

APRIL Diary

April 2nd Saturday :

42nd South Wales & West of England Regional Archaeology Conference.

At Llanhileth Miners Institute, Nr. Abertillery, Blaenau, Gwent. NP13 2JT

The programme looks interesting and is a worthwhile day out with several organized visits after the lectures programme.

If Interested Contact: Christine Silvester tel. 01905 354 679

April 6th Wednesday @ 6pm

No Charge

Visit to the New Territorial Army Headquarters. Organiser: Christine Silvester

Meet at 6pm at Pheasant Street entrance, Worcester

The Territorial Army have now moved into the refurbished Vinegar Works Vat House within the Lowesmoor development site.

Places are limited on this date but additional dates can be arranged if required.

April 14th Thursday

£8.00 each

Visit to Oxford by train.

Organiser: Christine Silvester

Meet before 8.45am [to collect group tickets] at Shrub Hill Station for the 9'oclock train to Oxford – due to arrive about 10.30am

There are a myriad of opportunities in Oxford, from the recently acclaimed revamp and extension to the Ashmolean Museum, the Pitt Rivers Museum, the Town Museum or Botanic Gardens.

For those that wish, a guided walk by Mike H will cover some of the industrial heritage remains, aspects of the former Midlands Railway station, the canal and its former basins and buildings, the last working boatyard on the Oxford canal [if it is still there and not yet housing] the former Lucy's metal works in Jericho [mostly housing], then the sites of the Saxon wall finishing at the Norman Castle, which now includes the very interesting Oxford Prison 'story' museum, which also gives [entrance cost not included] the paying public access to a medieval castle wall tower and its roof views, as well as access to the Norman mott. There is a cafe beside the ticket office and an Italian restaurant adjacent to the hotel entrance. The hotel is the conversion of the prison, which sound very interesting to see, but unfortunately not open to the general [non-resident] public.

MAY Diary

May 7th Saturday **£20 each**
Black Country Museum; [by coach] Organiser: Mike Hayzelden.

Coach leaves at 9:15am from the New Inn, Ombersley Rd

It is some years since the society has arranged a group visit to this local industrial museum; a lot has changed! We will be met for a short introduction, opportunity for coffee in the cafe and, for those that wish, the coal mine 'underground experience'. In the afternoon at about 2:30pm (confirmed on arrival) we will have a short 45min canal trip into the Dudley mine caverns with the Dudley Canal Trusts' electric narrow boats.

There are several opportunities for lunch; apart from the entrance cafe there is the Canalside Cafe, the Fish & Chip Shop [recent] and the Bottle & Glass Inn. The bakery has cakes for sale!

Recent new exhibits include; Gentlemen's outfitters, Workers Institute, Black Country Motor Company Ltd, Broome's Garage, plus the Newcomen steam engine, nailmaking, brass foundry, working horses, lime kilns, village crafts, rural cottages, the High Street and canal boat displays.

We shall leave at 4.45pm

Cost to include introduction, coal mine tour, use of trams and trolley busses and canal trip

May 13th Friday, 6.30pm for 7pm
40th Anniversary Dinner for the Society [at Boughton Golf Club]
See separate leaflet and booking form - Organiser: Christine Silvester

May 19th Thursday, 3pm **No Charge**
Behind the Scenes, Malvern Theatre Organiser: Christine Silvester

We are given an introductory talk on the history of the theatre followed by a backstage visit.

Places are limited on this date but additional dates can be arranged if required.

May 25th Wednesday, 6.30pm **No Charge**
Worcester University City Campus Organiser: Christine Silvester

This is old Infirmary. Meet at 6pm at the main reception

The number of places are not limited *but please* let Christine [01905 345679] know if you are intending to go.

May 27th Friday, 10.30am

No Charge

Inkberrow, [Friday Walking Group ramble] Organiser:Christine Silvester

The number of places are *not* limited *but please* let Christine [01905 345679] know if you are intending to go to arrange lift and meeting place, probably the Bull car park.

JUNE Diary

June 10th Friday

£18 each

Elan Valley and Aqueduct [by coach]

Organiser: Brian Draper

Coach leaves at 9:15am from the New Inn, Ombersley Rd

One of Brian's unique style journeys into Wales to visit the feeder reservoirs, dam and route of the Elan Aqueduct.

We stop in Hereford to get coffee/toilets/visit cathedral, etc. We follow the Wye Valley to Hay-on-Wye for a lunch stop (There are plenty of eateries in the town plus 35 second hand bookshops!). After lunch we will head for Rhayader and do a circuit of the reservoirs. We may be able get a tour into Pen-y-garreg dam [extra charge], but this is subject to their operational requirements. After a tour of the dams we will return to Rhayader for tea/toilet stop before returning home.

