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**NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The Surrey Archaeological Society's Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday, 30th October at 2:30 p.m. in the Physics Department of the University of Surrey, Guildford. The Agenda and other details will be printed in the October Bulletin.

**EXCAVATION REMINDERS**

**EGHAM:** Director: David Longley

Please contact D. G. Bird at Castle Arch (Guildford 32454)

**MERTON PRIORY:** Director: J. S. McCracken

Please contact J. S. McCracken, 74 Gorrington Park Ave., Mitcham,  
CR4 2DJ (01-640 9758)

**VISIT**

Saturday, 9th October

**COMPTON, PUTTENHAM & WANBOROUGH**

Arranged by Mrs. Sylvia Lewin

- 11.00 a.m. Meet at Compton Church (St. Nicholas)  
(Turning off A3, four miles S of Guildford). Visit White Hart  
Cottage (Mr. N. Kirkpatrick) and the Watts Gallery (Mr.  
Wilfrid Blunt) and Memorial Chapel.
- Lunch: Ploughman's or sandwiches at The Harrow, Compton, or The  
Jolly Farmer or The Good Intent, Puttenham.
- 2.15 p.m. Wanborough Barn.
- 3.00 p.m. Church and Priory, Puttenham.  
One or two interesting houses in Puttenham can be visited,  
e.g. Lascombe by Lutyens (Mr C. W. N. Stent).
- 4.30 p.m. Guildford Park Manor Site (Dr. A. Crocker).  
(Tea available Hog's Back or Guildford, but members may  
prefer to bring their own)

Tickets from Mrs. J. Major, 3 Riversdale Road, Thames Ditton KT7 0QL  
(members 25p, visitors 30p, students half price and accompanied children  
free)

## NOTES AND QUERIES

### New Members from 1.5.76

P. J. Stiles, FRCS, Hawksview, Fairway, Merrow, Guildford

Miss O. Chandler, 44 Crescent Court, The Crescent, Surbiton KT6 4BW

Mrs E. M. Douglas, 31 Austen Road, Guildford

A. P. V. Coulson, 14 Badgerwood Drive, Frimley, Camberley GU16 5UF

Miss M. M. Kennedy, SEN, The Christian Alliance Hostel, 42 Croydon Road, Reigate

G. Ede, Fernley, Haslemere Road, Witley, Godalming GU8 5QA

C. J. Odom, 2 Hilda Court, Lovelace Road, Surbiton

R. J. Steel, Sunnymead, Tuesley Lane, Godalming GU7 1SG

D. J. Davies-Law, MICM, 72 Worplesdon Road, Guildford

Miss B. A. Keepax, BSc, DipEd, 25 Carlos Street, Godalming

Miss S. O. Farrar, 22 The Close, off Chart Lane, Reigate RH2 7BN

### What does one do with a Diploma?

Members may be aware of two editorial notes in CBA Newsletters Nos 4 and 5, 1976, in which it has been suggested that a valuable source of skill and enthusiasm is being squandered because Diploma holders' skills are not sufficiently deployed once their extra-mural course is finished.

The Excavations Committee of Surrey Archaeological Society is constantly in need of new talent for projects of all kinds and any Diploma holder resident in Surrey who wishes to be involved in the archaeological life of the County should write either to the Honorary Secretary or to the Chairman of the Excavations Committee at Castle Arch.

(Rosamond Hanworth)

### SAS Prize in Archaeometry 1976

The prize has been awarded jointly to Maxwell Roberts, for a project on "Determining the Firing Temperature of Pottery by Thermal Expansion", and to Martin Wells, for assistance on geophysical surveys and a study of water from Epsom Spa. Copies of their project reports have been deposited at Castle Arch. Each student has received an inscribed copy of "Methods of Physical Examination in Archaeology" by M. S. Tite.

(Alan Crocker)

### Field Work Notes

Field workers in the County are reminded of three aspects of this unusual summer that may be useful to archaeologists. The unfortunate outbreak of heath fires may make it possible to observe archaeological features which would usually be hidden by undergrowth and trees, and this may be especially true of views from a distance which, in Surrey, are often obscured by vegetation.

Secondly the fall in water levels may make it possible to examine the banks of our major rivers at a point much lower than usual, and, bearing in mind the archaeological finds which have come from all of them in the past, this could be a useful exercise.

Finally, it will probably not be necessary to point out that it is quite likely that more buried archaeological sites will be visible from the air than usual, and it is possible that aerial photographs of whatever type may pro-

duce evidence of sites which would not normally be seen. This would probably be especially true of photographs taken earlier this year.

(D. G. Bird)

#### **Dorking: Roman Coin (TQ 16954975)**

A dupondius of Hadrian (117-138 AD) was found recently during building work on the site of the new Post Office Exchange in Dorking. The coin, which is in a very worn condition, has been given to Guildford Museum.

