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COUNCIL NEWS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Incorporated Surrey Archaeological Society will be held at 3 pm on Sunday, 22nd November, 1992 in the Old Building, The Royal Grammar School, High Street, Guildford, Surrey. The meeting will be preceded by guided tours of the Old Building and Abbot's Hospital, commencing at 2 pm.

Agenda for Annual General Meeting

- 1. Apologies for absence.
- 2. To read and, if appropriate, to sign as correct, the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of 24th November 1991.
- 3. To receive and consider the Annual report, the Statement of Accounts, and the Auditor's Report for the year to 31st March 1992, and if approved, to accept them.
- 4. To elect the President for 1992-1993.
- 5. To elect Honorary Vice-Presidents for 1992-1993.
- 6. To elect Vice-Presidents for 1992-1993.
- 7. To elect Honorary Officers for 1992-1993.
- 8. To elect six Ordinary Members of Council to retire in 1996 under Article 21a. (Nominations for election under items 4-8 should be sent to the Honorary Secretaries not less than seven days before the meeting. All nominations require a proposer and seconder, who must be members of the Incorporated Society, and nominations must be accompanied by a signed statement by the nominee of his or her willingness to stand for election. Institutional members are not eligible for election.)
- 9. To appoint the Honorary Auditors for 1992-1993.
- 10. Any other business.

The Annual General Meeting will be followed by a talk on the history of the Royal Grammar School. Tea will be served following the talk, at approx. 4.40 pm.

New Members

We are pleased to welcome the following new members to the Society:

Miss N Boyd, 38 Shelvers Way, Tadworth, KT20 5QF

Mr A Champion, 5 Manor Court, Manorgate Road, Kingston upon Thames, KT2 7AN Miss R Curtis, The Vicarage, Clammer Hill Road, Grayswood, Haslemere, GU27 2DZ Mr J Dashwood, Weir Cottage, Hamm Court, Weybridge, KT13 8YG Mr M Little, 45 Perowne Street, Aldershot, Hants GU11 3JR Mr P Littlewood, 9 Kilncopse, Cranleigh, GU6 7BW Miss R Lucken, 45 Perowne Street, Aldershot, Hants, GU11 3JR Miss L Norman, 1 Windrush Close, Bramley, Guildford, GU5 OBB Ms K Slocombe, 28 Green Lane, Blackwater, Camberley, GU17 9DH Mr P Stanley, 20 Adelphi Road, Epsom, KT17 1JB Dr C Warner, Old Manor Cottage, Grayswood Road, Haslemere, GU27 2DF

Guildford Castle Training Excavation

Some members may have read intriguing reports in the National Press of a fascinating discovery. During the final days of the 1992 season, fragments of fine medieval glass flasks were recovered from a cesspit. Documentary evidence would appear to link these with the illness of Lord Henry, the son of Edward I, who died in 1274 at the age of six. Financial accounts of the Royal household show that on the 14th January 1274, three glass flasks, known as urinals, were obtained for physicians treating Lord Henry. Glass urinals were used to determine the colour and composition of urine and illuminated manuscripts indicating the significance of the various shades were carried by physicians.

Rob Poulton, who directed the excavations will be giving a lecture on the first three seasons' work at the Guildhall in Guildford on 9 November. A more detailed report of the results of the 1992 season will be reported in the Bulletin.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

RECENT ACCESSIONS TO THE SOCIETY'S LIBRARY

GENERAL

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Channel Islands & Isle of Man 1985 reprinted with amendments. Fed Fam Hist Soc 1991

Leva, Charles ed, Aerial photography and geophysical prospection in archaeology. CIRA 1990 Donation

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Parnell, Alan, Building legislation and historic buildings. English Heritage 1991 Pearce, Graham, Conservation Areas in the West Midlands and the South West. English Heritage 1991

Pearce, Susan, Archaeological Curatorship. Leics UP 1990

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Childerhouse, Tim, The Book of Aldershot. Baron Birch 1992

Crowfoot, Elizabeth & others, Medieval finds from excavations in London: 4 Textiles & clothing c1150 – 1450. HMSO 1992

Egan, Geoff and Pritchard, Francis, Dress accessories c1150 – c1450 Medieval finds from excavations in London 3 HMSO 1991

Holdsworth, Jane, Selected pottery groups AD 650 – 1780 Archaeology of York, The Pottery 16/1. CBA 1978

