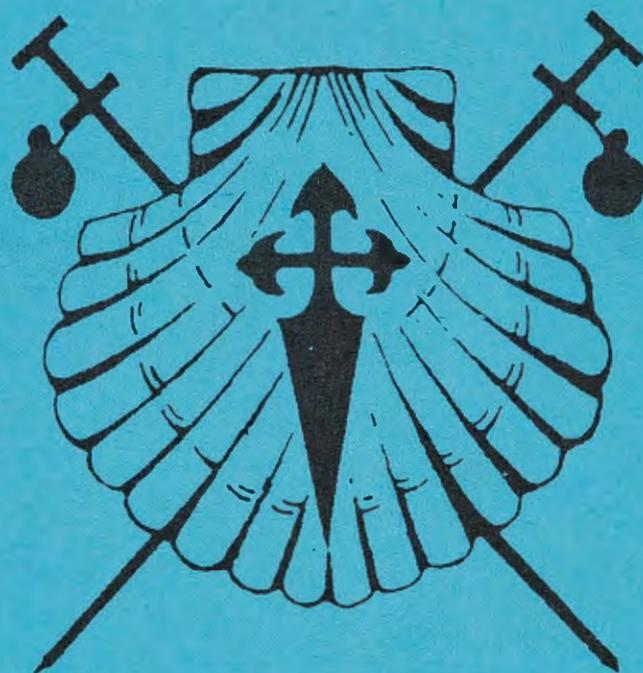


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CONFRATERNITY EVENTS

AUTUMN/WINTER/SPRING 1989-1990

Friday November 10th , 6.30 - 8.30 pm - Reception at the Spanish Embassy for the Rabanal Hostel Appeal. Members should all have received their formal invitations by now but anyone who has been away in recent weeks and would like to attend should contact Mary Ivens immediately on (01)-229 2624. Some of our Spanish friends from the El Bierzo Association will be present and Spanish speakers will be able to make good use of their talents on November 10th. (NB: you are asked to bring your invitations with you.)

Supper - the post-reception supper will take place at the Tavola Calda restaurant, 3 Bressenden Place, SW1 (just off the top of Victoria Street, near Victoria Station). It is around 15 minutes walk from the Embassy or four or five people could share a taxi. The cost of the supper will be around £6 to £7. (More details about the progress of the Appeal in the special supplement enclosed.)

Saturday November 11th - Visit to Sherborne, Dorset
and on Sunday November 12th - a Wessex Ridgeway walk

All members and friends are invited to join a visit to Sherborne on November 11th which is being arranged by John and Shirley Snell and Susan Morgan. The programme for Saturday is:

- 10.45 - 11.30: coffee at The House of Steps, Half Moon Street;
- 11.30 - 12.45: tour of Sherborne Abbey (with statue of St James) led by Mr Jim Gibb, FSA.
- 1.00 - 2.00: lunch at The Church House Gallery, Half Moon Street (upstairs room);
- 2.15pm: walk around Sherborne, led by Mr Gerald Pitman
- 4.00 (approx.): tea at the Church House Gallery.

A small charge will be made to cover expenses.

Trains from London: the only feasible train is the 9.15 from Waterloo, direct to Sherborne (Exeter service). It arrives at Sherborne at 11.26, which will mean a fast jog to the Abbey. There may be a few places available in cars, but anyone planning either to travel by train or hoping for a lift should contact Marion Marples on (01)-633 0603. Members with SE Network cards can use them and take others on them. The return train on Saturday is the 5.37 from Sherborne which arrives at Waterloo at 7.49.

Staying Overnight? Bed and breakfast has been kindly offered on a special basis by John and Shirley Snell in Sherborne (or elsewhere locally). John and Shirley are donating any 'profit' to the Hostel Appeal Fund. Please see form at the back of the Bulletin for further details.

Sunday 12th November - a Wessex Ridgeway walk of about 20 kms arranged by Stephen Badger. The Ridgeway is about 15 miles from Sherborne and the section to be walked crosses Bulbarrow Hill, the highest point in Dorset. Starting point: Shillingstone on the A357 at 9.30am. We will stop for lunch at The Fox at Lower Ansty, with our final destination being Alton Pancras on the B3143. Those who prefer could spend the afternoon visiting Milton Abbey where there is a stone head of St James and a pilgrimage chapel dedicated to St. Catherine.

If you are planning to come to Sherborne please complete the form at the back of the Bulletin now!

Thursday November 16th - Research Working Party meeting at the Department of Hispanic Studies, University of Birmingham. Papers will be sent out to members and to county coordinators very shortly. Contact person: Marion Marples - (01)-633 0603

Saturday 20th January 1990, 2.30pm

Confraternity Annual General Meeting at the John Marshall Hall, Christchurch, Blackfriars Road, London S.E.1.

Open the 1990s by coming to the Annual General Meeting. Unlike some AGMs ours are enjoyable: reports are brisk, discussion is to the point, and, as always, there will be a lecture followed by a 1990 late New Year Party. Full details and AGM papers will be sent out in early December. It is usually possible to provide overnight accommodation for out-of-London members.