We should be back in Worcester just after 7pm.

June 24th Friday, 10.30am

No Charge

Upton, [Friday Walking Group ramble]

Organiser:Christine Silvester

The number of places are *not* limited *but please* let Christine [01905 345679] know if you are intending to go to arrange lift and meeting place, probably long stay car park, turn right after the river bridge and on the left, behind toilets.

June 26th Sunday, 2.30pm

£3.00 each on the day

White Ladies Aston & Peopleton churches

Organiser: Mike Wall

**Meet at White Ladies Aston [grid ref: 921,528] at 2.30pm,
Peopleton [grid ref: 938,504] church at 3.30pm**

Mike Wall will give his usual introduction to the glories of these two churches on arrival. There will be guide books available in each church [£2.50-£3] by Mike Wall.

The £3 collection will be taken on arrival at Peopleton, to be apportioned to both churches. After Mike Wall's talk on Peopleton refreshments will be available in the church.

June 30th Thursday, 10.30am £3.00 each on the day
Bewdley: a history in pewter Organiser: Mike Hayzelden

Meet in Bewdley Museum, Load St [free entry] by the cafe at 10.30am

The museum opens at 10am, as does its cafe. The former pewter gallery has been closed but a member of the museum staff will meet us at the café at 10.30am [i.e. arrive earlier if you wish to have a coffee] and guide us on a demonstration of the pewtering process. This will be followed by a walk around Bewdley and Wribbenhall identifying the premises and extent of the trade's influence on Bewdley. We will finish at lunchtime back at the museum.

The £3 collection will be taken on arrival and is to cover contributions to the guides and the demonstration [the museum itself is local authority and has free entry].

JULY Diary

July 8th Friday & July 9th Saturday 2pm £3 each on day
Hadley Quarry, Ombersley [by car] Organiser: Mike Hayzelden

Rendezvous at 2pm in Ombersley on road in from Worcester [OS ref 845,635], on west side [going north, before the first house on the left].

Access to this now, private, garden is down a single track road, with parking for just 4 cars, i.e. 16 persons per visit, so we need to share cars and go in convoy! Drivers will be given directions in case! Access within the quarry is rough, steep, hewn steps and could be muddy! A good view is also obtainable from the easily accessible top garden.

The quarry is cut into triassic sandstone of 250 million years age, formed when England was near the equator. The stone is a very good building stone, being whitish grey rather than the red sandstone which occurs further north. The quarry is on the fault line between the Keuper marl and Keuper sandstone which tends to follow Hadley brook.

The quarry lasted till the end of the nineteenth century, and the method of extraction is clearly shown where they stopped working. Little documented records survive but it is thought that the quarry was worked in the 1600's.

Stone was used in the restoration of the cathedral, and in the building of St Stephens church Worcester and St Nicholas church Droitwich. The quarry is now one of the 'champions sites' identified by the Earth Heritage Trust based at the University of Worcester.

Tea will be provided afterwards in the house [former manager's], by the owners.

Places are limited on this date but additional dates can be arranged if required.

July 16th Saturday Lichfield [by coach]

£10 each
Organiser: Malcolm Nixon

Coach leaves at 9:00am [note earlier start] from the New Inn, Ombersley Rd

Malcolm will lead a morning walk around the town centre, with a break soon after we arrive for a coffee/comfort stop. The route will start by the bus station, then head down Bird Street, once known for its coaching inns (on the London Road), now pedestrianised and the street of cafes! We will finish before lunch in the market square [it is market day!] and adjacent to the Samuel Johnson Birthplace Museum [free but too small to take a group into] and the Lichfield Heritage Centre in the town church St. Mary's.

After finding lunch, Malcolm will take those that wish on a short guided walk on to and around the Cathedral Close. Backing onto the close is the Erasmus Darwin House (museum), member of the Lunar society (with Johnson) and grandfather of Charles Darwin (own exhibits here as well).

As an alternative, at 2.15pm the coach driver will take those that request it to the National Memorial Arboretum at Alrewas, just 5 miles north of Litchfield, with time for tea (good cafe).

The coach will leave Alrewas at 4.15pm and Lichfield at 4.45pm.

July 28th Thursday, 2pm Fladbury Mill, Fladbury [by car]

£4 each
Organiser: Mike Hayzelden

Meet at 2pm inside the front gate of the mill [OS ref 997,460], Fladbury.

