



Chairman's Column

2010 Annual General Meeting

Welcome to all members attending the Society's 43rd Annual General Meeting. The agenda and all supporting documentation are included in this Newsletter. The formal part of the evening will be followed by Cheese and Wine.

Changes at 'the Top'

I am pleased to advise members that the dilemma concerning finding a new Chairman and Treasurer & Membership Secretary has now been resolved. Subject to their being elected at the AGM, our current Vice-Chairman, Alan Rose, has agreed to stand as Chairman. For one year only I am willing to act as Vice-Chairman to assist Alan and the Committee during this transition period. Gill has volunteered to stand as Treasurer & Membership Secretary, with assistance from Maureen Greenham.

July Meeting

Due to shortage of space in this special AGM issue of the Newsletter, the write-up on Ali Morse's talk on 'The Itchen Navigation Project' at our last meeting has had to be held over to the next issue. We made a donation of £75 to the Hampshire & Isle of Wight Trust towards the project and that will secure 'matched' funding from elsewhere, under a multiplier formula. More details of this in the September

2010 - a canal odyssey

With a few days to go, plans are in place for the Newbury Waterways Festival which will take place this year on Sunday 25th July in its usual place at Victoria Park in Newbury.

2010 is a landmark year in the life of the Kennet & Avon canal as we celebrate 200 years since completion of this important water route from Reading to Bristol. This year's Festival will be focussing on ensuring the future of the canal so it can remain as a valuable heritage and leisure asset for the people of southern England for another 200 years. To reflect this, the Festival will have "2010 – a canal odyssey" as its theme.

Boats will start arriving for the Festival on Friday 23rd July. This year the historic working boat 'Nuneaton' will be visiting as part of its annual coal run.

Dressed up for display on Sunday, the public will have a chance to see inside a range of narrow boats ancient and modern.



Kennet & Avon Canal
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Boat trips return to Newbury this year as the Festival and Kennet Cruises will be bringing vintage trip boat 'Lancing' from Burghfield for the weekend. Boat trips will depart on both Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th from the Wharf, outside the Stone Building.

As usual the Festival will feature a wide range of stalls providing an opportunity to shop, eat, learn or try your luck at winning. And plenty of opportunities for

the kids to play at the funfair and on the land train. Local jazz duo "Idle Words" will entertain visitors during the day. The Festival will conclude with the traditional duck race when more than a thousand plastic ducks race to win their sponsor a prize.

The Festival will take place between 10am to 5pm on Sunday 25th and the Trust is delighted that Councillor Dr Ian Grose, Mayor of Newbury, will officially open the event at 11am. Chair of West Berks Council, Graham Pask, will also be attending during the day.

K&A Trust Press Release 25 June 2010

Prestigious award for Loxwood Lock

Loxwood Lock, situated on the Wey & Arun Canal at Loxwood, West Sussex, has just gained the runner-up award in the Community Benefit category in the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors' 2010 RICS Awards South East. The lock was part of a £1.8 million scheme managed by the Wey & Arun Canal Trust and completed in 2009.

The scheme involved lowering the existing and

restored Brewhurst Lock, lowering, by 1.6 metres, a stretch of canal more than 400 metres long, constructing a highway bridge in Loxwood High Street and building Loxwood Lock. The purpose of the lock is to raise the canal back up to its original level after it has passed under the B2133 main road.

The funding was principally provided by donations.

WACT Press Release 24 May 2010

Newsletter.

September Meeting

On 2 September we will be welcoming back Dennis Bright with his presentation on the 'Sparrow Hawk and other Birds of Prey'. A talk not to be missed.

Society Horse-Drawn Boat Trip

Another reminder that the Society has organised a horse-drawn boat trip from Kintbury on the Kennet & Avon Canal on Saturday 2 October. At present interest has been slow, so please sign up now, otherwise we might have to cancel this outing. Full information on this cruise is included in this Newsletter.

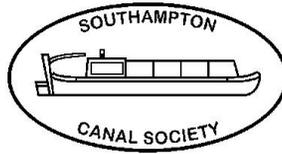
Day-Star Theatre

Have you got your tickets yet? See the advert elsewhere.