MAJOR SPRING EVENT

Pilgrims from the British Isles
to Santiago de Compostela
in the Middle Ages

An International Conference at Hengrave Hall, Suffolk
16 to 18 March 1990

The Confraternity is arranging a conference on the topic of British pilgrims to Santiago to be held at Hengrave Hall, near Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk from Friday March 16th to Sunday March 18th 1990. As well as papers by a distinguished team of speakers, led by Professor Derek Lomax of the University of Birmingham, conference members will be visiting medieval Suffolk churches and the historic town of Bury St Edmunds, with its cathedral dedicated to St James.

We hope that a number of participants will come from other European countries, so this will be a chance for Confraternity members to meet their European counterparts.

Coach transport will be provided from London and there will be a special London programme on Thursday 15 March to Friday 16 March. The actual weekend cost (excluding London) will be £60 to £65 depending on accommodation. All meals and travel within Suffolk are included.

Hengrave Hall itself is a beautiful 16th century mansion set in extensive grounds with its own round-tower church. Further details will be found in the enclosed leaflet.

OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

Friday 1 December, 8pm, Purcell Room

Music in Florentine Art - an illustrated lecture/recital by Mary Remnant who will be performing on her wide range of medieval musical instruments. Mary's December lecture/recitals are always very popular and early booking from the Festival Hall Box Office is advised. Prices: £6, £5 and £4.

Saturday 2 December 1989, 9.30 am to 5pm

Saints and Society - a day school organised by the University of Oxford Department for External Studies, at Rewley House, Wellington Square, Oxford. The main speaker is David Farmer of the University of Reading, on: Saints in the Patristic Age, Saints in Medieval Society, and Did the 16th Century Reformers Reject Saints?

Martin Kauffmann will discuss Illustrations to the Lives of the Saints.



Fee: £14 (without lunch) or £18-40 (with lunch). If you would like to attend please send your name, address (with post code) and telephone number and cheque to the Archaeology/Local History Course Secretary, Oxford University Department for External Studies, Rewley House, 1 Wellington Square, Oxford OX1 2JA as soon as possible. (NB: to enable Confraternity members to recognize each other it is suggested we wear a shell badge, tie, sweat-shirt or other suitable distinguishing mark.)

The Tate Exhibition Pilgrims from the British Isles to St James of Compostella in the Middle Ages with photographs by Pablo Keller will be in northern England this autumn: 21 October to 11 November: Sheffield University Library and from 20 November to 30 November at Liverpool University. 1990 venues to be listed in future Bulletin.

7 and 21 February 1990, 7.30 pm

Evening Lectures in Reading Friends of Reading Abbey, (to which the Confraternity is affiliated) have given details of two lectures on the history of Reading, organised jointly by the University of Reading and the Reading Museum and Art Gallery to celebrate the opening of the newly refurbished 18th century Small Town Hall.

7 February: Saxon and Viking Reading - Dr Cecil Slade

21 February: Reading Abbey and the Medieval Town -
Dr Brian Kemp.

For further details telephone the University's Extramural Department on (0734)-318852.

PILGRIMAGE 1990

A parish pilgrimage from Airedale, West Yorkshire will take place from June 19th to July 3rd 1990 visiting not only Santiago de Compostela but also the shrines of St Theresa of Lisieux, Our Lady of Fatima and St Theresa of Avila. Travel will be by coach and ferries and the cost is likely to be around £400 for the fortnight. Three nights will be spent at Santiago, two at Fatima and two at Avila. Yorkshire members in particular are invited to take part, and anyone interested or wanting more details should contact Norah Finn, 16 Henson Grove, Airedale, West Yorkshire WF10 3JE. Tel.: (0977)-557942. (Deposit required: £30)

30 June to 4 July 1990 - Medieval Art & Architecture at Hereford is the title of next year's British Archaeological Association's annual conference. There will be papers on the medieval art, architecture, archaeology and history of Hereford Cathedral, the city and its vicinity. Visits to Kilpeck, Abbey Dore, Leominster and Goodrich Castle. Those interested in offering a paper and/or attending the conference should write to the conference organiser, Dr Richard Morris, as soon as possible, enclosing a stamped, addressed envelope. Proposals for papers should be received by 15 November.

Dr Morris' address is: History of Art, Warwick University, Coventry, Warwicks CV4 7AL.

***** PILGRIMAGE TO SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA *****
IN 1990, 1991, 1992 & 1993

The Amigos del Camino de Santiago en Navarra are organising a large-scale walking pilgrimage over the next four years, to arrive in Santiago on St James's Day in the next Holy Year, 1993. This will be an international pilgrimage of around 150 people, with a strong religious and cultural element that will bring participants together in friendship.

