

THE WYCHWOODS LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

By the time you read this magazine the society should have held the first two of its winter monthly meetings, the second of which included its AGM. The society also helped with the successful conference 'Oxfordshire Past' in the New Beaconsfield Hall, and has undertaken some outdoor activities. There was a visit to a deserted medieval village site at Ilbury near Deddington, field walking to the south of Shipton, a 'humps and bumps' survey at Manor Farm, Ascott and a third visit to the newly re-opened NT property at Lodge Park, Sherborne.

Wychwoods Local History Society has commissioned a full colour mug and plate to celebrate the millennium in the Wychwoods. Drawn by Wendy Pearse, secretary of WLHS, the fine bone china mug has a panoramic view of the three Wychwoods villages in the Evenlode valley, while the 8 inch porcelain plate has full colour drawings of sixteen local buildings. The mug and plate will be available from October priced £4 for the mug and £6.50 for the plate. The profit from sales will be used to fund the WLHS Millennium Exhibition WYCHWOODS 2000 to be held in the New Beaconsfield Hall over the May Day Bank Holiday 2000 on 29 & 30 April 10am to 5pm and 1 May 10am to 1pm. Further information from John Rawlins, 830668 or Sue Jourdan, 830179.

There are also available some of the two earlier designs of mugs. They are in black and white and feature Shipton and Milton churches. Please contact Peggy Chapman on 830498

Mugs and plates are always on sale at all monthly meetings as well as past issues of the society's journals 'Wychwoods History'. All meetings begin at 7.30 pm. Old and new members always welcome, as are visitors at £1 per session.

Future Meetings:

- 18 Nov. at Milton – Aviation Heritage in the Cotswolds by Graham Pitchfork
 16 Dec. at Shipton – Old Coaching Roads by Martin Way

