

LEATHERHEAD AND DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

President: Capt. A.W.G. Lowther, F.S.A., A.R.I.B.A.

NEWS LETTER 1/64.

January, 1964.

---

---

Dear Member,

The following lecture has been arranged :-

Wednesday, 26th February, 1964 at 8. 00 p.m.

Venue: The Reeve Room - Leatherhead Parish Church Hall  
(opposite the North door of Leatherhead Church)

Mr. N.H.Nail on "Recent excavations in Ewell by the Nonsuch  
and Ewell Antiquarian Society".

Mr. Nail is the Honorary Secretary of the Society mentioned  
and his lecture will be illustrated with slides.

Visitors are welcome - fee 1/-d.

---

The Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held in the  
Council Offices, Bull Hill, at 8. 00 p.m. on Friday, 20th March 1964.

It is hoped to arrange a Brains Trust to follow the business of  
the evening.

Formal notice of this meeting, the accounts for 1963 and the  
committee report will be forwarded in due course. Further lectures and  
meetings are in course of arrangement and details of these will be  
circulated at the same time.

---

The Proceedings of the Society were reviewed in the Autumn 1963  
number of "The Amateur Historian", the quarterly journal of the standing  
conference for local history. It stated "... by far the most lavish is  
the Proceedings of the Leatherhead and District Local History Society...."  
All articles appear to be based on original research and are of a high  
standard ..... Little is left for other affairs of the Society and their  
financial resources must be almost entirely devoted to the production of  
these annual Proceedings."

This review underlines the necessity, often repeated, of  
increasing membership and thereby strengthening the finances and stability  
of the Society.

---

Mr. A.T. Ruby, Chairman of the Society contributed a chart on  
the spread of the neolithic cultures to the recently published Volume One  
of the "History of Mankind". This work is produced under the auspices of  
UNESCO and is intended to be an internationally prepared history of the  
cultural and scientific development of man.

---

Historical Note:

Extract from Minute Book of Leatherhead Parish Vestry.

"23rd June, 1760. At a Vestry held this day at the Swan by  
adjournmt..... Ordered at this Vestry that if any person or persons  
not belonging to the parishes of Leatherhead and Fetcham are desirous  
to go over Leatherhead Bridge may have that Liberty on paying 10s.6d. a  
year (and finding their own keys) towards the Repair of the said Bridge  
and if they belong to either of the said parishes to pay 5s. (and find  
their own keys) toward the Repair of the same and this Order to stand  
provided the parish of Fetcham agree to the same provided they Lock the  
said Bridge secure after their passing over the same."

J.G.W. Lewarne, 69 Cobham Road, Fetcham, Leatherhead, Surrey.