On a Personal Note

As members are aware, I will be retiring as the Society Chairman at the AGM, and this will therefore be my final "Chairman's Column." Over the last nine years since I became Chairman I have tried to include helpful reminders and news snippets in my column, and I hope you have always found them interesting and helpful.

Paul Herbert



SOUTHAMPTON CANAL SOCIETY
2010 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Chilworth Parish Hall, Chilworth, Southampton
Thursday 22 July 2010 at 7.45 pm

AGENDA

1. Announcements.
2. Apologies for Absence.
3. Minutes of 2009 Annual General Meeting held on 30 July 2009 (herewith) and matters arising.
4. Chairman's Report (herewith).
5. Secretary's Report (herewith).
6. Treasurer and Membership Secretary's Report (herewith). (Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 March 2010).
7. Review of Annual Subscription Rates.
8. Election of the following Officers:-
 - Chairman
 - Vice-Chairman
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer & Membership Secretary
9. Election of Committee (the Officers plus up to three other Society Members. Additional Members may be co-opted as required).
10. Any other business relevant to an Annual General Meeting, where prior notice of the item has been given.

Note: In accordance with the Society's Constitution, only fully paid up members are eligible to vote at a meeting of the Society. Individual members and affiliated member organisations are entitled to one vote. Joint or family membership entitles that category to a maximum of two votes. Only members aged 18 or over are eligible to vote. All votes have to be cast in person, no proxy votes being permitted.

Chairman's Report - 2009/10

As members are aware, I will be retiring as Society Chairman and from the Committee at this Annual General Meeting so this will be my ninth, and final, Chairman's Report, covering the period from April 2009 to March 2010.

Having joined the Committee in 1991, been elected Vice-Chairman in 1995 and then Chairman in 2001, and in addition been 'Minute Secretary' for nearly twenty years and Sales Stand Manager for a number of years, I feel it is now the time to hand over the mantle to someone else. I will still be around to offer such assistance as I can.

I have enjoyed my time as your Chairman and would like to take this opportunity to thank members, and in particular the Committee (both current and previous members) for their help and support over the years. I only wish that I had been able to achieve one of my main objectives, a sustained increase in membership.

My wife, Gill, has ably supported me with my Society responsibilities, and has in addition organised the monthly refreshments for the last six years or so. We would both like to extend our thanks, on behalf of the Society, to Brenda Pomeroy for volunteering to take over this function.

Looking back over the last year, I think all members will agree that we have enjoyed an interesting programme. Starting off in April 2009 we journeyed to Alaska and the Yukon with Alan Smith and then quickly moved a long way south when Dr Roger Squires took us through the Panama Canal. We accompanied Brian Evans all over the place, both at home and abroad, with his cine film, slides and tales. We joined Peter Jordan on the Kennet & Avon Canal and Tim Dodwell told us about his life before the Waterway Recovery Group. Into 2010 and we went around Britain in the 1970's with Eric and Sue Lewis before finishing off in March with Alan Copeland and his Chiltern Curiosities.

We enjoyed many other events, including our own Society Quiz and Silent Auction, which raised £400 for the Naomi House Children's Hospice; Day-Star Theatre's "Unpleasant Business"; finishing the calendar year with the annual Inter-Society Waterways Quiz, won by our colleagues from the IWA Salisbury Group. We unfortunately had to cancel our annual Members' Photographic Evening in January because of the snow (the very first time we have had to cancel a monthly meeting). Some of us

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participated in our 2009 Boat Gathering whilst many others travelled up the Thames on a Salter Bros 'Steamer'. We managed to squeeze into the Blue Hayes Restaurant for our second New Year Lunch (does that mean it is now an annual event?) and the following month we enjoyed another Skittles Evening.

Sadly we have lost a number of members and others associated with the Society, namely David James, Russell Coles (son of former members Tony & Jackie Coles) and Colin Ward (of the IWA Guildford & Reading Branch). More recently, of course, we lost Andy Berncastle, a long standing member of both our Society and IWA Solent & Arun Branch.

