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COUNCIL NEWS

Special General Meeting

A Special General Meeting of the Society was held in the Lecture Hall, Haslemere Educational Museum, High Street, Haslemere on Sunday, 28th November 1993 with the President in the chair. The Hon Treasurer explained the need for the proposed new subscription rates and pointed out that there had been no increase in subscription levels for five years. The Society's income had been adversely affected by the recent fall in interest rates and the effects of inflation since the last subscription increase. He pointed out that subscriptions only provided ca. 25% of the Society's income and that the revised rates would still compare favourably with those of similar organisations. The proposed new subscription rates printed in Bulletin 278 (October 1993) were approved by the meeting. Subscriptions due on 1st April 1994 will therefore be as follows:

Ordinary Member	£20.00
Associate Member	£ 2.00
Junior Member (with Collections)	£ 5.00
Institutional Member (U.K.)	£25.00
Institutional Member (Overseas)	£35.00

Note: Bankers Order forms will be sent to all members in good time to enable them to amend their Bankers Order instructions to their Bank before 1st April 1994.

The Annual General Meeting of the Society then followed. Mr D J Turner was re-elected President and the serving Honorary Vice-Presidents, Vice-Presidents and Honorary Officers were re-elected. Dr D F Renn was elected as a Vice-President of the Society. The following were elected as Ordinary Members of Council to serve for the next four years: Mr D R Attryde, Mrs B M Blatchford, Mr J Davison, Mr L E Green, Mr D W Webb and Mr D W Williams.

The meeting was followed by a lecture entitled 'Haslemere and its Museum' by Mr R F Muir.

Joint Honorary Secretaries

Guildford Castle Excavations:

Mary Alexander

On Wednesday 17th November nearly 300 people flocked to Holy Trinity Church in Guildford to hear Rob Poulton give a talk on Guildford Castle excavations. He began by discussing the underground vaulted chamber which caused such excitement in July, and went on to review the work of the last four seasons. In particular he mentioned the discovery of the unexpected earlier bailey ditch, the tile kiln and the buildings which are likely to be those erected by Henry III, known from documents.

The lecture concluded with suggestions for work in 1994, eagerly anticipated by all concerned. The evening ended with drinks for the diggers and other people involved — wine from Gascony where Henry III obtained his by the tun, and may or may not have put in the vaulted chamber!

Thanks are due to Rob for a very interesting lecture with up-to-the-minute plans, and to David Graham for organising the evening, doing everything from fetching the wine to greeting the dignitaries. Thanks also to those who helped on the night, serving and clearing up.

Guildford Castle Excavations: Interim Report

The interim report on the most recent excavation work at the Guildford Castle and Royal Palace site is now available. It is an attractively produced A4 Booklet, consisting of 16 pages, including 9 figures. It includes both a report on the 1993 season of work and a review of the project so far. The booklet is available from the Society at Castle Arch, Guildford GU1 3SX (telephone (0483) 32454), at the price of £2.50, including postage and packing, or at £2.00 to personal callers.

South Park Moat

The small and dedicated team, headed by Greta Turner, who have transformed the moated site at Grayswood, have achieved further success by winning the Silver Award (worth £300) in the "Going for Green" competition sponsored by Radio Sussex/Surrey and the Royal Mail.

The judges were impressed by the concept of combining conservation and archaeological research, together with the proposed utilisation of the site as an educational tool for schools. A teaching pack is being prepared and tentative arrangements have been made with Guildford Museum to enable parties of children who have visited the Moat to make follow-up visits to the Museum.

This exciting and innovative project by the Society, and made possible by the generosity of Mrs Fedoruk, still badly needs volunteers and anyone interested should contact Greta Turner on 0428-642692. Most of the hard physical work in restoring the site has been completed but there are many tasks large and small, both on and off the site, which will continue to be undertaken, and offers of help of whatever kind would be welcome.

A formal opening is planned for April the 28th.

New Members

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

A W Adey, 70 Envis Way, Fairlands, Guildford, GU3 3NJ

Miss C E Ayling, 6 Basing Way, Thames Ditton, KT7 ONX

Mrs E M Batham, The Old Barn, Lincoln's Hill, Chiddingfold, GU8 4UN

I A Brown, Updown Cottage, Vann Common, Fernhurst, Haslemere, GU27 3NW

P K Campbell, "Margarets", Stonebridge Fields, Shalford, Guildford, GU4 8EE

Miss T J Cornford, 122 Potters Lane, Send, Woking, GU23 7AL

English Heritage, Historic Properties South East, 1 High Street, Tonbridge, Kent, TN9 1SG

