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The Cambridge Antiquarian Society and its 150th Anniversary

1990, the year in which the Cambridge Antiquarian Society celebrated its 150th anniversary, was marked by a number of special events.

The Society's sesquicentenary was formally marked on Saturday 5 May by a reception in the University Combination Room. The Society was privileged to welcome H.R.H. The Duke of Gloucester as guest of honour, together with representatives of the City and University. His Royal Highness proposed a toast to the Society; he was thanked by the President and presented with a specially bound copy of M.W. Thompson's *The Cambridge Antiquarian Society 1840–1990* (see photograph opposite).

Throughout the year, a number of distinguished speakers addressed the Society:

2 October 1989 Professor A.C. Renfrew: *The Enigma of Early Cycladic Art*

6 November Miss J. Arnold: *Queen Elizabeth's Wardrobe Unlock'd*

27 November H.M. Colvin: *The Chantry Chapel in Western European Architecture*

8 January 1990 Sir D.M. Wilson: *The Viking Settlement in England: an Archaeological View*

5 February Professor M.W. Beresford: *Yorkshire Peat Working in the Middle Ages*

12 March Professor C.N.L. Brooke: *Cambridge and the antiquaries, 1500–1840*

2 April Professor A.C. Thomas: *The Context of Tintagel: Post-Roman Britain and the Byzantine World*

7 May Dr M.W. Thompson: *The Changing Pattern of the Society's Membership and Interests over 150 Years* (given on the 150th anniversary of the first public meeting of the Society on 7 May 1840)

4 June J.MP. Farrar: *Documentary Sources for Archaeologists*

Professor Brooke's lecture, the Special Anniversary Lecture, is reprinted in this volume and was given in The Theatre, Peterhouse which, as the Museum of Classical Archaeology, was a former meeting place of the Society.

The annual one-day conference was held at the Maltings, Ely, on 17 March, when the theme was *Castles and Fortifications in Cambridgeshire and East Anglia*. Papers were given by John Peter Wild, Kenneth Penn, Jonathan Coad, Michael Thompson, Mike Osborne and Peter Kent.

The excursions programme started, appropriately for the year, with a tour of St John's College on 30 March. the visit ended with tea in the Combination Room, in which the initial meetings of the Society were held in 1840. On 9 June, a party visited archaeological excavations in the City of London, and on 20 July a party was shown round some religious houses of the Fen edge.

A competition for the best photograph of an historic building in Cambridgeshire was won by Bill Zajac with his photograph of the nave of Ely Cathedral. Nisha Patel's photograph of Thorpe Hall, Peterborough won the prize for the best black-and-white photograph, and a photograph of the Prior's doorway in Ely Cathedral by Anne Holton-Krayenbuhl won a prize for the best photograph taken as a record. The judges were Dona Haycraft (a local photographer), Tony Baggs (architectural editor of the *Victoria History of the Counties of*

England) and David Wilson (the President and Curator in Aerial Photography at Cambridge University). The prize-winning photographs were displayed in Heffers' bookshop, along with other material about the Society. An exhibition about the Society was also mounted in the Cambridge Building Society, in June.

Publications, too, marked the Society's 150th anniversary year. Dr M.W. Thompson wrote a history of the Society: *The Cambridge Antiquarian Society 1840–1990*, which was published in February. In addition, an Appeal was launched for a publications fund. The specific aims were to enable publication of a consolidated index to the *Proceedings* for 1970–90 and to reprint earlier indexes, and to publish a full report, by Dr J. Alexander, of excavations of Iron-Age and Roman Cambridge. Donations and promises to the end of 1990 amounted to £8265, and the Society is very grateful to all who have supported it in this way. The donors are listed on the following page.

The Society would like to thank all who participated in its activities during the year and helped to make it one to remember.

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