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COUNCIL NEWS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Incorporated Surrey Archaeological Society will be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday, 30th November, 1996 in St Peter's Church Hall, Windsor Street, Chertsey, Surrey (see directions and sketch map below). Members will be able to visit the Abbey ruins, the Museum and St Peter's Church before the meeting, if they wish to do so (further information below).

Agenda for Annual General Meeting

1. Apologies for absence.
2. To consider and, if appropriate, to sign as correct, the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of 3rd December 1995.
3. To receive and consider the Annual Report, the Statement of Accounts, and the Auditor's Report for the year to 31st March 1996, and if approved, to accept them.
4. To elect the President for 1996-1997.
5. To elect Honorary Vice-Presidents for 1996-1997.
6. To elect Vice-Presidents for 1996-1997.
7. To elect Honorary Officers for 1996-1997.
8. To elect six Ordinary Members of Council to retire in 2000 under Article 21a.

(Nominations for election under items 4-8 should be sent to the Honorary Secretaries not less than seven days before the meeting. All nominations require a proposer and a seconder, who must be members of the Incorporated Society, and nominations must be accompanied by a signed statement by the nominee of his or her willingness to stand for election. Institutional members are not eligible for election.)

9. To re-appoint as Auditors M G Beattie & Co and to authorise Council to determine the Auditors remuneration.
10. Any other business.

The Annual General Meeting will be followed by a talk on Chertsey Abbey and Town by Rob Poulton. Tea will be served at the end of the talk at ca. 4.20 p.m.

St. Peter's Church Hall. The hall is located immediately to the rear of the church (The church is located at the junction of Windsor Street and London Street, opposite Guildford Street) down a passage on the western side. The hall will be open from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m.

St. Peter's Church, Windsor Street. Members will be able to visit the church and church tower — weddings permitting — from 2.00 – 3.00 p.m.

Chertsey Museum (The Cedars, 33 Windsor Street, Chertsey) is open from 11.00 a.m. until 4.00 p.m. on Saturdays, admission free.

Chertsey Abbey ruins are located to the rear of St Peter's Church and can be reached from Windsor Street, via a public footpath (Church Walk) at the eastern side of the church. Self-guiding tour booklets — Chertsey Abbey: A Guided Walk — are available from the Museum, price £1.50.

Directions:

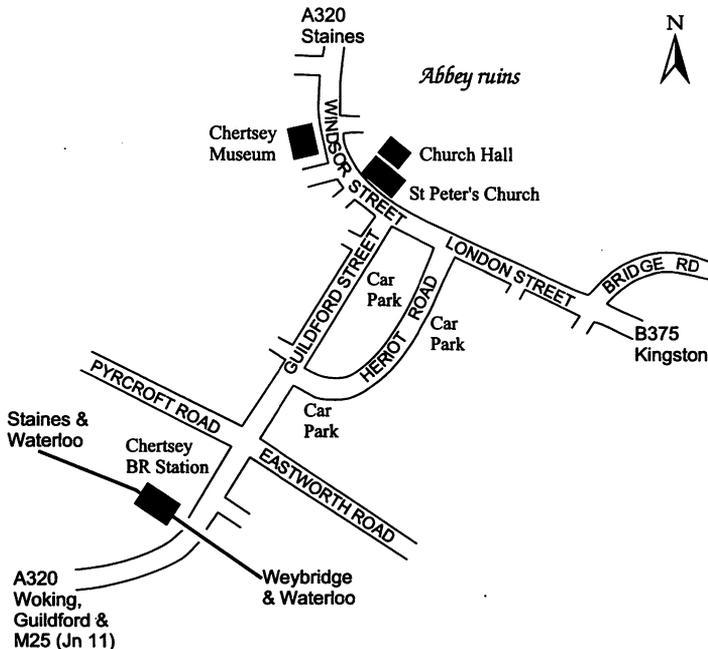
At Junction 11 on the M25 turn left (from the Gatwick direction) or right (from Heathrow direction) on to the A320 to *Woking*. At the roundabout by St Peter's Hospital, turn right to Chertsey. Turn left at the roundabout into Railway Approach, continue over the railway bridge and then turn right at the next roundabout. Continue to the traffic lights and turn left into Guildford Street. At the second mini roundabout, turn right into Heriot Road. There are three car parks along this road: Library car park. Entrance almost immediately on the right on entering Heriot Road — this is the largest car park, but the furthest away from the centre. Hourly charges vary from 20p for 2 hours up to £1 for a maximum stay of 10 hours.

Sainsbury's car park. Entrance about half way up Heriot Road on the left — 20p for 3 hours (maximum).

Bemonds car park. Entrance on the right hand side of Heriot Road, just before the Sainsbury's car park. This is a longer stay car park with a range of hourly charges, e.g. 60p for 4 hours (6 hours maximum).

