

NASNEWS



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THE JOURNAL

Good news! Part of the next Journal (Volume 23) is already at the printers. If all goes well we hope to publish the Journal this June. At last, things are moving on the publication front. At this point we should stress that at a recent NAS committee meeting it was decided that only those amongst you who have renewed your membership at the current subscription fee will receive the Journal.

SUBSCRIPTION FEES

The current rates are as follows:

Individual £10, Student £8, Family £12, Institution £15.

Those of you who have renewed at the old rates please could you forward the extra to The Secretary as soon as possible to receive your Journal which is excellent value as it retails to non-members at a considerably higher price than the membership fees!

NAS FUTURE MEETINGS

Tuesday 14 April 1992. 7.00p.m.

There will be a guided tour of the new Northamptonshire Records Office. Meet at the entrance. The Records Office is in Wootton Hall Park at the back of the new fire station and the Archaeology Unit.

Saturday 23 May 1992 1.00p.m

There will be a guided tour of Peterborough Cathedral by Donald Mackreth. Meet outside the west front of the cathedral.

Tuesday 23 June 1992 7.30p.m.

Brian Giggins will give the Society a guided tour of Great Brington church. Meet at the church at the above time. This promises to be an interesting tour as the church has recently received much media attention following the funeral of Earl Spencer there.

We hope you will enjoy these three tours. They all promise to be extremely interesting and entertaining.

UPPER NENE ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Friday 24 April 1992 7.45p.m.

At the Countryside Centre in Guildhall Road, Eddie Price will talk about his site "The Frocester Court Iron Age and Roman Villa Excavations"

THRAPSTON DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETINGS

Thursday 2 July 1992 6.30 p.m.

An evening leisure walk leaving Titchmarsh at the above time. Meet at the church.

Friday 17 July 1992 6.30p.m.

Hugh Richmond will lead a tour around the churches of Denford, Ringstead and Raunds. Meet at Denford church. This promises to be an excellent tour given by one of the greatest authorities on English architecture.

BOZEAT HISTORICAL & ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Tuesday 12 May 1992 8.00p.m.

Tony Brown will give a talk entitled "In the footsteps of the Anglo-Saxons". Bozeat Working Men's Club.

SOUTH NORTHANTS ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Monday 27 April 1992 8.00p.m.

Sean Steadman will give a talk entitled "The Contracts Section of the County Council Archaeology Unit." at The Royal Oak in Blisworth.

WOLVERTON & DISTRICT ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Wednesday 15 April 7.30p.m.

In St. Mary's Parish Room, London Road, Stony Stratford, Rachel Watson will talk about "Delapre Abbey and its archive". I could have sworn the archive had moved to Wootton Hall Park! (Ed)

THE NAS A.G.M.

This year we have decided to move the A.G.M. to October instead of April. We have done this because the new financial year starts on 1 September and this will make our accounting simpler. We will also be able to give those members attending the meeting a better statement of our accounts.

THE NEXT EDITION OF NASNEWS

I am hoping to give notice of even more lectures and meetings taking place up and down the County. If your society is having a meeting, an outing or you just simply have some archaeological news, please send the information to me at the above address. It will be good publicity for you as NASNEWS has a readership of about 200 and is probably the only archaeological newsletter in the county that publishes events taking place throughout the whole of the County. (Ed)

FINALLY

Mention should be made of the closure on 29 March of the BBC transmitting station at Daventry. Last year, members received an excellent guided tour of the site by Dennis Jackson. The masts will disappear but the archaeology will remain. The hillfort at Borough Hill Daventry was first occupied in the late Bronze Age. Eventually in the Iron Age and Early Roman periods there were to be three lines of bank and ditch defences. Nevertheless, Borough Hill will continue to remain one of the largest hill forts in Britain.