Macgregor, Arthur, Anglo Scandinavian Finds from Lloyds Bank Pavement. Archaeology of York 17/3. CBA 1982

Mackintosh, H W B, Barrow Hills Mess. An outline history (pamphlet) Longcross 1984 Donation

Mason, Simon, Evaluation report of an archaeological investigation Jacob's Green, Colliers Wood SW19. Museum of London Arch Service 1992 Donation

Nowakowski, Jacqueline A *and* Thomas, Charles, Excavations at Tintagel Parish Churchyard, Cornwall, Spring 1990. Cornwall Arch Unit & Inst Cornish St 1990 Donation

Sharples, N M, Maiden Castle excavations and field survey English Heritage 1991 Tingle, Martin, The Vale of the White Horse — survey. BAR 218 1991

Webb, Cliff, A preliminary guide to Middlesex parish documents Research Aid no. 33. WSFHS 1991

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English Heritage, Schedule of Ancient Monuments County List of Scheduled Ancient Monuments in Surrey. English Heritage (last date) 1987 Hatcher, Tom *and* Wilcock, Tim (Compilers) Index to surnames in 1851 Census for the western part of Surrey. WSFHS 1992

Robinson, David Pastors parishes and people in Surrey Phillimore 1991 A catalogue describing Watercolour Drawings by John Hassell and Henry de Cort Webb, Cliff, A guide to Surrey genealogy and records WSFHS 1991 Webb, Cliff, London Middlesex and Surrey Workhouse Records WSFHS 1991 Webb, Cliff, Guide to the Surrey Census Returns 1871 – 1891 WSFHS 1991 Webb, Cliff, Guide to the Middlesex Census Returns 1871 – 1891. WSFHS 1991

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Bott, Alan, Rake Manor, Godalming Reprint from SAC Vol 80 1991 Donation Clarke, John M, The Brookwood Necropolis Railway, 1988 edition Locomotion papers 143. Oakwood 1988

Cloake, John, Richmond past. Historical Publications 1991

Essen, R I, Epsom's military camp. Pullingers 1991

Gent, John, Croydon. Phillimore 1991 Donation

Jackson, Alan A ed, Dorking: a Surrey market town through 20 centuries. Kohler & Coombes 1991

Jones, Phil, A3 Milford By Pass, Surrey : an archaeological evaluation. SCC Archaeological Unit 1991 Donation

Mason, Simon, Preliminary report on the archaeological evaluation at St. Marks Road/Baker Lane Mitcham. Museum of London 1991 Donation

Mills, John, Industrial History of Runnymede 1991. SIHG 1991 Donation

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Ryde, Jean, Memories of Westcott Forge. Kohler & Coombes 1991

SURREY INDUSTRIAL HISTORY GROUP

Conservation Award for Haxted Mill

On Saturday 1 August the Surrey Industrial History Group conservation award for 1992 was made to Haxted Mill.

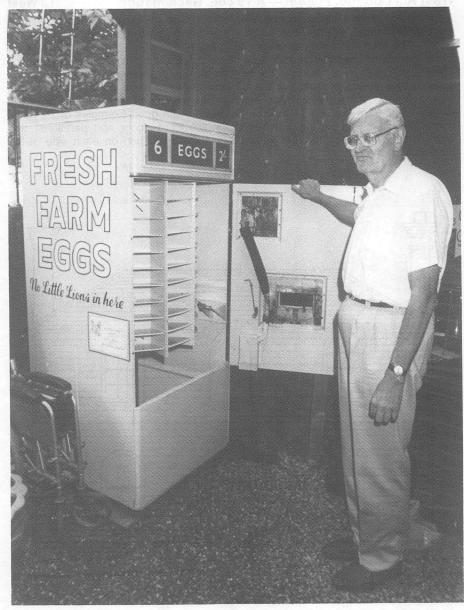
SIHG, which is a Group of Surrey Archaeological Society, make an award each year to an industrial conservation project of merit within Surrey, and recent recipients have included Farnham Maltings, Chatley Heath Semaphore Tower and the Basingstoke Canal.

This year the cheque was presented to Howard Furness, the curator of Haxted Mill, by Professor Alan Crocker, vice-president of SIHG at a ceremony attended by a number of members of the Group who then received a talk by Mr Furness about the mill followed by a tour of the building.

The working watermill and museum of mill machinery and uses of water power is situated on the River Eden just in Surrey and is open to the public on weekend days in April and May and daily from June to September.

