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## BULLETIN

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### S.A.S. VISIT TO SOUTHAMPTON AND THE NEW FOREST

arranged by Joyce Banks

**Saturday, 21st May**

- 7.45 a.m. Meet the coach at Red Cross public house, Reigate, at the junction of West Street, High Street and Park Lane.
- 8.00 a.m. Dorking Halls.
- 8.30 a.m. Guildford, rear of B.R. Station, Guildford Park Road.
- 10.30 a.m. Meet on the north side of Bargate, Southampton, for a guided walk round the medieval (and later) town with Bob Culley of the Southampton Tourist Guides Association. The walk lasts approx. 1½ hours.
- 12.00 Visit to a current excavation near Gods House Tower.
- 12.45 p.m. Re-join coach to drive to Ocean Village (a new development in dockland) for lunch. Restaurant, wine bar and patisserie on premises, also pubs nearby. Queens Park for picnics.
- 1.50 p.m. Walk to Southampton Hall of Aviation, Albert Road South (about 220 yards). Aircraft and historical exhibits; Eric Moon, R. J. Mitchell, Schneider Trophy, etc.
- 2.00 p.m. Meet at Aviation Hall for guided tour, plus entrance to the restored Sandringham flying boat.
- 3.15 p.m. Leave Aviation Hall and re-join coach for New Forest. It may be possible to see the new Heritage Centre at Lyndhurst en route.
- 4.00 p.m. Minstead church, by kind permission of Rev. Michael Delany, Rector. It has three decker pulpit, galleries, private pew, etc. (Whitby in miniature — Pevsner).
- 5.00 p.m. Tea at Acres Down Farm, Minstead. (Please state if not required).

Tickets: Members £9.50, non-members £9.60, to include administration, coach gratuity, town guide, admission to Hall of Aviation, afternoon tea and donation. Please send s.a.e. with cheque to Mrs. Jean West, 123 Ewell By Pass, Ewell, Epsom KT17 2PX (Tel: 01-393 8970) not later than the 10th May to enable final arrangements to be completed.

## COACH OUTING TO LITTLECOTE AND COGGES

Saturday, 30th April

Organised by Surrey Roman Villa Group

A coach trip has been arranged for a guided tour of the Roman Villa at Littlecote (near Hungerford) with its famous Orpheus mosaic and a visit to the Tudor Littlecote Manor with its 17th century private armoury, historical tableaux, many adjacent attractions and falconry and jousting, if we are lucky. This will be a morning visit. Lunch at Littlecote can be a picnic or at a tavern and restaurant in the grounds. In the afternoon a guided tour will be made of the Cogges Manor Farm Museum (near Witney) — a museum of farming and country life spanning 900 years.

Cost per person £10.00 (OAPs £9) to include coach fare, driver's gratuity, admission charges to Littlecote and Cogges. The coach will leave Dorking Halls at 8.30 a.m. with a pick-up at Guildford Railway Station at 9 a.m. Arriving back at Dorking approx. 7.30 p.m. For booking forms please send a s.a.e. to Mr. L. Le Mottee, Little Rising, Ermyn Way, Leatherhead KT22 8TW.

### Council News

At the meeting of Council held on 29th January, the draft budget for 1988/89 was adopted. Dr. D. G. Bird, Miss J. M. Carter, Mr. K. D. Graham (as Chairman, Excavations Committee), Mr. P. Tarplee and Mr. R. J. Webber were co-opted as members of Council for one year under Article 21a of the Articles of Association of the Society. Mr. M. J. Curtis was also co-opted to Council and appointed the Society's Publicity Officer. Mr. Curtis can be contacted at: 4 Cottimore Terrace, Walton-on-Thames KT12 2BY (Tel: 0932 245957).

### Honorary Local Secretaries

The following appointment has recently been made:

Albury & Shere — Mrs. E. Rich, Shere Museum, The Malthouse, Shere, Guildford GU5 9HS.

Honorary Local Secretaries are also needed for: (1) the Clandons, Effingham & the Horsleys; (2) Leatherhead, Ashted, Fetcham & the Bookhams; (3) Capel, Holmwood, Newdigate & Ockley; (4) Busbridge, Chiddingfold, Hambledon, Hascombe & Witley; and (5) for Croydon and Norbury. The Hon. Secretaries would be very pleased to hear from any members in the above areas who would like to take over as Local Secretary, and further details can be obtained from them.

### Obituary — Mrs. Irene Atherstone

It is with deep regret we record the death of Mrs. Atherstone on Sunday, 31st January. She was one of the Society's back-room helpers, without whom the Society could not flourish. Since 1973, month in and month out, she it was who filled the Bulletin envelopes and posted them off to members. Over that period she worked with several Editors: the present incumbent will greatly miss hearing her calm voice, at the end of the telephone, giving the information that everything was in hand for the despatch of the next issue. A full obituary will appear in the *Collections*.

### Fiche Printouts from Society Publications

The Society is now able to provide a fiche printout service for members and those who purchase our publications, at a cost of 15p per sheet plus postage. Enquiries and requests should be sent to Mrs. Maureen Roberts at Castle Arch.