13 to 20 April 1990: Seville to Cáceres - 267 kms;
16 July to 1 August 1991 - Cáceres to Astorga - 403;
16 July to 1 August 1992 - Roncesvalles to Astorga,
487 kms;
16 July to 25 July 1993 - Astorga to Santiago - 239.

The organisers will provide support vehicles, meals, medical help and accident insurance. There will also be religious and cultural information. Three-person tents will be used as sleeping accommodation. The cost for each walk will be around 25,000 pesetas. Anyone interested in the project should first of all send a sae to Marion Marples at 45 Dolben Street, London SE1, for a copy of the form to be completed and returned to Pamplona by 1 January 1990. Or write direct to Andres Muñoz, Amigos del Camino de Santiago en Navarra, C/Sierra de Alaiz 3, 10^o, Iz, Pamplona C.P. 31006, Spain.

Note: 1993, when St James's Day, July 25th, falls on a Sunday, is the next Holy Year, the last being in 1982, just before the Confraternity was founded. Holy Years occur every five, six or 11 years, the next but one being in 1999, the pre-millennium year. In the Middle Ages by far the greatest number of pilgrimages took place in Holy Years. Future Bulletins in the 1990s will have suggestions for celebrations in 1993.

THE PAPAL VISIT TO SANTIAGO

A major piece of contemporary religious history took place on August 20th 1989 when Pope John Paul II addressed some 500,000 young people from all over the world on the slopes of Monte del Gozo just outside the city. This vast crowd, who had responded to the Pope's invitation to the 4th World Youth Day, 1989, spent many hours waiting on Monte del Gozo, where, on a clear day the spires of the Cathedral can be seen.



On Saturday 19th August the Pope had been greeted at Santiago airport by King Juan Carlos and then travelled into the city. Confraternity member, Magdalena Stork de Yepes, writes from Galicia: 'It was specially touching to see him descend from the 'Papamovil' car at the entrance of Santiago at San Francisco and perform all the acts of a pilgrim on foot, on his way to and inside the Cathedral.'

Speaking to the great gathering of young people the following day, Pope John Paul stressed the sacrifice and spirit of penitence they had shown as pilgrims, as well as the very special nature of Santiago de Compostela where, he said, the youth of Europe had found once more one of its most powerful cohesive factors - the Christian faith. Denouncing the permissiveness of modern society, the Pope declared: 'We must shake the world from its sluggishness with the proclamation by thousands of young pilgrims of Christ as the redeemer of all and as the centre of history.'

Another event of this papal visit to Spain that appealed to Magdalena Stork took place on the last day, 21st August, at Covadonga in the Asturias. 'The site is wonderful among high mountains. After the Pope prayed in the grotto before the statue of Our Lady, he said Mass on the esplanade before the Basilica. Compared with the great congregation on Monte del Gozo this was a select and minor congregation. Mass was sung in Latin and Gregorian chant.'



The pilgrim Pope blesses the people
outside Santiago Cathedral

Photo: L'Osservatore Romano, 28 August 1989

Before the offertory very ancient Asturian folk dances were performed, which had a real Celtic flavour. Before being taken to the airport he had a picnic lunch even further up in the mountains of Picos de Europa in the region called 'of the lakes'. This was a private event not shown on TV.'

The success of the gathering at Santiago of so many young people, who had used all conceivable means of transport to reach their destination, is a tribute to the dedication of the clergy of Santiago and of the many parish priests in towns and villages along the Camino. They have worked incredibly hard all

year to prepare for the visit, and the fruits of their efforts in terms of better waymarking and more and better 'refugios' will be felt by pilgrims in the 1990s and beyond.

Library Note: a 1989 Papal Visit folder has been placed in the Library and may be borrowed, on application to Stephen Badger (tel. (01)-274 8126) in the normal way. It consists of magazine and newspaper articles in English, French and Spanish covering all aspects of the Pope's visit, together with one or two complete issues of relevant publications.

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Pilgrimage Pot-Pourri - September 23rd 1989

There was a gratifying response to the invitation in the last Bulletin to members to speak for up to fifteen minutes on their pilgrimage travels/research in 1988/89. The Bar Hall of the Westminster Cathedral Conference Centre was full, but not too full, and we were very pleased to welcome Mademoiselle Jeannine Warcollier, the Secretary-General of the Société des Amis de St Jacques de Compostelle in Paris. James Hatts, armed with a discreet bell, proved to be a strict time-keeper and only one speaker enthusiastically exceeded his allotted span.

It was fitting that Patric Emerson, one of the Confraternity's earliest members, should open the proceedings. Moreover a 12th century ancestor of his, Bishop Philip of Poictou, later Bishop of Durham, actually went on pilgrimage to Santiago in mid 1201. In 1969 Patric decided it was time he followed in Bishop Philip's footsteps and 20 years later was showing us his record of his journey to Santiago, Lourdes, Fatima, Burgos and Salamanca.

Binnie Mobsby and James Maple took the platform in turn, covering different aspects of Aragon, Binnie while on a study-tour and James (wearing his cycling

cap) in the course of his 1989 cycling pilgrimage along the Arles route.