Mr & Mrs Farrell, Vicars Haw, Trevereux Hill, Limpsfield Chart, RH8 0TL

Mrs L A Price, 2 Mount Pleasant, Guildford, GU2 5HZ

T Riddle, 1 Colman Way, Redhill, RH1 2BB

Professor R C Selley, Clare Hill, Deepdene Park Road, Dorking, RH5 4AW

Mr & Mrs M P Stephens, 4 Grange Close, Godalming, GU7 1XT
Sunbury & Shepperton Local History Society, 30 Lindsay Drive, Shepperton,
Middx TW17 8JU
A Z Taylor, Eveslea, Farnham Lane, Haslemere, GU27 1HD
Miss N J Watts, Top Flat, 59 Epsom Road, Guildford, GU1 3LD

CONSERVATION MATTERS

Wimbledon Park

D J Turner

Landscaped grounds once associated with Wimbledon Park House (now demolished) are thought to have been largely designed by Capability Brown and some of his features survive. The grounds are now divided between Wimbledon Park, Aorangi Park and the land occupied by the All England Tennis and Croquet Club. Wimbledon Park contains the only significant surviving landscape features of which the 12ha lake formed the centrepiece of the landscaped gardens.

Wimbledon Park was entrusted to local authority ownership in the early part of this century. The surviving parkland extends around the lake and is characterised by extensive areas of grass, divided by belts and clumps of mature trees. The park is listed in English Heritage's Register of Parks and Gardens of Special Historic Interest in England, but today there is a golf course, playing fields, a cricket ground, bowling green, lawn with rose arbour, rock garden with dwarf conifers, tennis courts and children's play area. The freehold of the Wimbledon Park Golf Club is now (1993) to be sold to the All England Tennis Club for a reported £5.2M. The Club had previously expressed a desire to expand its commercial operations and has long had a wish for more land for car parking space during the annual tennis fortnight.

The golf course is within a site of metropolitan and borough importance for nature conservation in the Borough of Merton's draft Unitary Development Plan. The Wimbledon Society asked the Council for additional protective measures against any future development and the Council is designating the whole park, including the portion to be sold, as an extension to the Wimbledon North Conservation Area and has included an additional policy in the draft Development Plan 'ensuring that the land will remain open and unbuilt, and its historic landscape protected'.

A meeting was held on 27th October to establish a Wimbledon Park Heritage Group. It is reported that Merton Council may be prepared to become a member but is not prepared to provide funds or administrative support, notwithstanding that the Group's aims are very similar to the Council's educational, environmental and leisure policies as set out in the draft Unitary Plan.

Weald and Downland Museum: the Reigate House

Earlier stages in the reconstruction at the Weald and Downland Open Air Museum of the 17th century 'wing' from behind Reigate High Street have been reported in the Bulletin. The chimney projecting from the gable end has now been completed, giving a dramatic perspective to the village 'backyard' — but not, it appears from the photograph, closely reproducing the appearance of the house when *in situ*. The first two-thirds of the chimney are of Chilmark stone instead of Reigate stone. Above that rise twin brick stacks speculatively but convincingly reconstructed.

The next stage of the project will be to install the oriel window and to complete the interior, including the installation of the conserved wall paintings and the proposed exhibition dealing with paint.

The Museum is currently discussing the possibility of including a small exhibition on glass and leaded lights, for which support has been offered by the Worshipful Company of Glaziers. In the winter, a painters' workshop will be installed in the basement. (D J Turner from information in *Weald and Downland Open Air Museum Magazine* 3/10 (March 1993) and 3/11 (October)).

Painshill Park

Painshill Park is to receive a grant of £62,000 from the European Community Programme to conserve Architectural Heritage.

The Trust has won its appeal against Elmbridge Borough Council's refusal of planning permission for its third car park scheme. It was reported in September that, although the Inspector's decision had already been announced, formal agreement with Elmbridge Borough Council and SCC was still awaited regarding easements and the land required for the access road. (Surrey Museums Group *Newsletter* 19.)

LECTURES AND SYMPOSIA COMMITTEE

A Series of 7 Lectures on Surrey Riverside Towns will be held in the Lovekyn Chapel, Kingston upon Thames, starting on Wednesday 13th April 1994, for seven weeks, 7.30 for 8.00pm. Enquiries to Nancy Hawkins tel: 0483 760084.

VISITS COMMITTEE

Sunday 20th March

Historic Landscape Walk led by Dennis Turner, President of the Society, from Coulsdon South Railway Station to Merstham Railway Station. Commencing 14.45pm. Approx. 5 miles. Both stations are on the Redhill to E Croydon lines. On Sundays trains depart Redhill 14.35, and Merstham 14.39 arr. Coulsdon South 14.44. There is ample parking at Merstham Station.