At National level the main issues during the year were the fear that British Waterway's Property Portfolio was at risk; the new threat to the waterways maintenance budget, resulting in public outcry, which really galvanised the waterway movement, involving many MPs and Government departments; and more recently the interesting (and sometimes confusing) issue about the future management of the waterways.

More locally the Basingstoke Canal continues to have had its problems, the Wey & Arun Canal restoration seems to go from strength to strength whilst progress has been maintained with the Itchen Navigation Project.

Our membership numbers have remained fairly static but our financial situation is still healthy.

As always, I would like to thank all those without whose efforts the Society would not be able to function. I must start with the other

officers and committee members : our Vice-Chairman, Alan Rose; Secretary, Angela Rose; Treasurer and Membership Secretary, Anne Coleman; Outings Organiser, Maureen Greenham; and Raffle Manager, David Townley-Jones. Thanks also to our Newsletter Editor and Webmaster, Peter Oates, our Auditor/Examiner, Laura Sturrock, and our President, Brian Evans, who is always so supportive.

Many thanks again to Alan Howarth for running the Society Library; to Laurie Pearce for his regular assistance with the raffle; and to Gill Herbert and her volunteers for providing our monthly refreshments. Our monthly raffle still remains our highest regular income and I would like to thank all those members who regularly donate prizes.

And finally, thanks to all those members who regularly turn up early to our monthly meetings and lay out the furniture and clear away at the end.

We have a good programme of speakers and other events already lined up for the future, including our boat trip on the Kennet & Avon Canal and the visit by Day-Star Theatre, both in October, and another Skittles Evening in the autumn (date to be arranged).

Our monthly Newsletter is so important for the Society and I would urge all members to contribute items in order to introduce even more interest.

I would like to conclude by thanking all members for your continued support of the Society as we prepare to enter our 44th year.

*Paul Herbert
Chairman*

Secretary's Report - 2009/10

As Secretary my thanks go first to Paul Herbert our Chairman for leading the Society through another successful and enjoyable year.

The Society was established 43 years ago in 1967. We are lucky some of our members still enjoy and support us with their knowledge and photographic evidence of the restoration and preservation carried out in the early 1960's.

Thank you to Maureen & Brian Greenham, we have all enjoyed the well organised trips and skittle evening.

Our meetings continue to be publicised in local newspapers and

national waterways magazines. Please continue to mention, at every opportunity, the existence of the Society to people living in our area who have an interest in the waterways.

Finally and most importantly. Paul is relinquishing his chairmanship after 9 years of office, on behalf on the members of the Southampton Canal Society we all give our thanks and appreciation for his hard work and dedication to us all. His successor will have a very hard act to follow.

*Angela Rose
Secretary*

Treasurer's Report - 2009/10

At first sight, the attached accounts for the year ending 31st March 2010 may seem alarming, as they appear to show a loss for the year of £468.39. However, this is due to large donations having been made to Naomi House, Wilts & Berks Canal Trust and Wey & Arun Canal Trust of £600, which were voted by members at last years AGM to be paid out of the accumulated cash in the bank at 31 March 2009.

However, as you can see, if we relied upon subscriptions, raffle and tea money only, this would not cover the ongoing costs of the Society such as hall Hire, newsletters etc, particularly now that the Hall Hire has been increased to £63 per month! The shortfall is made up by profits on the Christmas lunch, skittles and Daystar performance. This year's silent auction also made a profit, which was all donated to Naomi House, but we should perhaps think of organising more purely fundraising activities for the Club.

Membership has remained steady throughout the year, but the membership is aging and we have not acquired any new young members. I will accordingly be recommending to the committee that the subscription be increased for 2011.

The Club's position at 31 March 2010 was as follows:

Current Account	£829.17
Savings Account	£343.92
Cash in hand	£50.13
Total	£1223.22

Due to work and other commitments, I will be resigning as treasurer at this AGM and wish the new treasurer, whoever he or she may be, all the best for 2011.

