

FORTHCOMING EVENTS :

WINE & CHEESE EVENING SATURDAY 1st. SEPTEMBER from 7.00pm. SAM CHIPPENDALE has kindly offered to open his house and gardens at GREEN MEADOWS, NORTH RIGTON, near HARROGATE to members and their guests and friends of the Society. Admission charge £1.50 includes one glass of wine and cheese etc., and further wine will be on sale during the evening. There will be a Bring and Buy Stall and Tombola, for which gifts and prizes would be appreciated, and a snooker competition will be held in the magnificent Billiard Room with a bottle of champagne as a prize. An indoor swimming pool is available and the organisers are planning for a large number of visitors.

**** Please make a note in your diary SAT. 1st. SEPT. and don't miss this event ****

CHIPPENDALE EXHIBITION 24th. October to 25th. November 1979 . There will be a major exhibition of documented Chippendale masterpieces at TEMPLE NEWSAM HOUSE, LEEDS and a handsome illustrated catalogue will be on sale.

Times of opening : Tuesdays to Sundays, (inclusive) 10.30 am. - 6.15 pm. (or dusk)

CHIPPENDALE SOCIETY BICENTENNIAL WEEKEND CONFERENCE in OTLEY, 9th. - 11th. November 1979. Delegates will receive full details about this conference during September. At the time of writing there are still a few places left for this event.

ANTIQUES FAIR, MENSTON COMMUNITY HALL Saturday 17th. November 1979. Organised by the LEEDS ANTIQUE COLLECTORS' CLUB in aid of the Chippendale Society's Purchase Fund. 10.30 am. to 4.30 pm. Admission at the door 30 p. There is a large car park at the Menston Community Hall. Light refreshments will be available. There will be about 30 stalls selling antique furniture, jewelry, porcelain, pottery and glass etc. Help would be appreciated with serving refreshments and making sandwiches. Please contact News Letter editor ; Chris Hutchinson, Harrogate 872565.

EXHIBITION at BOLLING HALL, BRADFORD. THOMAS CHIPPENDALE 1718-1779. "TASTE IN THE FASHION" 21st. October to 25th. November 1979. Open daily 10.00am. to 5.00 pm.

This exhibition will be confined to three rooms in Bolling Hall. Two rooms will be set out as furnished by Chippendale - David Garrick's Chinese Bedroom and the Harewood House Couch Room - and the third room will contain furniture that corresponds to Director designs.

Reports on Spring and Summer CHIPPENDALE SOCIETY EVENTS.

Joint Exhibition with Otley Arts Club . 2nd to 9th. June. This exhibition, which was part of the Bicentenary celebrations, was opened by the Deputy Lord Mayor of Leeds, Councillor R.A. Challenor, on the 2nd. June. Various important items of Chippendalia were on display together with paintings of Otley and the surrounding countryside. The Deputy Lord Mayor commented on how fortunate Otley residents and the Society were in having such lovely old buildings in the town and he expressed the thanks of Leeds City Council for the loan of items belonging to the Society for display at Temple Newsam House, and hoped that these would one day be on display in Otley. A steady stream of visitors viewed the

exhibition during the week, with the high-light on the last Saturday when the famous Chippendale table purchased by the Society in 1976, was displayed. Estimated numbers on this day were well over 600.

Annual General Meeting Wednesday 9th. May. The following officers were elected :-
President : Lady Stoddart-Scott ; Chairman : Mr. A. Firth ; Secretary : Mr. J. Rhodes ;
Treasurer : Mr. J.B. Holdsworth ; Membership Secretary : Mrs.A. Lumb ; Hon. Solicitor :
Mr. R. Ingham ; Hon. Auditors : Leslie Bray & Co. ; Hon. Curator : Mr. C. Gilbert ;
Hon. Librarian : Mrs C. Gilbert ; Public Relations Consultant : Mr. S.H. Chippindale ;
Hon. News Letter Editor : Mr. C. Hutchinson.

Bring and Buy Stall, Butter Cross, Otley. Saturday 26th. May. Members of the Executive Committee had a busy two hours manning this charity stall on the morning of the Otley Show Day, and managed to raise nearly £40 for the Society.

Seventeenth Annual Dinner Friday 8th. June, commemorating the Bicentenary of the death of Thomas Chippendale. This was held for the first time at the Prince Henry's Grammar School, Otley when there was a maximum attendance on a lovely summer evening. The Guest Speaker was John Shannon, O.B.E., Chairman of the York Civic Trust, who said how happy he and his wife were to be invited to such a beautiful part of Yorkshire. He compared the aims and objects of the Trust with those of the Chippendale Society and it was a pleasure to listen to Mr. Shannon's lighthearted speech. Other guests included the Town Mayor of Otley and his Lady, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Ingham, Mr. & Mrs. Leslie Bray, and Dr. & Mrs. J.R. Nuttall, who were warmly welcomed back to Otley. The Chairman gave all the announcements and also presented flowers to the wives of guests, lady Committee members and wives of other officers who were present. The excellent catering and facilities were praised by many members.

Annual Excursion 30th. June. 44 members joined a most enjoyable visit to Bolsover Castle and Hardwick Hall. Bolsover is a spectacular landmark and the guided tour proved to be a fascinating (if somewhat cold) experience. Hardwick Hall is set in magnificent countryside and the itinerary allowed ample time to enjoy the treasures of the house, the beautiful garden and a substantial tea in the Elizabethan kitchen.

Latest Acquisition. A parlour chair, mahogany c.1762-5, Maker unknown. The design of the back corresponds to Plate 14 in the 3rd. Edition of Chippendale's Director. It comes from the only recorded set of dining chairs based on this engraving. Four companion chairs were recently sold to French & Co., New York and this chair was purchased by the Chippendale Society in April 1979 with the aid of a contribution from Sam Chippindale, a 50% government grant and help from the Pelham Galleries, London.

Chippendale Society Library Books may be borrowed from the Chippendale Society's library and a list of books will be circulated with the next News Letter. Further information from the Hon. Librarian, Mrs. C. Gilbert, c/o Temple Newsam House, Leeds.