

KENT ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER



No. 4

Autumn 1983

ARCHAEOLOGY AT WORK

10.30 am to 5 pm Saturday 24th September 1983 at New Ash Green Middle School,
Ash Road, New Ash Green.

A workshop has been arranged, comprising a number of exhibitions, practical demonstrations and teach-ins. It is hoped that this meeting will provide an opportunity for people who have a common interest to gather together and share and discuss their ideas.

There will be six general areas of archaeology and local history spread throughout this modern school. It is hoped visitors will wander round joining in or just looking and listening, spending as little or as long in each area as they wish. All the activities will run simultaneously but each will be repeated two or three times, so participants can plan their day accordingly, seeing first those areas which interest them most. The workshop will include the following:

Scientific Techniques

Demonstrations on using a level, soil resistivity surveying and aerial photography using a kite. Studying animal bones from excavations (please bring along any for identification).

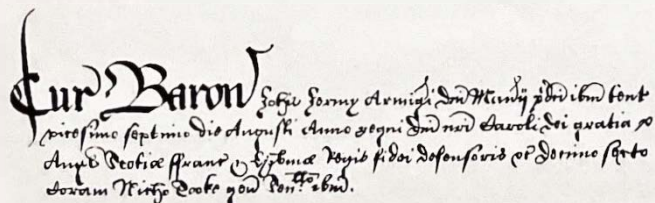


Roman Pottery Studies

An opportunity to handle and compare various fabrics. Members are asked to bring along some of their own wares too. Short illustrated different talks including some on Samian, mortaria, Patchgrove, with plenty of time for discussion and comment.

The Written Record

Talks and practice sessions on palaeography (reading old documents), tithe surveys and census returns.



Studying Your Parish Church & Churchyard

Illustrated talk, followed by a visit to a local church to put it into practice. Repeated in afternoon.

Farm Buildings Survey

How to go about it, with a talk and a video of the completed Plaxtol survey.

Field Visit to Local Site

Exhibition of material from the deserted Medieval Manor of Scotgrove, with a site tour of boundary banks and excavated features (morning and afternoon visit).

There will be additional displays by K.A.S. Subject Branches with active participation by many Affiliated Societies. The K.A.S. Bookstall will, of course, be there.

New Ash Green lies on the dip slope of the North Downs midway between Gravesend and Sevenoaks, within easy access by car from the A2 and A20. By train, Longfield Station is just a short bus ride away.

All are welcome, K.A.S. members, Affiliated Society members and any interested people, but admission is by free ticket which can be obtained by sending a s.a.e. to: Archaeology at Work. To make a really successful day we need you to be there. Please come and join us. It should be an enjoyable day and perhaps we shall all learn some new things.

Editorial

As we go to press, some 1,700 copies of *Archaeologia Cantiana* Volume 98 (1982) have arrived, to be parcelled up for dispatch to members. I wish to extend my thanks to all those who have responded to the appeal for assistance with the distribution of *Arch. Cant.* by returning to me their 'green forms'.

By the time you receive this newsletter in September you should all have had your copy of Volume 98. If you have not, please write to or telephone me.

Back numbers of Arch.Cant.

The announcement in the previous *Newsletter* that the Society had back numbers of *Archaeologia Cantiana* for sale led to a flood of inquiries and orders. Our supply of the earlier volumes is now almost exhausted. This service has proved to be of great benefit, and so any member who has volumes surplus to their requirement and who wishes to donate or sell them to the Society, is invited to contact me.

Summer Social Evening

Nearly one hundred members and friends gathered at Beltring Oasts on a beautiful summer's evening in June. We were shown round the hop farm and exhibits by very competent guides and we particularly enjoyed seeing the Whitbread shire horses, which had just arrived for their 'summer holiday'.

It was then time to partake of a wonderful cold buffet, and spend the rest of the evening in the convivial company of other members. It was altogether a most successful evening and our congratulations go to Cliff Ward, secretary of the Membership & Publicity Committee, and his wife Elizabeth for making it so. By popular request, it is hoped to make such a social evening an annual event.

Ted Connell

A High Court Writ was issued in June on behalf of Brian Philp naming amongst other defendants Canon Ingram Hill (President), Michael Nightingale (Vice-President) and Arthur Harrison (Honorary General Secretary) in a representative capacity on behalf of the Society's Council. Damages are being claimed for an alleged libel appearing in the editorial column of the Society's *Newsletter* No.3 published in the Spring.

At a special meeting of the K.A.S. Council held on Saturday 23rd July 1983, it was resolved that the action would be defended.

Next Copy Date

The copy date for the Winter issue, to be published on 1st January 1984, will be the 1st November 1983 and all contributions should be sent to the Editor.

with very welcome cups of tea and coffee.

