

## SERIAC 2012 BOOKING FORM

<b>Contact Name</b>	
<b>Address</b>	
	<b>Postcode</b>
<b>Telephone</b>	
<b>Email Address</b>	
<b>Organisation</b> (if applicable)	

<b>Display space required?</b> Please detail what you will bring and any requirements for tables. Society displays are free of charge.	
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<b>Names of people attending</b>	<b>Lunch choice</b>	<b>Visit preference(s)</b>	<b>Vehicle Reg.</b>

Two-course waitress-service hot lunches must be pre-booked by 24<sup>th</sup> April if required. Choose between **(1) Beef Bourguignon**, **(2) Chicken Veronique**, and **(3) Mushroom Stroganoff [Veg]**. All will be served with seasonal vegetables and new potatoes, followed by a dessert (cheese cake, gateau or fresh fruit salad). Water will be available – tea/coffee if required with lunch is £1 extra. Vehicle registrations are only required if visit B is listed as an option – bookings for this must be received by 13<sup>th</sup> April.

<b>Attendance @ £11.00</b> for bookings received by 24 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>£</b> _____
<b>£12.00</b> thereafter / on the door (subject to space)	
Includes conference notes and tea/coffee on arrival and mid-afternoon	
<b>Lunches @ £12.00</b> _____ (only for bookings received by 24 <sup>th</sup> April)	<b>£</b> _____
incl. tea/coffee <b>@ £13.00</b> _____	<b>£</b> _____
<b>Cheque enclosed payable to BIAG for total</b>	<b>£</b> _____

### Bookings and enquiries should be addressed to:

Graham Smith (BIAG), 114 Shaw Road, NEWBURY RG14 1HR  
Tel: 01635 580356 Email: grahamv.smith@virgin.net

Bookings will be acknowledged by email (by post only if a stamped addressed envelope is enclosed).

## SERIAC 2012 – PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

- 9:00 Registration** – displays set up, tea/coffee & biscuits available.
- 10:00 Welcome** by Cllr. **Peter Argyle**, Chairman of West Berkshire Council, and **Dennis Johnson**, Chairman of Berkshire Industrial Archaeology Group.
- 10:15 The Times of Plenty** by **Ellie Thorne**, Archivist, Berkshire Record Office. A delve into the archives of the 200 year old Newbury engineering company Plenty & Son, whose products have included ploughs, lifeboats and steam marine engines.
- 10:55 Comfort Break**
- 11:10 20<sup>th</sup> Century Military Sites in West Berkshire** by **Duncan Coe**, Archaeological Officer, West Berkshire Council. The talk will look at the area's military archaeology including Greenham Common, Aldermaston and Burghfield.
- 11:55 The Steam Mechanisation of Agriculture** by **Jane McCutchan**, University of Reading. Jane's talk looks at steam ploughing from 1840 to 1920.
- 12:35 Lunch** – hot meal available if booked by 24<sup>th</sup> April (see booking form); otherwise bring a picnic (tables will be available) or pop into the town.
- 1:50 Mapledurham Watermill: its History and Recent Developments** by **Mildred Cookson**. The building dates from the 15<sup>th</sup> century. In 2011 an Archimedes screw turbine was installed for electricity generation to replace an earlier 1920's system.
- 2:35 Allens of Oxford** by **Jonathan Brown**, Museum of English Rural Life. John Allen & Sons (Oxford) Ltd were agricultural and general contractors, and made agricultural, horticultural and civil engineering equipment, including the Allen Scythe.
- 3:15 Refreshment Break** – tea/coffee & cake available.
- 3:45 200 Years of Boulton and Watt at Crofton** by **Jon Willis**, Chairman, Crofton Beam Engines. The talk will cover the story of Crofton as well as the issues facing its continued operation and plans being developed to preserve its future.
- 4:25 Closing remarks** by **Dennis Johnson** and **Invitation to SERIAC 2013**.
- 4:40 Conference Ends** – displays dismantled.
- 5:00 Depart for Site Visits** – a choice of visits is offered, each lasting about an hour (plus any travelling time). Car sharing will be arranged as necessary. Numbers on some visits may be restricted and bookings will be processed in order of receipt – please indicate an order of preference on the form.
- A Greenham Common** – a walking tour looking at some of the WWII and Cold War features led by **Duncan Coe**. Unfortunately there is currently no internal access to buildings such as the cruise missile shelters.
- B Ridgeway Military and Aviation Research Group Museum, RAF Welford.** **RMARG** concentrates on WWII. As the museum is within an active military installation, names and vehicle registrations are required by 13<sup>th</sup> April and **photo-id must be carried**.
- C Historic Newbury** – a walking tour from the school to include the Kennet & Avon Canal and some other sites of industrial archaeological interest.
- D Crux Easton Wind Engine** – a John Wallis Titt "Simplex" self-regulating geared wind engine, erected on the site c. 1891/2 to pump water from a well, restored 2000-2.