*Anne Coleman
Treasurer*

SOUTHAMPTON CANAL SOCIETY

42nd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

THURSDAY 30 JULY 2009

MINUTES OF MEETING

1. CHAIRMAN

The Annual General Meeting was chaired by Paul Herbert, Chairman of Southampton Canal Society.

2. TEMPORARY SUSPENSION TO REQUIREMENT OF CONSTITUTION

The Chairman advised that he had become aware that the majority of Society members had never seen a copy of the Society's Constitution and were not probably even aware that such a document existed. That would be rectified as soon as possible when it would be reproduced in a future Newsletter.

The reason for raising the matter at this time was that, as per the note at the bottom of the AGM agenda, there was the reference to – *"In accordance with the Society's Constitution, only fully paid up members are eligible to vote at a meeting of the Society....."* – The Chairman reminded the meeting that, at the 2008 AGM, it had been agreed that the membership year be brought in line with the Society's financial year, viz. 1 April to 31 March. Due to an unfortunate oversight membership subscriptions had not been collected since 1 April 2009 (though some members had paid their subscriptions at the start of the meeting). It was therefore necessary to ask members if they were in agreement to temporarily suspend that element of the Constitution in order to permit all members, whether paid up or not, to vote at the meeting. This motion was **proposed** by Paul Herbert and **seconded** by Brian Evans. On being put to the vote all members were in favour of the motion.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were apologies for absence from:-

Ray Brooks, Sue Derbyshire, Ron & Myra Glover, Brian & Maureen Greenham, Adrienne Howarth, Eric & Sue Lewis, Peter Oates, Linda Pearce, Ann Phippard, Brenda Pomeroy, Alan & Angela Rose, Joan Smith, Laura Sturrock.

4. ATTENDANCE

A register was circulated and 20 members recorded their attendance. The attendance register forms part of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting.

5. MINUTES OF 2008 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING

The minutes of the 41st Annual General Meeting held on 31 July 2008 had been provided to all members in advance of the meeting.

On being put to the vote, the minutes were accepted by the members present. The Chairman signed the minutes as an accurate reflection of the business discussed at that meeting.

There were two matters arising from the minutes of the 2008 Annual General Meeting. The Chairman reminded the meeting that, under Any Other Business, it had been agreed that (1) the Committee would consider the alternatives of improving sound quality at our meetings; and (2) that members would be invited to raise any canal related matters at those meetings. David Townley-Jones gave members a progress report on item (1) and further information would be provided via the Newsletter in due course; whilst the Chairman confirmed that, whenever possible, the agreed policy regarding item (2) had been adhered to.

There were no other matters arising from members.

6. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman's report had been provided to all members in advance of the meeting. Therefore, Paul Herbert presented his report, as read, just highlighting items of particular note.

The Society had had another good year with a very successful programme of speakers and other monthly activities and some enjoyable outings. Our financial base remained sound, and we had been able to make donations to other waterways organisations. Sales of our branded clothing designs were continuing. We had introduced a new membership data base.

We had sadly lost two of our long standing members during the year, Michael Pomeroy and Alan Moore, whilst five others had retired from the Society.

As for the future, an interesting and varied programme of speakers and other activities had been arranged, including the return of DayStar Theatre. Our monthly Newsletter, which many members now received via email, remained our most important marketing tool and service to members, particularly to those unable to get to our meetings.

The Chairman thanked all those without whose efforts the Society would not be able to function.

There were no questions.

7. SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Secretary's report had been provided to all members in advance of the meeting. In the absence of Angela Rose, the Chairman presented the report on her behalf. The Secretary had thanked the Chairman for leading the Society through the last

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year, and her fellow committee members for their ideas and support. She provided a recap on the previous year's programme of speakers and trips etc. Sales of Society clothing had slowed down and she encouraged more sales.

There were no questions.

8. TREASURER AND MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Treasurer and Membership Secretary's report had been provided to all members in advance of the meeting. However, the accounts (Profit & Loss Comparison) from 1 April 2007 to 31 March 2009 had had to be tabled at the meeting. Members were given a little time to peruse those accounts before Anne Coleman presented her report.