I should also like to take this opportunity to thank Cliff Ward for all his hard work in organising such a successful day.

Arthur Harrison
Hon.General Secretary

The next Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday 19th May 1984 in Ashford.

A.G.M. 1983

The Annual General Meeting was held at Sevenoaks, on the morning of Saturday 21st May. Council's Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for 1982 were approved (with one dissentient), the feeling of the meeting being that they indicated a very healthy level of activities in the various branches of the Society.

Officers

All the retiring Officers were re-elected, the Hon. General Secretary (502 votes to 147) and the Hon. Librarian (493 votes to 155) after a ballot had been taken.

Vice-Presidents

The existing Vice-Presidents were re-elected and, in addition, Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton, J.P., M.A., Lord Lieutenant of the County, and the Rt. Hon. Lord Northbourne were elected Vice-Presidents as persons of distinction associated with the County.

Council

After a ballot, Mr E.W. Parkin (494 votes) and Mrs P. Winzar (480 votes) were re-elected. The other four places were filled by Mr P. Bennett (374 votes); Mrs N. Caiger (476 votes); Mr J. Cruse (456 votes) and Mr R.F. LeGear (446 votes). In addition, Mr S.R. Harker (252 votes) was elected for one year to fill the casual vacancy. Mr R.J. Ansell (175 votes); Mr B.J. Philp (235 votes) and Mrs V. Smith (152 votes) were not elected.

Rules

As a result of the painstaking and skilful work of the Rules Committee under the chairmanship of Sir John Winnifrith, K.C.B., a revised and re-arranged set of Rules was presented and passed without amendment. The Committee was reappointed to consider what other amendments, if any, were desirable.

Afternoon Lecture

In the afternoon, members heard a most interesting and entertaining talk by Dr Peter Reynolds, Director of the Butser Ancient Farm Project Trust. In the talk, which was expertly illustrated with colour slides, he told us about the objectives of the Trust. Dr Reynolds explained in some detail his experiments with regards to the construction of Iron Age Houses and the excavation and silting up of enclosure ditches. He also spoke about his experiments with the keeping of animals and the growing and storage of crops, which have been designed to increase our knowledge and our understanding of the agricultural economy of Britain at the end of the Iron Age. Our thanks go to Dr Reynolds for such an enjoyable and informative afternoon.

The various displays of work were greatly appreciated with much interest shown throughout the day. Many thanks for all their hard work to the following: Dartford and District Archaeological Group, Gravesend Historical Society, Orpington & District Archaeological Society, Otford & District Archaeological Group, Sevenoaks Architectural Survey and the K.A.S. Underground Research Group. The K.A.S. Bookstall was equally well patronised with members searching through the stocks of *Arch.Cants.* clutching lists of back numbers that they required. Our thanks go also to the young ladies of Sevenoaks Girls School who kept everybody supplied

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CURRENT EXCAVATIONS

Sarre, Isle of Thanet

Unfortunately due to the awful spring weather this year, the tenant farmer has asked us to postpone the start of our Sarre excavations. These were due to have started in August this year, but will now start in 1984.

Canterbury Archaeological Trust

Work will start at the beginning of October on the first stage of the Watling Street Carpark excavations and continue in stages for at least two years. These Rescue Excavations which will be funded by Canterbury City Council and the D. of E., are taking place on the last of the very large areas available within the City walls. The

excavations will be open to the public, and the first stage should find the remains of the church and graveyard of St. John 'the Poor', a parish church which was amalgamated with the neighbouring St. Mary de Castro church after the Black Death. Volunteer excavators are welcome at any time, as are volunteer finds helpers. Please apply to Tim Tatton-Brown.

A Unique 5th Century Gold Coin from Canterbury

During the latter part of the Marlowe Theatre excavations in Canterbury a unique late 5th century gold *tremiss* was found in the latest Roman levels. This coin which is a Visigothic copy of a *tremiss* of Severus or Zeno of c A.D.480 was probably minted in South Gaul at Narbonne, and brought to Kent some time afterwards as part of a goldsmith's bullion. (Another gold fragment was found on the site nearby). Three other late 5th century imperial gold coins have been found in East Kent in the past, but the only similar coin to the present one is the find from Sittingbourne of a Visigothic gold *solidus* of Libius Severus.

Tim Tatton-Brown

Excavation and Fieldwork Grants

Are you planning an excavation or fieldwork within the county of Kent during 1984? Grants are available from the K.A.S. to assist with work to be carried out by Affiliated Societies or individual members.

Applications should be made to the Hon. General Secretary by 1st November 1983.

