FARNHAM GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

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The first field meeting of the Society was held on Sunday 12th. July 1970, when twelve members met at Burrington Coombe in the Mendips. Eleven localities were visited and although the majority were Carboniferous exposures, Jurassic and Silurian rocks were also examined. Fossils were collected from the Carboniferous and Jurassic rocks and included some fine plants from a coal tip near Radstock. Most of the exposures showed evidence of the Armorican earth movements and at Vobster Quarry a remarkable Upper/Lower Carboniferous reversal was seen. Thanks are due to Mr.E.M. Finch for organising a most informative and enjoyable trip in such splendid scenery. One party was so impressed by the scenery in and around Radstock that they thought it worth more than one circuit of the same route and lead a motorcade in a sort of "Turkish Shepherds' Dance" for a few miles.

Although no formal programme has been finalised, the following topics for lecture meetings are proposed:-

The Folkstone Beds.

Vulcanism.

Geology of South East England.

Continental Drift.

The first of these meetings will be held on Thursday 6th. August at 7-30 p.m. at the Adult Education Centre, Potters Gate, Farnham. Mr.E.M. Finch will talk on the subject of the Folkstone Beds and will detail the Society's research project in this area. This project will require the active support of as many Members as possible so please make a special effort to attend this meeting. If you are unable to attend but will be available for field work, please inform the Secretary so that Mr. Finch can select the various teams on the sixth.

This News Letter is optimistically numbered one as it is proposed to make a regular feature of a News Letter. As the Society ages no doubt Members will wish to contribute items of interest and if the Secretary's typing finger holds out, the Letters will grow.