John Hatfield, who cycled from Vézelay this summer, entitled his talk A Camino for Europe. His descriptions of the Belgian cherries incident and Spanish melon incident had the audience in hoots of laughter, while, on a more serious note, he stressed our common European cultural and spiritual heritage which is so well exemplified by the Camino de Santiago.

After tea, Walter Ivens spoke movingly of the Confraternity's hostel project at Rabanal del Camino and showed a series of slides of the parish house ('our' house) and the village and its inhabitants.

Alison Armour and Moira Shearer then took the floor as a double act. They had spent their 1989 holiday (with two others) on a comprehensive and meticulously planned pilgrimage by car, and were thus able to take us off the beaten track to places which walkers and cyclists often have to miss. Santo Domingo de Silos, 50 kms south of Burgos, was a good example and the audience enjoyed a splendid sequence of slides showing the three different sculptural styles to be found there.

To complete the afternoon, Phinella Henderson brought us gently back to London and points west. Starting with St James Garlickhythe in the City with its refurbished clock and statue, she ended with Kilpeck and the Shobdon arches as examples of the influence of carvings and patterns to be found on the route in France and Spain on medieval English carvers.

The programme was arranged by Pat Quaife, with much help from Mary Remnant, Stephen Badger, Amanda Bath and Marion Marples. After the meeting a number of members stayed behind until nearly 8pm to help stuff envelopes with Rabanal appeal leaflets. The Appeal Sub-Committee is very grateful to them for giving up their time in this way.

1989 PILGRIMS

Walkers and cyclists aged from 15 to 69 successfully made their pilgrimages to Santiago in 1989.

One of the longest walks was undertaken by Alan Leask from Corsica; starting from Le Puy in late April he surprised himself by easily beating his estimated time to Santiago, arriving in early July.

Henry Brett from Liverpool also made good time on his bicycle, all the way from Caen. The Bulletin Editor was delighted to be offered some of his soup at the top of the Roncesvalles pass at Ibaneta in early July. The most recent cycling pilgrim (arrived 27 September) was Joseph May from Welwyn who used a mountain bike along the 'camino', ie the walkers' path, although he had to resort to carrying his machine occasionally.

And Robin and Louella Hanbury-Tenison from Cornwall chalked up a 'first' as the first Confraternity members to ride along the route. An account of their ride appears elsewhere in the Bulletin.

James Maple, who himself cycled from Arles this year, reports that only about one-third of those members who requested pilgrim records this year have so far returned their entries for the Confraternity's official register. So please return yours, if you have not done so already to James Maple at 12 Donne Court, Burbage Road, London SE24 9HH. Tel.: (01)-274 8131.

Other 1989 walkers include Alison Shrubsole, Diana Goodier, Sister Margaret Murphy, Pat Quaife and Brother Anthony Brunning. Cyclists also include Eric Gobell, John Aspinall, Fernando and Peter (aged 15) Cervero, John Hatfield and Alan Peacegood.

The above list is not complete but will be brought up-to-date as further entries for the register are received.

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RIDING TO SANTIAGO

by Robin Hanbury-Tenison

Our original intention had been to take our own horses on the pilgrimage to Santiago. These are two white Camargue geldings, which we rode back from the mouth of the Rhône, where the mares still roam free in wild herds, to our farm in Cornwall in 1984. Subsequently we had made two more rides, also of about 1,000 miles each, on Chinese horses along the Great Wall and on Maori 'amblers' through both islands of New Zealand.

However, an extremely unpleasant disease, African Horse Plague, broke out in Spain recently and many hundreds of horses have either died or been put down to try and stem the epidemic. Although this has so far been confined to southern Spain, particularly Andalusia, it does mean that re-importing our horses back into England after the journey would be quite impossible. We therefore had to try and find Spanish horses.

I went on a reconnaissance in May this year, and, after pursuing several contacts, including some useful clues provided by the Confraternity, I tracked down Pablo Hermoso de Mendoza in Estella, a man who takes groups on long rides, including occasionally to Santiago. I liked him and we shook hands on a deal whereby he would deliver two good horses to Roncesvalles and collect them again a month later from Santiago. The cost of all this came to well over £500 per horse, but in my experience trying to buy and sell horses nearly always ends in disaster and we now had the freedom to go at our own pace and without worrying about what would happen at the end.

Riding really is the ideal way to travel whether one is on a pilgrimage, gathering material for a book or simply seeing and enjoying the glorious countryside and architecture of northern Spain. All of these were among our motives for the journey.

Moreover, we have found that people like us and respond more quickly to our needs when we are on horses, especially country people. We were never once allowed to pay for grazing and several times sacks of corn or bales of hay were given to us. With enough time and perhaps an extra horse as a spare and to carry the baggage, it would be quite possible to ride the 'Camino Frances' unaccompanied. We chose to have with us our four-year old son Merlin and Joan, a friend who had been his nanny when he was a baby, travelling in our car. They went ahead each day and prepared a camp, leaving us free to enjoy the day's riding and think about what we were seeing rather than worry about what lay ahead.