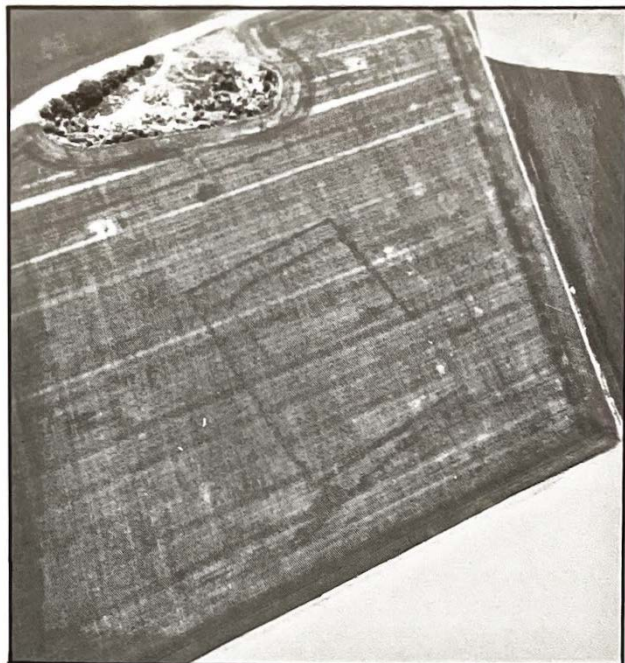
AUTUMN EXCURSION

A Visit to London

Saturday 17th September 1983

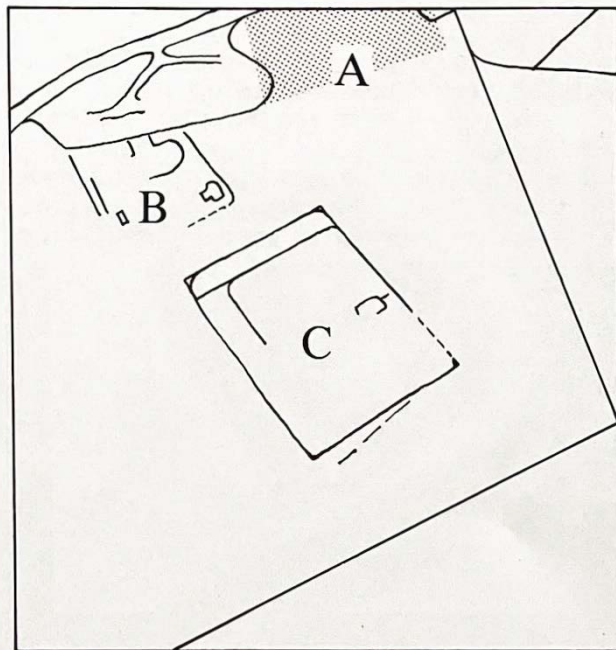
A day visit by coach to London. In the morning to visit Charlton House near Blackheath, an early 17th century mansion, reputed to have been designed by Inigo Jones. Then after a picnic lunch, on to the London Museum to see some of the discoveries from the recent Billingsgate Excavations. Followed by a visit to one of the latest Roman excavations in the City.

The coach will depart Canterbury at 9.20am and pick up at Maidstone East Station and the Black Prince at Bexley. We expect to leave London at approximately 4.45pm. Total cost £4. For bookings please write or telephone M.A. Crane, Hon. Excursions Secretary.



Photograph by courtesy of the Cambridge University Collection

Aerial view of cropmarks at Sarre from the North East. In the background can be seen the many graves of the Anglo-Saxon cemetery while the cropmarks in the foreground are perhaps of a Roman settlement. The site of the parish church of St. Giles is probably just this side of the quarry, beyond which runs the main Ramsgate to Canterbury road.



A - the A-S grave marks

B - St Giles church

C - A possible Roman site

K.A.S. PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION 1983

This is to remind you that we are eagerly awaiting your entries for the K.A.S. Photographic Competition. The photographs or slides, all of which must be on a Kentish theme, should be sent to arrive not later than 1st October 1983.

For full details of the rules and the different categories, see the Spring 1983 Newsletter. All winners will be able to choose a free copy of one of the Society's publications.

A Farm Buildings Survey in Plaxtol Parish.

by Mollie Lewis & Jayne Semple

The Plaxtol Farm Buildings Survey was carried out in 1979 and 1980 for the Kent Historic Buildings Committee as a pilot scheme for surveying all the farm buildings in Kent.

The Parish had 29 identifiable farms, 14 ex-farms (now houses with no remaining farm buildings), and eight oast houses converted into homes. Only one farmer refused us access, and we are grateful for all the help and interest shown us by everyone else. When asking permission of the farmers to visit it is as well to impress on them that the survey is being made for historical purposes only, as some seemed to be anxious in case a preservation order might be clapped on something they were planning to demolish.

