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The Society's Annual General Meeting will take place on Saturday, September 21st, at 3 p.m. in the Guildhall, Guildford, by kind permission of Guildford Borough Council. The Agenda will be circulated with Bulletin 110 in September. Members intending to be present are reminded that their voting powers will be limited unless they have signed and returned their forms of membership to the newly constituted Society. (see Bulletin 108).

SAS VISITS

Saturday, 7th September—Visit to South-west Surrey.

Saturday, 5th October—Visit to Chipstead and Pirbright.

Details of these and other meetings are given elsewhere in this Bulletin.

EXCAVATION NOTICES

**MOTORWAY RESCUE GROUP—PETTERS SPORTS FIELD,
EGHAM (TQ 017718)**

Directors: Bernard Johnson and David Barker

Work on this section of the Motorway is expected to start on about August 1st, but it will still be possible to carry out work on this site and on the one at Thorpe Lea Nurseries, Clockhouse Lane, Thorpe (Bulletin 105), so volunteers are urgently needed seven days a week especially Mondays to Saturdays, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Contact Bernard Johnson at 01-928 5794 or David Barker at Egham 3873.

REIGATE TOWN CENTRE (TQ 2550)

Work will continue at this site throughout August. Full details were given in Bulletin 108.

Enquiries to Richard Woodhouse, 6 Wray Road, Reigate. Telephone Reigate 47395.

GUILDFORD PARK MANOR (SU 969493)

Director: A. G. Crocker

The University of Surrey Archaeological Society in collaboration with the Centre for Adult Education will conduct a third season of excavation at

the site of the moated Royal Manor House from Saturday, 3rd August to Sunday, 11th August. The site is located in the private garden of Manor Farm. The excavation will be carried out by kind permission of Mr and Mrs G. Weaver.

This year it is proposed to investigate further the NW corner of the moated island, which proved a fruitful part of the site in 1973.

Helpers are needed for digging and a variety of other jobs including washing, sorting, and working of finds, drawing plans and sections, photography and marking. Previous archaeological experience is not required. Children are welcome but if under 14 should be accompanied for a substantial part of the time by an adult. Ideally it is preferable if helpers are able to attend for several days but it is appreciated that for many people this will not be possible.

Access to the site is via Beechcroft Road (opposite Stag Hill Motors on Guildford Bypass). Turn right off Beechcroft Road after 100 yards and proceed for about 400 yards along the lane to Manor Farm.

Enquiries to Miss Noelle Garner, Centre for Adult Education, University of Surrey Guildford 71281 Ext. 613 or Dr A. G. Crocker, Department of Physics, University of Surrey Guildford 71281, Ext. 635, evenings Guildford 65821.

NOTES

New members from 1.5.74

Mr I. L. Baker, Westgate, Woodham Road, Woking GU21 4EN.

Mr P. O. Couldrey, 28 Pondfield Road, Hayes, Bromley, Kent BR2 7HS.

Mr R. I. Yonge, 36 Stanwell Road, Ashford, Middx.

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Mr and Mrs Gale, 3 Park Road, Guildford

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Mr and Mrs E. P. Ryan, Sunny Cottage, Betchworth, RH3 7AG.

Mr M. M. Riley, Rushwood House, Dene Street, Dorking.

Mr G. Hayes, 70 Pewley Way, Guildford.

Mr P. A. Tyers, 22 Harlington Road East, Feltham, Middx. TW14 0AB.

Guildford: Dominican Priory (SU 994495)

The following correspondence has taken place between the Mayor of Guildford and the President of the Surrey Archaeological Society:

Dear Sir, — I felt I must write to thank you and your members for the interest, enthusiasm and hard work undertaken in the Friary Site dig. Any find, whether spectacular or mundane, helps our knowledge of the past and I must confess to feeling a little apprehensive as to what future archaeologists will make of our age. Any dig requires co-operation and co-ordination and lots of backbreaking hard work and I should be obliged if

you would convey to all the helpers on this project my appreciation of their services.

