



# THE CHEPSTOW SOCIETY

*Members Bulletin*

OCTOBER 2016

## Notes from the Chair

Members will be aware that the Society exhibited in the Eisteddfod in Abergavenny this summer as part of Y Lle Hanes (The History Place) and we are now becoming even more widespread.

We were recently approached by representatives of NHK (Japanese public television) to assist in the making of a short travelogue about Chepstow.

They are making an hour long travel documentary about Bristol and, as part of the programme, they include a short piece on an interesting place which can be reached within an hour of the main town. Naturally they thought of Chepstow!

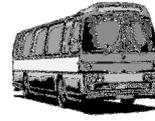
Three members of the committee met the programme directors and told them a little of the town's history, and Anne Rainsbury later met them to tell them about the Castle, which was the main attraction.

By the time you read this the filming will be complete and perhaps we will be able to show you the Chepstow segment at a future meeting.

Hopefully it may result in an influx of Japanese tourists!

**Best Wishes for Christmas and the New Year!**

*Geoff Sumner*



## EXCURSIONS

### Liverpool Holiday

We are staying at The Days Inn, Liverpool City Centre, from 31<sup>st</sup> October to 4<sup>th</sup> November. We plan to travel cross country, stopping at Stokesay Castle for morning coffee and Chester for lunch. On the return journey we plan to stop at Shrewsbury of lunch

We have a blue badge guide booked for a tour of Liverpool on Tuesday morning and a full day at Port Sunlight on Thursday.

We are just waiting for the final pickup points and times and we will contact members as soon as we have this information.

### "Balmoral" trip

We hope that this is finally all sorted and refunds issued. This excursion was a great disappointment to us. It involved a lot of work to organise, notify members of cancellations and finally issue refunds. We would like to thank Richard and Carole Clammer for their help and support in sorting out the problems.

### Future events

**At the moment we are unable to organise any more day trips, so would welcome help from any member of the society who feels they would like to take on this role.**

However, we are happy to continue with organising holidays. We are hoping that the next holiday will be to Llandudno, April 2017.

As always we welcome members' suggestions, ideas and feedback.

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## MEETINGS AND SPEAKERS

**Weds. 19 Oct. -**

**Naylor Firth - Wye Valley Industries**

**Weds. 16 Nov. -**

**David Viner - The Canal and River Trust**

**NO MEETING IN DECEMBER**

**Weds. 18 Jan.- John Putley - Witchfynder!**

**All at 7.15 p.m. in the Drill Hall**

## **Annual subscriptions for 2016/17 are now overdue.**

**They remain at £10 per member and can be paid at our monthly meetings, or to our Membership Secretary, Marian Thomas, at 24 Severn Crescent, Chepstow NP16 5EA. Cheques should be made payable to the Chepstow Society.**