Egg Vending Machine

The Egg Vending Machine, owned by Waverley Council, was restored by Mike Wigfall and is now on display at the Old Kiln Museum , Tilford.



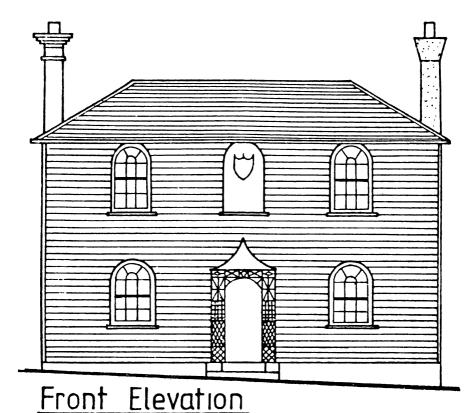
Gordon Knowles, Chairman of SIHG. showing the interior of the Egg Vending Machine on Rustic Sunday.

NOTES

West Hill Cottage, Epsom — A 19 cen. Reclamation

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A survey was recently carried out on 'West Hill Cottage', 38 West Hill, Epsom which is the double fronted weatherboarded house facing onto the green above West Hill House. The front elevation has a very decorative trellis porch centrally located over which is a "blind" window, to each side of which are semi-circular headed windows. There is a hipped slate roof over the front part of the property whilst the rear part is covered by a mono-pitch roof. For the full width of the house at the rear was an open verandah (now partly infilled) above which are casement windws. Internally the joinery dates from the late 17th century onwards with good examples of six panel doors, panelled window shutters (used for cupboard doors and partitions) and wainscotting, the latter now set vertically to form a partition on each side of the present kitchen door.



By reference to 19th century maps and comparison of contemporary detail with similar of known date it is suggested that the present dwelling was constructed about 1870. This and adjacent sites are shown with buildings on them on the 1843 tithe map but these buildings do not seem to survive. Several of the present houses in this part of West Hill are dated between 1869 and 1875. It is interesting that a building with good quality features such as the porch and verandah incorporates so much reused joinery. This was probably for economic reasons but the items reused were of good quality and the person responsible for their incorporation into West Hill Cottage clearly had a good eye for detail and a respect for quality workmanship of an earlier age.

Another building on West Hill, (Nos: 4 and 6), is also of 19th century date and incorporates joinery from the 17th century onwards. I was told that in this case the dwellings were built by the foreman of Langlands & Sons (Estate Agents/Property Managers etc) who got some of his materials from the firm's builders yard. The items thus acquired had been "salvaged" from works on houses with which the firm had been associated.

Today there is an ever expanding market for "salvaged" building materials resulting in the price for many items being greater than for new equivalents. However, in the 19th century the reuse of materials would have represented a substantial saving to the builder.

(Reprinted from Nonsuch Antiquarian Society Newsletter, August 1992.)

Archaeological Fieldwork was conducted by MoLAS in April and May 1992 as follows:

LB Croydon

Stoneyfield Road, Coulsdon. Fourteen trial trenches were excavated on this 8-acre site. Although no features were found, prehistoric flints and a small quantity of Saxon pottery were recovered from plough soil deposits.

LB Kingston

Portsmouth Road. Although much of this evaluation site had been damaged by 19th century basements, evidence of an ancient watercourse running towards the Thames was recorded.

LB Lambeth

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Coin Street, SE1. Part of a sand island and a peat-filled channel were discovered on this site which lies near the Thames.

LB Merton

Home Park Road. A short evaluation was undertaken within the 'footprint' of a new building on the site of an Elizabethan manor house. Any remains of the house had been destroyed, however, by landscaping for the adjacent 1730s mansion.

LB Sutton

St Mary's Church Hall. A small quantity of prehistoric pottery and flints were found during construction works within the hall.

LB Wandsworth

TA Centre, Buckhold Road. Buildings of 17th and 18th century date have been discovered on this site. One structure had a floor made of Flemish tiles which date to the period 1660-70.

The building may have been a boat house associated with a previously unknown channel of the River Wandle. Evidence of this substantial channel was located in several areas.

