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S.A.S. VISIT TO OTFORD AND LIMPSFIELD

arranged by Mrs. J. West and Mr. Antony Stoyel

Saturday, 10th August

- 9.45 a.m. Meet at Otford (near Sevenoaks) Methodist Church car park (on A225).
- 10.00 a.m. Guided tour of Broughton Manor, by courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Ash.
- 10.35 a.m. Coffee in Side Room of Church Hall.
- 11.00 a.m. Proceed to St. Bartholomew Church.
- 11.05 a.m. Guided tour of "The Chantry" (Court Hall) including admission to the main ground-storey room, by courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Young.
- 12.15 p.m. Proceed to the Archiepiscopal Palace Ruins.
- 12.20 p.m. Guided tour of Ruins.
- 12.45 p.m. Depart for lunch break.
Lunch can be obtained locally, or en route for Limpsfield or picnic in Dryhill Country Park on A25.
- 2.30 p.m. Reassemble at Detillens (Limpsfield, on A269) for guided tour of house, by courtesy of Mr. D. Neville.
A mid C15 Wealden Manor House with inglenooks, superb collection of fine furniture, china and militaria, and a Museum of country crafts and implements of local interest.
- 4.00 p.m. Visit parish church of St. Peter with C12 origins.
- 4.30 p.m. Proceed to Limpsfield Chart for afternoon tea at Joyces-on-the-Chart, Village Bakery.

Tickets: Members 50p, Visitors 60p, Students half price, accompanied children free. NUMBERS LIMITED TO 40. Costs £3.40 to include guided tours, morning coffee, Detillens and afternoon tea. Please send s.a.e. for return of tickets and sketch plan of details. Please send cheques to Mrs. Jean West (tel. 01-393 8970), 123 Ewell By Pass, Ewell, Epsom, KT17 2PX) not later than 31st July to enable final arrangements to be made.

S.A.S. VISIT TO GODALMING AND CHARTERHOUSE

arranged by Mrs. Jean West and Mr. Nigel Coates

Saturday, 14th September

Free car park near the river (optional). Please refer to sketch plan sent with ticket.

- 10.15 a.m. Meet at parish church (bottom of Church Street).
- 10.30 a.m. Guided town walk.

- 12.30 a.m. Break for lunch. There are several pubs and cafes etc. in the town.
- 2.00 p.m. Visit the Museum at the Pepperpot in the High Street. Roman bygones, local history.
- 2.30 p.m. Guided tour of the parish church of Saint Peter and Saint Paul with its Norman central tower, chancel and transepts. (Donation to the Fabric Fund will be most welcomed).
- 3.00 p.m. Afternoon tea in adjoining church hall.
- 3.30 p.m. Leave for Charterhouse School, founded in London 1611, moved to Godalming in 1872.
- 3.45 p.m. Guided tour of Charterhouse School and its museum containing a collection of antiquities, ancient pottery, and exhibits relating to the school and its history.
- 5.00 p.m. Disperse.
(approx.)

Tickets: Members 50p, Visitors 60p. Students half price, accompanied children free. NUMBERS LIMITED TO 45, costs £1.50 TO COVER the cost of the Guides and afternoon tea. Please send cheques to cover the costs and tickets, together with s.a.e. for return of ticket with sketch plan to Mrs. Jean West (Tel: 01-393 8970), 123 Ewell By Pass, Ewell, Epsom, Surrey KT17 2PX, not later than 31st August to enable final arrangements to be made.

New Members

We welcome to the Society the following new members:

From April, 1985:

Mrs. G. S. Barnard, 12 Yewens, Chiddingfold, Godalming, GU8 4SD; Mrs. A. D. Grace, Thorn Tree House, High Park Avenue, East Horsley, KT24 5DE; Mr. J. G. Perry, 24 Linley Court, Thicket Road, Sutton; Mr. S. M. Potts, The Firs, 4 Warren Road, Reigate, RH2 0BN.