We also poached two farms across the parish border into Shipbourne. One was the Home Farm to Fairlawn, which we justified on the grounds that Fairlawn mansion is in Plaxtol. The other was the subject of planning permission rumours and we thought we had better do it while it was still in existence.

Even in the three years that have elapsed since we recorded our buildings many changes have occurred to make us glad that we did our survey when we did and no later. The roof of one of our oldest oast and storage complexes has partially collapsed and planning permission has been granted to convert it into a residence. Our best range of hop-pickers' huts, converted from an old stockyard, is now difficult of access as it has been rented for the keeping of geese and there, too, the roof is collapsing.

Changes of ownership have occurred which would have made life more difficult for the would-be recorder. A rich overseas property company has bought Fairlawn



The Barn at Dux Farm.

and Broadfield, both particularly interesting farms. Heavy investment in improvements has obliterated features of interest, such as the railway lines that moved the dung from cow-shed to dung pit at Fairlawn. The covered dung pit itself has vanished from the main farmyard, a victim of concreting in the name of efficiency.

Our only listed farm building, Dux Farm barn, a Grade II double aisled barn, is showing signs of decay. The north aisle has moved off the aisle posts by four inches and only an electric power distribution pole appears to be holding it up.

These points are made to encourage people who are thinking of surveying the farm buildings of their parish. Please do it today. There may be nothing to record tomorrow, and with the big institutions investing so heavily in farmland today's friendly farmer who invites



Fairlawne's Home Farm Granary and Dung Pit.

you in may be replaced by an anonymous non-resident corporation who may not let you in at all.

In our parish we worked as a team of two which seemed an ideal number, one person to observe the relevant features and the other to write them down in rough, to be transferred onto the forms later. Several teams of two would, of course, be better if available as the survey could then be completed in less time. We took with us a rough sketch plan made from the Ordnance Survey map, and we also found it useful to have a camera, sketch book, torch, measure, compass and short ladder. Wellingtons were necessary "equipment" even in summer, as farmyards are excessively muddy places! Farmhouses were recorded from the outside only, as directed, but often we were invited inside to have a look round and many interesting features were recorded for our own village records.

Sixteen parishes are currently surveying, or are about to begin. They are: Aldington, Bromley, Canterbury area, East Peckham, Eynsford, Hadlow, Halstead, Hever, Hildenborough, Meopham, Offham, Otford, Shoreham, St. Michael's Tenterden, Southborough and all Thanet parishes. It may encourage some people to begin if they know others in their area have started.

Don't be intimidated by the thought that you don't know enough about architecture. The forms are easy to fill in and guidance is given in Ken Gravett's accompanying booklet. Other useful books to read are: Barley, M.W., *The English Farmhouse and Cottage* Brunskill, R.W., *Illustrated History of Vernacular Architecture* Brunskill, R.W., *Traditional Farm Buildings* Harris R.H., *Discovering Timber-Framed Buildings* Weller, J., *History of the Farmstead*.

If you volunteer to do a survey your reward will be in knowing your parish intimately by the end of the exercise.