By train: Turn left out of the station into Guildford Road and continue, over the cross roads, along Guildford Street. St Peter's Church is almost immediately opposite the junction of Guildford Street with Windsor Street/London Street — on the north side of Windsor Street.

By bus: 58 Staines to Woking; 436 Guildford to Heathrow; 437 Staines to Woking; 440 Walton to Kingston; 551 Weybridge to Staines; 557 Sunbury to Chertsey.



Sketch map of Chertsey (not to scale)

Cocks Farm, Abinger Hammer: Excavations 1996

Steve Dyer

A second season of research and training excavations on the Romano-British villa at Cocks Farm, Abinger Hammer was undertaken between July 20th and August 11th 1996. The primary aims of the work for this year were to attempt to define the extent of the villa complex in order to assist English Heritage with their designating the site as a Scheduled Ancient Monument and to locate the area excavated in 1877 at which Charles Darwin conducted a number of experiments for his publication *The Formation of Vegetable Matter Through the Actions of Earthworms*. A number of secondary questions were also included in the research design for the project.

The principal area of excavation lay to the west of last year's trench, where it was thought that the 19th century excavations had been carried out. A number of walls of Romano-British date were revealed, but these, together with associated walls and surfaces had suffered a great deal of disturbance as a result of gardening and quarrying activities within the last one hundred years. Evidence for the 19th century excavations was not apparent within this area, but it is possible that some of the later disturbance partially destroyed what had previously been revealed.

A tree blown over in the storm of 1990 had shown at that time a possible wall. After the tree was trimmed the root plate fell almost back into place, subsequent weathering of the exposed section showed a large amount of plaster and mortar and roofing and box-flue tile. The tree stump was removed after it had been excavated *in situ* to assess the damage caused through the action of the tree being up-rooted. The damage caused by the tree was considerable, affecting an area 4.5 by 2.5 metres and up to 2 metres deep. It is hoped that this exercise can be used as a case-study to discourage the planting of trees on known archaeological sites.

A number of small trenches were excavated to the south of the main site in an area which in 1995 showed an accumulation of garden soils to a depth of one metre where it was believed that the ground had been levelled down to form an orchard. A detailed study of the deposits showed that this area had been subjected to large-scale gardening activities during the later post-medieval period and that rather than being levelled down the ground surface had been raised by the addition of soils from elsewhere. All of the four trenches excavated within this area have produced truncated Romano-British deposits, with a number of walls revealed at the bases of the excavated trenches.

A number of trenches were excavated in order to assess the nature of the colluvial deposits to the north of the trench excavated in 1995, these show that a deep ploughing episode 8 to 10 years ago had disturbed much of this deposit with little dating evidence being obtained.

A further trench located to trace a possible feature shown by geophysical survey produced no evidence of archaeological stratigraphy, and it is likely that the presence of a large amount of ironstone within this locality was the cause of this slight anomaly.

Thanks are due to all those who participated in the excavation, either by actively taking part or through offering advice during the period.

A more complete report and plan will be published in the *Bulletin* in the near future.

CONSERVATION MATTERS

Mitcham: The White Hart

Dennis Turner

Early this year Bass Taverns, the owners of the fire-damaged White Hart PH, London Road, Mitcham, submitted a new application for planning permission and LBC to alter

and extend this Grade II listed building following the refusal of an earlier scheme six months previously. The building was on English Heritage's Register of Buildings at Risk in Greater London and occupies a prominent location at a road junction within the Action Area of the Mitcham Cricket Green Conservation Area Partnership Scheme and the application was submitted for opinion to the Merton Conservation Area Advisory Committee (on which this Society is represented).

The new application was similar in scope to the earlier scheme but the applicant sought to overcome the original objections by retaining the existing staircase and minimizing alterations to the rear elevation. The new proposals did indicate the removal of one of the existing chimney breasts which was part of the original structure but the applicant agreed to retain this. Partnership funding had been identified in the Conservation Area Partnership Action Plan to provide grant aid towards the cost of restoration of historic elements of this building.

Planning permission and LBC were granted. The works are now completed and the building functions as a restaurant and it is reported that the decor more than generously reflects the historic associations of the district. A building once on the register of buildings at risk has been saved.

SURREY INDUSTRIAL HISTORY GROUP

SIHG Weekend in Derbyshire 16/17/18 May 1997

A weekend of Industrial Archaeology visits is planned in collaboration with Derbyshire Archaeological Society and the Peak District Mines Historical Society.

Accommodation has been reserved at the New Bath Hotel in Matlock Bath and the programme will include:-

Friday 16th Introductory after dinner talk by a member of the DAS.

Saturday 17th Visits by coach to a number of sites including:-
Middleton Top Engine House and Incline
Morley Park Blast Furnace
Pleasley Colliery
Summerley Coke Ovens
A Derwent Valley Cotton Mill site

Sun 18th am Visits to:-
The Peak District Mining Museum
The Associated Temple Lead Mine
with Dr Lynn William

pm (on the way home, 6 miles south of Matlock)
The National Tramway Museum, Crich, with Mr Ian Yearsley

Arrangements can be made with the hotel to extend your stay and there are many attractions in the area, details of which will be readily available at the Hotel.

