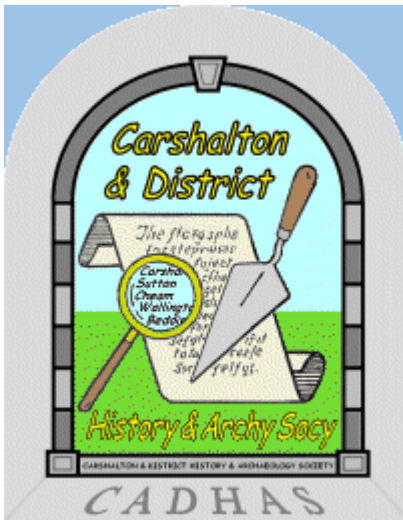




Carshalton & District History & Archaeology Society

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Summer 2026 Newsletter

Welcome to our Summer Newsletter which has details of the summer outings that our Programmes Committee have put together. We have been able to reduce the price by subsidising the cost of the coach fare so please see if you can encourage a friend or two to join you on our outings.

Visit to Dorney Court

On Wednesday 12th August 2026

You will recall that last year at relatively short notice our proposed visit to Dorney Court was cancelled by the venue owing to a more lucrative filming opportunity.

Dorney Court, one of England's most uniquely beautiful picturesque Tudor Manor Houses set in mature parkland is a Grade 1 listed 15th Century Early Tudor House, described as "One of the finest Tudor Manor Houses in Britain". Recorded in the Domesday Survey, it is a private home having been lived in by the Palmer family for almost 500 years with very limited access to the public.

The interior of the house is a living family home, a series of beautifully furnished rooms influenced by those who have lived there throughout the changing centuries with sculptures, tapestries, paintings and family portraits. For those unable to access the stairs there is a DVD tour of the upstairs rooms available to view. The estate comprises a working farm and outbuildings and a former coach house within which is an interesting interpretation of Dorney Court's Victorian brewery.



(Dorney Court Continued)

The 1.5 hour tour includes a visit to the nearby church of St James the Less.

The Crocus Garden Centre where we will leave the coach is located a five minute walk from the house and is where tea coffee and light refreshments are available along with a more expensive chef inspired menu.

We have arranged a subsidized coach visit and tour of the house to go ahead on Wednesday 12th August 2026. The coach will leave from Shotfield Wallington at 10:00, Ruskin Road Carshalton at 10:10 and The Quadrant Sutton at 10:20.



Visit to House Mill

Three Mills Lane, London E3 3DU

on Wednesday 7th October 2026

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; it is the worlds largest surviving Tidal Mill.

A tour of the Mill has been booked for 2pm at a cost of £10 per person, which includes the tour, coffee or tea and a booklet about the mill.

To reach the Mill take the District Underground Line from Victoria Station to Bromley by Bow. At the Station turn left along the main road. Go down the steps to the footway under the road. Go through and continue along the Three Mills Lane opposite. Go past Tesco on the right and over the River Lea to the mills complex. The House Mill on the left and the Three Mills on the right. This is a 5-10 minute walk from Bromley by Bow underground station.

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Going past the House Mill and round the corner to the left is the Three Mills Green which has seats and where a picnic lunch could be eaten. There are no cafes in the area but a lunch of sandwiches etc can be pre booked at The House Mill at a cost of less than £10. Please preorder on the booking form. A menu and exact cost will be sent nearer the time.

Group Organizer is Brenda Allen phone 01737 354690 or mobile phone on day only 07594 565039.



2026/27 Winter Programme of Talks

Saturday 7th November 2026

Paper Conservation by Joyce Brown

Joyce has been cleaning, repairing and generally restoring different sorts of documents that would otherwise be illegible and useless to researchers and anyone interested in various archives including Sutton.

Material from the Weiner Library ,the Polish Underground Trust and Sutton will be mentioned and shown.





Saturday 5th December 2026

The History of RAF Kenley. WAAFs and war brides.

A talk by Linda Duffield

A whistle stop tour through the History of RAF Kenley sharing some of the stories of people who served there.

Saturday 10th January 2027

(please note: this is the second Saturday in January 2027.)

The excavation of the Red Lion Playhouse and what it tells us about 16th century playing.

A talk by Steven White of MOLA.



Saturday 6th February 2027

The Carews of Beddington, a failing Dynasty a tale of over ambition, ill luck, idleness and debauchery.

A talk by John Phillips.

Saturday 6th March 2027

Annual General Meeting together with a review of the Societies activities, and a summary of fieldwork.

Saturday 3rd April 2027

A History of Cadiz. A talk by Brenda Allen.

Booking Form (Amended) 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**..... ☐ @ 10-00

I will be boarding the coach at **Ruskin Road, Carshalton**...☐ @ 1010

I will be boarding the coach at **The Quadrant, Sutton**.....☐ @ 10-20

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*

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

There is a café for light refreshments in the Kitchen Gardens area. They have a range of Burgers, Pasta, Salads or Fish ~£15 or sandwiches ~£12. (see crocus.co.uk/Dorney-court/ and view the Menu page)

Alternatively, you may wish to bring a packed lunch.

The pick-up times will be

Shotfield, Wallington 10-00

Ruskin Road, Carshalton 10-10

The Quadrant, Sutton 10-20

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

Phone No

Wednesday 7th 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 payable to the venue.

I will join the trip to The Mill House YES ☐ / No ☐

There is a café on-site – if you wish to pre-book a sandwich - please view the 'Café' page on the website and indicate here.