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An Invitation from
The Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings

VANN CENTENARY: A CELEBRATION

HAMBLEDON SURREY

Wednesday 30th July 2008



W.D.Carøe (1857-1938) was a renowned architect of secular commissions, furniture and fittings but specialised in ecclesiastical architecture and the conservation of historic cathedrals and churches. In 1907 W.D.Carøe and his wife Grace took a lease on a country house, Vann, and set about adding a fascinating Arts and Crafts extension to the 15th century core, closely integrating the house with its garden. In 1911 the Carøes collaborated with Gertrude Jekyll on a unique Water Garden, creating a succession of small ponds crossed by stone paths & bridges banked with lush vegetation, furnished with 1,500 water-loving plants supplied by Miss Jekyll. Successive family members have now lived at Vann for 100 years. Vann was featured on the TV series *The Curious House Guest* in 2006.

This special day marks this relationship between a family and its home and will be an opportunity to reflect on a masterful architectural and horticultural synthesis, historical continuity and finding a sustainable 21st C future for significant domestic architectural gems of the early 20th C.

£55

To include Lectures, garden and house tour and all refreshments, with a marquee, finger buffet lunch and tea.

Programme

- 9-9.30 Registration, coffee and biscuits.
10.0 Welcome.
10.10 **Rosie Ibbotson**, “*WDC and the Arts and Crafts Movement in Surrey*”.
10.50 Coffee and biscuits.
11.00 **Brenda Lewis**, “*Arts and Crafts Gardens in Surrey*” .
12.00 Discussion.
12.30 Finger buffet lunch.
14.00 **Jeremy Musson**, “*Interpreting the domestic ideal of Vann: A Personal Reflection*”.
14.45 **Mary and Oliver Caroe**, “*Vann, its History & Architecture: living with our legacy*”.
15.30 Discussion.
16.0 Tea.
16.30 House and Garden Tours
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Cost £55 per person

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Directions (from the North):

Head south on the A3 (M25 junction 10). South of Guildford, exit A3 at Milford signed for A283 for Petworth, through Witley and Wormley. Continue to Chiddingfold and the 30 mph sign, where the road dips into a cutting. At bottom of the hill on the left is the Winterton Arms pub. 75 metres after, turn left into Skinners Lane. Proceed to the top (about half a mile) and at T-junction turn left, signed Pockford and Hambledon. Drive 1.2 miles and the field car park for Vann is signposted on right hand side. Drive to far end and park.

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