From May, 1985:

Mrs. C. P. Bjallquist, 60 Hare Lane, Farncombe, Godalming, GU7 3EE; Cdr. E. A. Cobby, R.N.(Retd), 26 Day Court, Elmbridge, Cranleigh, GU6 8TL; Mr. K. F. L. Lansdowne, 44 Weatherhill Road, Smallfield, Horley, RH6 9NQ; Mrs. S. Jenkinson, Grangefield, Grange Road, Ash, Aldershot, Hants, GU12 6EU; Dr. R. Humphreys, Merivale, Chapel Lane, Westhumble, Dorking RH5 6AN; Mr. M. Beams, 6 Waldorf Close, South Croydon, CR2 6DY; Mr. M. D. Milnes, 5 Cleves Close, Cobham, KT11 2LE; Mr. and Mrs. A. Davidson, Weyn, 28 Dartnell Park Road, West Byfleet, KT14 6PN; Mr. H. L. Izzard, 14 Dorrit Crescent, Wood Street, Guildford, GU3 3AL; Miss C. E. Ball, Cotswold, The Street, Capel, RH5 5LD.

Institutional member: East Surrey Family History Society, c/o Mrs. J. Tooke, 1 Woodside Close, Caterham, CR3 6AU.

S.A.S. Library

The Library Committee regrets to announce the resignation of the Society's Librarian, Mrs. Pat Ashworth, after nearly seven years service, which have undoubtedly done much to transform and remodel the appearance of, and services offered by, the library.

Mrs. Ashworth will no longer be at Castle Arch after Friday May 10th, and members are asked to please bear with the staff at Castle Arch during what will obviously be a most difficult time for them, until a successor is appointed.

The most obvious problem for members will be further limitations on the already restricted times during which research material can be made

available. We regret any inconvenience, and will do all we can to keep it to a minimum. During the interregnum, it may be more productive if requests to consult research material, or for information about library material, could be made in writing to Castle Arch, addressed to Miss G. M. Drew, Chairman of the Library Committee. Every effort will be made to give an answer as soon as possible, and the more notice you can give us of your need to consult research material the easier it will be to ensure that someone is available to receive you.

Publications of the Society

The Society has acquired a limited stock of offprints of the article 'Saxon and Norman Staines' published in the latest volume of the *Transactions of the London and Middlesex Archaeological Society*. Price: £1 + 20p p&p. Personal callers may obtain a copy at the Museum desk.

Members are reminded that a complete list of Society publications, including offprints from earlier volumes, is available on application. Please send a large s.a.e. to Mrs. Maureen Roberts at Castle Arch.

New Publication

"Farnham Parks: an historical review" by Elfrida Manning. Published by the Friends of Farnham Park. Copies are available from Farnham Museum price £2.50 plus postage and packing. The publication is based on hitherto unpublished original material from the Winchester Pipe Rolls (translated by Philip Brooks of the Farnham & District Museum Society).

Transported Buildings — Information Requested

Waterstone & Co. intend to publish a book on the subject of buildings, or parts of buildings, which have been moved from their original position to another site. In their letter to the Society a number of examples are given, including the transfer to a museum in America of a room from Woodcote Park, Surrey. The publishers would be pleased to hear of other examples of this occurrence. Please send details direct to Waterstone & Co., 193 High Street, Kensington, London, W8. Marking the letter for the attention of Roderick Brown, Arts Editor.

EXCAVATION NOTICES

SUTTON PARK (South of Woking: TQ 004538)

Director: David Bird

The eighth season of excavation at this medieval site will take place from Monday, 29th July to Saturday, 10th August inclusive, except for the Sunday, 4th August. The excavation will be carried out by kind permission of the Sutton Place Heritage Trust. New diggers will be accepted for training in basic excavation techniques, but only if they can guarantee to attend for at least six days.

Previous work has located a complex of medieval ditches, parts of two medieval buildings assumed to be part of the Manor of Sutton, and one early post-medieval structure associated with Sutton Place. One of the medieval buildings will be further examined this year. Further details can be obtained from David Bird on 01-546 1050 (Extension 3665), or by writing to the County Planning Officer, Surrey County Council, County Hall, Kingston upon Thames, Surrey, KT1 2DT, marking the letter for the attention of Dr. D. G. Bird.