Ann Coleman presented her report as read, highlighting items of particular note. The Society had a healthy bank balance and had been able to make year-end donations of £100 each to the Wilts & Berks Canal Trust and the Wey & Arun Canal Trust.

Regarding membership there had been net gains over the year but there remained a real need to recruit more members.

There was only one question from members regarding the accounts and that concerned the audit of the previous year's accounts, which was responded to by the Chairman.

It was **proposed** by Aelred Derbyshire and **seconded** by David Townley-Jones that the Treasurer and Membership Secretary's report and the accounts be accepted (subject to Audit) and that was approved by the members present.

9. REVIEW OF ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION RATES

The Committee had reviewed the Society's membership subscription rates bearing in mind the Society's current financial position and was recommending that there be no increase again, in respect of 2009/010.

It was **proposed** by Laurie Pearce and **seconded** by Alan Howarth that the recommendation be adopted.

10. ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

That part of the Annual General Meeting was chaired by the President, Brian Evans.

The President reminded members that all officer and committee posts were up for annual election.

Regarding the election of officers, the Chairman advised that he was willing to serve for one more year only. The Vice-Chairman, the Secretary and the Treasurer & Membership Secretary were willing to serve for a further year. Of the remaining Committee members, David Townley-Jones and Maureen Greenham had indicated their willingness to serve for a further year. Because of the travelling distance Peter Oates had not been able to attend meetings and had decided to retire from the Committee. However, he was willing to be co-opted for any future project etc that might require his expertise

The Chairman also advised that at the last AGM Maureen Greenham had been elected as Assistant Treasurer & Membership Secretary in order to provide Anne Coleman with assistance with those duties. Maureen Greenham had now resigned from that post as there was no further need of her support.

There had been no other nominations for officer posts or to the Committee prior to the meeting.

It was **proposed** by David James and **seconded** by Annegret Evans that all the existing Officers and Committee be re-elected en bloc, as follows:-

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>
Chairman	Paul Herbert
Vice-Chairman	Alan Rose
Secretary	Angela Rose
Treasurer & Membership Secretary	Ann Coleman
Other Committee Members	Maureen Greenham and David Townley-Jones

Upon being put to the vote, the above appointments were approved unanimously.

Peter Oates had confirmed his willingness to continue as the Society Webmaster and Editor of the Newsletter.

Laura Sturrock had confirmed her willingness to continue as the Society's Auditor/Examiner. Members confirmed that appointment.

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Alan Howarth thanked the Chairman and Committee for the work they carried out for the Society.

There had been no notice of any other business, relevant to an Annual General Meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm.

Southampton Canal Society
Income and Expenditure Account
Year ended 31 March 2010
(Provisional)

INCOME

Subscriptions	628.00
Donations	10.00
Events	2052.80
Interest	0.24
Raffle	408.00
Teas	138.87
Clothing Sales	59.00

3296.91

EXPENDITURE

Stationery, gifts, postage etc	145.98
Bank charge	4.00
Donations	825.00
Events	1661.50
Speakers	80.00
Raffle prizes	27.84
Tea	9.60
Newsletters	246.75
Insurance	213.57
IWA	47.00
Hall Hire	462.00
Other	42.06

3765.30

Excess of Expenditure over income

-468.39

This is mainly due to the large donations made out of accumulated profits

Southampton Canal Society
Income and Expenditure by Category
Year ended 31 March 2010
(Provisional)

INCOME

Club meetings

Subscriptions	628.00
Raffle	380.16
Teas	129.27

1137.43

Clothing Sales

59.00

Christmas lunch

Tickets sold 693.45

Boat Trip

Tickets sold 475.00

Skittles

Tickets sold 249.00

Raffle 32.00

281.00

Daystar Theatre

Tickets sold 440.00

Silent Auction

Takings 163.35

Donations

Received 10.00

10.00

Bank interest

Received 0.24

Totals 3259.47

EXPENDITURE

Stationery, gifts, postage etc	145.98
Speakers	80.00
Newsletters	246.75
Insurance	213.57
IWA	47.00
Hall Hire	462.00
Other	<u>42.06</u>

