

Carshalton & District History & Archaeology Society

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Spring 2026 Newsletter

Welcome to our Spring Newsletter which details our planned talks and outings. All talks are held at Milton Hall, Cooper Crescent, Carshalton SM5 2DL and start at 2:30 p.m. and include tea and cakes after. Non members are most welcome to join us at a cost of £3

Over this year we will be organising nine events, six talks and two coach outings, with one outing using public transport to a more local event.

We have a dedicated Programmes Committee of five members that do all the organizing. They have produced an interesting and varied programme for us over the years, but are now fewer in number than we have had in the past; this has increased the workload on each member.

Each outing has to be carefully planned to make sure it is suitable and safe. The venue has to be checked to ensure the facilities including catering, guided tour and safe access are all in place.

The Programmes Committee is a friendly group that meets to share ideas and plan our future events. To continue to produce an

interesting and varied programme they would like some extra help to share the organization. So please, if you are able, come and talk to the current members and help to spread the work load.



The current members of the committee are Phil Groves, Clive Orton, Bev Shew, Brenda Allen and Jean Kirby. They would love to meet you.

Saturday 7th March 2026

Annual General Meeting

We will elect the officers to manage our organisation for the coming year and review the accounts.

This will be followed by a review of the events and activities of the last year.

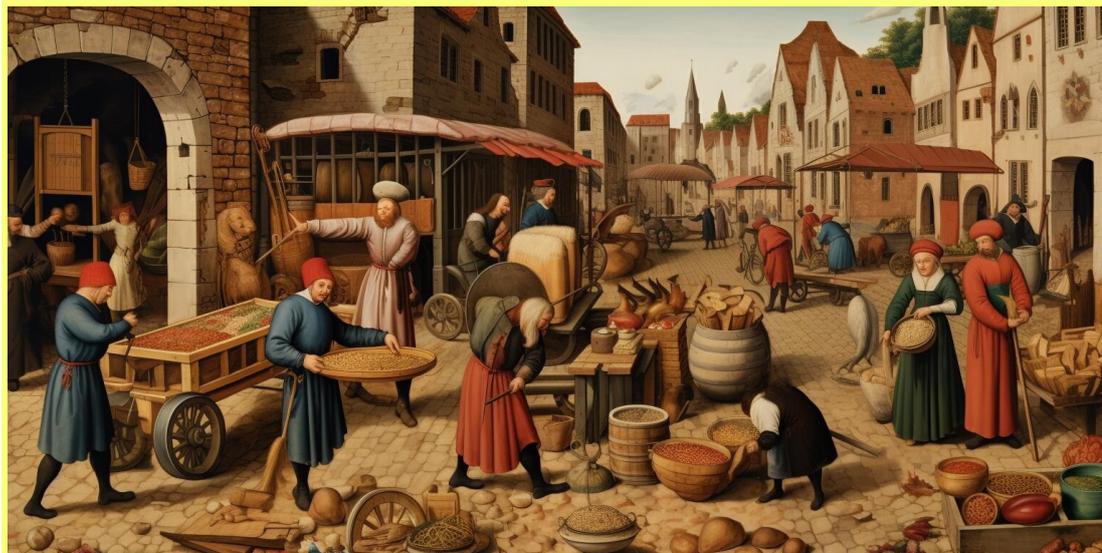
John Phillips will give us a review about local heritage issues.



Saturday 11th April 2026 A talk by Jacqui Pearce

Tavern Trade and Daily life in Post-Medieval Bermondsey

This talk focuses on a remarkably rich and varied assemblage of 17th and 18th Century artefacts excavated on a site in Tanner Street in 2012. Covering a wide spectrum of activities, occupations and levels of society, these include ceramics, glass, clay tobacco pipes, pewter, copper alloy, wood, leather, bone and ivory, with objects as diverse cloth seals, spoons, book mounts, wine



bottles and glasses, bird feeders and a mallet for playing pall mall from sources ranging from the English Midlands to the Far East

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William Kilburn Botanical Illustrator and Eminent Calico Printer.

by speaker from Wandle Industrial Museum



Tuesday 2ND JUNE 2026 Godington House, Near Ashford, Kent

Godington House, near Ashford, is mainly a Jacobean House with a medieval Great Hall, set in formal early 20th century gardens with an age old Yew hedge. It is particularly notable for its carved wooden mantelpieces and staircase, frescoes, 18th and 19th century English and European furniture and its porcelain collection. It is managed by a Trust and has only been open to the public since the end of the 20th century.

Coffee, tea and biscuits will be available from reception on arrival, but lunch and teas have to be booked. See the booking form for details.