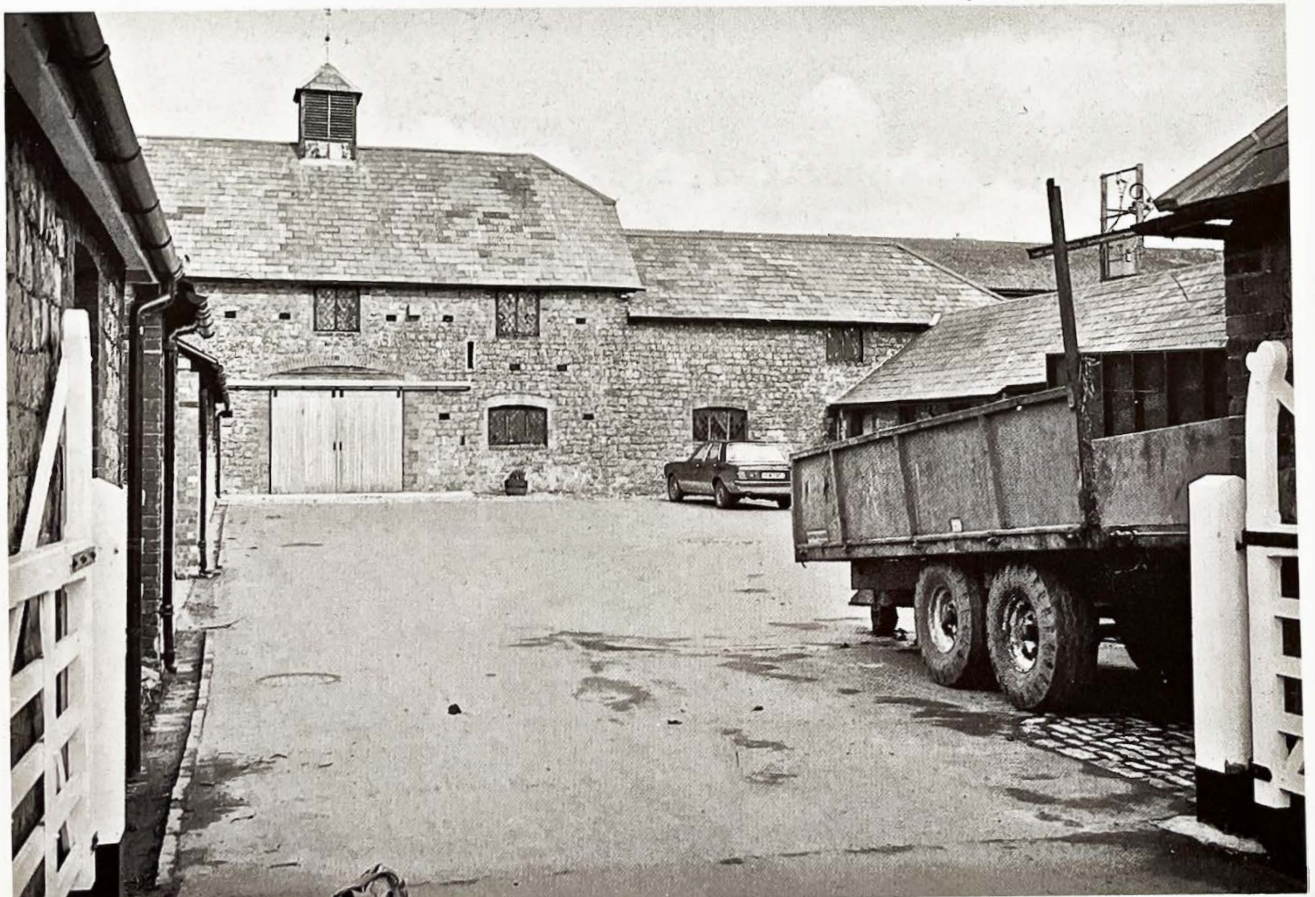


Hop pickers' huts at Crouch rapidly now becoming derelict.



An outdoor cooking area at Crouch.

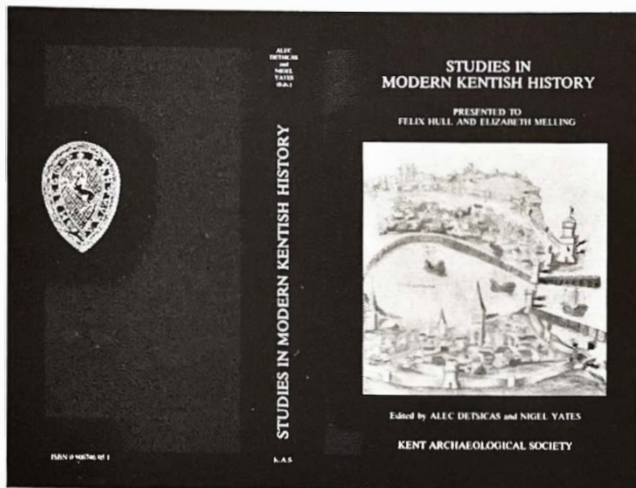
Ed. For further details of surveys please contact:-
Mr Gerald Winzar, Secretary, Kent Historic Buildings Committee.



Another view of Fairlawne Home Farm Granary after the Dung Pit had been removed.

K.A.S. BOOKSTALL

The K.A.S. Bookstall was first established in 1980 and is by now a familiar sight at most of the Society's meetings throughout the county. The bookstall has a wide variety of books on archaeology and local history, with a particular emphasis on Kent. A recent expansion into back numbers of *Archaeologia Cantiana* and K.A.S. Record Publications now requires the employment of my



Studies in Modern Kentish History

camping trailer to transport the stock to meetings! The bookstall will be brought to lectures, meetings, conferences or exhibitions on request.

The bookstall enables members to browse through a large number of commercially produced books which may not be available at local bookshops. It also gives members an opportunity to see books produced by local societies, such as church guides, village and town studies etc., many of which would not normally be seen county wide.

Any suggestions as to suitable publications that might be added, or requests for the bookstall to visit your local society meeting, please contact Ted Connell.

Temporary Closure of Kent Archives Office

Because of building work, the Kent Archives Office at Maidstone will be closed for a substantial period during the latter part of 1983 and 1984.

It is hoped that some limited facilities for the consultation of certain heavily used records may be available throughout the closure period. However users are urged to check that the records they wish to see are available before travelling to Maidstone. Special arrangements will be made for those who require access to specific records as part of dissertations for higher degrees or similar needs.