PUBLICATIONS

The Amateur Archaeologist by Stephen Wass. Pub: Batsford, 1992. ISBN 0-7134-6896-3, £14.99. A delightful book by someone who knows the pleasures and pitfalls of amateur archaeology. All active amateurs will recognise the experiences behind some of his comments. But this is not a wander down "Nostalgia Lane". I have seldom seen such a wide range of techniques described with accessible simplicity but with sufficient depth to make this book both an excellent introduction and a useful addition to the bookshelf of the field worker with some experience. The author's interest in the educational aspects of his topic shines through. Sections cover such diverse subjects as the history of archaeological thought, careers, the law, reading the landscape, surveying, building recording, excavation, fieldwalking, site organisation, publication and photography. One diagram I particularly enjoyed shows that of visitors to Kenilworth Castle, 96% saw the Great Hall and 89% The Keep, but only 2% walked out to The Pleasance and no-one looked at the fishponds!

One personal criticism involves the scant passing reference to documentary research, and of more general importance, the "Further Reading" section seems idiosyncratic. The listing is by publisher, not subject; the three regional studies noted are all out of print (as are several other of the recommended books); neither Longman (publishers of the Regional History of England series) nor Phillimore rate a mention. The CBA Practical Handbooks however make a welcome appearance.

In all this book would make a worthwhile addition to many bookshelves and gives superb value for money. (Judie English)

MISCELLANY

ANDANTE TRAVEL are arranging their 1993 programme. Tours include The Cave Paintings of Northern Spain; Painters and the Landscape in the South of France; Roman Spain; Carthage and Classical Tunisia; Ancient Germany (staying in Castles and Manors) and more. Full details from Andante Travel, Grange Cottage, Winterbourne Dauncey, Salisbury SP4 6ER (tel: 0980 – 610979).

Hector Carter of Guildford writes: "Your readers may be interested in knowing what Walter Rye, author of *Records and Record Searching: A Guide to the Genealogist and Topographer* (London and Norwich, 1888) has to say about the SAS. Referring to the publication of the 16th and 17th century Heralds' Visitations (to establish the authenticity of the gentry's pedigrees) he says (Page 134), "Surrey — 1623, begun to be printed by the Surrey Archaeological Society in 1858, but that

society seems about as prompt as the Norfolk Society". (He didn't think much of the latter either!)"

Insect Eradication Service

Surrey Record Office is able to offer an insect eradication service for all museum, library, archival and related materials.

The service will be provided at Surrey Record Office Processing Centre, Ewell Grove Annex, High Street, Ewell.

Treatment will consist of preparing the infested material in plastic film and placing it in a blast freezer where it will be rapidly frozen down to -30° C and held there for 72 hours. After removal from the blast freezer and recovery to room temperature the treatment will be repeated for one further cycle. The treatment is well proven in eradicating insect eggs, larvae and adults in library and archival materials, details of which may be obtained on request. Clients maust satisfy themselves as to the suitability of the treatment for other types of materials as no guarantees can be given. With prior agreement temperatures and cycling periods can be varied to suit clients' needs. Clients are reminded that treated material should be returned to storage which is free from and not conducive to insect infestation, advice for which is also available on request. The cost of the service as from 1st April 1992 is as follows: Handling charge — $\pounds 30.00 + VAT$; Each load or part load — $\pounds 25.00 + VAT$. All enquiries should be directed to Bob Shrigley, tel: 081 541 9066.

EXHIBITIONS AND LECTURES

November 3rd-January 20th 1993

"Sir William Waller and the Civil War in the Farnham area". Exhibition at Farnham Museum, Wilmer House, West Street. Open Tues-Sat. 10.00 am – 5.00 pm.

November 7th

Gallery Tour of the Civil War Exhibition at Farnham Museum led by Dr Ann Summer at 1 pm. Admission £1. Advance booking essential. Tel: 0252 715094

CONFERENCES : COURSES

"Certificate in Field Archaeology". 3 year course. Commencing 8th October 1992 at Guildford University. Tutor Margaret Beasley. Contact 0483 62142 for details.

Council for Kentish Archaeology

"BURIALS OF THE PAST"

on

SATURDAY, 14th NOVEMBER 1992

(2.15-5.30 pm)

at

CHRISTCHURCH COLLEGE, NORTH HOLMES ROAD, CANTERBURY

A half-day Conference of lectures, illustrated by colour slides, of aspects of burial sites and a buried treasure site in southern Britain

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The Long Barrows and the Medway Megaliths

The Snettisham Treasure

Roman Tombs and Cemeteries

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TICKETS: Price £2 (payable CKA) from: 5 Harvest Bank Road, West Wickham, Kent BR4 9DL (sae please).