SAS Visit to Gordon Square and Drapers Hall

Thursday, 21st April 1994

arranged by Josephine Carter (0483 505502)

10.45 am Meet in Gordon Square by the board marking the University Church of Christ the King. The board faces Byng Place. From Goodge Street Station (Northern Line), walk northwards along Tottenham Court Road. By Heals/Habitat turn right into Torrington Place. Cross Gower Street into Byng Place. The church is on your left in Gordon Square with the notice board where we meet. We are not visiting the church. It was founded by members of the Catholic Apostolic Church, the Irvingites, with whom was associated Henry Drummond of Albury Park.

The first 15 who book for this visit will go to the Petrie Museum for a guided tour at 11.00 am, unless they have indicated that they would prefer the alternative. The Museum is on the first floor of the D M S Watson building in University College, entrance in Byng Place.

The remaining 20 people will go for a guided tour at 11.00 am of the Percival David Foundation of Chinese Art, also part of the university of London. This is at 53 Gordon Square. Continue walking from Byng Place along Gordon Square and no: 53 is on your left at the south east corner of the Square.

2.15 pm Meet at Drapers Hall, Throgmorton Avenue, EC2.

From Bank Station follow Threadneedle Street, take the first left, Bartholomew Lane into Throgmorton Street. Turn right. Throgmorton Avenue is through iron gates on the left-hand side.

LUNCHES: A good, simple lunch is served in the Crypt of the Christ the King Church. Near Drapers Hall sandwiches may be eaten behind the Church of St Michael in Cornhill, which is parallel with Threadneedle Street. There is also a public house serving meals there. Near the Royal Exchange there are more seats for picnickers. The 11.00 am start allows for members to travel with tickets at the cheaper rate.

TICKETS: Members £6.00; Non-members £7.00; Students £2.50 to include administration and donations to all three venues. Please send SAE with cheque (SAS Visits Committee) to Mr David Evans, 48 Guildford Park Road, Guildford GU2 5NF. Kindly include your telephone number.

SURREY INDUSTRIAL HISTORY GROUP

SIHG invites members of the Surrey Archaeological Society to join them and others on a visit to Chatham Historic Dockyard and on a trip aboard Britain's only working coal-fired paddle steamer on Saturday 14th May.

Coaches will leave Guildford at 0915 to arrive at Chatham by 1100 when there will be an opportunity to tour the Dockyard before embarking on P S Kingswear Castle at 1300.

A two-course buffet lunch with coffee and mints will be served during the three-hour cruise down the Medway. A bar is available on board, and the captain will provide a commentary about the ship and points of interest on the journey. The estimated time of return to Guildford is 1730.

The cost of the visit, including lunch, will be £25.00 which should be sent to David Evans, 48 Guildford Park Road, Guildford GU2 5NF by the end of February, cheques payable to SIHG.

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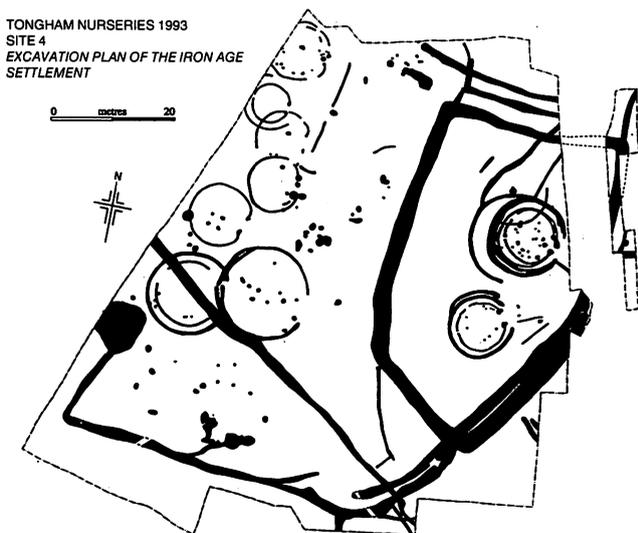
Iron Age Discoveries near Tongham

Graham N Hayman
Field Officer, Surrey County Archaeological Unit

Between 13 April and 20 August 1993, working in advance of construction work associated with the Blackwater Valley Route road system, staff of the Surrey County Archaeological Unit excavated five Iron Age occupation sites near Tongham. The sites had been discovered during a programme of evaluation work, and followed earlier excavations by the Unit which had led to the discovery of Bronze Age, Iron Age, Roman, Saxon and medieval remains along the line of the new road towards Runfold.

Three of the sites most recently excavated contained the major parts of four substantial Iron Age settlement areas and the remaining two sites also revealed features of Iron Age date. In addition, residual pieces of struck flint (including a transverse arrowhead and a leaf-shaped arrowhead both of Neolithic date) recovered from all the excavation areas provided evidence for earlier prehistoric settlement nearby. On two sites these finds were associated with features. The main Iron Age settlement areas were bounded by substantial enclosure ditches within which the remains of round houses, smaller ditches, pits and post holes were found. Large water holes were discovered within or close to the enclosures and two square four-posted structures, possibly used as granaries, were found on one site.