To improve the storage accommodation, a new air-conditioning system is being installed within the building. This will improve the levels of humidity and temperature control which are vital for the preservation of documents. At the same time the present search room is to be enlarged.

Although the closure of the Archives Office is greatly regretted, there is no doubt that the work is necessary and in the long term interests of both records and users.

BOOKSHELF

West Kingsdown – The Story of Three Villages in Kent
by Zena Bamping. 17 x 24cm, 280 pages, coloured frontispiece, 46 photographs, 58 line illustrations and maps, and large, folded, coloured, redrawn tithe map. Hardback, £8.95. (£10.45 by post).

This new Kent local history is the result of an

enlightened venture by the West Kingsdown Parish Council. In an effort to promote local patriotism and interest to counter moves by rapacious developers encouraged by Council and Government planners the local author was asked to prepare a popular history for the population of the three villages of Kingsdown, Maplescombe and Woodlands, which now comprise the civil parish of West Kingsdown.

In the words of modern marketeers the work is "self liquidating", i.e. being sold at cost, and the author has subsidized the book by absorbing ten years of research costs and foregoing royalties. This north-west Kent history will set standards for others to follow – old-fashioned standards of full colour frontispiece, a fold-out full colour tithe map, large numbers of illustrations, maps, pedigrees, etc. all in a cloth binding with headbands which will make it an attractive acquisition for any library. Although sadly neither time nor money allowed for the preparation of an index.

Of the work itself, this has been written in an uncomplicated style which will make the complicated story easy to follow. The author has written up this history from all available published and unpublished sources from the earliest times to 1983, and in doing this has brought to light much new material which should be helpful to inhabitants of other west Kent villages.



Since the official opening of the North Downs Way in 1978, its waymarked access has stimulated the production of several new books to add to the already extensive bibliography of this rather controversial ancient trackway.

The North Downs Way by Tom Doggett and John Trevelyan. 14 x 21cm, 16 pages, 7 maps, 9 photographs. Paper, 25p. The Ramblers' Association.

Discovering The North Downs Way by David J. Allen and Patrick R. Imrie. 11 x 17cm, 80 pages, 51 maps. Paperback, 95p. Shire Publications Ltd.

The North Downs Way by Denis Herbstein. 13 x 20cm, 146 pages, 45 coloured O.S. maps, very extensively illustrated with photographs and coloured drawings. Limp cloth, £3.95. H.M.S.O.

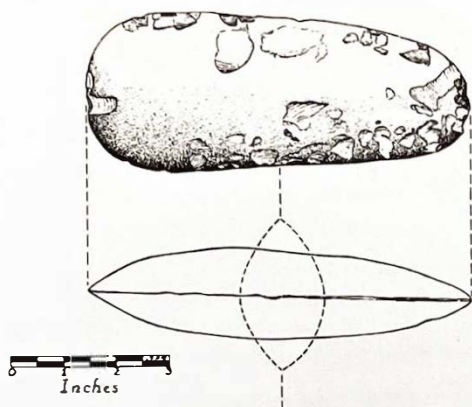
The North Downs Way by H.D. Westacott with maps by Mark Richards. 20 x 12cm, 156 pages, 58 maps. Paperback, £2.50. Penguin Books.

Prehistory in Kent

by Julie C Annetts M.A.

The following gives an outline of two approaches to the study of the prehistoric period in Kent which I am at present concerned with.

Firstly, I am working in association with the Royal Museum, Canterbury, to publish a catalogue of the ground and polished stone and flint Neolithic axes from Kent. The Museum has a small grant from the Area Museums Service for south east England to help with this work. It is intended that the catalogue will include a drawing (surface, profile and section) of each complete or reworked axe. Present estimates on the basis of axes seen or noted suggest that there are about 200 complete examples although there are many more fragments. The aim of the catalogue is to bring together in one publication information of the type, form, distribution and significance of a particularly diagnostic artefact of the Neolithic period. I would be very interested to hear of any polished axes in private collections and I would be grateful for the opportunity to draw any complete examples for inclusion in the catalogue.



A typical polished flint axe found in Kent.

Secondly, I hope that readers of the *Newsletter* will be interested to read of four twenty week courses which I am presenting, beginning this autumn, on the subject of Kent in Prehistory. These courses will be held at Gravesend, Maidstone, Rochester and Sittingbourne. All four courses have been organised by the University of Kent School of Continuing Education, two in conjunction with the Workers' Educational Association. During each course we shall be looking specifically at the evidence for prehistoric human activity in Kent from the earliest hunter – gatherers of the Palaeolithic period to the proto – urban populations of the later Iron Age. We shall do this by looking at sites, monuments and artefacts as well as by discussing such topics as; social organisation, cohesion and conflict, economic strategies and land use, exchange networks, Continental contact and change through time. I hope that we shall be able to include a survey of the prehistory of the local areas as an important part of each course.

