

# BASINGSTOKE ARCHAEOLOGICAL & HISTORICAL SOCIETY



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## CALENDAR

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Thurs 14 Sept	COOKING WITH HOT STONES John Hedges	*
Fri 15th Sept	Cheese & wine evening at God's House Tower, Southampton, preceded by wall walk; meet at Bargate, Southampton, 6.15 pm; booking necessary	H
Thurs 21 Sept	"The Glory of Stained Glass" J A Weatherley	F
Sun 24 Sept	Clearance work at Basing House;	
	Living History event "Garrison Life" 2-5 pm	B
Sat 30 Sept	Annual Conference "Hampshire Women" St Swithun's School, Winchester	H
Wed 11 Oct	"Entertaining in the Elizabethan Period" Christopher Scott, 7.30 pm	B
Thurs 12 Oct	TROWBRIDGE EXCAVATIONS Sue Davies	*
Sat 14 Oct	AGM & Conference, Local History Section, Lymington	H
	also AGM & Conference "Defending Hampshire's Coast" Historic Buildings Section, Fort Nelson	H
Thurs 19 Oct	AGM & "William Curtis and the Curtis Museum, Alton" Stephen Locke	F

\* Society activity (lectures 7.30 pm, Chute House, Basingstoke)

H Hampshire Field Club

F Friends of the Willis Museum, 7.30 pm, Willis Museum

B Friends of Basing House.

Items for Newsletter to:

Barbara Applin, 138 Old Kempshott Lane, Basingstoke

## SUBSCRIPTIONS

All members should have paid their 1989-90 subscription by now - due on 1st May! If you haven't, please don't wait for the first lecture but send it now to Joy Needham at 225 Britten Road, Basingstoke.

Anyone who hasn't paid when the next Newsletter is sent out will find the front page marked with a cross, which means that that is the last Newsletter they will receive unless the subscription is paid. It would be wonderful to send out a complete batch of unmarked Newsletters!

The subscription remains at £6 single, £8 family, £3 OAP/student.

## SOCIETY PROGRAMME

The full lecture programme is given on the enclosed card - and who can resist the first talk, COOKING WITH HOT STONES? Come to Chute House at 7.30 pm on Thursday 14th September for a whole new (or should I say old?) expression of the culinary arts. Then on 12th October Sue Davies, of the Trust for Wessex Archaeology, makes a welcome return with TROWBRIDGE EXCAVATIONS.

## ROMSEY: SUNDAY AFTERNOON VISIT

2 pm 3rd September

A reminder that Steve Cooper has kindly offered to take us round Romsey on Sunday afternoon, 3rd September. It is a splendid opportunity to follow up the talk on Romsey last January with a look at the town and its Abbey, with a knowledgeable guide. Susan Batstone provided a town map in the last Newsletter, and suggested that anyone needing a lift should contact her on Basingstoke 474383 (after 8 pm). We meet by Palmerston's statue in the Square at Romsey at 2pm.

## AGM 1989

The AGM was held at Basing House. A gratifyingly large number packed into the room, and two new members were elected to the committee - Linda Burrowes as Secretary and Robert Gunn. Our Treasurer had a road accident in early June and the accounts had not been audited, an unforeseen problem which was shelved for later consideration. A proposed new constitution, which was being

put forward prior to our application for charitable status, was the subject of very spirited debate and a few amendments were made before it was approved. When the formal business was over, we all headed for the "Garden". Alan Turton explained the project to recreate the garden and we then trooped off in the twilight to see the site of previous excavations on the ruins. Our thanks to Alan Turton for inviting us to Basing House, and his and Dave Allen's guided tour.

1989/90 Committee elected:

Joy Needham	Chairman
Linda Burrowes	Secretary
Martin Morris	Treasurer
Susan Batstone	Programme Organiser
Lynne Freshwater	
Robert Gunn	
John Horrocks	
George Langran	
Peter Read	

Copies of the new constitution will be available by our first meeting in September for members to consult.

JOY NEEDHAM

## TREASURER RESIGNS

Martin Morris's road accident in June, mentioned above, has since kept him on crutches. He has had a number of complications since the accident and is likely to go into hospital soon. He has regretfully had to resign because he was finding it very difficult to do the job from his sick room. We send him our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

## COURSES

### Southampton University Saturday Courses

30 September *Southampton's New History* (Field Study Day: Mark Brisbane and colleagues) 10 am - 5 pm, Tudor Merchant's Hall: Fee B (pre-enrolment essential; this day is linked to an 8-meeting evening course)

28 October *Georgian Innovators* (Ray Riley) 10 am - 4 pm, Adult Education Centre: Fee B

25 November Census Information before 1801 (Margaret Escott)  
10 am - 5 pm, Adult Education Centre: Fee B

25th November West Sussex after the Romans (John Magilton)  
10.30 am - 5 pm at Fishbourne Roman Palace: Fee A

2 December Landscapes and Documents (Mike Hughes) 9.30 am -  
4.30 pm, Adult Education Centre, Southampton: Fee B

2 December Rural Industries (Edwin Course) 2 - 5 pm, Adult  
Education Centre: Fee £4.50; prior enrolment essential

2 December The Winchester Bible (Claire Baker) 10.30 am - 4 pm,  
Winchester Cathedral: Fee B

Fee A: £10, members £8, concessionary £6

Fee B: £9, members £7, concessionary £5

Bookings to Enrolment Secretary, Department of Adult  
Education, The University, Southampton SO9 5NH

### Oxford University Saturday Courses

28th October Lollards and Catholics 1400-1650: Fee C

18 November Computers and Local History (for beginners), numbers  
limited (with lunch £28.40; without lunch £24.00)

2 December Saints and Society: Fee C

2 December Family Fortunes 1300-1700: Fee D \*

Fee C with lunch £18.40; without lunch £14.00

Fee D with lunch £17.00; without lunch £14.00

All at Rewley House, Wellington Square, Oxford except  
\* at Bulmershe College, Woodlands Avenue, Earley, Reading

### Oxford University Weekend Courses

3-5 November The Church in Britain and Ireland 500-1000

10-12 November Palaeolithic Art

25-26 November Computing for Archaeologists

15-17 December Bronze Age Trade in the Mediterranean

Bookings to the Archaeology/Local History Course Secretary,  
Oxford University Department for External Studies, Rewley  
House, 1 Wellington Square, Oxford OX1 2JA