

LEATHERHEAD AND DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

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

Letter 2/68

March 1968

Dear Member,

The following meetings and visits have been arranged :-

Friday 22nd March 1968. Twenty-first Annual General Meeting at the Council Offices, Leatherhead, by courtesy of the Leatherhead Urban District Council.  
Coffee and biscuits will be served to members at 8 p.m. in the Council Member's Room.  
A General Discussion on Local History will follow the business in which it is hoped many members will take part.

Notice of Annual General Meeting

The Twenty-first ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Society will take place at the Offices of the Leatherhead Urban District Council at 8.30 p.m. on Friday 22nd March, 1968 with the following Agenda :-

1. Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting
2. Matters arising therefrom
3. Presentation of the Executive Committee's Twenty-first Report (Copy enclosed)
4. Presentation of the Accounts to 31st December, 1967. (Copy enclosed)
5. Election of Officers and Committee for 1968
6. Other Business

Friday 5th April 1968. 8.0 p.m. for 8.15 p.m.

Lecture:- "Recent excavations in Scotland" by D.J. Turner.  
ILLUSTRATED WITH FILM.

At the REEVES ROOM, LEATHERHEAD PARISH CHURCH HALL  
(opposite north door of the Church)

Tuesday 14th May 1968. 8.0 p.m. for 8.15 p.m.

Lecture:- "East Anglian Waterways" by L.A. Edwards  
ILLUSTRATED WITH SLIDES

At the REEVES ROOM, LEATHERHEAD PARISH CHURCH HALL

Saturday 15th June 1968. 2.30 p.m. prompt.

Walk through historic DORKING. It is hoped to visit the caves amongst the many other interesting features of the town.  
Conducted by J.E.N. Walker.

Assembly point:- Outside Dorking Halls. Ample car-parking space is available. Green Line Coaches and bus 470 serve Dorking. The walk will be taken at a leisurely pace and tea will be arranged as required.

Will those requiring tea please be sure to notify Mrs. Haynes, Sans Nom, Firtree Road, Leatherhead, Tel. 3549, NOT LATER THAN 8th JUNE.

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WILL MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE THAT THE SOCIETY HAS A NOTICE BOARD IN THE LEATHERHEAD LIBRARY. THIS MEDIUM IS UTILIZED AS AN ADDITIONAL METHOD OF COMMUNICATION TO MEMBERS.

69 Cobham Road,  
Fetcham,  
Leatherhead.

J. G. W. Lewarne,  
Hon. Secretary.

LEATHERHEAD AND DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

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

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
31ST DECEMBER 1967.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your Committee have pleasure in presenting its Twenty-First Report.

1. Membership

As at 31st December 1967 the membership of the Society totalled 235, including 3 honorary and 2 life members. This figure represents a net increase of 13 over the comparable number for 1966. The membership is now at its highest since the foundation of the Society in 1947. 26 new members joined the Society during the year. 13 members seceded during the same period of which 1 had died and 4 had left the district. No fewer than 28 of the existing membership remain out of the 141 who joined during the first year.

The Executive Committee expresses its thanks to all members for the support given to the Society in its work.

It is with regret that the deaths of Mr. and Mrs. R. Allcard are reported.

2. Lectures and Visits

The following were arranged -

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| February 23rd  | Lecture:                                     | "Inland Waterways of the South of England." by L.A. Edwards              |
| March 31st     | Annual General Meeting & General Discussion. |  |
| April 13th     | Lecture:                                     | "History of St. Mary's Church, Stoke D'Abernon" by Rev. J.H.L. Waterson. |
| May 4th        | Lecture:                                     | "Kensington" by Capt. M.A. Wilson, R.N.                                  |
| June 3rd       | Visit to:                                    | Betchworth House.<br>Guide Maj.Gen. E.H. Goulbourn.                      |
| July 15th      | Visit to:                                    | Farnham Castle.  |
| August 5th     | Visit to:                                    | St. Mary's Church, Stoke D'Abernon.                                      |
| September 15th | Lecture:                                     | "Ireland" by J.G.W. Lewarne.   |
| October 20th   | Lecture:                                     | "Dorking History and Recent Discoveries" by J.E.N. Walker.               |
| November 21st  | Lecture:                                     | "Air-photography and Archaeology" by C.W. Phillips, O.B.E.               |

The average attendance at meetings was 50.

The Committee expresses its thanks to the Lecturers and Visits Leaders for their services.

3. Proceedings

Volume 2 Number 10 was distributed in 1967 and was well received. This number completed Volume 2 and the Index to this volume is in active preparation.

Volume 3 Number 1 is in course of distribution to members who have paid their subscriptions for 1968. This enlarged number commemorates the twenty-first anniversary of the foundation of the Society.

Additional corporate subscriptions to those mentioned in the Report for 1966 include the Society of Antiquaries, Cornell University Library (U.S.A.) and the Newberry Library, Chicago. The Honorary Editor will be pleased to receive contributions to consider for inclusion in the Proceedings.