**There will be a wide range of displays in the lecture hall or an adjoining area which may be visited during breaks.**

**Please note that smoking is not permitted anywhere on the School site.**

**DIRECTIONS: St Bartholomew's School** moved into a new fully accessible building in 2010 and is within 10 to 15 minutes' walk of Newbury railway station and town centre, just off the A343 Andover Road. The School's postcode is RG14 6JP.

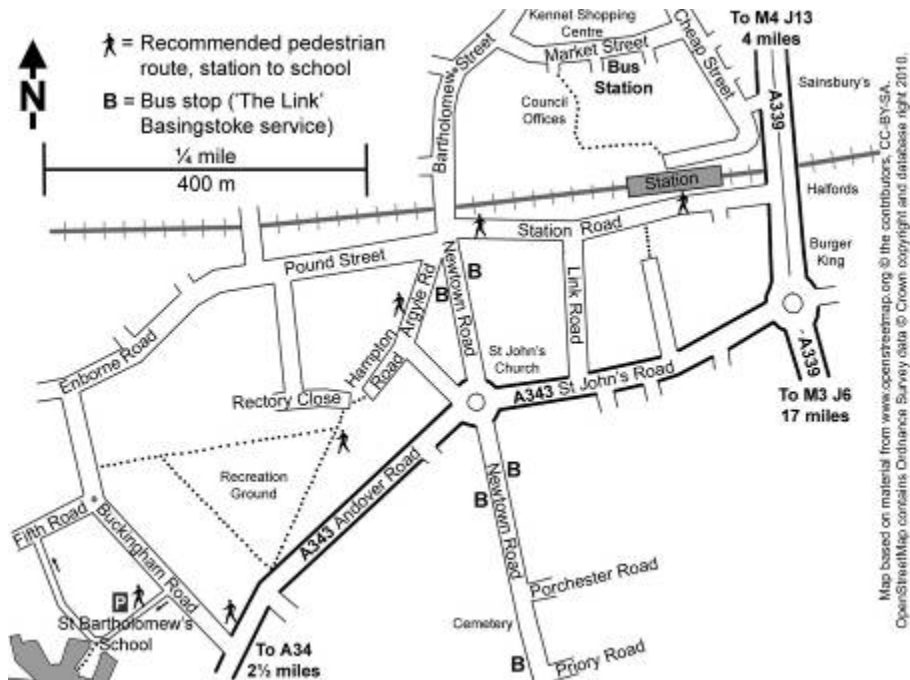
**Public Transport ... rail:** Newbury is served by through trains from London Paddington via Reading and local stopping trains from Reading giving two trains per hour overall during the day. There is level access to the platforms from the adjoining roads but note that the station footbridge does not have any lifts or ramps. To reach the School leave the station by the south, platform 1, exit and refer to the map below.

... **bus:** There is an hourly service to/from Basingstoke (Stagecoach South 'The Link', passing the railway station) with stops on Newtown Road (see map). Other services are infrequent except for a half-hourly service to/from Reading, parallel to the railway.

**Travelling by car:** the School has adequate parking (there is a one-way system through the site), and local side roads can be used if necessary. Please car-share where practical.

... **from the south via the A34**, leave the Newbury bypass at the Andover Road junction and turn towards Newbury. In approximately 2½ miles, at the bottom of a long hill, turn left into Buckingham Road. The entrance is 100m on the left.

... **from elsewhere**, use the A339 to reach the town and turn west onto the A343 towards Andover at the roundabout south of the railway. Go straight on at the next roundabout and in ¼ mile take the first turn right into Buckingham Road. The entrance is 100m on the left.



**SERIAC:** The South East Regional Industrial Archaeology Conference is an annual one-day conference organised in rotation by a group of societies in the south east of England with an interest in industrial history and archaeology. **The Conference is open to all.**

Any surpluses are put towards **BURSARIES** to support and enhance IA in the SERIAC area, and grants of up to £500 may be made. The work may be fieldwork, publication, or other ways of enhancing the public understanding of IA. Applicants do not have to live in the SERIAC area but the work proposed must centre on the region. For full details of the scheme send a SAE to Ron Martin, 42 Falmer Avenue, Brighton, BN2 8FG.



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**SOUTH EAST REGIONAL  
INDUSTRIAL ARCHAEOLOGY  
CONFERENCE**

**28<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2012**

**AT**

**St Bartholomew's School  
Buckingham Road  
Newbury RG14 6JP**



**PROGRAMME AND BOOKING FORM**