The dates, places and times of each course are as follows;

Gravesend Tuesday 27th September 7.30 – 9.30 pm, Victoria Centre, Darley Road, Gravesend.

Sittingbourne Thursday 29th September 7.30 – 9.30 pm, Sittingbourne College, College Road, Sittingbourne.

Maidstone Monday 26th September 7.00 – 9.00 pm, Adult Education Centre Annexe, 9, Sittingbourne Road, Maidstone.

Rochester Wednesday 28th September 7.00 – 9.00 pm, Medway Adult Education Centre, Eastgate, Rochester.

LETTERBOX

As a result of the recent survey in progress of all parochial documents in the county by the Kent Archives Office and Cathedral Archives and Library Canterbury it has been discovered that the parish records for St Giles Tonge are missing. These include a register of baptisms and burials 1717-1812 and marriages 1718-1754, a register of banns and marriages 1754-1812 and marriages 1813-1836, Overseers' accounts 1772-1822 (2 volumes), churchwardens' accounts 1683-1870 (5 volumes).¹

The tragedy high-lights the need for the survey and the co-operation of incumbents and Parochial Church Councils in depositing their parochial records in safe and supervised custody with their archives office. In the introduction to *Guide to Parochial Registers and Records Measure 1978*² in outlining the three developments which have paved the way for the new measure the guide says, "Secondly, the easier means of travel and higher mobility of modern life have exposed all types of parish property to more risk of loss or damage." The purpose of this short note is two-fold: firstly, to ask all those on Parochial Church Councils and Incumbents of parishes to consider strongly depositing their records under the *1978 Parochial Registers and Records Measure*. Whilst it is appreciated that there is often great resentment to depositing the records of a parish miles away from the church, those that have a genuine regard for their preservation and enjoyment by future generations, will do well to heed the advice of so many people that have fought to get this measure introduced. It is by no means certain that the arrangements for their preservation in the parishes in these new safes is either desirable or particularly safe. It has been suggested that the new arrangements might act as an incinerator for the very documents they are intended to preserve.³ Let us hope that the truth of this statement will never be put to the test.

Secondly, it would be helpful if anyone who has examined the parish records of Tonge in the last five, ten or fifteen years could contact either the writer or the Kent Archives Office. I should add that the records had disappeared sometime before the present incumbent and P.C.C. who have themselves been at pains to locate their whereabouts in the locality. However, it is hoped that a wider appeal might assist in discovering when the records disappeared and where they can be found. I am the eternal optimist in that I believe that they lurk somewhere – please help us to find them.

Duncan Harrington L.H.G.

1. C. Eveleigh Woodruff, *An inventory of the parish registers and other records in the diocese of Canterbury*. (Canterbury 1922).

2. CIO Publishing, Dean's Yard, Westminster SW1 April 1978

3. *The Sunday Times* 18th January 1981 "Store of earthly treasure"

The Editor welcomes all letters and would particularly like to receive more, especially on subjects such as requests for research information, books and related topics. Illustrations, if relevant, are always helpful and can assist readers in identifying objects, understanding points and following arguments.

LECTURE DIARY

Ashford Archaeological & Historical Society

19th Sept – The lost Stained Glass of Ashford Church, E. Mortimore
 17th Oct – Romano-Gaulish Clay Figurines, Frank Jenkins
 21st Nov – History of Ashford Fire Brigade, A.E.W. Palmer
 16th Jan – Tracing your family history, M.G. Thompson
 Mondays at 7.30 pm, The Pop Inn, St John's Lane, Ashford.

Canterbury Archaeological Society

15th Oct – The Builders of the Parthenon, Mrs Virginia Webb
 10th Dec – The Bargrove Collection, David Sterdy
 Saturdays at 6.00 pm, Harvey Hall, Kent Postgraduate Medical
 Centre, Kent & Canterbury Hospital. Admission 50p.
 14th Jan – Recent Excavations in Canterbury Tim Tatton-Brown
 6.00 pm, The New Lecture Theatre, Christchurch College of Further
 Education. Admission Free, Silver collection.

Charing and District Local History Society

8th Sept – The History of Penshurst Place, Mrs Joan Hunter
 13th Oct – Life in the 13th Century, Mrs Margaret Cowles
 10th Nov – The Royal Dockyard at Chatham, Jonathan Coad
 8th Dec – Windmills, their History and Workings,
 Paul Jarvis, East Kent Mills Group
 12th Jan – An Introduction to Heraldry, E.T. Mortimore
 Thursdays at 8 pm. Parish Hall, Station Road, Charing. Visitors
 welcome 40p, Car park.