4. Committee

- A. T. Ruby, M.B.E.,  
53 Nutcroft Grove, Fetcham. - Chairman
- Mrs. B. Haynes,  
Sans Nom, Fir Tree Road, Leatherhead. - Hon. Visits Secretary
- F. B. Benger,  
Duntisbourne, Reigate Road, Leatherhead. - Hon. Editor
- W. T. Bristow,  
Lloyds Bank Ltd., Leatherhead. - Hon. Treasurer
- Mrs. I. Gardener,  
66 West Farm Avenue, Ashtead. - Committee Member
- W. Millar,  
Torbryan, Hawks Hill Close, Fetcham. - do -
- D. F. Renn, F.S.A.,  
7 Burrows Close, Gt. Bookham. - Co-opted
- J.G.W. Lewarne,  
69 Cobham Road, Fetcham. - Hon. Secretary

All members of the Committee retire at the Annual General Meeting and are eligible for re-election. Nominations for the Committee should reach the Hon. Secretary not later than March 20th and should state :-

1. Name of Nominee
2. Names of Proposer and Seconder
3. That the Nominee has expressed his or her willingness to serve if elected

5. Accounts

The Statement of Receipts and Payments for 1967 is enclosed. The Committee acknowledge with thanks the financial support given to it's work by the Surrey County Council and the Leatherhead Urban District Council.

6. Subscriptions

These fall due on January 1st and the co-operation of members in making prompt payment will be appreciated. The Hon. Treasurer, W.T. Bristow, Lloyds Bank Ltd., Leatherhead, will be pleased to receive subscriptions (10/-) at the Bank or at the Annual General Meeting.

7. Activities

Apart from Visits, Lectures and the Publication of the Proceedings mentioned above, more than two hundred enquiries have been dealt with during the year. A number of talks on historical matters have been given to local organizations.

8. Costs

In common with other similar organizations increased costs of materials and services make an impact on the finances of the Society. Only by increasing membership is it possible to provide the standard of publication and meetings whilst at the same time maintaining the present rate of subscriptions. Members will appreciate that everyday affairs of the Society are achieved on a voluntary basis and speakers and visits leaders donate their services. The co-operation of members in making the Society known will ensure that a continually increasing membership may be achieved.

9. The Society has received with gratitude by gift of Mrs. L.E. Snook the engraved glass goblet illustrated on Page 151 of the Proceedings Volume 2 Number 5.

J. G. W. Lewarne,  
Honorary Secretary.

69 Cobham Road,  
Fetcham,  
Leatherhead,  
Surrey.

LEATHERHEAD & DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31st December 1967

| <u>1966</u> | <u>RECEIPTS</u>   | <u>1966</u>        | <u>PAYMENTS</u>                              |                    |
|-------------|---|--------------------|--|--------------------|
|             | <u>Bank Balances as at 31.12.66.</u>                    | 144.10. 0.         | Printing of Proceedings                      | 116.13. 0.         |
| 163. 6. 8.  | Midland Bank Ltd. 159. 3. 0.                            | 14.17. 9.          | General Printing                             | 10.16. 6.          |
| 90.12. 7.   | Surrey Trustee Savings Bank <u>93.16. 1.</u> 252.19. 1. |                    |  |                    |
| 109.11. 6.  | <u>Subscriptions</u> 117. 5. 6.                         | 12.13. 6.          | Postages Stationery Sundry Disbursements     | 14. 8.10.          |
|             | <u>Grants</u>   |                    | <u>Subscriptions &amp; Affiliation Fees</u>  |                    |
| 25. 0. 0.   | Surrey C.C. 25. 0. 0.                                   | 2. 0. 0.           | Surrey Record Society 2. 0. 0.               |                    |
| 15. 0. 0.   | Leatherhead U.D.C. <u>15. 0. 0.</u> 40. 0. 0.           | 1.10. 0.           | Council for British Archaeology 1.10. 0.     |                    |
|             | <u>Donations</u>  | 1. 1. 0.           | Field Studies Council <u>1. 0. 0.</u>        | 4.10. 0.           |
| 7.16. 6.    | General 6.19. 6.  | 4.15. 0.           | Visits & Meetings                            | 3.15. 0.           |
| -           | Lecture Fees <u>3. 0. 6.</u> 10. 0. 0.                  |                    |  |                    |
| 19.15. 7.   | Sale of Proceedings & Binding Cases 16.18. 9.           |                    | <u>Bank Balances as at 31/12/67</u>          |                    |
| 3. 3. 6.    | Bank Interest 3. 6. 0.                                  | 159. 3. 0.         | Midland Bank Ltd. 193. 3.11.                 |                    |
|             |   | <u>93.16. 1.</u>   | Surrey Trustee Savings Bank <u>97. 2. 1.</u> | 290. 6. 0.         |
|             |   | <u>£440. 9. 4.</u> |  | <u>£440. 9. 4.</u> |

I certify that I have examined the above statement which is in accordance with the Books and Records produced to me, and in my opinion correct.

A.H. Kirkby  
Honorary Auditor

W. T. Bristow  
Honorary Treasurer