

The Cloister and the Hearth

Speakers: Howard Robinson, Simon Draper, David Snowden, Chrissie Ching

The organisation of human life was the basis of the societies of the Middle Ages, although its shape varied widely according to culture, religion, wealth, urban or rural context and a myriad of other factors, in reality diverse with different characteristics in different times and places. The Middle Ages stretched over one thousand years, from Scandinavia to Byzantium, and today's dayschool will be involved with discovering some aspects of the "hearth", whether in great house or small, castle or croft.

We will also be looking at a very different lifestyles, starting with the monastic college and the life of a medieval monk, led by Howard Robinson. Howard was a science teacher in Framlingham, Suffolk. He is passionately interested in the history of Worcester Cathedral where he is a guide in his spare time.

Our own David Snowden, author of "Flans & Wine", a fifteenth century recipe book from Evesham Abbey, will talk about food and feasting before we break for lunch.

After our own food and feasting Dr Simon Draper will describe the manor as an estate and the way agriculture was managed, under the heading of "To the Manor Born". Dr Draper is a landscape historian by training; in 2006 his PhD thesis on the early landscape and settlement of Wiltshire, was published as *Landscape, Settlement, and Society in Roman and Early Medieval Wiltshire*.

Our day will round off with Chrissie Ching (a good Cornish name, I understand) who will lecture us about the English Medieval Garden. Medieval homes, whether castle, manor or cottage, carried on an ancient tradition of garden design and intense horticultural techniques in Europe. So whether you are interested in history or are looking for something unusual to do in your garden, take an hour to listen to a recognised authority.



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One Day School
Saturday, October 6th 2018
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On Saturday, October 6th 2018

Prince Henry's High School, Sports Pavilion and Conference
Centre, Victoria Avenue, Evesham WR11 4QH

Fees include morning coffee, buffet lunch and afternoon tea - **£45 a head**.

Fees are payable in advance to the Society's Chairman, Miss Iris Pinkstone,
5 Malinshill Road, Hampton, Evesham WR11 2QG (Tel.: 01386 446781)

Please make all cheques payable to "The Simon de Montfort Society"

Further information may also be obtained from David Snowden,
Membership Secretary, via earlsimon1265@gmail.com

Closing date for enrolments is **Sunday, September 30th 2018**

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Please reserve place(s) for this dayschool

Name

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I enclose my payment of £

Please return this enrolment for to Miss I. Pinkstone as soon as
possible and, in any case, not later than Sunday, September 30th 2018

Programme

10.00 a.m. Introduction



10.10 a.m.

**Howard Robinson: "The
Life of the Medieval Monk"**

11.05 a.m. Coffee

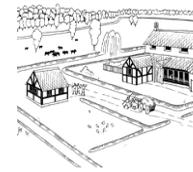


11.25 a.m.

**David Snowden: "Food and
Feasting"**

12.20 p.m. Questions and Discussion

12.40 p.m. Buffet Lunch



1.40 p.m.

**Dr Simon Draper: "To the
Manor Born: Life on a
Medieval Manor"**

2.35 p.m. Tea



2.50 p.m.

**Chrissie Ching: "The
Medieval Garden"**

3.45 p.m. Questions and Discussion

4.00 p.m. Course disperses