Approximate cost per person to include room Fri/Sat, breakfasts and dinners, coach travel, Sat, entry fees etc. £155 per person. Any gratuities and lunch costs will be extra.

Firm bookings and a £20 deposit will be required by January, however it would be most helpful for further planning if anyone wishing to participate would register their interest with:-

Tony Stevens, Marigold Cottage, Halfpenny Lane, Guildford, GU1 3PY. Tel: 01483 565375.

GUILDFORD GROUP OF THE SAS

Mary Alexander

After ten years as Chairman of the Guildford Group Barbara Blatchford has retired. Mary Alexander has taken over as Chairman, and Helen Davies continues as Secretary. The Group is very grateful to Barbara for her leadership and hopes that she will continue as an ordinary member while she is in Surrey.

A few changes have been introduced to the Group. First, it will now be known as the Guildford Archaeology Group, to make its purpose clear and to attract members who may not come through the SAS. The link with the Society remains unchanged.

Secondly, meetings are now held on a regular date — the first Monday of the month. In the event of this being a Bank Holiday, the meeting will be on the second Monday. Meetings are at 8.00 pm in Salters, Guildford Museum's annexe in Castle Street. All are welcome.

PREHISTORIC CERAMICS RESEARCH GROUP

Survey of Later Prehistoric Pottery (Late Bronze Age and Iron Age)

Pamela Greenwood

The Prehistoric Ceramics Research Group are carrying out a survey funded by English Heritage of later prehistoric pottery assemblages and finds (and records) held by museums, archaeological units, societies and individuals.

The aim of the survey is to provide an up-to-date Bibliography of all previously published material and, equally important, a gazetteer of finds and assemblages of late Bronze Age and Iron Age pottery (c.1100BC-AD50), including those which are unpublished or yet to be published. This would then be a useful database for all kinds of researchers in the field and would help to improve the knowledge of the period, both of the pottery and of the sites. An assessment of the results is to be published with the database.

I am responsible for the survey in the area covered by the county of Surrey and by Greater London (Middlesex, the City and the London boroughs in the historic counties of Essex, Kent and Surrey). It is most important to ensure that there is a comprehensive coverage of this area, not only of the published material and finds and those held by archaeological units and museums but also those with local societies and individuals.

Each find or assemblage is to be recorded on a proforma record sheet which I would need to discuss with anyone providing information. If there are any groups or individuals who feel that they could contribute to this survey or know of anyone who might be able to help with information, I would be most grateful if they could contact me at either of the addresses given below. If you think that you may have finds of this date range and are not sure, please also let me know.

The survey continues until November 1996, so it would be most helpful if I could receive any information as soon as possible. I shall still be collecting data about finds from 1997 for future up-dates of the survey.

Archaeology Section, Newham Museums Service, 31 Stock Street, London E13 0BX (0181-472 4785)

7 Coalecroft Road, Putney, London SW15 6LW (0181-788 0015 — answerphone/evenings and weekends)

NOTES

Flints from Thursley Common

David Graham

During the exploratory excavation last year, of one of the mounds on Thursley Common (Bulletin 298), we were visited by several of English Nature's voluntary wardens. They mentioned, in passing, that they had made a number of finds of flint implements from the Common over the years. Since very few flints have been previously recorded from the immediate area, apart from a small and poorly provenanced collection in Haslemere Museum, it seemed worth pursuing the matter.

Over the winter the wardens kindly lent their collections for recording and as a result it has been possible to locate two, previously unpublished medium sized Mesolithic sites, producing boxes of waste flakes. We have also drawn a number of individual finds of barbed and tanged, leaf and transverse arrowheads as well as scrapers, awls, a tranchet axe, a fabricator, etc. Most of these latter finds come from tracks and firebreaks on the Common and seem to cluster in two main areas, on drier ground to the south east of the bog. Pat Nicolaysen has examined the finds, which are of Mesolithic, Neolithic and Bronze Age date and certainly indicate exploitation of the area during those periods. Occupation in the Bronze Age is perhaps not surprising given that last year's excavation seems to indicate that the two mounds are tumuli.



Flint fabricator from Thursley Common, found by Mr Ray Fry.

Anglo-Saxon Sculpture in Surrey

Dennis Turner

The publication in 1995 of Vol IV (South-East England) of the *Corpus of Anglo-Saxon Stone Sculpture*, edited by Dominic Tweddle and others, provides an informative and authoritative list of examples from Surrey. Listed are sculptures from Betchworth (capital); Godalming (stoup-rim and fragment); Kingston (cross-shaft and fragment); Reigate (cross-shaft fragment); Stoke D'Abernon (sundial); Oxted and Titsey (grave covers).