The round houses were mostly defined by the presence of 'eaves-drip' ring gullies which were designed to keep rainwater away from the sides of the building itself. On some occasions narrower, shallower ring gullies were found within the save-drip trenches and these marked the position of the house wall. All of the round houses had entrances which faced the east. The position of these entrances was indicated by short breaks in both gullies and two large post holes, one on each side of the break in the wall gully (where present), marked the position of the doorway. In some instances overlapping ring gullies showed that houses had been rebuilt in more or less the same place.



The most rewarding features to be discovered were, perhaps, the large water holes. These features yielded some of the most interesting artefacts from the excavations and were deep enough to contain waterlogged deposits. Some of the finds recovered from the water holes include a bronze brooch dating to the 2nd century BC, several largely complete pottery vessels, complete loomweights, part of a quern stone, well preserved animal bones, and pieces of preserved wood including stakes and planks. The tree ring dating (dendrochronology) of some of these pieces of wood is currently being undertaken and may eventually enable occupation to be dated more precisely. The pollen analysis of samples taken from these features may provide information about the vegetation of the area in the Iron Age, which may include details of the crops grown by the local communities.



The painstaking task of washing, cataloguing and identifying all the finds from these sites has now commenced. A preliminary examination of some of the pottery has suggested that one of the sites may date to the 4th century BC or earlier and three of the others may date to the 3rd or 2nd centuries BC. Later Iron Age material was also recovered but it does not appear to be present in significant quantities within the assemblages.

The excavations are of considerable archaeological interest because large scale excavation of enclosures of the type found at Tongham has not previously occurred in Surrey. At least 18 round houses (including two which had been rebuilt) were found, and this is substantially more than have been previously found in the County. Many questions arise from the discovery of these sites, such as whether the main enclosures were occupied concurrently by different families, or whether the settlement replaced another once buildings began to deteriorate and land resources became exhausted. Present opinion suggests that lowland farming communities may to some extent have been controlled by those living in hillforts, and it is interesting to note that Tongham lies between two hillforts, Hillbury and Caesars Camp, Farnham, both being about 2.5 miles away.

The excavations were a great success and were made possible thanks to funding by the developers, the County Engineers Department, Surrey County Council, and due to the wholehearted co-operation and assistance of the contractors, Costain Building Civil Engineering Ltd, who generously provided the mechanical excavators and earth moving lorries required to expose the sites.

Castle Hill, Guildford: Gas Pipe Line

**John Boas, Mary Alexander,
Kevin Fryer**

Work began on 1st November 1993 on a new gas pipe line running down Castle Hill from the junction with Warwicks Bench to the junction with Quarry Street. Part of Castle Hill is within the scheduled area of Guildford Castle. Scheduled monument consent was given for the work on condition that Guildford Museum carry out a watching brief on the site. The work was carried out principally by John Boas, with assistance from Mary Alexander and Kevin Fryer.

The trench for the new pipe line was dug by machine, 23 cm wide and 1m deep. The first 200m (from the top of the hill) appeared to be dug through back-filled chalk rubble. This was probably from an early Victorian sewer pipe which was dug by hand to approximately 8 feet deep and 3 feet wide. The road has also been dug to accommodate many other main services. It was not until the trench reached the area in front of "The Chestnuts", parallel to Castle Cliffe Gardens, that any pottery came to light; mainly mid 19th century, with one sherd of about 1150. No structural features were visible.

At a point directly in front of "The Chestnuts", the natural chalk was reached. About 15m from the corner, the trench ran alongside a section of chalk walling running diagonally across the trench for about 2 metres. This was not actually seen by us, but described by the contractors as about 50cm below road level, 60cm wide and 40cm deep. Two sherds of early mediaeval pottery were found.

At a point directly opposite the boundary between "The Chestnuts" and Castle Hill, the trench dissected a large chalk block wall 1m wide and 25cm deep. Around the corner the trench revealed a ditch 5m wide with the angles of both sides visible in the section. This must be the Norman bailey ditch of Guildford Castle.

At the point where Castle Hill and the drive to No. 1 meet, a further section of chalk block wall was dissected by the trench, approximately 64cm wide with 34cm of block work showing. The bottom block continued on into the chalk rubble below but was impossible to measure due to the narrowness of the trench. These discoveries tie in with observations made when a garden well was rebuilt — see separate report. (forthcoming).