### **The Young Archaeologists Club goes to Danebury**

Twenty children went on the trip which began with a visit to the Museum of the Iron Age at Andover which includes a scaled down reconstruction of part of Danebury's rampart, guarded by a Celtic warrior and full size reconstruction of an Iron Age hut. With worksheets completed and pocket money spent in the Museum's shop, the Young Archaeologists travelled six miles down the road to visit the Iron Age hillfort itself.

The Club still has plenty of room for 13-18 year olds. Future meetings include reconstructing daily life in a Roman villa from the objects and remains found during excavation and a visit to the site of Guildford's pagan Saxon cemetery. Application forms are available from Gwyneth Price or Julia Arthur at Guildford Museum, Castle Arch, Guildford, GU1 3SX.

## **EXCAVATION NOTICE**

### **Lightwater, South Farm**

The fourth season of excavations of the late Iron Age, Romano-British and probable early Medieval settlement will be from 6th August to 4th September, 1988, directed by G. H. Cole for Surrey Heath Archaeological and Heritage Trust.

Public viewing facilities and interpretation centre will be open daily from 6th August to 18th September, 1988.

For further information and for volunteers wishing to help on the site, please write to G. H. Cole, Archaeological Centre, 63 High Street, Bagshot, Surrey.

## **INSURANCE AND INDEMNITIES**

### **Excavation Directors and Diggers please note:**

**Excavation Insurance** — Directors of excavations are reminded that it is essential that they arrange for insurance cover for the excavation that they are undertaking. For the purpose of insurance the term 'excavation' covers all aspects of excavation where there is a 'third party risk' and not simply 'dirt archaeology'. Under certain circumstances 'field walking' and 'measuring buildings' would require cover. If in doubt, or to register for insurance cover, please contact R. J. Webber at 8 Kelvin Grove, Hook, Chessington. Telephone: 01-397 4885 (evenings and weekends). Please remember that "COVER AFTER THE EVENT IS TOO LATE!"

**Personal Accident Insurance** — All volunteers on excavations, including field walking, measuring and other connected activities should be fully aware that the Society's insurance policy does not cover them for injury or sickness, and, thereby, loss of earnings, should that injury be self inflicted or the result of their own neglect. All volunteers should, therefore, arrange for PERSONAL ACCIDENT INSURANCE through their own insurers before they engage in excavation activities. Remember please that if you put a pickaxe through someone else's foot, or they do it to you, that will be all right but if you put it through your own foot then that will be your responsibility and nobody else's! Directors of Excavations please bring this matter to the attention of all your volunteer diggers.

R. J. Webber

### **Indemnities**

Some indemnities required by landowners and contractors go beyond the acceptable liability of Surrey Archaeological Society and its insurance cover for excavations. In future all indemnity forms MUST be signed by

## EXCAVATIONS COMMITTEE ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM

**Saturday, 16th April, 10.30-4.00**

**Dorking Halls, Dorking**

*Chairman: Hugh Thompson*

- Speakers: Rob Poulton – Excavations at Saxon County School, Shepperton  
Phil Jones – Recent Excavations at Staines  
Geoff Potter – Kingston Bridge Excavation  
Paul Stokes – Work of the Surrey Heath Group at Bagshot and Lightwater  
John Hampton – Aerial Photography of Sites in Surrey

Presentation of the Margary Awards.

Coffee, tea and biscuits will be available at a small charge in the lunch and mid-afternoon breaks. Admittance: £2.00 at the door, but for tickets purchased in advance £1.50, including postage. Applications for tickets to Mrs. Janaway, Castle Arch, Guildford, Surrey GU1 3SX. Cheques should be made payable to Surrey Archaeological Society.

## EARLY NOTICES

### “HOW THE RAILWAYS CHANGED SURREY”

**Saturday, 7th May. 10.45 – 5.00**

**Centre Halls, Woking**

Symposium organised by Surrey Local History Council in celebration of the 150th anniversary of the railway reaching Woking.

The five years 1836-1841 saw the steam railway arrive in Surrey, first from London Bridge to Greenwiche, then from Nine Elms to Woking Common and Southampton and from London Bridge to Croydon, Redhill and Brighton and Dover. For the next hundred years the railway was the greatest agent for change to the face of Surrey. This included the creation of new towns at Redhill, Surbiton and Woking, and the growth of suburbia and commuter-land.

## CROYDON PALACE

**Open Days in 1988**

The palace, a former residence of the Archbishops of Canterbury, will be open for guided tours the weeks of:

- Tuesday 5th April — Saturday 9th April  
Tuesday 31st May — Saturday 4th June  
Monday 11th July — Saturday 16th July  
Monday 18th July — Saturday 23rd July

Admission £2.00, OAPs £1.25. Doors open 2.00 p.m. Last tour starts 2.30 p.m. Further information please ring 01-680 5877.

### Next Bulletins

Copy is required by the Editor by Saturday, 5th March for the next issue of the *Bulletin* which will cover the months April-May. The following *Bulletin* will be published at the beginning of June and copy should be with the Editor by Saturday, 7th May.

one or other of the OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY who have been appointed by The Council of the Society to act in this matter.