The only parallel from south east England given for the fragment of a capital (or base?) incorporated in a window built in 1851 at St Michael and All Angels Church, Betchworth, is a group of in situ capitals from Reculver, where they formed part of the 7th-century church. Attention is not drawn to the possibly closer parallel provided by a capital excavated at St Augustine's, Canterbury, and once exhibited in the site museum. When I last enquired, this fragment was not available for inspection and, as far as I am aware, the circumstances of its discovery have not been published.

The Norweb Collection of Surrey Seventeenth-Century Tokens

R A Merson

The forty-sixth volume in the series *Sylloge of Coins of the British Isles* is the fifth volume devoted to a further part of the large collection of tokens formed by the late Mrs R Henry Norweb of Cleveland, Ohio and includes the Surrey material.

Starting in 1958, the object of the Sylloge series remains the publication of detailed illustrated catalogues of coins of the British Isles in British and foreign museums and private collections. The main emphasis has been on Anglo-Saxon and other ancient British and medieval coins, including the collections in Copenhagen, Helsinki, Stockholm, Berlin, Polish Museums and Latvia, or, nearer to home, the 1992 volume on coins in South-Eastern Museums, Celtic to 1279.

The new volume catalogues over 650 main varieties of Surrey tokens divided into two sections. Surrey I (nos. 4511 – 4731) covers the main county and Surrey II (nos. 4732 – 5169) covers the Metropolitan Boroughs of Bermondsey and Southwark. The numerous die duplicates are given lower case letters as suffixes. The Surrey series, more especially those from the London area, contains a wide range of types, including an open pit saw and one of the earliest British depictions of Punchinello, both from Lambeth.

There are no major surprises, but East Horsley is deleted from the known places of issue, losing the token of John Moody of Horsley, Gloucestershire and Capel is added, with a 1666 token of David Cooper of Capell, identified as a tailor in 1686 by Cliff Webb in his Index of Surrey Wills (1650 – 1700, West Surrey FHS Record Series). For my own area of interest in Farnham all the issuers have been known from as early as the list of tokens in Manning and Bray.

Following publication, and after the British Museum and Guildford, now effectively recognised as holding the main collection of Surrey seventeenth-century tokens in the British Isles, will have had an opportunity to fill gaps in their existing collections, the remainder will be dispersed. Not, I understand, by auction but by individual listing in *Spink's Numismatic Circular*.

There is a detailed explanation of the arrangement of the lists, as well as notes, a detailed bibliography and indices in support of the fifty-one plates on which all the main varieties are illustrated (Surrey occupies 28 plates).

With subsidy from American funds the cost of the volume has been kept to less than half what it would otherwise have been and at £25 it represents an affordable, useful

volume for collectors, archaeologists, museum staff and metal detectorists and it will be an essential tool for anyone working on the Wetton and Penfold collections in the Society's keeping in Guildford Museum.

Sylloge of Coins of the British Isles. 46 The Norweb Collection. Tokens of the British Isles, 1575-1750. Part V Staffordshire to Westmorland by R H Thompson and M J Dickinson. Available from the publishers: Spink & Son Limited, 5-7 King Street, St James's, London SW1Y 6QS (£25 plus postage and packing).

6-7 Castle Street, Farnham (SU 8390 4691)

David Graham

Trial trenching in the garden to the rear of this property (formerly Robert Dyas) in advance of development, failed to locate any certain evidence of the western course of the medieval town ditch. A north-south linear feature was located at the western end of the garden but appeared to bottom at a depth of 1m and to have been filled with re-deposited material. As the feature continued under the garden wall, it is impossible to say whether it represents the lip of the town ditch. However, by process of elimination, it seems highly likely that the ditch runs immediately to the west of the garden wall, from The Borough northwards along a strip which has functioned as a passageway and, interestingly, remains largely undeveloped to this day. The eastern and southern course of the town ditch have been found during earlier excavations, where it proved to be c 9m wide and 3m deep.

Examination of building work within the main shop, fronting Castle Street, once the site of the Fleur-de-Lys inn, failed to reveal any signs of earlier structures, apart from the remains of a Tudor fireplace in the north-east corner. The existing building largely dates to 1958, albeit with a shopfront dating to the 1830s. Two attached barns remain, to the rear of the shop, and are described as 'Malthouse' and 'Kiln' on the 1872 OS map. The timber framing of the barns is to be retained as a feature of the development, though some details, such as the perforated tile floor of the kiln area, will no doubt be lost.

The site is the first in Farnham to be examined by volunteers under the new planning monitoring system. Waverley Borough Council now supplies the Society with weekly planning lists and comments on individual sites are passed to the County Planning Dept by local representatives in Farnham, Godalming, Haslemere and Cranleigh.