1237.36

-99.93

59.00

Blue Hayes 627.50 65.95

Salters Steamers 474.00 1.00

Cost of venue 240.00

240.00

41.00

Paid to Daystar 320.00 120.00

Naomi House 400.00

Wilts & Berks 100.00

Wey & Arun 100.00

K & A Canal Trust 50.00

Purton Hulks 50.00

Cotswold Canals 75.00

IWA South London 50.00

825.00

-815.00

Bank charges 4.00 -3.76

3727.86

-468.39

Waterways Diary

The following is a list of waterway events taking place within approximately 50 miles of Southampton. Whilst every effort is made to ensure the correctness of this information, please check with the listed contact who will be glad to confirm and supply further details.

Recently, OS grid references and/or postcodes have been added (where known but not guaranteed) to aid location of the event. If YOU know of an event taking place that should be in this list then please contact the editor.

Time	Organiser	Details	Contact
Thu 22 Jul 2010 7.45pm	Southampton CS	AGM followed by "A Social Evening" with Cheese & Wine. Chilworth Parish Hall, Chilworth, Southampton, SO16 7JZ. (SU410184).	Angela Rose: 02380 403982 Email: info@apas-engineering.com
Sun 25 Jul 2010 10.00am - 5.00pm	Kennet & Avon CT	Newbury Waterways Festival. Entry free. Victoria Park Newbury, Berkshire, RG14 1EH. (SU473673).	Graham Smith: 01635 580356 Email: GrahamV.Smith@virgin.net
Sun 22 Aug 2010 7.30pm	Surrey & Hampshire CS	Mikron Theatre with "Striking the Balance" about the fight for equal pay in the 1960s, 70s and 80s. Fox & Hounds, Fleet, Hants, GU52 7PR (SU803530).	Mikron Theatre: 01484 843701; Email: admin@mikron.org.uk ; Web: www.mikron.org.uk
Sat 28 - Mon 30 Aug 2010 10.00am - 6.00pm (5.00pm Mon)	Inland Waterways Ass	IWA National Festival & Boat Show. Beale Park, Lower Basildon, nr Pangbourne, Berks, RG8 9NH. (SU612791) Day tickets: Adults: £12, Concessions: £10, Children under 16: Free. Save up to £2.50 and other offers with advance ticket purchase from https://www.iwashop.com/ecommerce/products.asp?cat=241	IWA: Office 01494 783453 Email: iwa@waterways.org.uk Web: www.waterways.org.uk
Thu 2 Sep 2010 7.45pm	Southampton CS	Dennis Bright with a presentation on the "Sparrow Hawk" & other birds of prey. Chilworth Parish Hall, Chilworth, Southampton, SO16 7JZ. (SU410184).	Angela Rose: 02380 403982 Email: info@apas-engineering.com
Thu 2 Sep 2010 7.15pm	Basingstoke Canal Authority	Guided Bat Walk - Canal Ranger Paul Hope will give a talk about the bats that live on the Canal at the outset then lead the group on a guided walk. There will be a limited number of bat detectors for use. Booking essential - £3 per person. Canal Visitor Centre, Mytchett, GU16 6DD. (SU893550)	Basingstoke Canal Authority: 01252 370073
Sat 11 Sep 2010 10.00am	Sussex Industrial Archaeology Soc	Guided walk along part of the old Portsmouth and Arundel Canal. Meet at Barnham Court Farm, Church Lane, Barnham, PO22 0BN (SU956035) for approx. 4 mile walk to Ford. Bring packed lunch.	Adge Roberts: 01903 721762 Email: adgeroberts@yahoo.co.uk
Sun 12 Sep 2010	Sussex Industrial Archaeology Soc	Poyntz Swing Bridge will be in operation for the day. Situated just 200 yards below the Chichester canal basin (SU859038). Display about the canal and its history on site. Guided walk around the canal basin led by Alan Green at 14.00 featuring the industrial history of the basin.	Adge Roberts: 01903 721762 Email: adgeroberts@yahoo.co.uk
Thu 16 Sep 2010 7.30pm	IWA Salisbury Group	Keith Bennett will be talking to us about the Devizes to Westminster Canoe Race originally started 62 years ago. The Green Dragon, Old Road, Alderbury, Salisbury, SP5 3AR (SU182274)	Ron & Myra Glover: 01722 710322 Email: glover3@gotadsl.co.uk Jon Van de Geer: 01722 412841