Obverse: head of the Emperor facing right and inscribed AUG. COS. III.  
(the remainder of the inscription is illegible).

Reverse: illegible.

(Deardre Dendy)

#### **Godalming: Catteshall Mill (J. I. Blackburn & Co.) (SU 982444)**

A detailed historical survey is being carried out, for the Industrial Archaeology Committee, of the site of Catteshall Mill, Godalming, which is occupied by a decaying complex of industrial buildings. Copies of an interim report have been deposited at Castle Arch.

The Mill is considered to be one of the three Godalming mills mentioned in Domesday, when it would have been used for grinding corn. This activity continued until about 1840, but by 1391 a fulling mill with associated dye vats had also been established. During the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries the Lanewey family, whose name still occurs as the local place name Llanaway at neighbouring Farncombe, held both Mills. They were then acquired by the Mores of Loseley, but in 1656 the Onslows of West Clandon purchased the property. This heralded a change of activity as by 1663 a paper maker was working at Catteshall, presumably in the old fulling mill. When the Wey was made navigable to Godalming in 1773 the Mills prospered. In 1782 they were acquired by the Sweetapple family who were at the Mills until 1869, and who, after 1840, concentrated on paper making. During the first half of the nineteenth century the land adjacent to the Mill was used as a tanyard.

The Spicer family purchased the property in 1869, and rebuilt and expanded the paper mill so that, by the 1880s, over 400 people were employed. However, by 1899, this Catteshall branch of the Spicer business had failed and the Farncombe Paper Co. Ltd., who took over the Mill, collapsed a few years later. A. E. Reed & Co. Ltd. then acquired the business and made paper at Catteshall until about 1929. The Mill then remained empty until 1939 when J. I. Blackburn bought the property and transferred his engineering and foundry business from Guildford to Catteshall.

In 1973 the F. C. Fairhead Construction Co. acquired the site. They have let part of the property as works units but are themselves continuing the Blackburn engineering business. An unoccupied part of the premises contains an 8ft. diameter water turbine built in about 1880, and a lathe with a gap of 16ft. between the centres which is dated 1881. A feature of this part of the property is a Congregational chapel built by Spicers in 1872 but later incorporated into their factory.

(Glenys and Alan Crocker)

### **Guildford: St. Catherine's Hill**

It has been suggested to the writer that some kind of archaeological work was carried out at St. Catherine's Hill, Guildford, over the Bank Holiday weekend (May 29th-31st). A site visit, made with Mr. Holling in early June confirmed that this probably was the case. It is unfortunate that this work appears to have been carried out without the knowledge of any of the local archaeological organisations, whether this Society, its local groups, or Guildford Museum. It also appears unlikely that the excavators obtained the land-owner's permission. As this sort of work is not likely to lead to any greater understanding of Surrey archaeology unless it is integrated into current research, I should be grateful for any information anyone may have as to who was actually involved in directing the work.

(D. G. Bird)

### **Morden: Green Lane (TQ 25506716 SW to TQ 25476708)**

In July convincing evidence of Romano-British occupation was found on a building site in the vicinity east of St. Helier Station (BR). Some 220 sherds, including various grey wares and mortaria, together with fragments of bone and calcined flint, were gathered without excavation from the top soil of an area approximately 64 metres by 14.7 metres. Although not evenly distributed, the sherds which were both abraded and sharp edged, were widely scattered. Scrub clearance and redistribution of the top soil prior to development was in an advanced state when the site was examined, which made it impossible to identify the original location of the pottery. The bulk of the sherds can be ascribed to the late first or second centuries, but two sherds of heavily gritted black ware are believed to be Saxon. The site lies on loam overlying London Clay and abuts Green Lane, an old ridgeway running south-east from Stane Street near Morden Church towards Carshalton, Wallington and Beddington. The new site must obviously be seen as forming part of the habitation site already indicated by finds of similar Romano-British ware in the gardens of properties in Glastonbury Road, previously reported in *Bulletins* 111 and 124. Research indicates that from the mid 18th century, until development by the London County Council in the late 1920s/early 1930s, the site and its immediate vicinity had been occupied by meadowland.

Excavation and trenching will be watched where a Scout is to be erected on part of the site, but it is not considered feasible to undertake any controlled excavation at the present time. The finds are currently in the custody of Mr. W. J. Rudd, 2 Glastonbury Road, Morden.

(E. N. Montague)

Special Issue Commemorating the Centenary of Publication of 'The Geology of the Weald' by William Topley, *Proc. Geol. Assoc.*, 86, 373-628 (1975) including papers by D. E. Highley on The economic geology of the weald p. 559-69, and P. W. Sowan on Firestone and hearthstone mines in the upper greensand of East Surrey p. 571-91.