Work undertaken by Units working within the Historic County

A. S E London Archaeological Unit

Parish School, Reigate, Surrey

E M Mynott

In September 1995 the Unit carried out an evaluation-excavation on the playing-field area of this school, ahead of a small residential development, at the specific request of a S E developer. Four trenches, each about 20m in length, were spaced across the site and these revealed various soils to a depth of 40-93cm. At the lower, south end of the site the soils were up to 1.5m in depth due to soil movement down the slope. The upper deposits were laid down for the playing fields, whilst these mostly sealed a dump of mixed soils dating from the time of the school's construction in 1854. These in turn sealed a probable medieval plough-soil over natural clays and sands. A small amount of pottery of 13th-14th century date and several struck flints were recovered from the ploughsoil.

The site was devoid of structures and only seven small features were located. Four of these were 19th century land-drains dug in the clay at the north end of the site. The

others were two small gullies and a small pit at the south end of the site. The gullies seem to have silted in the 13th-14th centuries and may relate to activity nearer the town centre. The smaller pit was probably dug in the 15th-18th centuries.

The finds, site archives and Outline Report are to be deposited in Guildford Museum.

B. Museum of London Archaeology Service Archaeological Report February — June 1996.

CROYDON

Limensfield Road (Simon Stevens) Site Code: LPR96

An evaluation was carried out on a site close to Atwood Primary School, which revealed several late Iron Age/early Romano-British features and finds. Four trenches were investigated and two double features were revealed. These were a pit containing burnt materials and a sherd of Iron Age pottery and a linear feature, probably a ditch, containing two sherds of Iron Age pottery.

3-7 Park Street (Steve Tucker) Site Code: PKT96

The evaluation consisted of three trenches, covering a total area of about 54 sq m. The easternmost trench revealed two linear features, both thought to be of Roman date. There were some contemporaneous finds of pottery and ceramic building material from a soil deposit to the west. The investigation produced a number of finds of medieval date, principally sherds of locally manufactured pottery (c. 1150 – 1400). There were several associated pits, one of which may have been dug for gravel extraction. It is likely that in the medieval period the area was open and at least periodically under cultivation; this form of land use appears to have continued until the 19th century. Occasional pieces of struck and burnt flint suggested some prehistoric activity in the area, although these items were only found residually within later contexts.

Vulcan Way (Steve Tucker) Site Code: VCW96

A watching brief was carried out in two phases during the proposed modifications to the Rutland Works. No features of archaeological significance were observed.

KINGSTON

Cox Lane, Chessington (Mark Birley) Site Code: COX96

An evaluation was undertaken on this site which lies on a north-facing slope but does not include the hilltop. The trench nearest the hilltop revealed topsoil containing Mesolithic worked flints and burnt flints and one sherd of Iron Age pottery. It is possible that these finds derived from a settlement further up the hill. Much of the remainder of the site had been stripped by construction in the late 1940s and 1960s.

Manor Farm Buildings, Old Malden (Robin Nielsen) Site Code: MAF95

Excavation has been completed on this site where an earlier evaluation indicated archaeological potential. A pit, provisionally dated to the late Bronze Age by pottery, also contained two (0.15-0.18 m) flint adzes, possibly of Mesolithic date. The site lies within the known area of Romano-British and Iron Age settlement at Old Malden. Iron Age or Iron Age/Romano-British transitional features included ditches, pits, postholes and possible beam slots. One rubbish pit contained a large quantity of pottery and animal bone.

RICHMOND

King Street, Twickenham (Bob Cowie) Site Code: KST96

An evaluation revealed a late medieval pit, which contained sherds of 16th-century pottery. Later strata, which included garden features and building rubble, were associated with Richmond House which stood near the site from the 17th-century until the late 1920s. Bricks from the rubble have been dated to between the late 15th-century and the mid-17th-century and might be associated with the demolition of the first Richmond House in c. 1816.

Mortlake High Street (Niall Roycroft) Site Code: MTK96

An evaluation revealed a few prehistoric features sealed by alluvial silts. These were built over in the 16th century and a well-preserved sequence of post-medieval industrial buildings, including a late 18th-century malthouse, survived.

SUTTON

Orchard Avenue (Joe Partridge) Site Code: OAR96

An evaluation was carried out on this Wandle Valley site. No features of archaeological significance were discovered.

The Crescent (Joe Partridge)

In response to a request from the Metropolitan Police, a single crouched inhumation burial found during gardening, was excavated. Saxon burials have been found in the area, but as yet no date is available for the skeleton.