May I take this opportunity of wishing your Society all success with future ventures. — Yours sincerely, ALBERT COOK (Mayor).

To which the President replied:

Dear Mr Cook, I write to thank you personally for your letter of July 1st, which I am making arrangements to have circulated so that it may come to the notice of those who organised and took part in the excavations on the Friary site.

It is a matter of great satisfaction to our Society that we have been able to contribute something towards the revealing of Guildford's past. Although we are conservationists, we are not opponents of change, and as modern Guildford develops we hope to record for the future the past which lies beneath our feet.

We greatly appreciate the tribute you have paid to our work. — Yours sincerely, J. L. NEVINSON (President).

Dorking: St Martin's Church

There are records of a church in Dorking from at least the eleventh century but the building was completely reconstructed in the nineteenth century and the floor of the new church was raised some 6ft above that of the previous one, leaving a crypt. It is now proposed to use the crypt as a club room and, subject to a faculty being granted, to increase the space by removing part of the ancient floor.

With the kind permission of the Parochial Church Council, a preliminary survey has been made of structural features, and a trial hole in the floor has revealed a 16cm layer of packed chalk 12cm below the present surface of consolidated sand. Observation will continue and it is hoped that it may be possible to carry out further investigation before work starts on the proposed alterations. (Vivien Ettliger)

Southwark: Excavations at 106-114 Borough High Street, SE1

Excavations between October 1973 and February 1974 produced evidence of a major early Roman road and adjacent buildings.

Above the natural sand and silts at 2ft 3in OD (0.69m) was a layer of sand (2ft 9in OD 0.84m) containing prehistoric sherds and flints; these were not associated with any features and appear to be derived from sites elsewhere in the vicinity. The whole layer was probably water-laid, as was the succeeding layer, a thick band of silt stained with organic matter (ht 3ft 9in OD c.1.15m OD).

The earliest Roman activity on the site centred around the Roman road which was about 25ft (7½m) wide and ran north-south. About 2½ft (0.76m) of metalling remains, in which at least three surfaces are clear. As it was built over such marshy ground, the road was supported on a raft of timbers, which in places consisted of two layers, both lying east-west. It was contained, at least on the east side by a series of uprights. A probable extension, for which there is evidence only to the west, was added early in the second century.

Running east-west off the edge of the road and associated with its construction phase was a ditch, probably for drainage purposes, which was recut at a later date.

Evidence of early Roman structures was found on both sides of the road, again built directly over the marshy layer.

More survives on the western side where at least two phases of buildings existed before the mid second century. These were wattle and daub structures with daub or clay floors, of a fairly substantial nature. Little evidence as to their function was obtained although one room in a building of the second phase contained metal working residues and may have been a workshop.

This type of occupation seems to have come to an end in the mid second century and from that time there is a build up c. 1ft 30cm) of black soil, containing late Roman pottery, which presumably represents a different and as yet unidentifiable form of land usage. (Irene Schwab)

Surrey Archaeological Society's Lectures, Autumn 1974

There will be another series of lectures at the University in the Autumn Term, to follow up on the success of last year's course. This year the emphasis will be on Medieval Archaeology. It is intended that there should be 10 lectures and one or more visits, again on Thursdays, from 7.30 to 9.30 p.m. Although the final programme is not yet complete, several distinguished speakers have agreed to lecture, including Mr John McNeal Dodgson on Place-names and the Anglo-Saxon settlements, Dr Yates on Settlement Patterns in South-west Surrey, Miss Marion Archibald on Medieval Coins, Mr Daryl Fowler on Church Archaeology, Mr Derek Renn on Castles in Southern England, Mrs Elizabeth Eames on Medieval Towns, Mr Peter Marsden on Baynards Castle, and Mr Dennis Turner on Moated Sites. (D. G. Bird)

COURSES

UNIVERSITY OF SURREY, CENTRE FOR ADULT EDUCATION EXTRA-MURAL COURSES

Godalming Institute of Further Education—THE IRON AGE IN SURREY.

