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**S.A.S. MEETING**

Saturday, 21st March      Lecture Symposium at Reigate.

**EXCAVATION NOTICE**

**LOWER KINGSWOOD. PALAEOLITHIC SITE  
(TQ 243537)**

Directors: **MR. F. PEMBERTON** and **MRS. V. ETLINGER**

Work is continuing at this site on Sundays throughout the winter. An Acheulian site on the side of a dry combe is being investigated before the area is used as a rubbish tip.

Enquiries to Mr. S. Nelson, 20 Rose Bushes, Epsom Downs.  
(Tel.: Burgh Heath 50744).

**NOTES**

**Local Secretaries.**

Mr. B. F. J. Pardoe has succeeded Mr. W. T. Bult as Hon. Local Secretary for Chertsey and Egham Urban Districts on Mr. Bult's removal from the district.

(D. J. Turner).

### **Wheels from the Surrey Iron Railway found at Mitcham (TQ 273678)**

Last October, whilst removing gravel and silt from the bed of the so-called "paper mill cut" near its confluence with the River Wandle in the Watermeads, Mitcham, Mr. Knight, an employee of the National Trust discovered a cast iron wheel which with reasonable certainty can be identified as being from a Surrey Iron Railway waggon.

The wheel is 32 inches in diameter, with 9 flat spokes,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. thick, tapering from  $3\frac{1}{2}$  in. in width at the hub to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in. at the rim. The hub tapers, and resembles that of a cart. The rim is  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in. in breadth, L-shaped in section, and lacks the flange of the modern railway wheel. From these dimensions it will be seen that the wheel corresponds very closely to those of the Surrey Iron Railway described by Thomas Tredgold in "A Practical Treatise on Rail-roads and Carriages" (2nd. edition, 1835), quoted by Charles E. Lee in his paper to the Newcomen Society in 1940.

This unique relic has been very kindly loaned by the National Trust to the Museum at Castle Arch, where it will be displayed with other items from the Railway.

A second, incomplete, wheel lacking part of its rim, remains in possession of the National Trust and is kept in the old snuff mill in Morden Hall Park. It was measured and photographed there during the Summer by our late Secretary, Alan Gilbert, and J. Foster Petree, Esq., of the Newcomen Society.

A local tradition held that buildings near the Grove flour mills at Mitcham were used as workshops in the days of the Surrey Iron Railway, and it is said that after the railway ceased a number of waggon wheels were used to reinforce the banks of the Wandle in the vicinity of the mills. It is likely, therefore, that further wheels await discovery.

(E. N. Montague).

### **Carshalton: Excavations at Milner Place. (TQ 289646)**

In 1969 the Beddington, Carshalton and Wallington Archaeological Society excavated, under the direction of the late Mr. A. S. Gilbert, on the site of old cottages at Milner Place, Carshalton High Street. Beneath the early 19th century foundations remains of tumbled chalk mud walls were found with tumble and wall apparently inextricably puddled. A series of rectangular, mid-18th century pits were cleared and a carefully built, stone-lined cess pit discovered.

The contents of the pits should be closely datable and will provide usefully publishable groups of post-medieval material. A member of the staff of Birmingham University has offered to study the bone material from the pits which should show evidence of changes brought about by selective breeding.

(D. J. Turner).

### **Wandsworth : Excavations at Stimsons Buildings (TQ 746256)**

Excavation by the Wandsworth Historical Society has been continuing (see *Bulletin*, 58). The early Tudor bank of the Wandle has been uncovered and recorded and some interesting examples of pottery

were recovered including about two-thirds of a late 15th century jug decorated with a branching pattern in white slip. Lipped dishes, stoneware, leather shoes and glazed floortiles were among the many other things dug up. The excavation of the river bank has now been completed.

(*News Sheet, Wandsworth H.S., 1969/6*).

#### **Wandsworth Historical Society : Street survey.**

Approximately two-thirds of the streets in the Society's area have now been recorded. Details of any photographs of streets or buildings in the Borough are requested by the W.H.S. Research Group, 32 Westhorpe Road, S.W.15.