ACCESSIONS FROM LOCAL REPOSITORIES

Greater London Record Office

Deeds to houses, Kennington Common & St Georges Fields 1837-1851	Acc 3589
Deeds to property Kennington Common and Brixton Hill 1817-1862	Acc 3607
Shillington Street School, Battersea; log book for schools evacuated to Cranleigh, Surrey 1940-1943	Acc 3531
St Lawrence's Hospital, Caterham, additional records 1870-1990	H23/SL
Stockwell Smallpox Hospital; ward block contract drawing 1869	H15/SW

Surrey Record Office

(A sample from about 260 accessions)

Randall's Farm, Cobham, deeds 1694-1700	4323
Isemongers (Waterhouse Farm), Bletchingley deeds 1705-1951	4325
George Gwilt, County Surveyor, executor's a/cs 1807-1817	4332
Tollemache estate, Ham and Petersham, sale particulars 1949	4336
St Martin's, Epsom: vestry book 1837-1842, overseer's a/cs 1836-1848	4340
John and Edward Hassell watercolours of Surrey c 1822-23	4348
Thorpe enclosure award 1811; Chertsey 1814	4360
RH Bretell, solicitor: deeds, papers and a/c books 19thc	4363

Manor of Cobham 1620-1660; papers of the Gavell family c1633-1711	4398
Botley's Park, Chertsey: album of photographs 19thc	4400
Dorking area: collection of sale particulars, deeds, turnpike papers 18th-20thc	4414
Headley Manor: court book c1834-1939	4416
Colonel Roger Morris: diaries inc campaign in Holland 1796-1799	4430
William A P Strangeways of Barnes papers 1836-1923	4440
Clarence House school, Barnes prospectus and a/cs 1883-1888	
Horton Estate cemetery, Epsom: burial register 1907-57	6275
Brookwood Hospital records inc admission registers, plans and elevations, photographs 1860s-1980s	6277
Epsom Burial Board registers 19th-20thc	6288
St Andrew's, Gatton bapt register 1813-1986, burials 1814-1992	6300
Haslemere and District Cottage Hospital reports 1898-1923	5262
Farnham solicitors records inc Waverley Abbey estate, c1742-1958	5263
Farnham Market House and Town Hall Company: a/cs and annual reports 1864-1984	5264
Smithbrook manor: list of tenants 1672	5270
Deeds of Gilrydes, Alfold 1872-1679	5286
Normandy Farm, Worplesdon: deeds 1859-1871	5288
Brodrick family of Pepper Harow, viscounts Midleton: family corresp c1848-1897, engagement books 1855-1897, travel journals 1843-51	5295
Society of Coachmakers, Guildford Branch: minutes 1916-1951	5299
High Street, Godalming: deeds and papers of Gammons outfitters and earlier use of premises as malthouse 1686-1896	5313
Onslow family of Clandon Park: records inc correspondence, estate papers, maps and plans 1709-1945	5317
Hagen family deeds re Copperas House, Deptford 1690-1886	5319
Thomas Ryde, miller, Ewhurst: account book 1758-1767	5333
Lovelace deeds relating to E Horsley, Ockham and Effingham 1558-1804	5334

FRIENDS OF GUILDFORD MUSEUM

This flourishing society, now with over one hundred and thirty members, which was launched in May 1993 "to support and promote the work of Guildford Museum" has certainly achieved its objectives. As well as raising well over £1000 during the first year, the members have provided many hours of voluntary service enabling the Museum to open Guildford's magnificent medieval undercroft to the public for three afternoons a week throughout the summer months. They have also provided stewards for the Museum's special exhibitions.

The membership fee (£5 individual, £10 family) gives good value: two newsletters a year, discount on purchases in the Museum shop and an opportunity to enjoy a varied programme of talks, outings, receptions and social activities, which have included a Halloween Celebration, a Medieval Banquet and a Victorian Croquet Party. A Quiz/Cheese and Wine Evening is to be held on October 25th at Salters. Further details and membership forms are available at Guildford Museum (01483 444751).

PUBLICATIONS

Researching Surrey's Past — a guide to sources. This booklet has recently been produced by Surrey County Council as an introduction to the wide range of locations in which information about Surrey's past can be found. It lists Record Offices, Museums, Libraries, Local History Societies, Planning Departments and National Libraries.

The list cannot be comprehensive but it is intended to help to guide researchers to the most likely sources of information. It also gives brief details of holdings together with opening hours and whether appointments are necessary.

Copies of the booklet will be issued to all organisations listed in it (including SyAS and SIHG) together with all museums and libraries.

Anyone wishing to have a personal copy will be able to purchase one but members are urged to ask for this booklet at their local libraries so that staff become familiar with it.

MISCELLANY

Lottery Money for Surrey Museums

Museums in Surrey have been awarded a grant of £43,400 from the Heritage Lottery Fund. This is the first grant to be awarded to a consortia of museums working together. The grant will help fund the Surrey Museums Geology Project co-ordinated by the Surrey Museums Consultative Committee, who put in the bid to the Heritage Lottery Fund.

The aim of the Geology Project is to improve the documentation, conservation, storage, display and interpretation of geological collections in 14 museums in Surrey. This will be achieved partly through the employment of a museum geology specialist part-time over two years, who will work directly with museums on site as part of the larger project to raise standards. A travelling exhibition on the geology of Surrey will be produced towards the end of the project. The initiative follows recommendations in a countywide survey of Geology collections conducted in 1993, the first of a rolling programme of museum collection surveys in the County, commissioned by the Surrey Museums Consultative Committee.

