LEATHERHEAD and DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Circular 1/57

Beechcroft,
Hawkshill,
Fetcham,
Surrey.

9th April, 1957

Dear Fellow Member,

FIXTURES

Your Committee are pleased to announce the fixtures planned for the next few months. The arrangements are as follows and your support is earnestly invited.

Thursday, 25th April, 1957 Lecture at The Mansion, Leatherhead.

Mr. Eric S. Woods has kindly agreed to give us a lecture on "St. Martha's Hill and its various antiquities and legends". The proceedings will commence at 8.15 p.m.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 23rd, 24th and 25th May, 1957

Photographic Exhibition at The Demonstration Hall, Gas Showrooms, Leatherhead.

Leatherhead - "Then and Now"

There will be an exhibition on these three days of photographs, maps and prints of the area organised with the assistance of Mr. A. Day, Leader of Group C. They will be of considerable interest to people who knew the district years ago, and equally to those new to the area.

We are able to use the Showsrooms through the courtesy of the Manager of the Gas Board and we hope many members and their friends will try to make a visit to the Exhibition. The times of opening will be:

Thursday afternoon 2 - 5 p.m.

Friday morning 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. afternoon 2 - 5 p.m. Saturday morning 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. afternoon 2 - 5 p.m.

We ask for volunteers to be on duty on the Thursday and Friday. If anyone will help us, please let me know as soon as possible.

There will be no charge for entry, but there will be a collection box to cover expenses which are inevitable in arranging an enterprise like this.

N.B. If any member has prints, photographs, etc., of the area suitable for the exhibition please communicate with Mr. A. Day at 2, The Mount, Fetcham, or with me.

Saturday,

Stane Street Walk

We have arranged this event following the kind offer of Mr. C.W. Philips, F.S.A., Archeological Officer, Ordnance Survey, Chessington, to lead a party along a section of the old Roman Road. We shall start at Juniper Hall and finish at Thirty Acre Barn, Ashtead. Mr. Philips will talk about the history of the road and describe the discovery of the section we shall be surveying.

The party will set off at 3 p.m. and members are recommended to bring a picnic tea to eat en route. The No.470 'bus from Leatherhead stops near Juniper Hall and the No.408 will return members to Leatherhead. Those intending to travel by 'bus are advised to check the times from timetables in force at the time.

We think this walk will also be of much interest to our Botanist members.

Saturday, The Old Chapel, West Humble.

The National Trust own the Old Chapel at West Humble and we shall meet there at 3 p.m. this afternoon. The chapel is half-a-mile from Box Hill Station and is in the lane leading to Bookham, once part of The Pilgrim's Way (170-159519). The Trust informs us it is the remains of a late 12th century chapel built for those unable to cross the river to Mickleham Church.

A paper will be read about the chapel at the site.

There is also another chapel at Mickleham built in the middle of the 19th century for the use of the men working on the construction of the railway.

Tea can be obtained, for those wanting it, at The Burford Bridge Hotel or at The Stepping Stones (near Box Hill Station).

Saturday, Fungus Foray.

Our Chairman has invited members to a Fungus Foray in his grounds at The Old Quarry, Ashtead, and afterwards to be his guests to tea. There are many different specie in his Quarry and for most members a new area to look for fungi.

Will members who propose to accept the Chairman's invitation let me know by Thursday, 3rd October, so that his housekeeper can know the numbers for whom to cater.

Meet at The Old Quarry at 3 p.m.

SUBSCRIPTION

At the Special General Meeting held on 21st November, 1956, the Annual Subscription was raised to 10/- because of increased expenses, particularly of producing "The Proceedings". Some subscriptions for 1956/1957 are still outstanding and we should be very grateful if members who have not yet paid would do so as soon as possible. They should be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. S.E.D. Fortescue, "Englands", High Street, Great Bookham, Surrey.

Yours sincerely,

P. G. SHELLEY,

(Hon. Joint Secretary)