(*News Sheet, Wandsworth H.S., 1969/6*).

#### **Croydon : Croham Hurst Carbon Date.**

The carbon dating of the Croham Hurst charcoal proved disappointing. The date given is  $1,145 \pm 95$  b.p. That is, 805 A.D., right in the middle of the Saxon period. There is no evidence of Saxon occupation on the Hurst to support this date, so it is thought the carbon must be heavily contaminated by tree roots etc. (This season's work was described in *S.A.S. Bulletin 60*).

(Lilian Thornhill in *C.N.H.S.S. Bulletin 16*).

#### **Croydon : Charles Street Excavation.**

Members of the Archaeological Section of the Croydon Natural History and Scientific Society have been excavating at weekends on the sites of 7, 9 and 11, Church Road, Croydon (backing on to Charles Street) since 20th September. It was part of the plan to dig trial trenches whenever the opportunity occurs, to try to establish the extent of Saxon and Medieval Croydon.

Two trenches, each 15 feet x 4 feet were dug, but no evidence of occupation earlier than Victorian times was found. However worked and fire-cracked flints (pot boilers) were found in the layer above the river gravel. One fine, steep-nosed scraper, probably Upper Paleolithic to judge from the fine pressure-flaking, was found, also a much-corroded halfpenny of George III, dated 1774, and a Gibraltar token of 1810. Evidence of the work of the Croydon pipe-makers Corney and Hensher was also recovered in fragments of clay pipes.

Two plans of Croydon Palace, dated 1797 and 1833, show the area as "Little Meadow", and the absence of any pottery etc. suggests it must have formed part of the original estate.

(Lilian Thornhill in *C.N.H.S.S. Bulletin 16*).

#### **Recent Publications.**

ANON. (1969) *A Short Guide to the Local History Resources of Surrey County Library* (Preliminary Edition). (This useful guide is available for reference and loan at all branches of the Surrey County Library. Copies are not available for distribution to individual readers).

Wednesday, 11th. 8 p.m.

Meeting of the EMLINGE HISTORY SOCIETY at Horley Central Library, Victoria Road.

Friday, 13th. 8 p.m.

THE MOST IMPORTANT PEOPLE FOR WHOM MONUMENTAL BRASSES WERE MADE. Talk by MR. J. PAGE-PHILLIPS to the HOLMESDALE N.H.C. at The Museum, Croydon Road, Reigate.

Saturday, 14th. 2 p.m.

RECENT ARCHAEOLOGICAL INVESTIGATION IN THE CROYDON AREA. A Symposium in connection with the Croydon Natural History and Scientific Society's Centenary. Various speakers. Papers will include EXCAVATIONS ON CROHAM HURST and at RECTORY GROVE, THE SEGAS TRENCHES FROM CROYDON TO HOOLEY, A REAPPRAISAL OF THE SAXON BURIAL IN EDRIDGE ROAD, and ROMAN COINS FOUND IN THE DISTRICT. Entrance by programme, 5/- including refreshments, available from: Mrs. L. Thornhill, 31 Devonshire Way, Croydon, CRO 8BU. At the Unitarian Hall, Friends Road.

Saturday, 14th. 3 p.m.

THE ISLEHAM FIND: A WORKSHOP HOARD OF THE L.B.A. FROM CAMBRIDGESHIRE. Lecture by MR. D. BRITTON to the PREHISTORIC SOCIETY at the Institute of Archaeology.

Tuesday, 17th. 8 p.m.

WHAT'S IN A NAME? STREET NAMES AND LOCAL HISTORY. Lecture by MR. F. J. OWEN to the KINGSTON UPON THAMES ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY, as 17th February.

Wednesday, 18th. 8.15 p.m.

OLD MOLESEY. Talk by MR. R. W. BAKER to the WALTON AND WEYBRIDGE LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY at St. Mary's Church Hall, Church Street, Walton-on-Thames.

Thursday, 19th.

LOCAL HISTORY WITH THE CAMERA. Talk by MR. PETER GARRETT to the OXTED AND DISTRICT HISTORY SOCIETY at the Oxted County School, Blue House Lane, Oxted.