Because we were a couple of weeks behind the great flood of pilgrims who went to see the Pope at Santiago on August 20th, the Way was exceptionally well marked and there were empty 'refugios' in almost every village. We only met a handful of pilgrims on foot. Although we heard of no other pilgrims who rode the whole Way, it had all been made passable for horses and we saw signs that some stretches had been ridden over.

There were some problems, of course. Some of the route inevitably lay along roads, occasionally main ones, and the danger of a horse shying and being hit by a lorry or car was always there. Few drivers slowed down when they saw us, though many tooted their horns cheerfully or shouted greetings.

Blacksmiths are now rare, and usually very old in northern Spain. We were able to have complete new sets of shoes fitted in León by the Army, who are responsible for breeding Andalusian stallions, but this should not be relied on and spare shoes should be carried. My horse showed signs of getting saddle sores early on, which was a worry, but with careful treatment they fortunately never developed.

We left Roncesvalles on Wednesday August 9th and rode into the Plaza del Obradoiro on the morning of Sunday September 3rd. Predictably one of the guards blew his whistle at us and told us horses were not allowed in



Arrival at the Plaza del Obroadoiro, Santiago

the Plaza, but we ignored him and ran up the steps of the Cathedral to put our fingers into the tree of Jesse. on the 23 days on which we rode (leaving 3 complete rest days) we covered an average of 33 kilometres per day at a little over 5 kms per hour. While this was only a bit faster than a fast walker it consisted of a much more varied pace, ranging from a joyous canter across open stubble fields, to a slow dawdle along leafy lanes. We loved every minute of it.

Our horses, incidentally, were a beautiful matched pair of greys called Duque and Guadalquivar and we hope they enjoyed it too.

A PYRAMID FOR SHOBDON?

by Pat Quaife

An 850th anniversary is often an occasion for celebration, but not in the case of the Shobdon arches.

Members who visited Herefordshire with the Confraternity in either 1984 or 1988 will certainly recall the decaying but still impressive romanesque arches, a survival from the earlier church, now situated at the end of a long green sward, some quarter of a mile from the mid-18th century church.



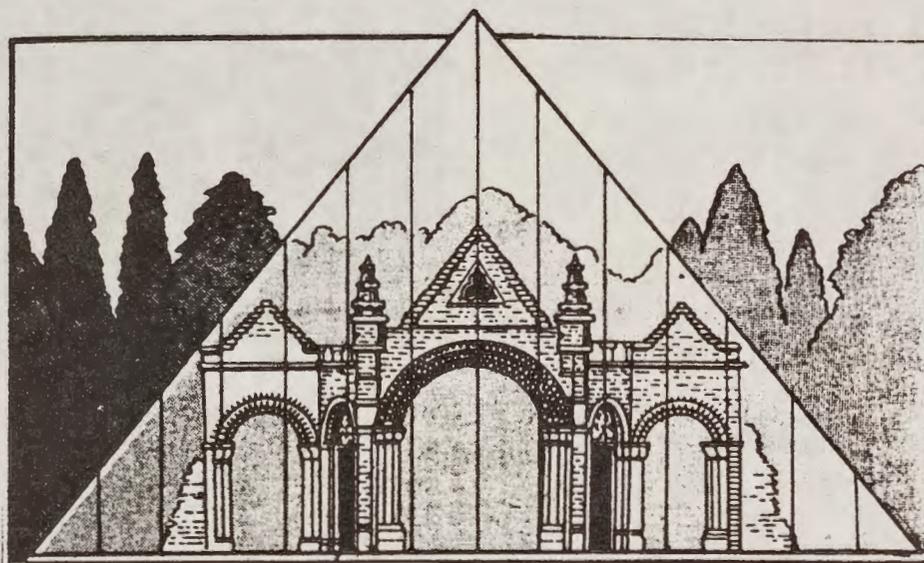
The romanesque arches of Shobdon (c.1140)

In his May 1984 lecture to the Confraternity, Professor George Zarnecki explained that it was likely that the sculptor responsible for the arches had travelled to Santiago de Compostela in the early to mid 12th century in the retinue of one Oliver de Merlimond, steward of Hugh de Mortimer. A careful study of the arches, together with the well-preserved church of St Mary and St David at Kilpeck and various tympana and fonts in Hereford and Worcester, shows the influence of the sculpture and motifs of churches on the pilgrim routes of south-west France (notably Aulnay) and of the Cathedral of Santiago.

The Shobdon arches, which include the former north and south portals and the chancel arch, were re-erected in the 18th century by Lord Bateman on private land, then his garden. Since that time they have been at the mercy of the elements and the intricately carved stonework has been sadly eroded.