## COURSES

University of London  
Department of Extra Mural Studies

### DIPLOMA IN ARCHAEOLOGY

#### Course 1 The Archaeology of Palaeolithic and Mesolithic Man

Tues 21 Sept, 7.00, £5. Mrs S. L. Palmer, MPhil, AMA, Goldsmiths' College  
Tues 28 Sept, 6.30, £6.50. A. J. Legge, MA, Institute of Archaeology  
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Mon 20 Sept, 8.00, £6.50. D. M. Collins, MA, Mary Ward Centre  
Tues 28 Sept, 10.30 a.m., £6.50. A. J. Legge, MA, Mary Ward Centre  
Wed 22 Sept, 6.30, £5.50. Miss E. Webb, BA, Morley College

#### Course 2 The Archaeology of Western Asia

Tues 28 Sept, 6.30, £6.50. Miss R. Harris, BA, Institute of Archaeology.  
Mon 20 Sept, 6.00, £6.50. D. S. Noble, MA, PhD, Mary Ward Centre  
Mon 20 Sept, 6.30, £5.50. D. Price Williams, BA, PhD, Morley College

#### Course 3 Prehistoric Europe

Mon 20 Sept, 8.00, £6.50. Mrs R. D. Whitehouse, BA, PhD, Mary Ward  
Centre  
Tues 21 Sept, 6.30, £5.50. Mrs R. D. Whitehouse, BA, PhD, Morley College  
Thurs 23 Sept, 7.30, £5.50. Mrs A. M. Chorley, BA, Streatham & Tooting  
AEI, Dunraven Annexe

#### Course 4 Egyptology

Mon 27 Sept, 6.30, £6.50. E. P. Uphill, MA, Institute of Archaeology

#### Course 5 Prehistoric Britain

Mon 27 Sept, 6.30, £6.50. G. J. Wainwright, BA, PhD. Institute of Archaeology

#### Course 6 Roman Britain

Wed 22 Sept, 6.30, £5.50. T. F. C. Blagg, MA, Morley College

#### Course 7 Environmental Archaeology

Wed 29 Sept, 6.30, £6.50, A. J. Legge, MA, Institute of Archaeology

### POST-DIPLOMA COURSE IN ARCHAEOLOGY

#### Palaeobotany

Mon 27 Sept, 6.20, 28 meetings, including 4 visits, £6.50. R. N. L. B. Hubbard, MSc, MA, Institute of Archaeology

## CERTIFICATE IN FIELD ARCHAEOLOGY

### Course 1 Field Archaeology & the Prehistory of SE England

Mon 27 Sept, 7.15, £4. P. T. Craddock, BSc, Croydon, Coombe Cliff Centre  
Wed 22 Sept, 7.00, £5.70. J. C. Bonsall, BA, Fulham & S Kensington Institute, Our Lady of Victories School

### Course 2 Field Archaeology & the Romano-British Period in SE England

Thurs 30 Sept, 7.30, £12.30. T. Schadla-Hall, MA, Camberley, Surrey Heath I of FE, Watchetts Centre  
Mon 20 Sept, 7.30, £6. D. E. Williams, BA, The City Lit  
Wed 22 Sept, 7.00, £5. Miss E. J. Sanford, BA, MPhil, Goldsmiths' College  
Wed 22 Sept, 7.30, £12. D. E. Williams, BA, Staines & Sunbury I of FE, Kingston Road, Staines

### Course 3 Field Archaeology & the Post-Roman Period in SE England

Mon 20 Sept, 7.15, £5.50. Mrs E. S. Eames, MA, MLitt, FSA, Central Wandsworth AEI  
It is regretted that, owing to lack of space, it has not been possible to list the many other Diploma courses which have been arranged, but full details of these, and of the Diploma and Certificate Courses may be obtained from the Department of Extra-Mural Studies, 7 Ridgmount Street, WC1E 7AD  
Tel: 01-636 8000. Ext 103.

## OTHER UNIVERSITY EXTENSION COURSES

### Science in Archaeology

Mon 10 Jan, 7.15, 12 mtgs, £12. Various lecturers, Chelsea College, Chemistry Dept

### English Medieval Archaeology

Tues 28 Sept, 7.30, 28 meetings inc 4 visits. Mrs H. Clarke, BA, PhD, FSA. Dorking, Mole Valley I of AE

### The Archaeology of Medieval London

Th 30 Sept, 7.30, £10.20. J. A. Schofield, BA, MPhil. Epsom & Ewell IFE, Bourne Hall, Ewell.