Saturday, 21st.

S.A.S. LECTURE SYMPOSIUM at Reigate.

ANON. (1969) *Ashley Park building accounts, 1602-7. Dialstone, 30, 2.* (Records the acquisition of these accounts by the Surrey Record Office. S.R.O. Acc. 1030.)

ANON. (1969) Croydon digs. *London Archaeologist, 5, 120.*

ANON. (1969) "Cricket" - *The first time in English.* (A photocopy of the entries on three pages of a Court Book, dated 1598, with overleaf a translation and transcriptions). 1/- or 1/6d. post free from Guildford Museum.

ANON. (1969) *Dorney House, Weybridge. Dialstone, 29, 3.* (A note about culverts on the Dorney House estate, supplementary to a note in *Dialstone, 25.*)

ANON. (1969) *Egham Worthies. Newsletter, Egham-by-Runnymede H.S., 23, 2.*

ANON. (1969) *34/36 Erpingham Road, Putney. News Sheet, Wandsworth H.S., 1969/3, 2.* (Excavation note. See *Bulletin 56.*)

ANON. (1969) *Fire insurance plates. Dialstone, 29, 3* (An appeal that fire insurance plates in the Urban Districts of Esher and Walton and Weybridge should be reported to Mr. R. G. M. Baker, 6 Molesham Close, West Molesey.)

ANON. (1969) *From Nine Elms to Barn Elms, Part 1. News Sheet, Wandsworth H.S., 1969/5. 2-3.*

ANON. (1969) *From year to year.* Wandsworth and Fulham Methodist Circuit. 2/- (from Rev. L. G. Farmer, 13 Enmore Road, S.W.15). 12 pp. (An account of Methodist activities in Wandsworth, Putney, Munster Park and Roehampton since John Wesley's first sermon in Wandsworth in 1748.)

ANON. (1969) *Giant head found in the Thames. Dialstone, 30, 2* (Twice life-size artificial stone head. Possibly from Mount Felix.)

ANON. (1969) *Putney in 1773. News Sheet, Wandsworth H.S., 1969/4, 4.* (Extract from letter by Susanna Turner of Putney.)

ANON. (1969) *Research Report. News Sheet, Wandsworth H.S., 1969/4, 3.* (Report of progress of Wandsworth H.S. street survey.)

ANON. (1969) *Rocks and Fossils in the Guildford Area.* (A simple illustrated account) 4d., or 8d. post free, from Guildford Museum.

ANON. (1969) *Roman remains at Southwood Manor Farm, Hersham. Dialstone, 29, 2.* (Excavation note. See *Bulletin, 58.*)

ANON. (1969) *The Rowed Memorial. Bulletin, Bourne Society, 58, 4.*

ANON. (1969) *38/40 Sefton Street. News Sheet, Wandsworth H.S., 1969/3, 2.* (Excavation note. See *Bulletin 56.*)

ANON. (1969) *Stimson's Buildings, Wandsworth High Street. News Sheet, Wandsworth H.S., 1969/3, 2, and 1969/4, 2.* (Excavation notes. See *Bulletin 58.*)

ANON. (1969) *The canal that never was. Bulletin, Bourne Soc., 57, 4.* (Presentation to the Bourne Soc. by Miss J. Venables of copies of the map of the route of the London - Portsmouth canal proposed in 1802 and a list of the property owners in the section from Croydon to Blechingley.)

Friday, 13th. 8 p.m.

**PRESERVATION OF HISTORICAL BUILDINGS.** Talk by MR. J. ASHDOWN to the HOLMESDALE N.H.C. at the Museum, Croydon Road, Reigate.

Monday, 16th. 8.15 p.m.

**THE THAMES BETWEEN WEYBRIDGE AND WALTON.** Talk by MR. J. STONEBANKS to the WALTON, AND WEYBRIDGE LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY at the Weybridge Library Lecture Hall, Church Street, Weybridge. Please note corrected venue.

Tuesday, 17th. 8 p.m.

