

LEATHERHEAD AND DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

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

Newsletter 1/68

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.

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.

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 -

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| Vol.1 Nos. 2, 4, 5, 7, 8 & 9 | 3/- each |
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| Vol.2 Nos. 5 to 10 | 7/6 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.

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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