East Peckham Historical Society

14th Sept – The Jutish Forest, K.P. Witney
 12th Oct – The Ickham Roman Watermills, Bob Spain
 10th Nov – Farm Buildings in Plaxtol, Mrs Jayne Semple
 6th Dec – The History of Porcelain, H. Murvey
 at 8 pm, The Primary School, Church Lane.

Isle of Thanet Historical Society

19th Sept – The History of English Clock Making, E.A. Parker
 17th Oct – Kent Mills, E. Newble, East Kent Mills Group
 21st Nov – Indian Images, Mrs Ann Peerless
 12th Dec – Broadstairs, W. Laphorne
 16th Jan – Edwardian Margate in Postcards, A. Key
 Mondays at 7.30 pm, Westgate Library, Margate. Admission 60p.

Oxford & District Historical Society

19th Oct – Richard the III, Richard III Society
 16th Nov – Martin Luther, F.L. Clark
 14th Dec – A.G.M. + The Golden Age of Isfahan, D. Asprey
 18th Jan – Weather in History, Peter Rogers
 Wednesdays at 8 pm, Oxford Village Hall, High Street, Oxford.
 Admission 50p.

Tonbridge Historical Society

22nd Sept – The Roman Palace at Fishbourne, David Rudkin
 3rd Nov – The Vikings in Britain, Dr A.P. Smyth
 5th Jan – Reflections on the treatment of the aged poor in Kent (from
 settlement to Speenhamland),
 Mrs Mary Barker-Read
 Thursdays at 7.45 pm, Adult Education Centre, Avebury Avenue,
 Tonbridge. Visitors welcome, 40p.

Day Meetings

Sat 24th Sept – K.A.S. Archaeology at Work, all day at New Ash
 Green Middle School, admission by free ticket, see front page for
 details.
 Sat 8th Oct – K.A.S. Building Records Meeting, 2.30pm, Charing.
 Sat 15th Oct – Tonbridge Historical Society, afternoon, Kentish Coins
 and Traders' Tokens, at the Adult Education Centre, Avebury
 Avenue, Tonbridge.
 Sat 19th May 1984 – K.A.S. A.G.M. + Lecture, Ashford.

Day Schools

Sat 15th Oct – Maritime Archaeology.
 Sat 3rd Mar – Anglo-Saxon Kent: Historical and Archaeological
 Aspects.
 Sat 31st March – Anglo-Saxon Deeds and Manuscripts
 all at the University of Kent at Canterbury.
 Sat 17th Sept – Structural Timberwork in Kent Buildings at the Angel
 Centre, Tonbridge.
 Sat 14th April – Tudor and Stuart Houses in Kent at the University
 Centre, Tonbridge.

Weekend Courses

9th – 11th Sept – Vernacular Architecture in Canterbury and its area.
 16th – 18th Dec – Military and Civilian in Roman Britain, both at the
 University of Kent at Canterbury.
 23rd – 25th March '84 – Revolting Kent at Allington Castle,
 Maidstone.
 30th Mar – 1st April '84 – The Archaeology of Canterbury at Wye
 College, near Ashford.
 25th – 27th May '84 – Deer Parks in Kent at Bore Place Farm, near
 Edenbridge.

Some Kent Evening Classes

Canterbury

Saxon, Viking and Norman Archaeology in Britain – T. Blagg. Wed
 10am from 5th Oct., 20 sessions
 St. Peter's Parish, Canterbury – H. Lansberry. Weds 5pm from 5th
 Oct., 20 sessions
 Change in the Village – Prof. G. Mingay. Thurs 7pm from 6th Oct., 10
 sessions.
 Garden, Landscape, Architecture – C. Taylor. Thurs 7pm from 6th
 Oct., 10 sessions
 all at Rutherford College, University of Kent.
 Canterbury Personalities and Their Family History – D. Harrington.
 Thurs 7pm from 29th Sept. 10 sessions at Teachers' Centre, St
 Peter's Lane.
 Ecclesiastical Records – D. Harrington. Mons 2pm from 10th Oct., 10
 sessions, Cathedral Library.

Folkestone

The Archaeology of the Mediterranean Region – W. Webb. Tues 10am
 from 27th Sept., 20 sessions at Adult Education Centre, Shorncliffe
 Road.

Tenterden

Roman Britain – T. Blagg. Tues 7pm from 8th Nov., Homewood
 Community Education Centre, Ashford Rd.

Tonbridge

Stained Glass – June Osborne, Sats 10.30am from 1st Oct., 20 sessions
 at University Centre, Avebury Rd.
 Saxon, Viking and Norman Archaeology in Britain – T. Blagg. Mons
 7.30pm from 3rd Oct. 20 sessions at Adult Education Centre,
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