**GEOLOGY AND ARCHAEOLOGY.** Lecture by MR. J. PENN, to the KINGSTON UPON THAMES ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY, at the Central Library Lecture Hall, Fairfield West, Kingston upon Thames.

Thursday, 19th. 8 p.m.

**SOME LOCAL WILLS.** Talk by MRS. K. PERCY to the OXTED AND DISTRICT HISTORY SOCIETY at the Oxted County School, Blue House Lane, Oxted.

Wednesday, 25th. 5 p.m.

**ARCHAEOLOGY AND PALAEOECOLOGY OF NEOLITHIC AND E.B.A. SITES AT THE CORBY, BALLYNAGILLY, CO. TYRONE.** Lecture by MR. A. M. AP-SIMON and others to the PREHISTORIC SOCIETY at Burlington House,

Friday, 27th. 7.45 p.m.

**FARM BUILDINGS IN PUTTENHAM AND WANBOROUGH.** Talk by Miss R. DUGMORE to the FARNHAM MUSEUM SOCIETY, As 6th February.

## **MARCH**

Friday, 6th. 7.45 p.m.

**UNDERWATER ARCHAEOLOGY.** Talk by MR. R. KINGSFORD-CURRAN to the FARNHAM MUSEUM SOCIETY in the Committee room behind the Council Offices in South Street, Farnham.

Tuesday, 10th. 8 p.m.

**A.G.M. of EGHAM-BY-RUNNYMEDE HISTORICAL SOCIETY** at Egham Library Lecture Room followed by a talk on ST. ANNE'S HILL by MR. W. T. BULT.

Tuesday, 10th. 8 p.m.

**SURREY IRONWORKS.** Talk by MR. F. HOLLING to the NONSUCH AND EWELL ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY at Pit House, Ewell.

Wednesday, 11th. 5 p.m.

**THE PARR POT: A 16TH CENTURY GLASS TANKARD ASSOCIATED WITH THE PARR FAMILY.** Lecture by MRS. P. J. GLANVILLE to the ROYAL ARCHAEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE at Burlington House.

- BARTON, Mrs. M. E. (1969) *The Duke of Wellington at Oatlands. Dialstone*, 30, 3.
- BAILEY, K. A. (1969) *Cardinal Wolsey at Putney. News Sheet, Wandsworth Hist. Soc.*, 1969/6, 5-6.
- BAILEY, K. A. and BUDD, Mrs. M. (1969) *From Nine Elms to Barn Elms, II - Grosvenor Bridge. News Sheet, Wandsworth Hist. Soc.*, 1969/6, 3-4.
- BLACKMAN, M. E. (1969) *Hearth Tax in Weybridge in 1664. Walton and Weybridge L.H.S. Monograph No. 6. 3pp.*
- BLACKMAN, M. E. (1969) *Oatlands Estate. Dialstone*, 29, 4-5. (List of tenants extracted from the Ball Hughes papers at the Guildford Muniment Room.
- BLACKMAN, M. E. (1969) *Weylands Farm, Hersham. Dialstone*, 31, 2-3.
- BUDD, Mrs. M. (1969) *The Fludgers and Putney. News Sheet, Wandsworth Hist. Soc.*, 1969/6, 4-5.
- BUTLER, Mrs. M. L. (1969) *The Barnes Poor House, 1758-1836. (Barnes and Mortlake Historical Society. 2/6 plus 4d. postage.*
- CLARKE, A. C. (1969) *Iron Railway relics. Bulletin, Bourne Soc.*, 57, 2.
- CROWE, Dr. A. L. (1969) *Further correspondence of the Farnham Local Board and U.D.C., 1866-1900. News Letter, Farnham Mus. S.*, II/3, 16-20.
- DAVIS, R. (1969) *Virginia Water 1841. Newsletter, Egham-by-Runnymede Hist. Soc.*, 25, 3-4.
- DAWSON, G. (1969) *Roman London Bridge. London Archaeologist*, 5, 114-7.
- GLANVILLE, Miss P. (1969) *Nonsuch, a lost Tudor palace. London Archaeologist* 5, 111.
- GRAVETT, K. W. E. (1969) *Notes on Netherne Farm, Coulsdon. Local History Records, Bourne Society.* 9, 14-16.
- GRAVETT, K. W. E. (1969) *The Timbers of Chaldon Court. Local History Records, Bourne Society.* 9, 16-18.
- HARGRAVE, R. (1969) *New Light on Hundulsem. Dialstone*, 31, 3. (Documentary evidence regarding an unlocated medieval estate).
- HARGRAVE, R. (1969) *Penalties at a Weybridge Court, 1598. Dialstone*, 31, 2.
- HARGRAVE, R. (1969) *Walton trade token issuers of the 17th century: III - John Hollis. Walton and Weybridge Local History Society Monograph 4b. 3pp. illus.*
- HARRIS, J. (1969) *St. Mary's Church, Putney. News Sheet, Wandsworth H.S.*, 1969/4, 3. (Corrections to *Ibid.*, 1969/2 and 1969/3.)
- KETTERINGHAM, Miss L. (1969) *The Medieval Manor of Netherne Field. Local History Records, Bourne Society* 9, 7-14.
- LANGHAM-CARTER, R. R. (1969) *The church of St. Charles Borromeo, Weybridge. Walton and Weybridge Local History Society Monograph 7.*
- MARTIN, A. G. (1969) *Deadman's Pond, St. Georges Hill. Dialstone*, 29, 3. (Possibly part of the water supply to Oatlands Palace.)

