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MORE SPRING DIARY DATES:

Tuesday May 7th 2002

This was Yateley... Yateley Library Lecture 2002

7.15 pm The Drama Hall, Yateley Centre, School Lane, Yateley

Tickets £1 from Yateley Library, Yateley Society or at the door.



In order to feature Chris Bunch as the main speaker of the evening, we have condensed and changed the emphasis of the two supporting talks. Chris will tell the story of his father and the 4th Battalion of the Hampshire Regiment as they were sent to defend that part of the Raj we now know as Pakistan on the Afghanistan border. Being based in Quetta, Chris' father's war is sure to evoke parallels with today's. Meticulously researched from the battalion magazine published in Quetta, picture postcards sent back to his family, and his father's own photographs, Chris's slides and story will bring to life the part played by Yateley men in the Great War -- not the least, revealing for the first time the real people behind some of those names read out each November from the Yateley War Memorial.

Chris will be introduced by Peter Tipton who will explain how the Cave family were involved in the formation of the 15th (Yateley) Rifle Volunteers, how Sir Thomas Sturmy Cave rose through the ranks to command the 1st Volunteer Battallion of the Hampshire Regiment, and how this became the 4th Battallion in World War 1.

Dr Richard Johnston will introduce the evening by sketching in the long traditions of voluntary service in the British Army, with particular reference to the FitzRoy family of Frogmore Park

Friday May 17th 2002

Yateley Baptist Church – 175 years old!

8pm Yateley Baptist Church, Cricket Hill, Yateley

The members of the Society are kindly invited to a special presentation and exhibition about the 175 year history of Yateley Baptist Church.

Thursday May 23rd 2002

Yateley Village Design Framework Workshop

With 2 other events this month, there will be no 3rd Thursday evening meeting as such. However, this evening there will be a special event - See overleaf for details.

Thursday June 20th 2002

"On the Trail of Flora Thompson" - John Owen Smith

8pm Ryder Social Area, Frogmore Community College, Potley Hill Road, Yateley

In the trilogy 'Larkrise to Candleford' Flora Thompson wrote of her early career working in an Oxfordshire Post Office. Although written in a fictional style, using pseudonyms for real people, Flora's books have always been considered major works of local history. Her fourth book, 'Heatherley',

