

**WHY ARE THERE NO GEORGIAN HOUSES IN NEWDIGATE?**

**Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> August 2016**

**Ewood area of Newdigate**

**6 pm to approximately 9 pm**



Ewood Farmhouse



Schermuly rocket

This is an intriguing question which we hope will be answered by our guide, John Calcutt of the Newdigate History Society, on this visit to Ewood near Newdigate as well as offering a pleasant evening stroll.

The walk takes us through the medieval hunting park and then we study the site of the Ewood Ironworks which operated from about 1550 to 1604. We will see where the large man-made 80 acre pond was and see the site of the blast furnace. Mr & Mrs. Gerald Thorpe have agreed to open their beautiful garden at Mill Cottage which was built just after the iron works closed and was probably the site of a bloomery which would have pre-dated the iron-works, and our members Hugh and Wendy Richards are kindly offering us a cool drink at their house, Ewood Stables, before we set off again. On our way back we see the site of the Schermuly Pistol Rocket Apparatus works.

For those that want to, we can have supper at the Surrey Oaks on our return. (Not included in the cost.) It is suggested that we order the food when we assemble at the pub before we set off on the walk so that it is all ready when we get back. A menu will be sent with your confirmation to help you decide.

Further details of exactly where to meet will be given with your confirmation of booking.

The walk takes approximately 90 minutes in total, with a break for the visit in the middle. The terrain is fairly flat and so should not be too challenging, but can be muddy if the weather has been wet so please wear strong shoes. There are no stiles. Well behaved dogs on leads may join us, and children could come along if they can manage the walk although the event is not aimed at this age group. Please wear suitable clothing for the prevailing weather conditions.

The cost will be £5/member (£7/non-member), which will cover a donation to the Newdigate History Society.

**Booking is essential.** If you would like to join us would you please complete and return the attached slip to arrive at Warren Farm Barns before Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> August.

Please include your e-mail address or a stamped addressed envelope so you may be sent full details, directions and locations for the visit.

For further details and enquiries, contact us at [info@surreyhillssociety.org](mailto:info@surreyhillssociety.org) or on mobile 07530-949302.

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Please return this slip with your e-mail address or a stamped addressed envelope to:  
SHS – Ewood, Warren Farm Barns, Headley Lane, Mickleham, Dorking, RH5 6DG

**Visit to Ewood near Newdigate  
Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> August meeting at 6 pm**

I wish to book \_\_\_\_\_ member places at £5 per person and/or \_\_\_\_\_ non-members at £7.

I enclose my cheque for £ ..... payable to "Surrey Hills Society".

NAME ..... MEMBERSHIP NO.....

ADDRESS .....

..... POSTCODE .....

Telephone ..... E-mail .....

NAME(S) of other applicants (if more than three, continue below):

First name.....Surname.....

First name.....Surname.....

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We are considering eating at the pub after the visit. *Please tick the box if appropriate so that we can give the pub an indication of the likely numbers.*

Signed ..... Date .....

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