



WELLS LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

FEBRUARY MEETING

Our last meeting saw a record turn out, and even so late into the season 8 new members decided to join the group. Our thanks to Tom Sands for such an entertaining evening, a result we're sure you would like to see repeated and hopefully Tom will accept our invitation for a return visit in the future.

MARCH MEETING



Whilst on this topic we hope you will be able to attend our meeting on the 5th March, when the speaker will be Derek Edwards, and his subject, Norfolk From The Air. This illustrated talk, using aerial photographs depicting many aspects of our county, both man made and natural, promises to be a most interesting subject and we look forward to seeing you.

ORAL HISTORY SECTION

All of those people who indicated interest in participating in this activity should by now

have been contacted, so if there is anyone interested who hasn't been contacted, please ring John Christmas on 710924.

The Group has been successful in obtaining a grant from the Norfolk Rural Communities council, towards the purchase of professional standard recording equipment, and an order has now been placed.

The recorder should be delivered within the next fortnight, at which time members of the section will meet to receive instruction in using it and in interviewing techniques. We will also plan our approach to recording the reminiscences of those with a story to tell, particularly the older members of the community. So, if you want to be involved with this project, or you have any suggestions concerning who we might interview, please ring John on the number above.

OTHER GROUPS

Those of you who have indicated an interest in the other special interest groups will, if you haven't been already, be contacted in due course with details and information. Brian Scott is looking out for more members to assist with the preparation of the Walk About Guide and would be grateful if

those who are interested could contact him on 710408.

COURSES

The Wells research course being led by Mike Brackenbury is now under way. Currently the students are investigating sources of information concerning Wells. At their last meeting, members spent an extremely interesting afternoon at the Record Office in Norwich looking at some of the extensive range of documents and maps relating to Wells, which are held there.

The UEA are organising a Heritage and Landscape day school at Holkham on Friday 4th July. The day will be run by Dr Tom Williamson, Susanna Wade-Martins, Christine Hiskey and Fred Jolly. Drawing on the fruits of recent research, the day school will explore the documentary, artefactual and archaeological evidence relating to the development of the Hall and the Park. For more information, phone the UEA on 01603 593497.