As the trench continued along the side of the Museum the only features were small areas of darker soil. There was no evidence of the mediaeval road surface or any structures relating to the gateway, as the area had been excavated numerous times before for the other services: this had been noted a few years ago when Thames Water dug a trench outside Castle Arch. A few mixed sherds were found in the trench along this stretch including part of a plain glazed floor tile.

The walls along the stretch outside "The Chestnuts" and No. 1 Castle Hill are within the earlier bailey ditch discovered in the Castle dig, and between the ditch and the stretch of wall, thought to be the east wall of the Great Hall, discovered behind No. 1 Castle Hill. This is the area where documentary evidence suggests that some of the king's private rooms, such as his chapel and the chaplain's chambers may be (Alexander 1993 — MA Dissertation, University of Reading). The wall by the dissected ditch outside "The Chestnuts" and No. 1 Castle Hill is the same size as the wall thought to be part of the Great Hall, and runs at right angles to it. The walls are likely to be 12th century (or even possibly 11th century) with perhaps 13th century additions or rebuilding.

Castle Hill itself was not built until the mid 19th century, but the stretch from Castle Arch is presumably on the line of the mediaeval roadway, being the entrance to the Castle. It is possible that the stretch in front of the two houses reflects the mediaeval

lay-out of the Castle, perhaps being inside the line of the 11th and 12th century defences: a property boundary on this alignment seems to be an old one. The rest of the road uphill to Warwicks Bench is related to the house of correction which was here from 1822 to 1852, and the villas built on the site subsequently.

MISCELLANY

The Picturesque Society

This new society has been formed to encourage research into the history and achievements of the Picturesque Movement in architecture, landscape gardening, literature and the arts. The first journal was published in the winter of 1992-3. Enquiries to John van Laun, 33 St Martin's Street, Hereford.

Ancient Monuments Society *Newsletter*, Autumn 1993

Friends of Nonsuch

The Friends of Nonsuch were formed two years ago to help preserve the Nonsuch House and its facilities for the public. They have taken over the restoration of the kitchen, larders, sculleries and laundries. The Friends are paying for all the work themselves. With help from Bourne Hall Museum and other collections, they were able to make a very comprehensive display of life in the mansion when they opened to the public on 6th June last.

As a result of advertising in various newspapers, the sister (Mrs Curd) of the Head parlourmaid, who had worked at the mansion in the 1920s, came forward and gave a very clear description of life below stairs.

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The London Stained Glass Repository

The London Stained Glass Repository was set up to rescue good quality stained glass, one of the greater glories of our churches, both active and redundant, and to find suitable new homes for it. The glass in many of the disused churches was either destroyed when the church was demolished or left to rot with the fabric of the building if it had not already suffered destruction at the hands of that common enemy — the vandal. The repository is a registered charity housed in the basement of the Glaziers hall, near Southwark Cathedral, and recently celebrated its tenth anniversary. Some of the more marked successes of this admirable institution are given below:-

- i) stained glass from St Mark's in Southampton was sent to the Falkland Islands to replace broken windows in St Mary's, Port Stanley.
- ii) two further windows from Southampton were found a new home in the Chapel of the Holy Innocents in Pinjarra, near Perth, Australia.
- iii) more glass from St Mark's found its way to old established churches in Aldershot, Cleethorpes and Lincoln, to a new church in Grimsby and to the William Morris Gallery in London.
- iv) to commemorate the loss of two students in the Lockerbie air disaster the American School in Regents park placed 1920s glass by Luke Dampny in a window of the school library. The glass came originally from All Saints, Plymouth.

The repository is concerned that many churches lose their stained glass during the redundancy process, which inevitably and rightly, takes time and often leads to much

frustration. Instance one church in London where the glass had survived right up to the granting of the faculty to remove it only to have twenty two windows irreparably smashed by vandals the very next day. No glass at all was left for the repository to collect. The address is The London Glass Repository, Glaziers Hall, 9 Montague Close, London Bridge, SE1. (*Reprinted Egham-by-Runnymede Historical Society Newsletter October 1993*).

The Reformation, Politics and Society in Tudor Surrey, 1485-1603

I am a Professor of History in the Department of History and Government at Southeastern Louisiana University in Hammond, Louisiana. Currently I am working on a book tentatively titled *The Reformation, Politics, and Society in Tudor Surrey, 1485-1603*. The book expands upon my Ph D dissertation, written at Louisiana State University (in Baton Rouge) and entitled "The Justices of the Peace of Surrey, 1483-1570", a copy of which is in the Guildford Muniment Room.

Most of the research for the book is complete, though there is still some work to be done at the Public Record Office, as well as additional writing and revision. Besides working on the book on Tudor Surrey, I have done research on Surrey under the Yorkists and some preliminary work on the county during the early Stuart period (1503-60), which I hope will eventually find its way into print.

