LEATHERHEAD AND DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Telephone Leatherhead 2696

Circular 2/56

"Beechcroft", Hawks Hill, Fetcham, Surrey.

10th April, 1956.

Dear Fellow Member,

Fixtures

We can now let you have particulars of our programme of events to cover the months April to September inclusive. You will see that coach transport has been arranged for two of the outings and we would ask for your support so that all coach seats are taken and your Society is not faced with a financial loss.

Saturday, 21st April Guildford Museum 3.15 p.m.

Dr. E.M. Dance, The Curator of the Guildford Museum, has kindly agreed to follow up her lecture of 22nd March last on "Old Surrey Iron Industries" by taking us over the Museum and showing us exhibits. We shall of course be shown many interesting items besides those relating to the Iron Industries.

Tea has been arranged for 4.30 p.m. at "Astolat" in Guildford. Cost 2/9d.

Transport. No.408 'bus leaves Leatherhead Garage at 1.58 p.m. and 2.18 p.m. arriving at Guildford at 2.42 p.m. and 3.2 p.m. respectively.

Saturday, 26th May Charlton House, Charlton, S.E.

Charlton House is a fine example of early 17th century architecture and is noted for its ceilings, doors etc. The Resident Warden, Mr. T.L. Jenkins, has kindly offered to escort our party over the house and has arranged tea for us there at the conclusion of our visit. Tea will cost 2/9d.

We have booked a coach which will leave Leatherhead Church at 2 p.m. and the return fare will be 4/-.

We expect to arrive at Charlton House between 3 to 3.15 p.m.

Total cost 6/9d.

Saturday, 23rd June Haslemere Museum

At the suggestion of a number of our members, we have arranged this visit to Haslemere Museum. We shall be escorted around the museum where there will be found interesting specimens of Surrey fauna and flora, examples of the old glass and iron industries and local geological formations. The entrance charge is 6d.

A coach will leave Leatherhead Church at 2 p.m. and the return fare will be 6/6d. We expect to arrive at 3 p.m. and have arranged tea at the Jacarunda Tea Rooms at Hindhead for 4.45 p.m. at a cost of 2/9d each.

Total cost 9/9d.

Saturday, 7th July Stoke D'Abernon 3 p.m.

Mr. F.E. Manning, M.A., of the Surrey Archaelogical Society, will take us over the Church at Stoke D'Abernon, where there have been a number of interesting changes during the past year. The Rector, the Rev. J.H.L. Waterson, welcomes our visit and will be there as well. Mr. Manning hopes also to be able to take us over The Manor House.

No arrangements have been made for tea as most of us will not be very far from home, but tea can be obtained by members at a tea shop in Cobham called "The Enterprise".

Transport. The No.462 'bus leaves the Leatherhead Garage at 2.29 p.m., due at Stoke D'Abernon at 2.42 p.m.

Saturday, 25th August Great Bookham Church <u>3 p.m.</u>

For this event we have chosen Great Bookham Church, and we shall have a talk about it by Captain L.R. Hutchison, who is one of the churchwardens, and who represents The National Trust, on The Bookham Commons Committee.

Saturday, 22nd September Fungus Foray on Box Hill

Dr. M.P. Topping has again kindly agreed to lead another Fungus Foray on Box Hill. We shall meet at Juniper Hall at 2.45 p.m., and the No.470 'bus leaves The Crescent, Leatherhead at 2.25 p.m. There is a car park for those who wish to go by car.

Teas can be arranged at a cost of 2/- each at The Hall, and after tea the specimens collected will be exhibited and examined in the laboratory.

<u>Visitors</u>

Your Committee have decided to follow the practice prevailing in other similar societies and charge a visitors' fee. The charge will be 1/- for each visitor for each function. We welcome visitors at our meetings and outings and hope eventually they will become members, but we think all will agree this charge for the benefits they receive is very moderate.