Tutor: Rosamond Hanworth. Wednesday 25th September onwards. At Shottermill Middle School, Lion Lane, Haslemere. Further details from L. J. Griffiths, Adult Education Centre, Bridge Road, Godalming.

LONDON UNIVERSITY SESSIONAL CLASS

MEDIEVAL ARCHAEOLOGY IN BRITAIN. Tutor: D. J. Turner. 24 lectures at Nork Park Secondary School, Picquet's Way, Banstead. Tuesdays 7.30-9.30 commencing 24th September.

An introduction to the archaeological contribution to our knowledge of the centuries between the Romans and the Tudors. Site visits will help to show the influence of the past on the present.

BOURNE SOCIETY COURSES

OUR VILLAGES. A course of ten talks by Surrey People at Lingfield Adult Education Centre, High Street, Lingfield. Mondays, 7.45 commencing September 23rd, and at Bletchingley Adult Education Centre, Styches Lane, Bletchingley. Tuesdays, 7.30 commencing September 24th.

EAST SURREY HERITAGE. A course of ten talks by Surrey People, at Taunton Manor School, Thursdays, no time given, commencing September 26th. Enrolment at Taunton Manor School, Coulsdon, Saturday September 14th. To be repeated at Lingfield, Bletchingley and Chaldon in January, 1975.

INDUSTRIAL ARCHAEOLOGY. By Peter Saaler, at Beechwood Adult Education Centre, Caterham. Mondays, 7.30. Commencing September 23rd.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL POTTERY AND MODELS. By Mary Saaler, at Beechwood Adult Education Centre, Caterham. Fridays, 7.30. Commencing September 27th.

LONDON UNIVERSITY—EXTRA MURAL COURSES

Diploma in Archaeology

Course 1 The Archaeology of Palaeolithic and Mesolithic Man

J0104 Wednesday 25th September, 6.30, £4. W. G. P. Jarvis, MA, Institute of Archaeology, 31-34 Gordon Square, WC1.

J0105 Wednesday 25th September, 6.15, £4.00. Mrs P. M. L. Christie, FSA, Institute of Archaeology, 31-34 Gordon Square, WC1.

J0103 Monday 23rd September, 8.00, £2.15. D.M. Collins, MA, Mary Ward Centre

J0101 Thursday 26th September, 7.30, £2.15. Mrs S. L. Palmer, MPhil, Streatham & Tooting Institute, Dunraven Annex, SW17.

Course 2 The Archaeology of Western Asia

J0202 Tuesday 24th September, 7.00, £2.15. D. Price Williams, BA, Goldsmiths' College, Dept of Adult Studies.

J0204 Tuesday, 24th September 8.00, £2.15. D. S. Noble, MA, Mary Ward Centre.

J0201 Monday, 23rd September, 6.30, £2.15. D. Price Williams, BA, Morley College.

Course 3 Prehistoric Europe

J0301 Monday, 23rd September, 8.00, £2.15. I. A. Kinnes, BA, PhD, Mary Ward Centre.

J0302 Thursday 26th September, 6.30, £2.15. Miss G. Huxley, MA, Morley College.

Course 4 Egyptology

J0401 Tuesday 24th September, 6.30, £4.00. Miss M. V. Seton-Williams, BH, PhD, FSA, Institute of Archaeology, 31-34 Gordon Square, WC1.

Course 5 Prehistoric Britain

J0503 Thursday 26th September, 7.30, £3.00 T. Schadla-Hall, BA, Camberley Institute of Further Education, Watchetts Centre.

J0501 Monday 23rd September, 6.30, £4.00. G. J. Wainwright, BA, PhD, Institute of Archaeology, 31-34 Gordon Square, WC1.

Course 6 Roman Britain

J0601 Wednesday 25th September, 6.30, £2.15. T. F. C. Blagg, MA, Morley College.

Each course consists of 28 meetings including four field visits.

Certificate in Field Archaeology

Course 1 Field Archaeology and the Prehistory of SE England

T0101 Monday 23rd September, 7.15, £2.15. P. T. Craddock, BSc, Central Wandsworth Institute.