Sun 19 Sep 2010	Wey & Arun CT	Small Boat Rally at Dunsfold (Alfold Road to Three Compasses pub) (TQ034360). £5 for canoes, dinghies, kayaks, etc.	John F. H. Taylor-Cram: 02392 250463 Email: tractor1936@btinternet.com Web: www.weyandarun.co.uk
Thu 23 Sep 2010 10.00am	Wey & Arun CT	10.5 mile walk (approx 4 hours) walk following the route of the middle section of the Wey South Path. Start: Run Common Road north of Cranleigh (TQ032419). Finish: Onslow Arms, Loxwood (TQ041311). Transport from finish to start at 9.15am. Call office to book place.	WACT office: 01403 752403. Web: www.weyandarun.co.uk/walks.php
Thu 23 Sep 2010 7.00pm	Basingstoke Canal Authority	Guided Bat Walk - Canal Ranger Paul Hope will give a talk about the bats that live on the Canal at the outset then lead the group on a guided walk. There will be a limited number of bat detectors for use. Booking essential - £3 per person. Canal Visitor Centre, Mytchett, GU16 6DD. (SU893550)	Basingstoke Canal Authority: 01252 370073
Fri 8 Oct 2010 7.45pm	Southampton CS	Day Star Theatre presents "The Worst Summer Ever". See page 8. Chilworth Parish Hall, Chilworth, Southampton, SO16 7JZ. (SU410184).	Angela Rose: 02380 403982 Email: info@apas-engineering.com
Thu 21 Oct 2010 7.30pm	IWA Salisbury Group	Gillian and Peter Bolt will talk about "Green and Silver." Tom Rolt, one of the founders of the IWA, wrote "Green and Silver" to describe his journey through the Waterways of Southern Ireland. The Green Dragon, Old Road, Alderbury, Salisbury, SP5 3AR (SU182274)	Ron & Myra Glover: 01722 710322 Email: glover3@gotadsl.co.uk Jon Van de Geer: 01722 412841
Thu 4 Nov 2010 7.45pm	Southampton CS	Richard Thomas presents "The Gunpowder Plot". Chilworth Parish Hall, Chilworth, Southampton, SO16 7JZ. (SU410184).	Angela Rose: 02380 403982 Email: info@apas-engineering.com
Thu 18 Nov 2010 7.30pm	IWA Salisbury Group	Paul Barnett will be talking about "Lydney's lost fleet," a ships' graveyard on the other side of the Severn from the Purton Hulks. The Green Dragon, Old Road, Alderbury, Salisbury, SP5 3AR (SU182274)	Ron & Myra Glover: 01722 710322 Email: glover3@gotadsl.co.uk Jon Van de Geer: 01722 412841
31 Jul, 1 Aug, 28- 30 Aug, 25-26 Sep 2010	Kennet & Avon CT	Crofton Beam Engines - Steaming Days. 10.30am - 5.00pm Adults £8.00, Seniors £7.00, Children £3.00, Families (2 adults & 2 children) £18.00, K&ACT Members free. Crofton Pumping Station, SN8 3DW (SU261622).	Tel: 01672 870300 Email: er23fc45@CroftonBeamEngines.org Web: www.croftonbeamengines.org
Every day until 24 Sep 2010 except Weds	Kennet & Avon CT	Crofton Beam Engines - Not in steam. 10.30am - 5.00pm Adults £5.00, Seniors £4.50, Children £3.00, Families (2 adults & 2 children) £12.50, K&ACT Members free. Crofton Pumping Station, SN8 3DW (SU261622).	Tel: 01672 870300 Email: er23fc45@CroftonBeamEngines.org Web: www.croftonbeamengines.org
25 Jul, 8, 29-30 Aug, 12, 26 Sep, 24 Oct 2010	Kennet & Avon CT	Claverton Pumping Station - Pumping days. 10.00am - 5.00pm. Adults £4.50, Children under 16 free with adult. Ferry Lane, Claverton, Bath, BA2 7BH (ST791643)	Tel: 01225 483001 Email: enquiries@claverton.org Web: www.claverton.org
Every Wed, Sat, Sun & Bank Hol until 24 Oct	Kennet & Avon CT	Claverton Pumping Station - Days not pumping. 10.00am - 5.00pm (4.00pm Weds). Adults £4.50, Children under 16 free with adult. Ferry Lane, Claverton, Bath, BA2 7BH (ST791643).	Tel: 01225 483001 Email: enquiries@claverton.org Web: www.claverton.org
Sun 15 Aug, 5 & 19 Sep, 17 Oct 2010 2.00pm	Friends of Purton	Guided tours through the remains of the Purton Hulks led by Paul Barnett. Tour fee £3.50 per person. Approx 2 hours weather permitting. Meet Purton Lower Bridge, Gloucester & Sharpness Canal (SO692044).	Paul Barnett: 07833 143231 Email: barnadillo@aol.com Web: www.friendsofpurton.org.uk