Is Anything Happening? - May 1989

On 14th May 1989 The Observer included a 'Discovery' item, written by Martin Bailey, on a radical way of protecting the Shobdon arches, put forward by English Heritage. It consists of a protective glass pyramid structure, with a door to enable visitors to examine the carvings closely. The cost of this has been estimated at £150,000. Other options were also considered by English Heritage: leaving the arches as



Proposed pyramid structure (Drawing: The Observer)

they are, dismantling them and re-erecting them elsewhere (except no-one was interested in having them) and demolition, but retaining the most important stones for a museum.

A day later (15 May 1989) an information note was issued by English Heritage's Ancient Monuments Division (Midlands). It mentions a draft report on Shobdon favouring 'the erection of an appropriate cover building as the most effective option for preservation.' However, the crunch comes in the same paragraph: 'it is unrealistic to expect that English Heritage will be able to meet the whole cost' and goes on to mention seeking sponsorship and 'an architectural competition to achieve the very best modern design' - a recipe for further delay? No mention was made of the glass pyramid designed by English Heritage's own architect, Paul Woodfield, and shown in The Observer the day before. Reference is

then made to an up-to-date art historical appraisal, and the fact that the feasibility study was to be considered 'shortly' in conjunction with the owner.

But this obviously gives rise to another problem: according to the Hereford Times of 18 May the owner of the land feels that the pyramid would be not only an eyesore but also a possible temptation to vandals.

Progress ? - October 1989

English Heritage's Press Office told me on 25 October that its Ancient Monuments Advisory Committee had asked for an art historical assessment, which was currently being carried out. The estimate of costs was also being revised. So it would seem that little progress has been made in the five months since May. In the meantime the arches face their 850th winter - unprotected and uncelebrated.

NEW BOOK: The Way of Saint James, the GR65 by Hal Bishop, Cicerone Press, 1989. 86pp, 111us. £5-50

Walkers on the long-distance footpath, the GR65, who have struggled with the French text of the excellent Topo-Guides (Le Sentier de St Jacques de Compostelle), will welcome Confraternity member Hal Bishop's new book under the title The Way of Saint James. It is a convenient pocket-sized publication that takes the walker from Le Puy in the Auvergne to Roncesvalles on the Spanish side of the Pyrenees. It contains concise walking instructions, distances and heights and, like the Topo-Guides, provides basic information on the existence of hotels, restaurants and gîtes d'etape. The guide is well illustrated with Hal Bishop's own photographs, the colour ones in particular having been exceptionally well reproduced. The author an archaeologist at the Museum of London, walked every step of the way himself and has graciously dedicated the book to the Confraternity. It is planned to have copies available shortly at £5-75 (incl. p. & p.) Contact Amanda Bath, 111a Englefield Road, London N.1 3LH.

ST JAMES IN ROTHENBURG

by Alfred Peacock

During the later part of May and the beginning of June I cycled from Suffolk to Venice, and about half-way stayed for a day in the German town of Rothenburg-ob-der-Tauber. The town is a gem, hardly altered since medieval times, and fortunately escaped severe damage during the last war.

Rothenburg's parish church is dedicated to St James the Great and was built between 1300 and 1490. The high altar has a triptych, a picture or carving in three sections and hinged so that the lateral ones fold over the central one, so covering the central scene of the crucifixion at certain times in the liturgical year. The outside of the lateral doors were painted with scenes of the life of St James and would have faced the congregation when the main theme of the triptych was covered.

There are eight paintings: three deal with the life of St James and show him preaching in Galicia, his execution in Jerusalem and the ox-drawn cart taking away his body. The other five paintings depict the story of the unjustly hung young man (the Pendu Dependu) at Santo Domingo de la Calzada. The story is slightly different from the one that I have heard, in which a serving maid, whose advances the young man has spurned, hides a golden goblet in his luggage, knowing that he will be arrested for theft and hung. In this German version, the goblet is hidden by the treacherous inn-keeper so that when the young man is convicted of theft he will be awarded all the goods that belong to the family who were well-off.

In the second picture the goblet is discovered and the young man convicted and hung. The family sorrowfully continue on their way but on their return through Santo Domingo (second and third paintings) they find the young man, although still hanging from the gallows, alive and well. The fourth scene shows them, with the magistrate, confronting the inn-keeper, who declares that if the story is true then the cock and hen which he is roasting on a spit will stand up and crow. Of course the birds do crow and prove the guilt of the inn-keeper, who in the final painting is led away and hung. In the story I had heard previously, the birds were on the magistrate's serving dish and stood up and crowed there. There was no record of what happened to the serving girl.

After arriving in Venice I visited Ravenna to see the wonderful mosaics in the churches. These mosaics are Byzantine in their conception and date from the early 5th century. The treatment of the scallop shell (the later emblem of St James) was most interesting. In the church of S. Apollinare Nuovo the umbraculum surmounting some of the saints is in the form of a scallop shell but the flat top is altered to form a bird's head, which is turned down, descending on to the saint's head, thus symbolising the Holy Ghost. This would be five hundred years before the cult of St James started. Has anyone else seen any other instance where the shell has become the wings of a bird?

