

LEATHERHEAD and DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

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Dear Fellow Member,

February Lecture

I hope you will be able to come along to The Mansion, Church Street, Leatherhead, on Wednesday 18th February, to hear Mrs. M.A. Cotton, O.B.E., F.S.A., talk about "Iron Age Hill Forts in South-East England". The lecture, which is to begin at 8 p.m., will be illustrated by lantern slides. Although we cannot lay claim to one of these fortifications in the Leatherhead area, there are several overlooking the Weald within easy reach at War Coppice, Caterham, Anstiebury Camp, Holmbury Hill and Hascombe, as well as others to the North overlooking the Thames Valley, and Mrs. Cotton's talk should do much to add interest to any future walk over one of these long abandoned sites.

Future Programme

Two further lectures are being arranged, one in March on a geological subject, and one in April, when it is hoped that Captain Lowther will talk about Roman remains in our area. This latter event will be a suitable introduction to the trial excavation which it is hoped to carry out in the summer near Headley, on a site which has shown some evidence of Roman occupation.

Your Executive Committee have also discussed plans for a summer programme of outings, and details of these and the two lectures mentioned above will be given in later circulars. The organisation of these events is in the capable hands of your newly elected Programme Secretary, Miss Elizabeth Harrison, of "Common End", Eastwick Drive, Great Bookham. (Telephone - Bookham 2702)

Membership Cards

Membership Cards for the year 1958-59 have not yet been issued, but it is hoped that this will be done in the near future. In the meantime, you may borrow books from the Society's library on production of the receipt for your current year's subscription. If by chance you have not yet paid your subscription, the Treasurer is anxious to hear from you, and will be pleased to supply you with a receipt in exchange for your 10/-.

Proceedings

The 1958 issue of the Proceedings is in the hands of the printer, and I hope that you will find it as interesting as the last. Copies of previous issues are available, price 5/-, and Binding Cases for the ten parts of Volume I (1947-1956) may be had at 2/6. All members who joined the Society before October 1958 should have received a copy of the 1957 Proceedings, but I have heard from some who did not. If, therefore, you are entitled to a copy and one has not reached you, please let me know at once, and the omission will be rectified.

Free Lectures at the Horniman Museum

I have a poster advertising a number of free lectures at the Horniman Museum, Forest Hill, at 3.30 p.m. on Saturday afternoons. Two which may be of interest to you are on 14th February - Norman Cook, F.S.A., on "Unearthing London", and on 7th March - Alfred Leutscher on "Reptiles as Pets". The former will be illustrated by lantern slides and the latter by living specimens.

Yours sincerely,

KENNETH WAITE,

Secretary.