As by-products of my work on the book, I have published the following articles on Surrey: "The National and Local Significance of Wyatt's Rebellion in Surrey", *Historical Journal*, vol 30, no 4 (1988), pp 769-90; "Murder at Crowhurst: A Case Study in Early Tudor Law Enforcement", *Criminal Justice History, An International Annual*, vol 9 (1988), pp 31-62; and "The Reformation and Local Government in England: The Case of Surrey, 1528-1570", *Lamar Journal for the Humanities*, vol 14, nos 1 & 2 (1988), pp 61-84. Copies of all three are also in the Guildford Muniment Room. I have in preparation articles on factionalism in Surrey during Wolsey's ascendancy and Elizabethan parliamentary elections in the county.

In the course of my research I have made extensive use of the Loseley MSS, which are housed variously at the Guildford Muniment Room, Loseley House and the Folger Shakespeare Library, as well as material in the Surrey Record Office in Kingston, the Public Record Office, the British Library, the Institute of Historical research and elsewhere.

I am very grateful for all the help I have received over the years from the staff at the Guildford Muniment Room and the Surrey Record Office and from Major James More-Molyneux at Loseley House. As is the case with any scholar who has worked in Surrey, I have benefitted enormously from the wealth of information published in *Surrey Archaeological Collections*, as well as the notices in the *SAS Bulletin*.

I would be interested in corresponding with anyone who may be conducting research on late medieval or early modern Surrey. In return I would be happy to share information about my own work in Surrey. My address is Department of History and Government, Southeastern Louisiana University, SLU 363, Hammond LA 70402, USA. (William B Robison)

Census Databases

Advice would be appreciated from members with experience in the use of databases containing data from Census Abstracts, particularly in the use of Windows computer software. Advice is sought also on the classification of 19th century occupational data. Alan Gillies, Sunnymead, Epsom Road, Ashted, Surrey KT21 1LD. Telephone 0372 274616.

PUBLICATIONS

“The Story of Godalming” by John Janaway. First published in 1983, a revised edition has now been published with its extra illustrated and up-dated text. 80 pages inc 42 illustrations & a map. Price o5.95 from Ammonite Books, 58 Coopers Rise, Godalming GU7 2NJ or local bookshops.

EXHIBITIONS : CONFERENCES

5th March. “The Royal Naval Hospital, Greenwich”. An event at the Maritime Museum to mark the 300th anniversary of the Hospital. £25.00.

18th – 26th March 1994. “Made in Guildford”. 11.00 am – 5.00 pm Guildford Museum’s Salters Gallery, Castle Street. Entry free. A temporary exhibition of engines, machines, and other products of the engineering firms that flourished in Guildford; in association with National Science and Engineering Week and the Guildford Festival of Science. Contact: Matthew Alexander (0483) 444750.

East Grinstead Museum is holding an exhibition about Copthorne, a village straddling the Surrey/Sussex border. Exhibition opens Monday 3rd January from 2 – 4 pm and every Wednesday and Saturday at the same time until the end of March. Admission free.

CONFERENCES

SERIAC 1994. 16th April 1994. “Making Air Work” at King Edward’s School, Witley. See Bulletin 280 for full details or contact Peter Tarplee at “Donard”, East Street, Bookham, Leatherhead, Surrey.

19th March. 14th West London Local History Conference. 9.30 am – 5.00 pm. (NB Please note corrected date).

West London’s Open Spaces

Wormwood Scrubs
Richmond Park
Rugby at Twickenham
Gunnery Park
Wandsworth Common
Crane Park Wildlife

To be held at Montagu Hall, Montagu Road, Hounslow. Tickets £4.50 (£5 at the door) from R J Ensing, 103 Engadine Street, London SW18 5DU. Cheques payable to ‘West London Local History Conference’.

31st ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF LONDON ARCHAEOLOGISTS

Saturday 19th March 1994

11.00 am – 5.30 pm

Museum of London Lecture Theatre

Morning Session

Recent Archaeological Research in the London area

- 11.00 am Chairman's opening remarks
- 11.10 am Prehistoric trackways east of the Lea
Ken MacGowan (Passmore Edwards Museum)
- 11.30 am Surveying the Thames foreshore
Gustav Milne (University College, London)
- 11.50 am Excavations at Church Farm, Hendon
Brian Wrigley (Hendon & District Archaeology Society)
- 12.10 pm Archaeology in the Royal Palaces
David Miles (Oxford Archaeology Unit)
- 12.30 pm Excavations at Guildhall Yard, City
Nick Bateman (Museum of London Archaeology Service)
- 1.00 pm LUNCH

Afternoon Session

Roman Public Building in London

Recent work has greatly increased our knowledge and understanding of Londinium's public buildings, and this year's afternoon session provides an opportunity to hear the latest on the subject. Speakers will include:

Nick Bateman on London's amphitheatre

Tim Williams on public buildings in London's SW quarter

Harvey Sheldon on public buildings south of the river

Mark Hassall on public buildings in the Roman Empire

COST (inclusive of afternoon tea): LAMAS members £3.00; Non-members £4.00.

