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SUMMER SOCIAL

Sat July 8th 2000

7 pm, Lime Tree Cottage, Chandlers Lane

Valerie and David Kerslake have very kindly offered their garden as the venue, for which we are most grateful. The Social will follow our normal custom. You will be welcomed with a glass of wine or soft drink 'on the house' (donations are encouraged for further glasses). A buffet meal will be provided 'by the staff', but the sweet course will be left to you, the visitors to bring! - past experience shows that an amazing array of delicious offerings (many dreadfully bad for the figure) will appear. If you want to come, but providing a sweet is not convenient - please do not be put off, if you could donate a raffle prize it would be equally valuable for keeping things interesting; of course if you are exceptionally generous and can bring both we would be even more delighted! As usual the main entertainment will be joily chat, but there is always the chance that someone will produce a devilish puzzle to keep the brain cells busy! All members, their families and visiting friends are welcome. If you would like to come, please let us know by July 1st - advance notice is essential for ensuring there is adequate food. Admission £3-50 (Sorry, a modest increase over last year has been found necessary). If you would like to pay in advance, we will gladly take your money as it makes life easier on the night.

Tony and Mary Hocking, 30 Connaught Close (01252) 875158

AND SOME OTHER BITS - Local Interest issues being worked on by members:

Fox Farm – waiting for the next round Mushroom Farm – it's all gone quiet. Land exchange – when common land is 'taken' for development, it should be exchanged from the Council's land bank – is it?

Blackbushe S52 Agreement - Yateley Town Council has passed resolutions and set up an action committee - but will the County & District councils take action? Confusion reigns over which are the correct 'rights of way' paths over Yateley Common bridleways, rambler paths or ancient routes? Conservation Group celebrates 3 new volunteers - watch this space, we need more. Hook Local History Group and Bramshill Scout Group look to the Society for presentations. The Oral History project is under way, looking to record longer standing residents' memoirs for posterity, first new recording made. Footpaths around Yateley area - document them or lose them! Cycleways - and where to put them.

The selection above shows only some of the things the Yateley Society is currently involved in. Resources in terms of manpower are always tight – new blood is welcome, I've found that out myself. Is there anything you think you would be able to help with or enjoy getting involved in? Let me know.

Yateley Village Green - a Conservation Area?

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EVENTS PROGRAMME

THURS JUN 22 - "The Yateley Lakes: 50 Years of Angling and Conservation"

8pm at Yateley Centre D.1.6 (single storey classroom at the back of the carpark)

Yateley has one of Europe's best Coarse Fishing locations, with lots of water and hungry fish. Hear Dr lan Welch, manager of RMC Angling, describe the famous fish and the natural history of this remarkable site.

SUN JUN 25 - "The Feel Good Factor"

10am to 1pm, meeting at Wyndhams Pool (off Cricket Hill)

Feeling you need to make the most of these long summer days? Come and 'do your bit' for the conservation of Yateley Common under the guidance and supervision of the Country Park Rangers. No previous experience needed. Tools and free refreshments provided.

WED 28 JUN - SUN 2 JUL - "St Peters - Fact and Fiction"

St Peters Church, 3-8pm daily

Discover some delightful stories, prepared by the Society, behind Yateley's parish church at this 5 day exhibition at St Peter's Church, part of the Flower Festival.

Planned for:

September – Sale & exhibition at Yateley Industries' Autumn Fair

October -- A talk by English Heritage
November -- Yateley Society Exhibition 2000

- Little India in Yateley?



SAT 8 JUL - "Summer Social"

7 pm, Hosted by Valerie & David Kerslake, Lime, Tree Cottage, Chandlers Lane

Partake of some fine wine, good food, stimulating conversation and perhaps a devilish puzzle to keep the brain cells busy. Just bring a sweet or a raffle prize. All members, their families, and visiting friends are welcome as long as they part with a £3.50 admission fee. Let Tony or Mary Hocking know by 1 Jul if you'd like to come.

Forthcoming Events:

THURS 21 Sept - "Know Your Common"

8pm Frogmore Village Hall (opposite The Bell Pub)

We've all heard of Yateley Common – what is it, where is it, and what's it for? Fascinating facts you never knew you wanted to know.

What about you?

This is your Society – is there anything you would like us to organize? Anything you feel strongly about? Personally, I'd like to really increase the membership of the Society. What do you think? Let me know.

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