

MEMBERS NIGHT MEETINGS 1962: ST. ANDREWS CHURCH ROOM, ENFIELD MARKET PLACE,  
8 P.M.

LAST YEAR THE MEMBERS' NIGHTS WERE HELD IN A CLASSROOM OF THE ENFIELD GRAMMAR SCHOOL, AN ARRANGEMENT FORCED ON THE SOCIETY BECAUSE OF A FIRE WHICH DAMAGED THE ST. ANDREWS CHURCH ROOM ORIGINALLY BOOKED FOR THESE MEETINGS. THE ROOM HAS NOW BEEN REPAIRED, AND THE THREE SUMMER MEETINGS FOR 1962 WILL BE HELD THERE ON THE DATES SHOWN BELOW. THIS YEAR IT IS HOPED TO ACHIEVE THE ORIGINAL AIM OF THE MEMBERS' NIGHT MEETINGS; TO PROVIDE A PLACE WHERE MEMBERS COULD MEET AND TALK, AND WITH EXHIBITS OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL INTEREST ON VIEW. REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED AT A SMALL CHARGE, AND MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO BRING THEIR FRIENDS.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH JUNE: BRAUGHING, ONE OF THE SMALLER TOWNS OF ROMAN BRITAIN, WILL BE THE THEME OF THE FIRST MEETING. THERE WILL BE PLANS AND PHOTOGRAPHS ILLUSTRATING THE EXCAVATIONS UNDERTAKEN TO LOCATE THE ROMAN ROADS NEAR THE TOWN SITE. RECENTLY OBTAINED AIR-PHOTOGRAPHS OF THESE ROADS WILL ALSO BE ON VIEW. IT IS HOPED TO EXHIBIT SOME OF THE FINDS FROM THE EXCAVATIONS, AS WELL AS THE POTTERY WASHED OUT OF THE ROMAN CEMETERY BY RECENT FLOODS.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH JULY: SEVERAL OF OUR JUNIOR MEMBERS HAVE INTERESTING COLLECTIONS OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL MATERIAL, AND THEY HAVE AGREED TO PUT PART OF THEIR COLLECTIONS ON DISPLAY AT THIS MEETING. IF OTHER MEMBERS HAVE OBJECTS OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL INTEREST WHICH THEY ARE WILLING TO EXHIBIT WOULD THEY PLEASE WRITE TO THE SECRETARY SO THAT TABLES CAN BE ARRANGED.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH AUGUST: AT THIS MEETING MEMBERS WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXAMINE A COPY OF THE 1611 SURVEY OF THEOBALDS PARK - THIS WAS THE MAP WHICH GAVE MR. HOWLETT FURTHER CLUES IN LOCATING THE SITE OF CATHALE PRIORY. THERE WILL ALSO BE A SERIES OF PLANS DRAWN BY MR. I. JONES, SHOWING THE DEVELOPMENT OF SOUTH LODGE ESTATE. BOTH OF THESE SUBJECTS WERE FEATURED IN RECENT EDITIONS OF THE BULLETIN. LATEST NEWS, TOO, OF THE BRAUGHING EXCAVATIONS.

SUBSCRIPTIONS, 1962/63: WILL THOSE MEMBERS WHO HAVE NOT YET PAID THEIR SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR THE CURRENT YEAR PLEASE SEND THEM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO THE HON. TREASURER, MRS. J. ADAMS, 14 UVEDALE ROAD, ENFIELD. MEMBERS ARE REMINDED OF THE REDUCED RATE OF SUBSCRIPTION FOR JOINT MEMBERSHIP.

A FIELD EXCURSION: A NEW MEETING TAKES ITS PLACE IN THE PROGRAMME OF THE SOCIETY IN MAY, WHEN THE FIRST OF A PROPOSED SERIES OF FIELD EXCURSIONS TO LOCAL ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES WILL BE ARRANGED.

THE ROMAN ERMINE STREET, BETWEEN WARE AND FLAMSTEAD END, CHESHUNT, HAS BEEN SELECTED FOR THE FIRST OF THESE EXCURSIONS, AND MEMBERS WHO WISH TO TAKE PART ARE ASKED TO ASSEMBLE AT THE CECIL ROAD 'BUS STOP AT 9.30 A.M. ON SUNDAY, 6TH MAY. AFTER TRAVELLING BY 'BUS TO WARE THE PARTY WILL WALK BACK TO CHESHUNT ALONG THE ROMAN ROAD.

PACKED LUNCHES SHOULD BE TAKEN, AND A STOUT PAIR OF WALKING SHOES. A WORD OF WARNING: THERE WILL BE EIGHT OR NINE MILES TO WALK; MEMBERS SHOULD CONSIDER THIS BEFORE DECIDING TO COME.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: THE FOLLOWING OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE WERE ELECTED AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ON 30TH MARCH:

PRESIDENT: FRANCIS CELORIA, B.A., PH.D., F.R.G.S.  
VICE-PRESIDENTS: DR. P. W. A. AGNEW: DR. W. W. WOOD  
CHAIRMAN: MR. F. GREGORY SECRETARY: MR. G. R. GILLAM  
TREASURER: MRS. J. ADAMS SOCIAL SECRETARY: MR. F. S. SMITH  
COMMITTEE: MR. J. N. ADAMS: MR. W. B. BARR: MR. J. CRACE:  
MR. J. GARBUTT: MISS G. PROFIT: MR. C. THOMPSON.