Tickets from Jon Cotton (071 600 3699 x259). Dept of Early London History & Collections, Museum of London, London Wall, EC2Y 5HN.

Council for Kentish Archaeology
'30 YEARS OF ARCHAEOLOGY IN KENT'

Saturday 19th March 1994

Angel Leisure Centre, Tonbridge

An all-day Conference to commemorate the 30th anniversary of CKA with illustrated talks by local groups, displays and bookstalls.

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Morning Session: 11.00 am to 12.30 pm

Introduction: a Brief History of the CKA
Kings, Roman and Gunpowdermen (at Faversham)
Rescue Excavations in the Darent Valley
Lower Medway Activities

Brian Philp
Alan Gidlow
Derek Garrod
Peter Dawson

Afternoon session: 1.45 pm to 4.45 pm

Archaeological Work by ODAS in the Orpington Area
Mill Hill, Deal
Excavations at Reculver Roman Fort
Excavations at the Periwinkle Water Mill, Milton Regis
The Warbank, Keston excavations

Janet Clayton
Ben Stocker
Harold Gough
Bob Baxter
Audrey Dutton

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TICKETS: All day £5.00; Morning only £2.00; Afternoon only £3.50.

FROM: CKA, 5 Harvest Bank Road, West Wickham, Kent BR4 9DL (payable CKA with sae, please).

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COURSES

12th February. "The Wealden Iron Industry". Tutor: Jeremy Hodgkinson, Chair of the Wealden Iron Research Group at the Education Development Building, University of Sussex. Fee £15.00. Full details from CCE, University of Sussex. Telephone 0273 678527.

1st February. "Air Photography and Archaeology". Dayschool at the University of Oxford, Department of Continuing Education, Rowley House, Wellington Square, Oxford. £34.15 including lunch.

16th – 18th March. "The Queen's House, Greenwich". A detailed assessment of this seminal house over two days at the Maritime Museum. Cost £45.00.

24th March 1994. "British Vernacular Architecture in a European Context". A lecture by Peter Smith D Litt, FSA, former Secretary of the Royal Commission on Ancient Monuments in Wales, membre permanent du Comite International de l'Architecture Vernaculaire. The meeting, which is organised by the Wealden Buildings Study Group, will be in The Meridian Hall, East Court, College Lane, East

Grinstead, West Sussex, RH19 3LT at 2.15 pm. The lecture will be preceded in the morning by a guided tour of the medieval core of East Grinstead led by Peter Gray. Tickets £3.00 and programme may be obtained from John Stapleton, Home Meadow, Cansiron Lane, Ashurst Wood, East Grinstead, RH19 3SG, enclosing a stamped addressed envelope. Cheques payable to Wealden Buildings Study Group.

STUDY TOURS

The Archaeology of Crete. 17th – 24th May 1994, led by David Rudling.

An opportunity to explore a country with an outstanding archaeological and natural heritage. Although best known for the important Minoan archaeological sites, Crete also boasts Hellenic, Roman, Venetian and Turkish sites. Visits are planned to Knossos, Malia, Phaestos, Agia Triada, Zagros, Gournia, Vasiliki, Lato, Gortyn, Rethymnon, Kritsa, the Arkadi Monastery, the Toplou Monastery, the island of Spinalonga and the Heraklion Museum.

Participants may also book an additional week at the resort of Malia. During the second week it is hoped to arrange an optional two-day tour to the volcanic island of Santorini, including visits to the important archaeological sites of Akrotiri and Old Thera. Another second week option, subject to sufficient demand, will be a visit to the famous Samaria Gorge.

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Fee £500 to include all residential and transport costs. For further information and a booking form contact Rosemary Millen — 0273 678040 — Centre for Continuing Education, University of Sussex, Falmer, BN1 9RG.

MEETINGS

2nd February

A photographic study of the River Wey and the Wey Navigation from the courses to Weybridge with comments on historical aspects by Charles Abdy. To the Nonsuch Antiquarian Society at St Mary's Church Hall, Ewell at 8.00 pm.

3rd February

"Thorpe Village History". A lecture by Jill Williams to the Spelthorne Archaeological Group at the Methodist Church, Thames Street, Staines at 8.00 pm. 50p entrance fee for non-members.