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

T0203 Tuesday 24th September, 7.30, £3.00. J. J. Schwieso, BA, Dorking Institute of Further Education

T0202 Wednesday, 25th September, 7.15. D. E. Williams, BA, Surbiton Adult Education Centre.

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

T0302 Monday 23rd September, 7.30, £2.15. Mrs E. S. Eames, MA, MLitt, FSA. The City Literary Centre for Adult Studies.

T0301 Monday 23rd September, 7.00, £2.10. Mrs H. Clarke, BA, PhD, FSA. Goldsmiths' College, Dept of Adult Studies.

T0304 Wednesday 25th September, 7.30, £3.00. Mrs H. Clarke, BA, PhD, FSA. Staines & Sunbury Institute of Further Education, Kingston Road, Staines.

Each course consists of 28 meetings, including four field visits.

Other University Extension Courses

Roman Britain and After. X5923. Tuesday 24th September, 1.15, 25 meetings including 3 visits, £3.00. D. G. Bird, BA, Camberley Institute of Further Education.

Excavation and Post-Excavation Methods. X5913. Wednesday, 25th September, 7.30, 23 meetings, £2.15. H. L. Sheldon, BSc(Econ). The City Literary Centre for Adult Studies.

Romano-British Archaeology. X5917. Thursday, 26th September, 7.30, 24 meetings including 2 visits, £3.00. E. C. Hill, BA, Epsom & Ewell Institute of Further Education, Bourne Hall, Ewell.

Industrial Archaeology. X5911. Tuesday 1st October, 7.00, 26 meetings including 3 visits, £2.15. D. P. Smith, MSc, DIC, Goldsmiths' College, Dept of Adult Studies.

World Archaeology: selected achievements and problems. X5930. Thursday 3rd October, 6.45, 20 meetings, £4.00. Various lecturers. Institute of Archaeology, 31-34 Gordon Square, WC1.

Conservation for Archaeologists. X5929. Monday, 14th October, 6.30, 24 meetings including 4 visits, £4.00. R. I. Haber, BA, Institute of Archaeology, 31-34 Gordon Square, WC1.

Prehistoric Britain before the Celts. X5924. Thursday 26th September, 9.45 a.m., 27 meetings including 4 visits, £3.20. Mrs R. P. Kenward, MA, FSA, Kingston Adult Education Centre, St Peter's Centre, Cambridge Road.

X5925. Monday 23rd September, 7.30, 26 meetings including 4 visits, £2.00. Mrs R. P. Kenward, MA, FSA, The Downs Adult Education Centre, 17 The Downs, SW20.

An Introduction to Archaeology (Pre-Diploma Course). X5927. Monday 23rd September, 6.00, 26 meetings including 2 visits. R. F. J. Jones, BA, Mary Ward Centre.

An Introduction to Traditional Crafts and Village Industries. X5928. Thursday 17th October, 6.00, 28 meetings including 6 visits, £2.15. R. I. Haber, BA, Mary Ward Centre.

For information regarding the numerous other courses offered, students should apply for a prospectus to the Department of Extra-Mural Studies, 7 Ridgmount Street, London WC1 7AD. Telephone 01-636 8000.

MEETINGS

SEPTEMBER

Saturday 7th

SAS VISIT TO SW SURREY

Arranged by Mr J. C. M. Blatch, with the help of Mrs Elfrida Manning

10.30 a.m. Rendezvous at Elstead Church on the B3001 road from Milford to Farnham.

11.00 a.m. Visit Elstead Mill House, by kind permission of Mrs C. D. Bentley.

11.45 a.m. Tilford House, by kind permission of Mr K. H. Whitaker.

12.30 p.m. Picnic suggested. Food obtainable from the inn at Tilford.

2.00 p.m. Waverley Abbey House. It is also hoped to visit the Abbey ruins so stout shoes are recommended for the walk across the fields.

3.30 p.m. The Grange, Farnham, by kind permission of Sir George Bellew, KCMG, KCB.

