

The Wychwoods Local History Society

The October meeting of the Society will be the first to be held on a Thursday evening. All subsequent meetings will be held on the second Thursday of each month alternating between Shipton and Milton. All meetings begin at 7.30pm. Old and new members welcome with the subscription of £4 for individuals and £6 for a couple and £6 for Overseas members. Visitors are also welcome to any meeting at £1 per head per meeting.

15 October Shipton AGM followed by Shipton's Magic Lantern

Peter Coveney

19 November Milton Chipping Norton Museum – John Howells

17 December Shipton The Matthews Family and the Mill – Ian Matthews

The Wychwoods Millennium Exhibition

Wychwoods Local History Society will be holding an exhibition in the year 2000, so a date for your diary is Saturday 29 & Sunday 30 April and Monday 1 May 2000 in the Beaconsfield Hall, Shipton. We will be holding an Open Meeting on Tuesday 22 October at 7.30pm in Milton Village Hall. Anyone, member or non-member, who is interested in helping with the exhibition in any way will be welcome. The Society needs help and ideas for displays and research, and also help with the preparation staging and stewarding. May 2000 seems a long time away but no doubt it will come up on us rather fast, so please come along to the meeting or speak to any committee member about what you would like included.

City Fields, Country Gardens by Michael Hyde

Born in Shipton in 1908 Michael Hyde was one of the sons of Mr Pepper's groom at Shipton Court. He attended the local school, but had to move with his family as his father sought work elsewhere when Mr Pepper gave up the Court, initially at Wootton, near Woodstock, and then to Yorkshire. Following a career in teaching, Michael took over an allotment near his retirement home. For 25 years he contributed monthly articles to the 'Guardian' on all aspects of allotmenting. Recently, some of these articles have been edited into a book "City Fields, Country Gardens, Allotment Essays" published by Five Leaves Publishing, P.O. 81, Nottingham, NG5 4ER at £7.99 post free.

W.O.D.C. SKIPS FOR OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER

Ascott	2nd December	High Street (Near Playingfields)
Lyneham	25th November	Priory Road Layby
Milton	28th October	Church Road, Reade Close
	25th November	Church Road, Jubilee Lane
Shipton	11th November	Coombes Close, Swinbrook Road