This is a private house and garden and there is to be no parking at the property. There is no safe parking directly outside the property and the best option is a lay-by on the way down to the river bridge or around the Village Green and pub.

The mill is on the Village side of the Avon with Crophorne Mill at the opposite end of the weir. Although there has been a mill ascribed to Fladbury since Doomsday this building is C17th and C18th, built as a flour mill, converted in 1888 to an electricity generator as a private.

There is much to see here, including the garden if the weather is fine, but the machinery is in a more confined space, restored and maintained by the owner. He will explain the operation to small groups at a time. His researched history leaflet will be available [for about £2]. Tea/coffee/squash will be provided. The society will 'donate' to his mill and orchard restoration fund.

July 29th Friday, 10.30am Chaddesley Corbett, [Walking Group] Organiser:Christine Silvester

No Charge

The number of places are *not* limited *but please* let Christine [01905 345679] know if you are intending to go to arrange lift. Meet by the church lychgate, parking along road.

AUGUST Diary

August 5th Friday, 6.30pm
Droitwich Canal Walk, Hawford

No charge
Organiser: Roger Tapping

Meet at 6.30pm at Lock Lane, Hawford [1st left off A449 Os ref 846,598]

This is the road to Hawford school with plenty of roadside parking. Roger will lead a 2hr circular walk around the restored locks and new tunnel under the A449.

August 13th Saturday, 10am **£18 each**
Wythall Transport Museum & bus Trip **Organiser: Roy Fidoe**

Meet at 10am at the museum, Wythall [off A425, north jct 3, M42 – B47 6JX]

The cafe will open early to serve coffee, with time to look around the museum. At 11.30am we board the 1960's D9 Midland Red heading for Avoncroft Museum of Buildings, where we stop for lunch. Cost includes entrance to the museum. The Edwardian Cafe serves a selection of meals. You can also order from set menu [£6 each] in the 1st floor function room (see order form).

We depart about 2pm for Worcester via the A38. It is hoped to make a short photo stop at Foregate St. Station before returning to Wythall by 5pm.

August 21st Sunday, 2.30pm **£3.00 each on the day**
Crophorne church **Organiser: Mike Wall**

Meet at Crophorne church, park nearby or at the village hall [OS 001,452, 50yds]

Mike Wall will give his usual introduction to this fascinating church. The £3 collection will be taken on arrival. After Mike Wall's talk and time to look around we intend to have tea locally, possibly at the village hall but currently it is under renovation so may not be completed in time.

September 6th [Tuesday] to 8th [Friday]

Societies Away Trip to Cambridge **Organiser: Roger Tapping**

This booking is now closed and full, and with a waiting list, but contact Roger if you wish to go on the reserve list.

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BOOKING FORM p1

Address

Post Code:

Tel:

Email:

April 6th Wednesday @ 6pm: New Territorial Army Headquarters.

We do not wish to book this trip.

We would be interested in another date

Please allow for places (No Payment except Non-members £1.00 on day)

April 14th Thursday:

Visit to Oxford by train

We do not wish to book this trip.

Cost : £8 each

Please Reserve places

Total Enclosed £

Names

Non-member £1.00 extra

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May 7th Saturday :

Black Country Museum; by coach

We do not wish to book this trip.

Cost : £20 each

Please Reserve places

Total Enclosed £

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May 19th Thursday, 3pm Behind the scenes at Malvern Theatre

We do not wish to book this trip.

We would be interested in another date

Please Reserve places

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BOOKING FORM p2

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Post Code:

Tel:

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June 10th Friday

Elan Valley and Aqueduct [by coach]

We do not wish to book this trip.

Cost : £18 each

Please Reserve places

Total Enclosed £

Names

Non-member £1.00 extra

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June 26th Sunday

White Ladies Aston & Peopleton churches

We do not wish to book this trip.

Please allow for places

£3 each on the day

Numbers please to estimate volume of tea & cake!

Non-members extra £1.00 on day

June 30th Thursday, 10.30am

Bewdley: a history in pewter

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July 8th Friday, 2pm

Hadley Quarry, Ombersley [by car]

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We would be interested in another date

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Contact Address

Post Code:

Tel:

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July 9th Saturday 2pm

Hadley Quarry, Ombersley [by car]

Please Reserve places

£3 each on day

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Non-members £1.00 on day

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July 16th Saturday

Litchfield [by coach]

We do not wish to book this trip.

Cost : £10 each

Please Reserve places

Total Enclosed £

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July 28th Thursday, 2pm

Fladbury Mill [by car]

We do not wish to book this trip.