Proceedings

No.8, for the year 1954, has now been distributed. Any member joining before 1st October 1955, who has not received his copy, should contact the Hon. Treasurer. Copies are available for purchase by members recently joined.

With regard to Mr. Benger's article on Norbury Park, we are asked to add that the present occupant, Dr. Marie C. Stopes, bought the freehold of the building and immediate curtilage in 1932 from the Surrey County Council.

Archaeological Field Surveys

We have received particulars of a course in the above to be held at Westbury, Wilts., in April 1956, under the Council for British Archaeology in conjunction with the University of Bristol. Any member interested can obtain details from me.

There is another course on "Archaeology with Practical Excavation" at the Wansfell Adult College, Theydon Bois, Essex, from the 9th to the 23rd July. This is a University of London Department of Extra-Mural Studies' Course and I shall be pleased to supply further details.

Library

In January 1955 we issued a list of the publications in our Library. There are the following additions:

B.109 Fetcham Church Guide (Lewarne)

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B.108 Toc H. Leatherhead Group Magazine, No.1. December 1930

B. 75 Lund Universitets Historiska Museum. Meddelanden fran. 1955

I should be pleased to let new members have a copy of the January 1955 list, if they will apply to me.

We should like to complete our set of Surrey Archaeological Society Collections and require Nos.I - XXI. If any member has any spare copies of these publications please let me know. We should also like to acquire a copy of the Victoria County History covering Surrey.

Generally speaking, we are not collecting or buying books concerning Local History, etc., when copies are in the County Library. The Librarian at The Mansion has given me the following list of such books in his library:

Alderman, H.M.	Charm of Old Surrey	1935
Austin, E.J. (R	ector of Ashtead) Recollections	1936
Brayley, E.W.		1850
	Treasures of the Surrey Churches in the	-
	Diocese of Guildford	1943
Dalloway, H.	Etchings of the Views in the Vicarage	
	of Leatherhead	1821
Davie W.G.	Old Cottages and Farm Houses in Surrey	1908
	me Society Place Names of Surrey	1934
Hobson, J.M.	Book of the Wandle	1924
Hutchings, G.E. Story of Box Hill		
Jerrold, W.	Surrey	1901
Judges, E.A.	In and Around Guildford	1895
Malden, H.E.	History of Surrey	1900
Maxwell, D.	Unknown Surrey	1901
Mee, A.	Surrey	1938
Morris, J.E.	Black's Guide to Surrey	1920
Ogilvy, J.S.	Pilgrimage in Surrey, 2 Vols.	1914
Parker, E.	Highways and Byways in Surrey	1950
	hes" On Surrey Hills	1891
	C.L. Surrey Bells and London Founders	1884
	Vols, 1-XXX, XXXII - XLVIII	·
S.C.C.	List of Antiquities in the Administrative	
	County of Surrey	1951
	Surrey Magazine 1899 - 1900	••
Salmon, C.E.	Flora of Surrey	1931
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The University of London are holding courses in Social Studies, Archaeology, Local Studies, History, etc. at Wye College, near Ashford, Kent, from 28th July to 11th August. I shall be pleased to supply further information to any interested member.

General Note

Because of the great difficulty in obtaining transport and to avoid the sometimes awkward necessity of having to collect expenses during the course of the outing, members are asked to forward with their applications for a place, the amount of any charges shown in the fixture list. For all applications accepted a receipt will be given which will serve as a Reserved Ticket and will give the time and place for boarding transport where provided. The receipt will similarly reserve tea, where desired.

If the transport booked becomes filled up, every endeavour is made to obtain supplementary vehicles. EARLY APPLICATION IS ADVISABLE, but at the latest forty-eight hours before the outing.

It will be much appreciated if any member who intends to use his own car will notify me if he is able and willing to take passengers. Such members should, in any event, send in the charge for any teas provided, in which they wish to share.

Subscriptions

Some subscriptions for 1955/1956 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. Assistant Secretary)