The coach will leave Shotfield, Wallington at 10am, Ruskin Road Carshalton at 10.10am and The Quadrant Sutton at 10:20am, to reach Godington House by 12:30pm. This will leave time to have lunch before the one hour tour of the house at 2pm. The coach will leave at 5pm to give time to have tea and explore the gardens.

The cost is £38 per person which includes coach and tour.



Group Organizer is Brenda Allen phone 01737 354690 or mobile phone (on day only) 07594565039

Dorney Court, Windsor Wednesday 12th August 2026

Dorney Court is described as one of the finest Tudor Manor Houses in England, is Grade 1 listed and was built in the 15th century. It has been home to the Palmer family for almost 500 years and referred to in the Domesday Book as owned by Miles Crispin a wealthy landowner with links to land in Beddington.

There is only limited access to the public as this is a private home but the Society have arranged a private visit on Wednesday 23rd July that will include a 1.5 hour guided tour, including the nearby church of St James the Less.

The Crocus Garden Centre is a five minute walk from the House. Situated in a walled garden the Garden Centre has a cafe for lunch, refreshments and disabled toilet facilities. Visitors are encouraged to use the toilets in the Garden Centre. One can picnic within the grounds. For those unable to access the stairs to view the upper rooms of the house a DVD tour is available. There is much of historical and archaeological interest at Dorney Court and its Estate.

Dorney Court House Windsor (Continued)

The cost is £45 per person.

The coach will leave Shotfield at about 10:00, Ruskin Road, Carshalton at 10:10 and The Quadrant Sutton at 10:30.

The organizer is Bev Shew telephone 0208 669 6721 and mobile (for use only on morning of trip) 07906 483589. Bev is being assisted with these arrangements by Phil Groves whose mobile number is 07710 549268



October 2026 The House Mill, Three Mill Lane Stratford London E3 3DU. Self travel.

The House Mill is a Grade 1 listed 18th Century tidal mill, situated on the River Lea near Stratford within the historic Three Mills Complex in the heart of London's East End and is the world's largest surviving tidal mill. We shall be taken on a conducted tour of the mill where hot drinks will be available before or after the tour.

It is a 5 minute walk from Bromley by Bow underground station on the District and Hammersmith and City Lines or a 10 minute walk from Stratford Station on the Elizabeth Line underground and DLR.

Further details to follow in the Summer Newsletter.

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Booking Form for 2026 Coach Trips

To:- Phil Groves, 2 Hilliard Court, Demesne Road, Wallington, Surrey SM6 8EE
e-mail: phil_c_groves@yahoo.co.uk

My name is

My e-mail:

Mobile Phone No (to receive text message): 07.....

Other telephone number

I will be boarding the coach at **Shotfield**, Wallington.....

I will be boarding the coach at **Ruskin Road**, Carshalton...

I will be boarding the coach at **The Quadrant**, Sutton.....

Please book place(s) for me on the following outing(s):

** Note: there is a £1 additional administrative fee for guests who are non-Members of the Society*

Tuesday 2nd June – Godington House Ashford, Kent, TN23 3BP {godintonhouse.co.uk}

Closing date for booking 4th May (___ place/s) @£38-00 £_____

From the LUNCH menu at Goddington House costing £8-00, including Coffee or Tea, I would like to order

Cheese, Chutney & salad Bap Ham, Chutney & salad Bap £_____

(this will allow us to PRE-ORDER Baps)

I will bring a PACKED LUNCH

I would like to join the CREAM TEA costing £7-00 £_____

(again this must be PRE-ORDERED)

I will NOT join the Cream Tea

TOTAL £_____

I enclose my cheque for £_____ for this trip. Cheques will NOT be banked until w/c 25 May

Wednesday 12th August – Dorney Court Windsor, SL4 6QP {dorneycourt.co.uk}

Closing date for booking 13th July (___ place/s) @£45-00 £_____

I enclose my cheque for £_____ for this trip. Cheques will NOT be banked until w/c 3 Aug

NEXT OF KIN: *This is required for all participants, in accordance with our Risk Assessment protocols*
Name

Phone No

Saturday 4th October Self-Travel visit to House Mill E3 3DU {housemill.org.uk}

House Mill is an 18thC Tidal Mill located in Bromley-by-Bow; the station is served by District and Hammersmith & City underground lines – then approx. 6-minute walk, ~450m

We plan to book a **Tour**, but are required to advise **numbers** participating in our Group.

Please therefore indicate if you plan to attend by **4 September**.

There is a **£10** admission charge. **I will join the trip to The Mill House** ___