Dear Members and Guests,

Welcome to the 2018 AES Members’ Day and AGM.

The award-winning Haslemere Educational Museum is a lovely venue, in a delightful village setting located in the Surrey Hills. The village is a gateway to the counties of Surrey, Sussex and Hampshire. The Museum was established 126 years ago by Sir Jonathan Hutchinson, a local surgeon, and has its own entomological collections.

This is our second visit to the Museum in recent years. This year’s Members’ Day opens at 11:00 am to give you time to explore the museum before the all-important AES AGM at midday.

The Museum has a natural history gallery with exhibits devoted to arthropods, including the Giant Japanese Crab—the largest in the world! In the museum grounds there is a building devoted entirely to an Observation Beehive, which is a great opportunity to view bees arriving, departing and working in their hive, and performing waggle dances by the entrance.

Also in the grounds is a Secret Garden, complete with log piles and a (deep) spring-fed pond. There is a (muddy in places) guided woodland walk where you can identify trees as you walk around. The trees include the unusual Maidenhair Tree (Ginkgo biloba) and Dawn Redwood (Metasequoia glyptostroboides) both of which were known only as fossils until quite recently.

AGM, TALKS AND REFRESHMENTS

The talks will be in the Main Hall, on the first floor. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available throughout the day in an adjoining room, where AES stands, posters and exhibits will also be located. There is disabled access via a lift adjacent to these rooms.

Please bring a packed lunch to eat in the museum or the grounds; alternatively, there are many good cafes and restaurants in the village (details available from the museum staff).
PROGRAMME

10:00  Museum opens to the public
11:00  AES day opens for setting up exhibits etc
12:00 - 12:30  AES Annual General Meeting
12:30 – 1:15  Break for lunch
1:15  Brian Gardiner Award 2017: Presentation of Prizes
      Age under 9: 1st prize Aidan Scott
      Highly Commended: Matthias Fretwell
      Age 9-13: 1st prize Layla Shaw
      Highly Commended: Benjamin Gubb and Louis de Vince

Hammond Award 2013: Presentation of Prizes
Maria Fremlin

1:30  An introduction to the Haslemere Museum: Julia Tanner

1:50  Title: TBD
      Gino Brignoli, Queen Mary University, London

2:20  Refreshment break ● Networking ● Explore displays

2:50  11th Annual Leonard Tesch Lecture: 'Aphids are fab!'  
      Prof. Simon Leather, Harper Adams University and AES President 2017-18

3:35  Member presentations: This time slot has been left open for the benefit of any members (including Bug Clubbers) who would like to give a presentation or 'show and tell' about any entomological exhibit.

4:00  Closing remarks

4:00  A chance to further explore the Museum, and to 'network'

5:00  The museum closes at 5:00 pm.

Timings are approximate

MEMBERS’ AREA

- AES & Bug Club literature
- AES Publications
- Posters

- Members’ Exhibits
- Affiliated societies (TBC), (including:
  - Querkett Microscopical Club
  - Selborne Society
  - Buglife
  - Others)