### Roman Britain

Th 23 Sept, 7.00, 26 mtgs inc 2 visits, £5.70. Mrs E. Evans, BA. Fulham & S Kensington Inst, Lady Margaret School

### Industrial Archaeology

Tues 21 Sept, 7.00, 26 mtgs inc 2 visits, £5. D. P. Smith, MSc, DIC. Goldsmiths' College.

### Medieval Small Finds & Daily Life

Th 13 Jan, 7.15, 13 mtgs inc 1 visit, £2. J. Cherry, Goldsmiths' College.

### Recent Research in Human Evolution

Th 7 Oct, 6.45, 20 public lectures, £6. Various lecturers. Institute of Archaeology Central Course

### Roman Britain

Tues 21 Sept, 10.00 a.m. 26 mtgs inc 2 visits, £6. T. F. C. Blagg, MA. Kingston AEC.

### **Archaeology & the Literature of Ancient Peoples**

Mon 20 Sept, 7.30. 28 mtgs inc 4 visits, £8. Mrs R. P. Kenward, MA, FSA, Wimbledon, The Downs AEC.

Wed 22 Sept, 9.45 a.m. 25 mtgs inc 2 visits, Mrs R. P. Kenward, MA, FSA, Richmond Adult College

Th 23 Sept, 10.00 a.m. 26 mtgs inc 4 visits, £5. Mrs R. P. Kenward, MA, FSA, Malden AEC.

### **Excavation & Publication of Archaeological Materials**

Th 23 Sept, 6.30, 26 mtgs inc 2 visits, £5. H. Sheldon, BSc(Econ) & Staff of Southwark Archaeological Excavation Committee.

### **Introduction to Archaeology**

Wed 12 Jan, 10.00, 14 mtgs inc 2 visits. Mrs H. Clarke, BA. PhD, FSA. Sutton College of Liberal Arts.

## **DEGREE COURSE**

### **SCIENTIFIC ARCHAEOLOGY**

The University of Surrey is offering a new Single Honours BSc degree course in Physics with Archaeometry, which is concerned with applications of the physical sciences to archaeology. The techniques involved in archaeometry are of general application so that the graduates of the course will be well qualified for employment in a wide range of physics-based activity. An illustrated brochure describing the contents of the course, which will commence in 1977, has been produced and is available from the Physics Department.

(A. G. Crocker)

## **ADVANCE NOTICE — CONFERENCE**

**Saturday, 23rd October, at West Surrey College of Art & Design, Farnham**

### **CONFERENCE ON THE SURREY/HAMPSHIRE BORDER POTTERIES**

**Organised by the London Kiln Study Group**

The following have already agreed to participate:

Rosamond Hanworth—Chairman

Dennis Turner—Chairman

John Ashdown—A Medieval kiln in the area

Jeremy Haslam—The Post-Medieval site at Cove

Felix Holling—Surrey wares

Malcolm Lyne—Kilns in the Alice Holt Forest

Details from the Secretary, c/o Cuming Museum, 155 Walworth Road, SE17. £2.50 (including non-returnable registration fee 50p, teas and coffee, but NOT meals).

## BOURNE SOCIETY COURSES

### "SURREY STORY"

#### A History of the County from Original Sources

On **MONDAYS** at  
Caterham Hill Library

On **TUESDAYS** at  
Taunton Manor School,  
Coulston

7.30-9.30 p.m.

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September 27	Geological Surrey James Batley	September 29
October 4	Prehistoric and Roman Surrey Mary Saaler	October 6
October 11	Place-name Surrey Ronald Latham	October 13
October 18	Domesday Surrey Kay Percy	October 20
November 1	Magna Carta Surrey James Batley	November 3
November 8	Shakespeare's Surrey John Raven	November 10
November 15	Aubrey's Surrey Peter Gray	November 17
November 22	Railway Surrey Dr Donald Cox	November 24
November 29	Hassell's Surrey James Batley	December 1
December 6	Motor Surrey Dr Basil Cracknell	December 8
Fee: £3		Fee: £2 (Croydon residents only)

This course will be repeated at Gresham School, Sanderstead, on **WEDNESDAYS** commencing January 12, 1977.

## MEETINGS

### SEPTEMBER

Tuesday 14th, 8 p.m.

**PORTSMOUTH FORTIFICATIONS.** Talk by C. Stanley to Egham-by-Runnymede HS in Strode's School Library.

### OCTOBER

Wednesday 9th, 2.15 p.m.

**POPULATION CHANGE IN VILLAGE AND TOWN IN MEDIEVAL AND EARLY MODERN TIMES.** Talk by Dr E. M. Yates to the Domestic Buildings Research Group (Surrey) at the Brew House (behind the Library), North Street, Guildford.

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