I can recommend a visit to Ravenna. It is said by some to be the most rewarding town in Italy; not knowing that country well, I cannot confirm this but will say that it would be hard to find a town with more beautiful and interesting churches and history.

Note: Alfred Peacock will be bringing some slides of the Rothenburg paintings to show at the AGM on January 20th 1989.

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Pilgrims' Footsteps: a Walk along the Ancient Pilgrim Road to Santiago de Compostela, by Bert Slader. Quest Books, 1989. £4-95.

Reviewed by Stephen Badger

Bert Slader was formerly Deputy Director of the Sports Council for Northern Ireland, but now works as a freelance with interests in outdoor recreation and travel off the beaten track. He knew nothing of the Confraternity or of any modern interest in the pilgrimage to Compostela. However, as a frequent walker in the Pyrenees he came across the beautiful spot near the Col de Bentarte where the ancient pilgrim track crosses into Spain and so was inspired in the summer of 1985 to set out from St Jean Pied-de-Port to follow the route all the way to Santiago, armed only with his curiosity, some 1:200,000 maps of Spain and The Road to Santiago by that fellow Irishman, Walter Starkie.

Despite being an experienced walker, his exuberance on the first day gave him a bad blister that was to dog him for much of the way until it was cured by a miraculous remedy called Second Skin given him by a French pilgrim. He was also initially dogged by loneliness,

but again with time the route worked its own cure and he was soon caught up with the rhythm of its own life.

As the book unfolds, the author records many kindnesses from people on the route and from other pilgrims, but he also meets adversities; he tells of good meals and village fiestas, of great head and of pounding lorries, of fierce dogs and of soaring cathedrals, of his first steps in Spanish. Clearly, he prefers the stretch where the 'camino' leaves modern concrete and runs on ancient foundations through rural surroundings - it is in the lanes of enchantment of Galicia that we feel he is most at home. Of Rabanal he says:

... the houses were old, built of cut stone and timber. Usually the first floor overhung the ground floor and the roofs were steep and slated with large, heavy slates, fashioned to withstand hard, mountain winters. The village was compact and picturesque and a little stream flowed down the middle of its narrow street.

The author goes out of his way to discount any religious interest in his own case. So what was his motivation? 'I am on the Camino' he says to a fellow pilgrim in Puente la Reina 'to make the journey and because they have gone before. Following in their footsteps I hope to understand ...' But he does not finish the sentence then, nor really in the rest of the book. Perhaps there is nothing to understand, perhaps the journey is just one more instalment that only gradually falls into place. As he himself says 'the arrival in Santiago is a new beginning - not an end'.

The book is not for those who need a detailed description of the route nor yet for those who want the historical background set out in more than outline (how could it be in but 180 pages?). But those who want to experience the pilgrimage vicariously through the eyes, and the feet, of a sensitive but perhaps rather untypical pilgrim, will find a straightforward account, well told and full of understanding by one who went:

On such a journey	To feel the Road as they did
As would make the head spin	And watch the distance
And set the sensibilities all awry.	trailing out behind,
A journey back through time,	Like a gymnast's ribbon.

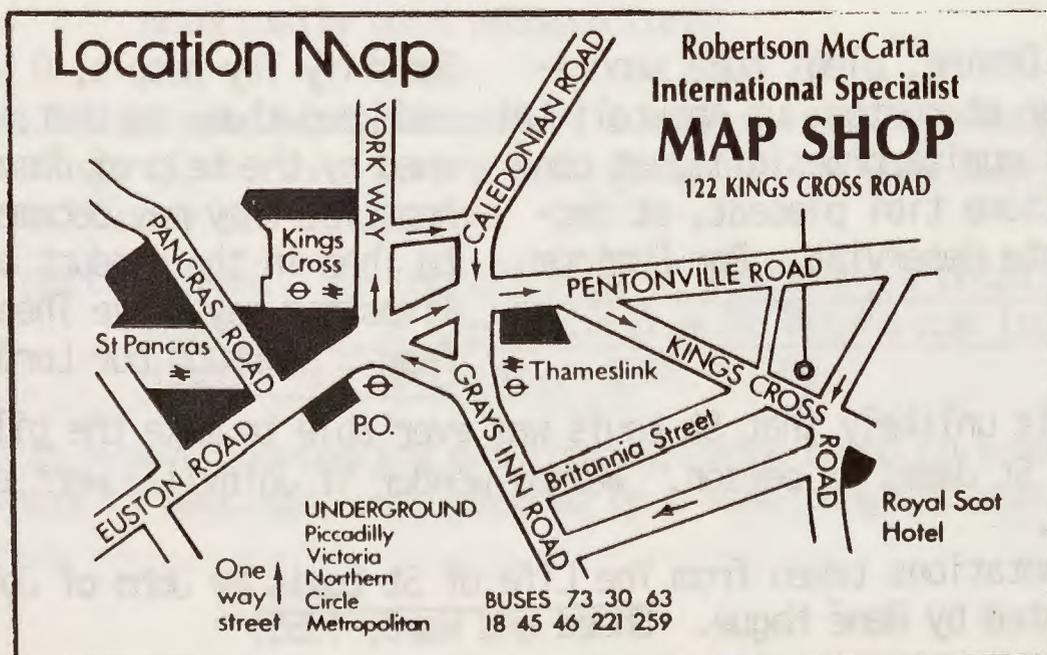
Not everyone will want to walk forty kilometres or more a day, but everyone who has walked or cycled the 'camino' will find that the author's experiences ring true.

