

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

The Spring lecture promises to be lively, entertaining and instructive. On Wednesday 16th March Mr. J.G. Evans will give an illustrated talk on Rockingham Porcelain at the Methodist Church Hall, Boroughgate, Otley, starting time 8 pm, admission at the door £1 (50p students and OAPs). Mr. Evans has made a detailed study of the Rockingham porcelain factory and has built up a very fine collection of its wares. This is an occasion not to be missed. Tea, biscuits and chat as usual afterwards.

OTHER FORTHCOMING EVENTS

21 May 1983 - our President, Lady Stoddart-Scott, has kindly agreed to hold a Garden Party at Creskeld Hall for members and their friends at a time when the rhododendrons and azaleas are expected to be at their peak. Offers of help with preparing and serving refreshments, running stalls etc. will be much appreciated. Further particulars of time, attractions, tickets etc. will be given in the next newsletter.

17 June 1983 The Chippendale Dinner at Kirklands, Menston. 7.30 for 8.00, guest speaker Col. Rupert Alec Smith, Lord Lieutenant of Humberside and President of the Georgian Society. Details of price and application forms for tickets will be included in the Spring newsletter.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Mrs. Bagguley has been co-opted onto the executive committee with a view to helping with arrangements for the annual excursion. If any other members feel they would like to help shape the policy of the society by joining the committee, which meets 4 or 5 times a year, could they please contact either the Chairman Andrew Firth (tel. 462056 - evenings) or the Treasurer John Holdsworth (tel. 466366 - daytime).

At a ceremony held on 4 December 1982 our President, by invitation of the Otley and Skipton Building Society, planted a hornbeam at their new premises to commemorate Thomas Chippendale's birthplace.

On September 25th 1982 in the region of 40 members and friends spent a most enjoyable afternoon visiting Aske Hall at the invitation of Lady Zetland which was made when she spoke at the last Annual Dinner. Unfortunately the response from membrs was insufficient to enable the planned coach outing to go ahead, but last minute arrangements were made to fit everyone into various cars. We were shown round the house which contains a magnificent collection of documented Chippendale furniture by Lady Zetland and were then able to stroll round the grounds. Those present contributed towards a small memento, in the form of a garden voucher, which our President presented to the Marchioness.

Subscriptions

Annual subscriptions (ordinary members £3, husband and wife £5) are now due and should be paid to Mrs. A. Lumb, 2 Montpellier Gardens, Harrogate HG1 2TF.