MEETINGS 1992

CORRECTION:

The date of the AGM of the West Surrey Branch of the Historical Association was incorrectly given as 22nd October in *Bulletin 268.* The AGM was held on the 22nd September. Apologies for any confusion caused.

2nd October

"Films of Old Staines". Joint meeting of Spelthorne Archaeological Field Group with Staines Cine Society at Laleham Village Hall at 7.30 pm.

6th October

"Castles of Surrey". A talk by Dennis Turner to the Addlestone Historical Society in the Addlestone Community Centre at 8.00 pm.

7th October

"The History of the Royal Institution". A talk by Dr Frank Greenaway to the Nonsuch Antiquarian Society in St Mary's Church Hall, London Road, Ewell at 8.00 pm.

12th October

"Ashtead Past and Present". A talk by Michael Gale to the Leatherhead & District LHS at the Ashtead Peace Memorial Hall at 7.30 for 8.00 pm. Tickets £2.50 at the door.

Dr Paul Ashbee (Univ of East Anglia) Dr Ian Stead (British Museum) Dr Tom Blagg (Univ of Kent)

14th October

"General Oglethorpe (1696-1785)". An illustrated lecture by Richard Muir to the Friends of Godalming Museum commencing 7.30 pm. Tickets \pounds 2.50 including tea from the Museum.

15th October

"Shopping in Wartime East Sheen". A talk by Mr David Catford to the Barnes & Mortlake LHS in the Main Hall at the Sheen Lane Centre at 8.00 pm.

17th October

"19th Century County Life". A lecture by Mrs Avril Lansdell to the Walton & Weybridge LHS in the Weybridge Library Lecture Hall at 3.00 pm.

20th October

"Wicked Uncles and Cruel Stepmothers: Family Life in the Early Medieval Royal Houses" A lecture by Dr Barbara Yorke to the West Surrey Historical Association at the Friends' Meeting House, North Street, Guildford at 7.30 pm.

21st October

"The Burning Question, the History of Fire Protection in Surrey". An illustrated talk by Mr Ron Shettle to the Send and Ripley Historical Society at Ripley Village Hall at 8.00 pm.

22nd October

"Elain Harwood's London". An illustrated talk to the Clapham Antiquarian Society by the author of a recently published architectural guide to London at the United Reformed Church, Grafton Square, Clapham at 8.00 pm.

24th October

SAS Visit to Ockley (See Bulletin 268 for details).

26th October

"The Restoration of Hampton Court Palace". A talk by Michael Fishlock, architect in charge of the project at the Dixon Hall, Leatherhead Institute at 7.30 for 8.00 pm. Tickets £2.50 at the door.

29th October

"Egham Labourers in the Royal Park". The 2nd Desmond Mills Memorial Lecture to the Egham by Runnymede Historical Society in the Literary Institute, Egham at 8.00 pm.

2nd November

"The Bridges of London". A talk by Mr J J Chinn to the Mayford and Woking District History Society in the Mayford Village Hall at 8.00 pm.

4th November

"Anne of Cleves in Surrey". A talk by Mary Saaler to the Nonsuch Antiquarian Society in St Mary's Church Hall, London Road, Ewell at 8.00 pm.

7th November

Surrey Local History Annual Symposium. Subject: "Crime and Punishment". Surrey University.

7th November

"Docklands — Past and Present". A talk by Bob Aspinall, Librarian of the Museum in Docklands Project to the Beddington, Carshalton and Wallington Archaeological Society in the Milton Hall, Cooper Crescent, Carshalton at 3.00 pm.

9th November

"Guildford Castle and Royal Palace Excavations". A lecture by Rob Poulton and Mary Alexander on the results of the first three seasons of archaeological excavations in the Castle Cliffe Gardens, organised jointly by the SAS and Guildford Museum. To be held in the Guildhall, Guildford by kind permission of the Mayor at 8 pm. Admission free.

14th November

Council for Kentish Archaeology Half-Day Conference. Canterbury. "Burials of the Past". See *Bulletin 268* for details.

ADVANCE NOTICES

16th November

"The 'Tun Inn' time capsule". An illustrated talk by Kevin Fryer at the Guildhall, Guildford at 8.00 pm.

22nd November

SAS Annual General Meeting in the Old Building, Royal Grammar School, Guildford.

28th November

Domestic Buildings Research Group Annual Lecture at Oxshott Village Centre. "The House in the Social Context".

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20th February

SAS Annual Symposium organised by the Archaeological Research Committee at the Dorking Christian Centre.

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