Cranleigh Rectory

The present Rectory at Cranleigh, which dates from 1863, is surrounded by a largely dry moat which is assumed, though not proven, to be medieval in origin. Development of the site, now owned by Waverley Borough Council, means that part of the island is to be disturbed. Prior to this development the site will be excavated from 7th to 15th September, 1985. This site, about 50m from the parish church St. Nicholas (c. 1170), may give some evidence of the period during which Cranleigh first became a nucleated settlement as opposed to a scatter of Wealden outlier farms owing allegiance to the parent manor of Shere.

Anyone willing to help on this dig should please contact Judie English, 61 Hailey Place, Cranleigh GU6 7EQ or Cranleigh 276724 (evenings). Being in the village this site is easily accessible and no experience is necessary.

Judie English
John Gower

Destruction of the Beddington Excavation Office

The site huts, which contained equipment, finds and records from the Roman Villa excavations, were destroyed by fire on Sunday, 5th May, almost certainly through arson. By good fortune and foresight a duplicate set of, all but the most recent, records had been made and stored elsewhere. A report on the first part of the excavation has been prepared and should appear early next year in a joint SAS/LAMAS publication. Sterling efforts on the part of the joint directors, Lesley and Roy Adkins, and their workers ensured that digging operations were resumed without delay and no days work was lost. Volunteer helpers are very welcome on this dig. Details can be found in *Bulletin* 200, or 'phone 01-669 6466 (mornings).

EXCAVATIONS: BRIEF REPORTS

Nore Hill, Chelsham (TQ 381574)

An earthwork was first noticed by Capt. Derek Jones, a helicopter pilot, in December, 1983, when a roughly circular feature about 200m. in diameter showed up in the snow. Since the surrounding area has been extensively quarried for gravel it was first assumed that the feature was a result of gravel working, but documentary research covering a period from the early 15th century to the present day records of the gravel company revealed that the site had been virtually undisturbed.

A detailed survey was carried out to map the site. The survey showed a roughly circular bank and external ditch with some sections of double bank. The site is on a spur of land with the ground sloping away on three sides. The bank and ditch showed up most clearly on the level ground at the neck of the spur and it was decided to excavate here.

Permission was given by the landowner for a two week excavation. Work began on 25th March, 1985, under the direction of Andrew Skelton. A 3m. wide trench was dug to define the position of the ditch and to obtain dating evidence for the earthwork. At a depth of about 1m. a layer of dark silt was found containing sherds of Roman pottery and a glass bead dating from the late 3rd to early 4th century. The layers below contained yellow silts with a few waste flint flakes. At a depth of about 2m. sherds of Late Bronze Age pottery were found together with some copper slag. The trench was extended to define the position of the bank but it was found that much of the bank had been removed by the farmer in an effort to level the field.

A further trench was dug in the interior of the enclosure to find evidence of occupation. This trench revealed large amounts of burnt flint, waste flakes and a few sherds of Late Bronze Age pottery.

During the excavation small pieces of copper and bronze were found; in addition, stray finds of bronze objects have been recorded from the site in the past few years.

The ditch was about 2m. deep and 4m. wide at the top. The evidence would suggest a date in the Late Bronze Age continuing into the Iron Age with further occupation in the Roman period.

Mary Saaler

Nos. 48–54 High Street, Bagshot (SU 912634)

Continued rescue excavation on this site from August, 1984 to end of May, 1985 has revealed a sequence of occupation commencing with a "defensive" ditch and bank structure to the north of the area (beneath High Street) with ditch silting and filling of late 12th century, 13th/14th century timber framed buildings with extensive occupation levels, 15th century massive stone buttressed structure and later stonework additions, 16th century leather working area and rubbish filled ditch producing in excess of 40 shoe fragments and bone awls, 17th century timber framed buildings and courtyard (see *Bulletin* No. 186) and 18th/19th century brick built pub and shop foundations.

Excavations will continue until the end of May, 1985, when the whole of the site will be backfilled.

There is a limited exhibition of finds in the foyer of Bagshot Manor, Green Lane, Bagshot.

G. H. Cole, Surrey Heath Group

Painshill Park, Cobham (TQ 0950)

Restoration of an 18th century landscape park

For the Painshill Park Trust Lesley Howes is directing a three year programme of archaeological research which commenced in 1983. Very little documentary information was available although historical research under the guidance of Mavis Collier is increasing the archives.