4.15 Farewell in garden of Farnham Museum.

Tea available at Mitre cafe opposite Museum.

Tickets (members 20p, visitors 25p, students half-price, accompanied children under 16 free) from Mrs J. Major, 3 Riversdale Road, Thames Ditton KT17 0QL.

Tuesday 10th, 8 p.m.

THAMES FERRIES. Talk by J. Stonebanks to Egham-by-Runnymede HS in the Library, Strode's School, High Street, Egham. Visitors welcome, 12½p, juniors 5p.

Saturday 21st

AGM SURREY ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

OCTOBER

Saturday 5th

SAS VISIT TO CHIPSTEAD AND PIRBRIGHT

Organised by Mr C. E. Pringle

10.40 a.m. Meet at Chipstead BR Station. Walk via Chipstead Meads and the Long Plantation to Mugswell, stopping for refreshment at the Well House about 12.30 p.m. a distance of about 4½ miles (which could be shortened if necessary).

1.30 p.m. Walk through the Shabden Estate to Pirbright (about 2½ miles). Visit Fairdene School to view the old house and the old barn. Return to Chipstead Station—about 2 miles.

The route is mostly by footpath and there are some 15 old farms and other features of interest to historians and students of rural Surrey, including several of the greens or small commons which are a feature of this area.

It is hoped to provide tea in the afternoon. Trains from Guildford, Dorking, Redhill, Merstham, Coulsdon South and Purley arrive at Chipstead at 10.09 and 10.39, returning at 20 minutes and 50 minutes past each hour.

Tickets (members 15p, visitors 20p, students half price, accompanied children under 16 free) from Mrs J. Major, 3 Riversdale Road, Thames Ditton, KT17 0QL.

Tuesday 8th, 8 p.m.

EXCAVATIONS AT BRAY. Talk by C. Stanley to Egham-by-Runnymede HS in the Library, Strode's School, High Street, Egham. Visitors welcome 12½p, juniors 5p.

Thursday 17th, 7.30 p.m.

CLAPHAM SCHOOLS. Talk by Mrs N. Byrnes to Clapham AS in St Luke's Hall, Ramsden Road, SW12.

EXHIBITIONS

JOHN JULIUS ANGERSTEIN AND WOODLANDS. From 13th September to 5th November. London Borough of Greenwich, Woodlands Art Gallery, 90 Mycenae Road, Blackheath, London SE3. Angerstein built Woodlands in 1774 and died there in 1823.

Egham-by-Runnymede Historical Society

The Society's Local History Museum is open to the public on Saturdays, 10.30-12.30 and 2.30-4.30 p.m. Admission is free. Situated at the Literary Institute, High Street, Egham.

We are always delighted to receive items of local historical interest (either donated or loaned) for display in the Museum.

Further information regarding the Society from: Mrs M. E. White, Hon Secretary, 24 The Crescent, Egham, Surrey Tel. Egham 4651.

THE PICTURES OF ERNEST CHRISTIE, 1863-1937. An exhibition in Caterham Valley Library.

From 1893 Ernest Christie was living at Oxted, and was already showing an interest in half-timbered buildings such as Court Lodge and Ratcatchers' Cottage, Limpsfield. His wash drawings of this time also show a keen study of bygones such as fire-backs, hearths and pumps.

The Caterham view: looking over the Weald from View Point, appears to date from his stay at War Coppice from 1910 to 1920.

In 1921 he settled at Pollingfold, a handsome half-timbered house at Ockley, which was to be the frequent subject of his oil paintings. In the same year he was to do some twenty illustrations for Uvedale Lambert's "Bletchingley". In his later years he continued to paint sun-lit pictures and pen-drawings of Surrey houses at Ewhurst, Ockley, Coulsdon and Limpsfield. His niece, Miss Marion Christie, has given a choice of his pictures to the Surrey Archaeological Society and it is hoped that these will be shown in the places her uncle loved so well. (J. C. Batley)

The next issue of the Bulletin will be in September. Copy is required by 5th August.