Partnership funding of £10,000 for the Geology Project has been provided from the Surrey County Council (£5,000) and the Surrey Museums Consultative Committee (£5,000). For further information, please contact: Wendy Rose, Museums Development Officer. Tel: 0181 541 8070 Fax No: 0181 541 8971.

EXHIBITION

Muybridge to Movies. Saturday 2nd November to Saturday 25th January 1997 at Kingston Museum. The exhibition will feature Eadweard Muybridge, a Kingstonian and pioneer of cinematography. His zoopraxiscope, photographic plates and other items will be on display. The exhibition will also look at the history of local cinema and is part of the Museum's contribution to Cinema 100. See below for details of conference on the 9th November.

CONFERENCES

SCOLA Conference

5th October (See Bulletin 303 for details)

CBA South East region's Autumn Conference on FORTIFICATIONS

Saturday 26 October 1996

From the Defence of Britain project through domestic and military fortifications to recent work on iron age hillforts: the archaeology of defended sites, focusing on south east England but glancing also to the north and to the south.

Speakers include John Hellis, project archaeologist "Defence of Britain", Professor Mike Fulford on the Roman Saxon Shore, Dr Sue Hamilton on excavating the iron age landscape, Dr Tony Pollard on duns and related Scottish sites, John Manley between Seine and Somme.

Venue: UCL, Gower Street, London WC1.

Time: 10.00 am to 5.00 pm.

Open to non-members. Admission by ticket (£6.00 CBA members, £7.50 non-members) obtainable by post, September onwards, from Delia Lindsey, 86 Lincoln Street, Brighton, E Sussex, BN2 2UH. SAE please.

FIRE!

The Surrey Local History Council Symposium on Local History

will be held at Chertsey Hall, Chertsey

on Saturday 2nd November 1996

on the subject of: FIRE!

Speakers:

Ron Shettle on: *The History of Fire Fighting*, with special reference to Surrey.

Mary Scott Andrews on: *Phoenix from the Ashes: Restoration of Uppark after fire.*

Ron Cox on: *Captain Shaw, the First Chief of the London Fire Brigade.*

Brian Henham on: *Badges of Extinction: Fireman's Badges and Fire Marks.*

Lectures 11.00 am to 5.00 pm.

Doors open 10.30 am. Coffee served on arrival.

Exhibits by Local History Societies from all over Surrey.

Vintage Fire Engine on display.

TICKETS: sold at the door £10.00.

For a full programme please send a stamped addressed envelope to the Hon Secretary: Mrs Anne Milton-Worssell, c/o The Guildford Institute of the University of Surrey, Ward Street, Guildford GU1 4LH.

9th November: “Muybridge to Movies Seminar” to be held at The Market House, Kingston upon Thames, from 10.00 am to 4.45 pm.

The Seminar is a celebration of the contribution of Eadweard Muybridge’s pioneering photography to the development of cinematography and its influence on the media and arts. There will be five illustrated talks and original material to view. Closing date for bookings 25th October. Tickets: £12 each, available from Kingston Museum, Wheatfield Way, Kingston upon Thames, Surrey KT1 2PS. Tel: 0181 546 5386.

ROMAN LONDON: Recent Archaeological Results from the City

**A one day conference at the Museum of London organised by
CBA Mid Anglia**

Saturday 16th November 1996 10.00 am-5.30 pm

Lectures include The Roman Waterfront, Public Buildings, the Jubilee Line Extensions in Southwark, Environmental evidence, Recent Discoveries and Research. The Conference will conclude with Professor Martin Millett on “Londinium in the Roman World”.

Tickets £5 each, including tea and coffee from Derek Hills, CBA Mid-Anglia, 34 Kingfisher Close, Wheathampstead, Herts AL4 8JJ. Cheques to CBA Mid Anglia Group. Send SAE.

COURSES

CCE, University of Sussex, Brighton BN1 9RG are organising the following courses. For further details tel: 01273 67892:

26th October. “West Sussex Churches”. Tutor: Graham Mayhew. To be held at Fishbourne Roman Palace.

2nd November. “The Archaeology of Wetland Sites”. Tutor: Francis Prior. To be held at the University of Sussex.

The following courses have been organised by **Birkbeck College, University of London**. For further information and enrolment forms contact: Lesley Hannigan, Centre for Extra-Mural Studies, Birkbeck College, 26 Russell Square, WC1B 5DQ. Tel: 0171 631 6688.

Environmental Archaeology. This course is a Diploma option commencing 25th September at 7.00 pm at the University of Surrey. Tutor: Judith Bell BSc, MSc.

Field Archaeology and the Romano-British Period in Southern Britain. Course 2 of Certificate of Archaeology commencing 24th September at 7.15 pm at Chessington Adult Education Centre. Tutor: Mandy Marshall BA, MA.