SOUTHAMPTON CANAL SOCIETY

Established 1967

The objectives of the Society are to foster interest in canals and inland waterways, to assist in their preservation, restoration and development, and to give practical help on waterway projects.

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Society Horse-Drawn Boat Trip



Trip on the Kennet Valley

From Kintbury on the Kennet & Avon Canal

Saturday 2 October 2010

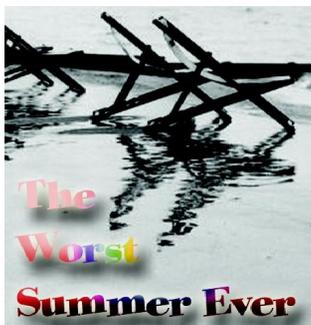
2.00pm to 5.00pm

**Cost: £14 for seniors and children
£15 for adults**

To include cake, scone with cream and jam, tea/coffee on board

Bookings: Maureen Greenham tel 02380 406951 or email maureen.greenham@talktalk.net

Day-Star Theatre



Day-Star Theatre

will be visiting the

Southampton Canal Society

on

Friday 8 October at 7.45pm

Tickets £8: available from Angela Rose and Anne Coleman

An American Supper will follow the show.

Proposed trip to Tooley's Yard

Maureen Greenham writes: "We are trying to organise a trip to Tooley's boatyard in Banbury, Oxfordshire, perhaps on a weekday in September."

In order to find out how many members would be likely to go

on such a trip, would such members either speak to Maureen at the AGM or contact her as soon as possible afterwards.

Maureen may be contacted by telephone on 02380 406951 or by email at maureen.greenham@talktalk.net

Canal lock fund benefits by £11,000

The Wey & Arun Canal Trust's Southland Lock rebuilding fund will benefit by around £11,000 following the 2010 'Puddle' sponsored walk in June.

Now that the sums have been done, the Trust reports that the annual event, held this year in the area south and east of Guildford, will raise an estimated £11,000. 223 walkers took part in the 12-mile walk, and enjoyed views of the canal, the River Wey and, from other vantage points en route, some much more extensive vistas. The walk started and finished at Bramley Village Hall

Welcome refreshments were provided at strategic halts - the day was bright and sunny, but not too hot - as well as the lunch stop at Blackheath.

Walk organiser Jo Holcombe said "The walkers all seemed to greatly enjoy the day, and many commented favourably on the organisation by our band of enthusiastic helpers. People tend to come back year after year for a pleasant day out, and a chance to help a project which can benefit the whole community."

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