A copy of every indemnity required must be forwarded to Mr. R. J. Webber at 8 Kelvin Grove, Hook, Chessington, Surrey KT9 1DP who will, where necessary, clear the terms and conditions with the insurers. A further copy should, at the same time, be sent to the Society's Hon. LEGAL ADVISER.

LOCAL SOCIETIES or GROUPS excavating under Surrey Archaeological Society's name or using the Society's insurance cover MUST COMPLY with this procedure. Other excavators would be well advised to take legal advice before signing any form of indemnity.

The following officers of the Society have been authorised by the Council to sign indemnities on behalf of the Society: The President, The Secretary, The Hon. Treasurer.

## LOCAL HISTORY

### Water Mills at Ockham

VCH Vol. III p.361 records that 'two water-mills at Ockham are mentioned in the inquisition taken at the death of Gilbert de Clare in 1296. In 1296 they were worth 40s'.

The manor at Ockham, like many other Surrey manors, formed part of the de Clare inheritance which later passed to the Stafford family. The following account of building repairs to the mills at Ockham is included among the Stafford papers at the County Record Office in Stafford. [Ref: D641/1/2/233]

### OCHAM

The Account of John Frelond, farmer there 1445-6.

#### COSTS OF MILLS THERE.

He records that he has paid to Richard Synakull, Master Carpenter, who was hired to remove all the old timber from the foreponnde and from the sluice-gates of the mills there, to make two other sluice-gates to turn the two water-wheels, to make one new water-wheel from new timber and to correct various faults in the other water-wheel and le Taillesharf (tail-race? — the channel in which the water runs away below a mill-wheel) and to repair and make good other faults in the mill for 54 days at 7d per day by piece-work: 31s 6d.

Paid to Thomas Sawyer and Simon Fort, Carpenters, for working there for 31 days at 6d each, by piece-work: 31s 0d.

Paid to two sawyers for sawing timber into planks and beams for the work for 21 days at 12d each per day: 21s 0d.

Paid for 30 lbs of greteaternayll at 2d per lb, 200 tenpenynayll and 100 threpenynayll bought and used in the work: 6s 11d.

Paid to Thomas Hatter for digging and transporting clay in his own cart for packing and ramming the mill for 14 days at 12d per day: 14s 0d.

Paid to William Paynter 14 (days) Richard Fissher 10 Thomas Carby 9 Thomas Hele 8 William at Hele 16 William More 8 Robert Kyng 5 John Hamme 4 Thomas Hamme 13 Richard Coke 5 John Johnson 13, workmen hired to pack and ram the whole structure for 105 days between them at 4d each per day, by piece-work: 35s 0d.

Paid to Richard Fissher and Thomas Hele for diverting and blocking the flow of water from the mill-pond there while the work was being done, according to the contract made with them: 6s 8d.

Paid for making two new spindles from the old ones with a new iron support for the mill: 3s 4d.

Paid for two new brass bearings bought to balance the mill: 6s 10d.  
Paid for 500 tiles bought to repair various holes in the covering of the mill building: 2s 0d.  
Paid for (—) Cornertyle and burnt lime for the same work: 12d.  
Paid to the Tiler for repairing the holes for 2 days, at the rate of 6d per day for himself and 4d per day for his workmen: 20d.  
Paid for enclosing one piece of a close around the Churchyard, carried out lawfully by his lordship: 12d.  
TOTAL: £8 2s 11d.

I am not very familiar with the technical terms used in relation to water-wheels and I would be grateful for comments on the translation.  
Mary Saaler

## MEETINGS

### MARCH

**Saturday 12th, 9.45 – 5.30**

SERIAC 88 — Extractive Industries. Symposium at the University of Surrey, Guildford. Full details in *Bulletin 227*.

**Wednesday 16th, 8.00 p.m.**

THE PEOPLE OF COBHAM — PYPORTS CONNECTION. Talk by David Taylor to Esher L.H.S. at Methodist Hall, Cedar Road, Cobham.

**Friday 25th, 8.00 p.m.**

FROM JEWELLERY TO JETONS: METAL, BONE, GLASS AND OTHER OBJECTS FROM EXCAVATIONS. Talk by Sheila Girardon to Wandsworth H.S. at Friends Meeting House, 59 Wandsworth High Street.

### APRIL

**Tuesday 5th, 7.30 p.m.**

ROYAL MINT EXCAVATIONS. Talk by Peter Miles to Southwark & Lambeth A.S. at Hawkstone Hall, Kennington Road. (Two minutes walk from Lambeth North Tube Station.

**Wednesday 6th, 8.00 p.m.**

ELSTEAD: SURREY VILLAGE OR DORMITORY SUBURB. Talk by Gillian Drew to Nonsuch A.S. at St. Mary's Church Hall, Ewell.

**Thursday 14th, 7.45 p.m.**

PREHISTORIC & ROMAN IRON-MAKING IN THE WEALD. Talk by Henry Cleere to Croydon N.H.S.S. at East Croydon U.R. Church Hall, Addiscombe Grove.