Cost : £4 each

Please Reserve places

Total Enclosed £

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The booking forms pages in part or all to be returned to the Summer Programme Co-ordinator;

Mike Hayzelden, 38, Beckett Road, Northwick, Worcester, WR3 7NH

Address

Post Code:

Tel:

Email:

August 13th Saturday Wythall Transport Museum & bus Trip

We do not wish to book this trip.

Cost : £18 each

Please Reserve places

Total Enclosed £

Names

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August 13th Saturday Wythall

Pre-Book Lunches

In Function room to the Edwardian Cafe

@£6each

Please allow for places

Additional Enclosed £

Please indicate choices from below; which includes a self-service salad bar plus a hot tea/coffee or cold drink.

Ploughman's - Ham platter

Ploughman's - Cheese platter

Jacket Potato - Cheese filling

Jacket Potato - Tuna mayo filling

August 26th Sunday

Crothorne church

We do not wish to book this trip.

Please allow for places

£3 each on the day

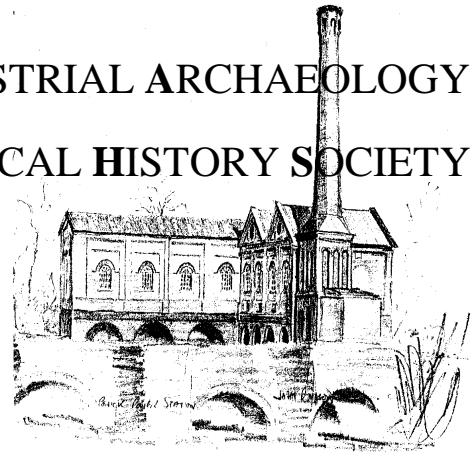
Numbers please to estimate volume of tea & cake!

Non-members extra £1.00 on day

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SUMMER PROGRAMME 2011

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**Mike Hayzelden,
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Northwick,
WORCESTER,
WR3 7NH**

If you wish your bookings to be confirmed please include one stamped, self-addressed envelope [SAE] approx 3" x 6" **or an email address IF you want a confirmation of your booking.**

A separate cheque for each paid for trip is preferred. Cheques will be banked two weeks before each trip. If you prefer to send one cheque for several trips, it will be banked with the first visit.

Last year we had late cancellation or non appearance after arrangements were made or paid. This has prompted the committee to agree that **bookings cancelled [with the trip organiser] within 7 days of the trip will not be refunded**, unless there are extenuating circumstances. Refunds by cheque will incur a small administration fee.

Remember **non-members have to pay an extra £1 per trip** as day membership, in order to be covered by our insurance.

Pick-up is New Inn Ombersley Road; park at rear of their car park, but please share and double park vehicles to keep most of the car park free for the pub's use, particularly on the Saturday trips.

WIA & LHS - Summary of Summer Programme 2011

- Saturday **2nd April** - South Wales & West of England Regional IA Conference
- Wednesday **6th April** 6 pm - Visit to New Territorial Army Headquarters
- Thursday **14th April** – Oxford by train £8.00 each
- Saturday **7th May** – Black Country Museum, by coach from New Inn - £20 each
- Friday **13th May**, 6.30pm for 7pm – 40th Anniversary Dinner for the Society.
- Thursday **19th May**, 3pm – Behind the Scenes at Malvern Theatre
- Wednesday **25th May** 6.30pm - Worcester University City Campus [Old Infirmary Site]
- Friday **27th May** 10.30am – Inkberrow walk about
- Friday **10th June** – Elan Aqueduct and Valley with Brian Draper, by coach £16 each
- Friday **24th June** 10.30am – Upton walk about
- Sunday **26th June**, 2.30pm – White Ladies Aston & Peopleton Church with Mike Wall
- Friday **1st July**, 10.15am – Bewdley’s History of the Pewter Trade
- Friday **8th July**, 2pm – 1st visit and Saturday **9th July**, 2pm – 2nd visit to Hadley Quarry.
- Saturday **16th July** – Lichfield, by coach 9.00am at New Inn, led by Malcolm Nixon £10 each
- Thursday **28th July**, 2pm – Fladbury Mill. £4 each
- Friday **29th July**, 10.30am – Chaddesley Corbett walk about.
- Friday **5th August**, 6.30pm – Droitwich Barge Canal Walk [2hrs] with Roger Tapping.
- Saturday **13th August** – Midland Red Bus trip from Wythall Museum, Cost £18 each
- Sunday **21st August**, 2.30pm – Cropthorne Church with Mike Wall
- Tuesday **6th to Thursday 8th September** – Cambridge Trip – separate bookings now closed
- Friday **16th September** – First Winter Lecture Programme.