of Bicentenary publications including:

"Map Cover Art" price £10.95, featuring a unique illustrated list of all artist-designed covers issued by Ordnance Survey over the past 70 years.

"Map Cover Post Cards" £2.95 per set. Four sets have been produced, each containing ten different post cards celebrating the best of map cover art between the 1920s and 1930s.

"Popular History" £14.95. A fully illustrated history of Ordnance Survey from its founding in 1791 to the present day.

"Celebratory Brochure" £1.50. An illustrated brochure marking the 200 years of mapping by Ordnance Survey.
PUBLICATIONS


“The Surrey Style” by Roderick Gradidge. This book explores and analyses the forms and detailing of vernacular building in the County and the evolution of the Surrey Style culminating in the richly prolific years of 1880-1930 and the work of such men as Ralph Nevill, Edwin Lutyens and Harold Falkner. Published by the Surrey Historic Building Trust, County Hall, Kingston upon Thames, Surrey KT1 2DN. Price £15.95 plus £2.00 p&p. 144 pp 130 b/w illustrations 14 colour plates.

SUMMER EXHIBITIONS AND EVENTS

Brooklands Museum: Open Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holiday Mondays 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. (last entry 4 p.m.) Edwardian Club house, Banked race course, Motoring Village Collection of cars, motor cycles and cycles, aircraft including Wellington Bomber from Loch Ness. Cafe. Shop. Free parking. Adults £3.50, Students and OAPs £1.50. Children £1.50 (under 5 free).

Chatley Heath Semaphore Tower: Open Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays and Wednesdays during school holidays, until 29th September. Car parks in Old Lane, off southbound A3, approached only from M25 interchange. Adults £1.30, OAPs and children 8 — 16 75p.


There are two exhibitions running in parallel at the Museum. The first investigates the daily life of the Cistercians in their abbey on the ‘winding meadow’. There will be a series of talks, demonstrations and activities throughout the spring and early summer to highlight particular aspects of the monks’ daily life. These will include a chance to sample medieval cooking, a talk on the use of herbs in medieval medicine, a guided tour around the Abbey ruins, and more. The second is a showing of paintings, drawings and photographs by local artists and photographers.

Painshill Park, Cobham: Open Sundays 2.00 — 6.00 p.m. until mid-October (last entry 5.00 p.m.). Walks, views, surprises and illusions. A walk round Painshill Park will enable you to appreciate the 18th Century Ornamental Landscape restored by the Painshill Park Trust. Adults £2.50, OAPs and children 10 — 16 £1.50. No dogs permitted as there are grazing animals. Light refreshments available. Entry A245 beside Cobham Bridge.

Old Kiln Agricultural Centre, Tilford: 28th July “Rustic Sunday” commencing 10.00 a.m. Admission £3 Children £1.50 (see SIHG note) Usual opening times: April-September Wednesdays-Sundays and Bank Holidays 11 am — 6 pm.
MEETINGS 1991

16th July
"Medals" a talk by Norman Clarkson to the KuTAS in the Heritage Centre, Wheatfield Way, Kingston upon Thames at 8 pm.

25th July
"The History of Pear’s Soap" a talk by Andrea Cameron to the Egham by Runnymede Historical Society at the Community Centre, Englefield Green at 8 p.m.

27th July-3rd August
SAS visit to South Wales. See Bulletin 254 for details.

28th July
Visit to Brooklands College to see Locke Kings’ Mansion, obelisk, bridge over Railway to the racecourse and nature reserve in the grounds. Organised by the Walton and Weybridge LHS. Meet in front of the Mansion at 2 pm.

31st July
Visit to St John’s School, Leatherhead arranged by the Leatherhead and District LHS at 2 pm. Charge £1. Applications to Miss J Fuller, 6 Siddons House, Howard Close, Ashtead KT21 1DY.

4th September
"Weather Lore" a talk by Ian Currie to the Nonsuch Antiquarian Society in St Mary’s Church Hall, London Road, Ewell at 8 pm.

14th September
SAS Visit to Chiddingfold (see this Bulletin for details)

PRELIMINARY NOTICES

18th (evening) to 20th October
Landscape Investigation. Weekend course arranged by the Surrey Archaeological Society and the Field Studies Council. Residential and non-residential places at the Juniper Hall Field Centre. Tutor: Mr. Steve Dyer

Information from Juniper Hall Field Centre, Mickleham, Surrey, RH5 6DA. 0306 883849.

2nd November
"Britain’s World War II Defences" A symposium hosted by the Surrey Industrial History Group at the University of Surrey to be followed by a Field Visit the following day.

9th November
Surrey Local History Society Council’s Symposium at the University of Surrey. Subject: Food and drink.

16th November
DBRG Annual Lecture, to be given by the Group’s President, Richard Harris at Oxshott Village Centre.

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