

LEATHERHEAD AND DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

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

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January 1968.

Dear Member,

The following meetings have been arranged -

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10th 1968. Lecture - D.F. Renn, Esq., F.S.A.  
on 'Early Churches of the Leatherhead Area'  
Illustrated with slides.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7th 1968. Lecture - F. Hollis, Esq.,  
on "Archaeology in Surrey with special reference  
to the Leatherhead Area". Exhibits will be on view.

The above will take place at 8.0 p.m. for 8.15 p.m. in the  
Reeves Room, Leatherhead Parish Church Hall. The entrance  
is opposite the north door of the Parish Church.

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Members are reminded that subscriptions for 1968 (ten shillings)  
are due on January 1st. Early payment to the Hon. Treasurer,  
W.T. Bristow, Esq., Lloyds Bank Leatherhead, will be appreciated.

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Volume 3, No.1 of the Proceedings should be available early in  
1968 and will be distributed as soon as they are available to all  
members who have paid their 1968 subscriptions. This issue will  
be an enlarged number to commemorate the twenty-first anniversary  
of the foundation of the Society. The Committee have chosen this  
course as being the most permanent way of signaling this landmark  
and it is felt that members will agree. Back numbers of the Pro-  
ceedings are available for purchase on application to the  
undersigned -

Vol.1 Nos. 2, 4, 5, 7, 8 & 9	3/- each
Vol.2 Nos. 1 to 4	5/- each
Vol.2 Nos. 5 to 10	7/6 each
Index to Volume 1	2/6 each
Binding Case	2/6 each

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#### Excavations in Ewell Village

The Nonsuch and Ewell Antiquarian Society is carrying out a series  
of excavations in the High Street and Cheam Road, Ewell, and work  
is continuing throughout the winter on most weekends. Volunteers  
are urgently needed.

Members of the Leatherhead Society who may be  
interested are asked to get in touch with either Mr. Roger Caws  
(Tel.01-788 8111 ext.39) or Mr. Martin Morris (Tel.01-603 4622 ext.210)  
or the Hon. Secretary of that Society, Mr. G.T. Wignall, 105 Kingston  
Road, Ewell, Surrey. Please mention you are a member of the  
Leatherhead Society.

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#### Historical Note

Extract from the Court Book of the Worshipful Company of Carpenters  
1757. "... the Clerk wrote to Mr. Todman at the Swan at Leatherhead  
to provide a Fillett of Veal Roasted and the knuckle boiled with  
Bacon and a Bread Pudden boiled, but no fish, against the Company  
there to dinner."

The above extract was supplied by J.Nevinson Esq.,  
who comments that he assumes the fish they did not like was the water  
souchet (souchy) broiled perch, which was a Dorking delicacy.

Each year the Carpenter's Company - the Masters  
and Wardens paid an official visit to Wyatt's almshouses in  
Godalming. In the 17th century they usually went via Ripley, but in  
the 18th century the Ashtead, Dorking route was preferred.

J.G.W. Lewarne,  
Hon. Secretary

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