Excavations necessary prior to restoration have so far re-established the ground plan and construction material of the Temple of Bacchus (c.1762). The Temple had disappeared completely but its position was discovered during preliminary field survey work. The site and timber foundations of a five-arched bridge have also been found.

Vast quantities of decorative material have been recovered from the Grotto (finished by 1765). These included fluorite crystals, stalactites, over a ton of gypsum flakes, quartz and calcite flakes and many other natural crystals. Stalactites, fossils and some splendid corals from the West Indies have been recovered and stored away for safe keeping. The system for circulating water, an important feature of the Grotto, has been re-established. It is now known that water was drawn from the lake through an underground floor channel and circulated via a system of pipes and channels to provide a series of cascades and pools before it returned to the lake.

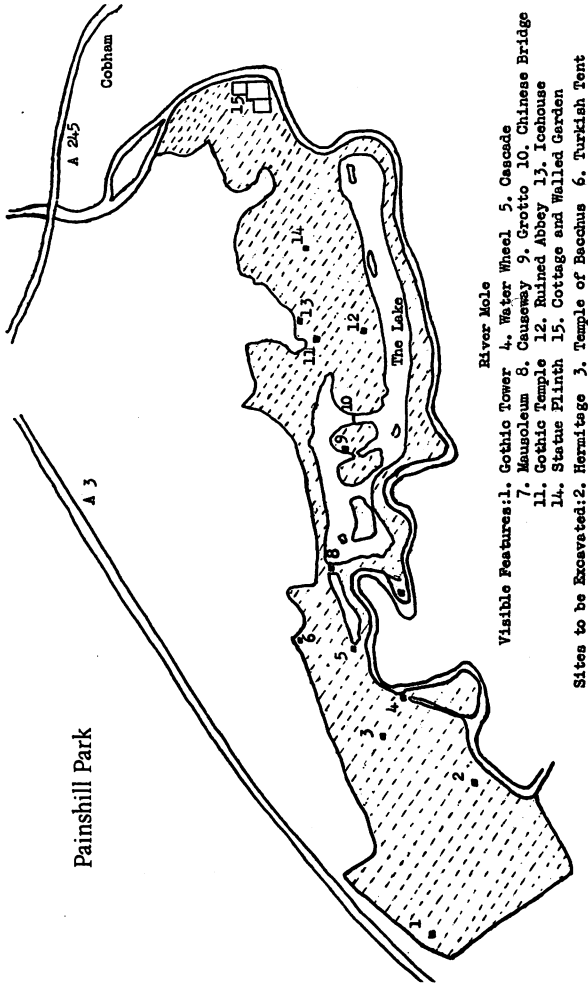
The floor of the Mausoleum (pre 1761), which was buried under fallen masonry, has been excavated and recorded. A reconstruction plan has been drawn up and work started to relay the floor. Excavation around the Cottage and Walled Garden has added many details to our knowledge of this area.

Excavations to establish the original design of the Cascade have proved interesting with many alterations and repairs recognised. It is hoped to use the information recorded here to establish the site of the 18th century

wheel which was used to raise water from the River Mole to feed the lake. Numerous investigation trenches are establishing earlier land use, e.g. sites of shrubberies, paths and lawns.

In 1985 it is hoped to complete excavations on the remaining sites including the Hermitage (pre 1763) Turkish Tent (1750's) and Water Wheel (pre 1761). The Bramah Wheel which replaced the original wheel in the 1830's and is still standing will also be investigated.

The archaeological team is financed by the Manpower Services Commission and consists of two full-time archaeologists and six part-time workers. They are assisted at weekends by volunteers. Anyone interested in working as a volunteer will be most welcome. Excavation and post-excavation work is available. Please contact Lesley Howes, Painshill Park Trust Ltd., Sandown House, 1 High Street, Esher, KT10 9RR, or 'phone weekdays between 8.30-5.00 Esher 62111, ext. 89, for details.



COMING EVENTS

JUNE

Tuesday 11th, 7.45 p.m.