MERCER, T. S. (1969) *Railways in the Esher District. Local Hist. News, Esher District L.H.S., 5, 20.*

\*MILWARD, R. J. (1969) *Early Wimbledon. Sub-titled History of Wimbledon, Part I (to c. 1540).* (Two more pamphlets are envisaged, to bring the story up to the present day).

NEWBURY, K. M. (1969) *Coulsdon and Purley in Victorian Times. Local History Records, Bourne Society. 9, 19-24.*

OUSELEY, M. H. (1969) *Heraldry in All Saints Church Sanderstead - II. Local History Records, Bourne Society, 9, 25-29.*

PENNER, A. G. (1969) *Wheelwrights of Old Coulsdon. Local History Records, Bourne Society. 9, 33-35.*

SAALER, Mrs. M. (1969) *Coulsdon Woods Roman Cemetery. Local History Records, Bourne Society. 9, 3-6.*

SMITH, Mrs. W. S. (1969) *Windsor (Farnham) Almshouses. Newsletter, Farnham Mus. Soc., 2/4, 6-11.* (The first instalment of an account of the history of the Almshouses.)

TUTT, DOROTHY (1969) *Beech Farm, Chelsham. Local History Records, Bourne Society. 9, 30-33.*

VARNEY, K. H. (1969) *Heath Brow (Puttenham): two remarkable finds. Newsletter, Farnham Mus. Soc., 2/4, 3-4.* (Illustrated note describing a tranche axe and a hollow based point found at this site recently.)

\*Books and pamphlets marked with an asterisk are in the Society's Library at Castle Arch. The absence of an asterisk does not preclude the possibility that the item may be acquired in the future. The periodical publications of local societies in Surrey are nearly all held at Castle Arch but are not marked in this list.

## MEETINGS

### EXHIBITION

NONSUCH — A LOST TUDOR PALACE. An exhibition of archaeological finds and Contemporary illustration at the LONDON MUSEUM, Kensington Gardens, W.8. (Admission free, weekdays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sundays, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.) Until 19th April.

### FEBRUARY

Friday, 6th. 7.45 p.m.

MEDIEVAL VILLAGES. Talk by Mr. J. G. HURST to the FARNHAM MUSEUM SOCIETY in the Committee Rooms behind the Council Offices in South Street, Farnham.

Tuesday, 10th. 8 p.m.

Meeting of the EMLINGE HISTORY SOCIETY at Horley Central Library, Victoria Road.

Wednesday, 11th. 5 p.m.

EXCAVATION AT THE IRON AGE HILL FORT, MAM TOR, DERBYSHIRE, 1965-69. Lecture by Mr. H. THOMPSON and Mr. D. COOMBS to the ROYAL ARCHAEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE, at Burlington House.