3rd February

"Historic gardens of Surrey". A lecture by Brenda Lewis to the Farnham & District Museum Society in the United Reformed Church Hall, South Street, Farnham at 7.30 for 7.45 pm.

5th February

"Medieval Churches — the Inside Story". A lecture by Trevor Cooper to the Beddington, Carshalton and Wallington Archaeological Society in the Milton Hall, Cooper Crescent, Carshalton at 3.00 pm.

7th February

"Thorpe — Medieval Manors to Georgian Estates". A lecture by Jill Williams to the Egham by Runnymede Historical Society at Egham Museum at 8.00 pm.

8th February

"History and Art at St Thomas's Hospital". A lecture by Moira Rudolf to the Southwark and Lambeth Archaeological Society at the Hawkstone Hall, Kennington Road, SE1, at 7.00 for 7.30 pm.

11th February

"Myceneans in the Egyptian Army?" Evidence from the British Museum's newly acquired papyrus. A lecture by Dr Richard Parkinson of the British Museum to the Richmond Archaeological Society at the Vestry Hall, Paradise Road, Richmond at 8.00 pm.

12th February

Annual Symposium organised by the SAS Archaeological Research Committee at Dorking Christian Centre.

12th February

"Eighteenth Century Surrey". A lecture by Dr Peter Edwards to the Walton & Weybridge LHS at the Elmgrove Meeting Room, Walton at 3.00 pm.

15th February

"Alexander the Great". A lecture by Paul Gotch, OBE, Middle East archaeologist, to the West Surrey Branch of the Historical Association at the Friends' Meeting House, North Street, Guildford at 7.30 pm. Visitors welcome.

17th February

"Folklore of Surrey". A lecture by Matthew Alexander to the Farnham & District Museum Society at the United Reformed Church Hall, South Street, Farnham at 7.30 for 7.45 pm.

17th February

"Hampton Court Palace after the Fire". A lecture by Mr Michael Fishlock to the Barnes & Mortlake History Society in the Main Hall at the Sheen Lane Centre at 8.00 pm.

18th February

"The Village of Wanborough". A lecture by Gillian Drew to the Leatherhead and District LHS in the Dixon Hall, Leatherhead Institute at 7.30 for 8.00 pm. Members 50p; non-members £1.00.

19th February

"The Bayeux Tapestry". A lecture by Mr W Rose to the Merton Historical Society at the Snuff Mill Environmental Centre, Morden Hall Park at 2.30 pm.

21st February

"The Life and Times of Sidney Oliver". A lecture by John Hardaker to the Egham by Runnymede Historical Society at Egham Museum at 8.00 pm.

24th February

"Barnes Wallis". A lecture by Mr B Russell to the Farnham & District Museum Society in the United Reformed Church Hall, South Street, Farnham at 7.30 for 7.45 pm.

25th February

"An Archaeological Pot Pourri". A lecture by Mr David Williams to the Holmesdale Natural History Club at the Museum, Croydon Road, Reigate at 8.15 pm.

3rd March

"The Royal Park at Guildford". A lecture by Helen Davies to the Farnham & District Museum Society in the United Reformed Church Hall, South Street, Farnham at 7.30 for 7.45 pm.

3rd March

"Windsor Castle after the Fire". A lecture by Sue Shanks to the Spelthorne Archaeological Field Group at the Methodist Church, Thames Street, Staines at 8.00 pm. Visitors 50p.

7th March

"Egham & Thorpe in the Civil War (1642-51)". A lecture by Ron Davis to the Egham by Runnymede Historical Society at Egham Museum at 8.00 pm.

8th March

"Recent Archaeological and Historical Work" by various speakers to the Southwark and Lambeth Archaeological Society in the Hawkstone Hall, Kennington Road, SE1 at 7.00 for 7.30 pm.

11th March

"Investigating Early Agriculture in Western and Central Asia". A lecture by Professor D R Harris to the Richmond Archaeological Society at the Vestry Hall, Paradise Road, Richmond at 8.00 pm.

17th March

"Froyle Church and its Stained Glass Windows". A lecture by Mrs Joan Lester to the Farnham & District Museum Society at the United Reformed Church Hall, South Street, Farnham at 7.30 for 7.45 pm.

18th March

"The Market Gardens in South West London". A lecture by Maisie Brown to the Merton Historical Society at Snuff Mill Environmental Centre, Morden Hall Park, Morden at 8.00 pm.

18th March

"The Palace of Westminster". A lecture by David Heath to the Leatherhead and District LHS in the Dixon Hall, Leatherhead Institute at 7.30 pm for 8.00 pm. 50p members, £1.00 visitors.

19th March

"Industrial Archaeology of Surrey". A lecture by Francis Haveron to the Walton & Weybridge LHS in the Weybridge Library Lecture Hall at 3.00 pm.

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