LANDSLIPS IN SOUTHERN BRITAIN AND THEIR IMPACT ON PEOPLE. Lecture by Dr. E. Bromhead to Croydon NHSS. East Croydon UR Church, Addiscombe Grove.

Friday 14th, 7.30 p.m.

SURREY INDUSTRIAL HISTORY GROUP A.G.M. AND SOCIAL EVENING. Buffet supper followed by a talk on Brooklands. Wates House, University of Surrey. Tickets £3.50 from David Evans, 48 Guildford Park Road, Guildford GU2 5NF.

Saturday, 15th

SAS COACH VISIT TO SOUTHAMPTON AND LYNDHURST AREAS. Full details given on page 7 of *Bulletin* 200.

Saturday 29th, 10.00 a.m.

FAMILY HISTORY WORKSHOP. Central Library, St. Nicholas Way, Sutton. Details given in *Bulletin* 201.

JULY

Wednesday 3rd, 8.00 p.m.

GODALMING. A talk by Mr. Nigel Coates to Nonsuch A.S., St. Mary's Church Hall, Ewell.

Sunday 14th

S.I.H.G. COACH VISIT TO SUTTON POYNTZ, DORSET. Tickets £5.50 and full details from David Evans, 48 Guildford Park Road, Guildford, GU2 5NF.

Sunday 20th

SAS COACH VISIT TO ROCHESTER AND DISTRICT. Details given in *Bulletin* 201.

Early Notice

SURREY LOCAL HISTORY SYMPOSIUM will be held on Saturday 16th November, at the University of Surrey, Guildford. The theme for the symposium will be Road, Rail and Air. Full details will appear in a later *Bulletin*.

Excavations at Lewes Castle, Sussex. August 12-31

Sussex Archaeological Society, in conjunction with the Field Archaeological Unit of the Institute of Archaeology, are staging a research project on this castle to run over a period of four years. In particular an attempt will be made to understand the two mottes of this unusual castle. Training excavations are to be held but the general public is welcome to visit the site at any time; guides will show visitors round the excavations. The adjacent Barbican House is the Headquarters and Museum of the Sussex Archaeological Society.

Next *Bulletin*

There is no separate *Bulletin* for July. The next issue will appear in early August; copy is required by Saturday 6th July. The September issue can contain some details about evening courses on archaeology and related subjects, but information must be with the *Bulletin* Editor by Saturday, 3rd August.

SURREY ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY
UNIVERSITY OF SURREY
Dept. of Educational Studies

ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELDWALKING

A ONE-DAY SYMPOSIUM
to be held at
The University of Surrey

SATURDAY 26th OCTOBER 1985

PROGRAMME
(Chairman: Mark Corney)

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| 10.00 a.m. | Introduction and welcome
John Gower, Surrey Archaeological Society. |
| 10.15 a.m. | Surface Sampling Approaches with particular reference to the Stonehenge area
Julian Richards, Trust for Wessex Archaeology |
| 10.55 a.m. | Fieldwalking in Hampshire
Richard Whinney, Winchester District Archaeologist |
| 11.35 a.m. | COFFEE |
| 11.55 a.m. | Maddle Farm Project (Berks)
Vince Gaffney and Mog Tingle |
| 12.35 p.m. | LUNCH and opportunity to view displays |
| 2.00 p.m. | Silchester Survey
Mark Corney, RCHM (England) |
| 2.30 p.m. | Fieldwalking in Kent
Brian Philp, Kent Rescue Trust |
| 3.10 p.m. | TEA |
| 3.30 p.m. | Fieldwalking Survey in Sussex
Robin Holgate, Institute of Archaeology |
| 4.10 p.m. | General Discussion
Mark Corney, Chairman |
| 4.45 p.m. | CLOSE |

The aim of the Symposium is to compare techniques and results of a number of field-walking projects carried out in Southern England. Display space is available but must be booked by 1st August.

Symposium fee: £3.50 without lunch
£5.80 with lunch

Please send remittance (payable to Surrey Archaeological Society) and application for tickets to Mrs. Susan Janaway, (Fieldwalking Symposium), Surrey Archaeological Society, Castle Arch, Guildford, GU1 3SX.