British Industrial Archaeology. Assessed Course, organised by the WEA, commencing 24th September at 7.15 pm at the Tiffin Evening Centre, Richmond Road, Kingston upon Thames. Tutor: R J M Carr BSc, PhD.

DAY SCHOOL

23rd November. "From Ox wagons to Turnpikes" at Surrey University, organised by Surrey County Council as part of the Heritage Partnership series on Surrey's Transport. Tutors: Derek Renn and Dennis Turner. Further details from Karen Fisher, CCE, University of Surrey. Tel: 01483 259750.

MEETINGS

1st October

"A study of 20 Surrey villages". A lecture by Charles Abdy to the Addlestone Historical Society at the Addlestone Community Centre at 8.00 pm.

2nd October

"Epsom through the lens". A photographic study of some of the old buildings of Epsom with a few comments on their history given by Charles Abdy to the Nonsuch Antiquarian Society at St Mary's Church Hall, London Road, Ewell at 8.00 pm.

7th October

"The History of Chobham". A lecture by Mrs J Mason to the Mayford and Woking District History Society at Mayford Village Hall at 7.45 pm.

10th October

"English Domestic Clocks 16th-18th century". A lecture by Mr Keith Blake-Roberts to the Send & Ripley History Society at the Lancaster Hall, Send at 8.00 pm.

10th October

"Shipbuilding on the River Thames". A talk by Chris Ellmers to the Greater London Industrial Archaeology Society at The Canal Museum, New Wharf Road, London N1 at 7.30 pm.

11th October

"William Morris in Merton". The Evelyn Jowett Memorial Lecture by Judith Goodman to the Merton Historical Society at the Snuff Mill Environmental Centre, Morden Hall Park at 8.00 pm.

12th October

"Jews of Mediaeval Surrey". A lecture by Mary Alexander to the Walton and Weybridge LHS in the Elmgrove Hall, Hersham Road, Walton-on-Thames at 3.00 pm. Visitors £1.00.

15th October

"Extractive Industries in East Surrey". An illustrated talk by Malcolm Tadd to the Croydon Natural History and Scientific Society at the United Reformed Church Hall, Addiscombe Road, East Croydon at 7.45 pm.

17th October

"The 12th century High Street Chamber: a medieval synagogue?" A lecture by Joe Hillaby from Bristol University to the Friends of Guildford Museum, to be held in the Guildhall, High Street, Guildford at 7.30 pm. Tickets £5 available in advance from Lecture Series Co-ordinator, Guildford Museum. Cheques to Guildford Borough Council. Send stamped addressed envelope.

17th October

"The Operation of the Poor Law in Richmond and Barnes". A lecture by Mr Desmond Fitzpatrick to the Barnes and Mortlake History Society in the Main Hall, Sheen Lane Centre at 8.00 pm.

18th October

"Under the Cedar Tree". The Dallaway Lecture by Stephen Fortescue, President and founder member, to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Leatherhead & District LHS, to be held in the Dixon Hall, Leatherhead Institute at 7.30 pm for 8.00 pm. Entry 50p members; £1 non-members.

23rd October

"A Nostalgic Look at Trams". A lecture by John Gent to the Bourne Society, to be held at Douglas Brunton Day Centre, Chaldon Road, Caterham on the Hill at 7.30 pm for 8.00 pm.

24th October

"The Early history of bicycling in Surrey". A costumed talk by Les Bowerman and organised by Surrey County Council at Salters, Castle Street, Guildford at 8.00 pm. Tickets £2.

25th October

"Presenting the Past: the New Roman Gallery at the Museum of London". A lecture by Jenny Hall, Senior Assistant Curator, Early Dept., Museum of London to the Wandsworth Historical Society at the Friends' Meeting House, Wandsworth High Street (opp Town Hall) at 8.00 pm.

26th October

CBA South East Autumn Conference on Fortifications — see elsewhere in this Bulletin for details.

29th October

"Surrey Murders". A talk by John Janaway to the Esher District LHS at St Andrew's Church Hall, Oakshade Road, Oxshott at 7.30 pm.

2nd November

"Beyond the Andes". A lecture by Gloria Dean to the Beddington, Carshalton & Wallington Archaeological Society in the Milton Hall, Cooper Crescent, Carshalton at 3 pm.

2nd November

Surrey Local History Symposium — see elsewhere in this Bulletin for details.

4th November

"Churches and Historic Houses in East Anglia". A lecture by Mrs S Fletcher to the Mayford & Woking District History Society at Mayford Village Hall at 7.45 pm.

9th November

Council for Kentish Archaeology Conference — see Bulletin 303 for details.

ADVANCE NOTICES

30th November

SAS Annual General Meeting.

22nd March 1997

Surrey Local History Council Spring Meeting. "Family History for Local Historians", to be held at the United Reformed Church Hall, Farnham.

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