THE DRAFT OF THE REVISED CONSTITUTION WAS ADOPTED AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. THERE WAS ONE AMENDMENT, ITEM 8, FUNDS AND PROPERTY: THIS NOW READS:

"ALL THE SOCIETY'S ASSETS, EXCEPT CASH IN HAND AND AT BANK, SHALL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF ITS TRUSTEES, WHO SHALL ADVISE THE SOCIETY AS TO THEIR USE, EXCEPT THAT THE ASSETS SHALL NOT BE DISPOSED OF WITHOUT THE APPROVAL OF A TWO-THIRD MAJORITY AT A GENERAL MEETING CALLED FOR THAT PURPOSE."

EXCAVATIONS, 1962: WORK HAS STARTED AGAIN ON THE INVESTIGATION OF THE ROMAN ROADS NEAR BRAUGHING, HERTFORDSHIRE. THE AIM OF THESE INVESTIGATIONS IS TO LOCATE AND SECTION THE ROADS WHICH APPROACH A SMALL ROMANO-BRITISH TOWN SITE BETWEEN THE VILLAGES OF BRAUGHING AND PUCKERIDGE.

MEMBERS WHO WOULD LIKE TO HELP, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO HAVE A CAR, SHOULD GET IN TOUCH WITH THE SECRETARY. THE SITE IS DIFFICULT TO REACH WITHOUT PRIVATE TRANSPORT, BUT IT MAY BE POSSIBLE TO CONVEY ONE OR TWO PEOPLE IN THE CARS AVAILABLE. HELP IS ALSO REQUIRED WITH WASHING AND MARKING OF POTTERY, POTTERY DRAWING, AND THE SEVERAL TASKS, APART FROM ACTUAL DIGGING, NECESSARY ON AN EXCAVATION.

PUBLICATIONS AVAILABLE: COPIES OF "THE ARCHAEOLOGIST" FOR 1960 ARE NOW AVAILABLE AND CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE SECRETARY, PRICE 2/10D. POST FREE. "THE ARCHAEOLOGIST" IS PUBLISHED ANNUALLY BY GROUP 10 OF THE COUNCIL FOR BRITISH ARCHAEOLOGY, AND LISTS AND DESCRIBES ALL THE FINDS AND EXCAVATIONS IN ESSEX, HERTS, LONDON AND MIDDLESEX. THIS RECENT ISSUE INCLUDES A DESCRIPTION OF A BRONZE AGE SWORD FOUND IN 1960 IN AN ENFIELD GRAVEL PIT.

A GAZETTEER OF LOCAL SITES AND FINDS OF THE ROMAN PERIOD CAN ALSO BE OBTAINED FROM THE SECRETARY, PRICE 2/3D. POST FREE.

LECTURE: DR. D. B. HARDEN, O.B.E., F.S.A., DIRECTOR OF THE LONDON MUSEUM, WILL GIVE HIS LECTURE ON "SAXON LONDON" AT 7.30 P.M. ON 4TH MAY AT ST. KATHERINES COLLEGE, TOTTENHAM. THIS WILL BE A JOINT MEETING WITH THE NORTH LONDON BRANCH, THE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION.

BRONZE AGE SPEARHEAD, ENFIELD: THE FOLLOWING NOTE HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM FRANCIS CELORIA:

ENFIELD, 850 YARDS SSW OF RAMNEY MARSH LOCK - TQ 374994. IN OCTOBER 1961 WAS FOUND DURING GRAVEL WORKINGS A BRONZE SPEARHEAD WITH BASAL LOOPS AT THE TRUNCATED BOTTOM OF THE BLADES. IT IS OF THE MIDDLE BRONZE AGE, OF A TYPE (WITH HIGH PARALLELS) WHICH MAY HAVE CONTINUED UNTIL THE LATE BRONZE AGE. SO MANY OF THIS TYPE HAVE BEEN FOUND IN THE MIDDLESEX AND THAMES AREA THAT IT HAS BEEN SUSPECTED THEY ARE OF LOCAL MANUFACTURE. THERE WAS SOME OF THE ORIGINAL WOOD IN THE SOCKET, AND THIS WAS IN SUFFICIENTLY GOOD CONDITION TO WARRANT A TENTATIVE IDENTIFICATION THAT IT WAS ASH. THE SPEARHEAD WAS FOUND IN A WORKING SITE BELONGING TO THE TWICKENHAM GRAVEL COMPANY, BLACKWATER, SURREY. THEY RETAIN IT BUT HAVE KINDLY MADE IT AVAILABLE FOR PHOTOGRAPHING AND DRAWING AT THE LONDON MUSEUM.