FINDING THE WAY TO SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA

It may not look much like it, but this is an advertisement. I run a specialist map and guide shop and we are able to supply all the maps and guides you are likely to need for the journey. We are agents for the IGN (the French Ordnance Survey) and for the FFRP (the French Ramblers' Association). We also have good stocks of Spanish Survey maps, and a number of relevant guidebooks, one of which we're intending to translate. I'm thinking of putting together a 'Pilgrim Pack' and am interested in what you, as potential buyers, think in terms of price, scale of maps, guidebooks to include and which route(s) to follow. Anyway, if any of the above stimulates your interest and you'd like more information, or if you have any news on the map/guidebook front that you think would interest us, then please get in touch.

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Thanks. Toby Harrison, Shop Manager.



JOINVILLE AND ST JAMES

by George F. Tull

In the book of memoirs written by the Seneschal John of Joinville (c.1224-1317) concerned with the history of St Louis, a work well known to medieval historians, are several references to the Apostle, St James.

Joinville remembered that in 1250 when he was cornered in the fierce fighting at Mansura in Egypt, 'then my mind turned to my Lord St James and I prayed to him, "Dear Lord St James, help and succour me in my need." It seems clear that Joinville had made the pilgrimage to Compostela from his specific reference to 'the Feast of St James (whose pilgrim I was and who had granted me many favours)...' He could hardly otherwise have claimed to be his pilgrim.

Of St Louis, King of France and his great friend, Joinville wrote:

From childhood to death he had great trust in God ... his last words were a cry to God and His saints, and in particular to my Lord St James and my Lady St Geneviève. (1270) At the approach of death he called on the saints to help and succour him, and especially on my Lord St James, saying his prayer which begins 'Esto, Domine', which means 'God, be the sanctifier and protector of your people' ...

This ancient prayer, the Collect for 25 July in the Roman Rite, is as follows:

Esto, Domine, plebi tuae sanctificator et custos: ut Apostoli tui Jacobi munita praesidiis, et conversatione tibi placeat, et securamente deserviat. Per Dominum ...

Sanctify Thy people, O Lord and keep them, so that, strengthened by the help of James Thy Apostle, they may become pleasing to Thee in the conduct of their lives and may serve Thee without fear. Through our Lord ...

It is unlikely that St Louis was ever able to make the pilgrimage to St James in person. We may wonder if Joinville went on his behalf.

(Quotations taken from The Life of St Louis by John of Joinville translated by René Hague. Sheed and Ward, 1955)

ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY

- Adair, John: The Pilgrims' Way: Shrines and Saints in Britain and Ireland. Photographs by Peter Cheze-Brown. Thames and Hudson, 1978. 204pp.
- * Bravo, Pedro Echevarria: Cancionero de los Peregrinos de Santiago. Madrid, Centro de Estudios Jacobeos, 1971. 187pp. (In Spanish; a reproduction of original publication of 1967)
- Cowles, Fredk.I.: Dust of Years; Pilgrimages in Search of the Ancient Shrines of England. Sands & Co., 1933. 316pp.
- * Duhourcau, Bernard: Les Chemins de St Jacques en Pays Basque. Bayonne, 1986. 146pp. (General discussion of the pilgrimage, leading on to local routes)
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- Evans, Joan: Art in Medieval France 987-1498; a Study in Patronage. Oxford University Press, 1948. 292pp, illus. (Deals principally with architecture)

* These items have been presented by a member from Edinburgh, James Hogarth, to whom we are most grateful. He has also given to the library his typescript:

Hogarth, James: The (Motor) Road to Santiago; a Detailed Description of the Route from St Palais and its History for Motorists. 1989. 140pp.

This is a most interesting and thorough work based on several journeys to Santiago, supplemented by a wide range of secondary

sources. The author has suggested that members, and particularly those travelling on foot, might be interested in further supplementing certain aspects. Anyone wanting to pursue this suggestion should contact either the author at 6A Crawford Road, Edinburgh EH16 5PQ, or the librarian, Stephen Badger, at 154 Burbage Road, Dulwich, London SE21 7AG.

Pilgrimage Accounts

The Library also collects unpublished accounts of members' pilgrimages which may be of interest to those planning their journeys. The collection currently includes the following (in date order):

- 1981 - account by Pat Quaife (cycled from Vézelay), written for friends in New Zealand. 20 typed pages.
- 1982 - account by Jocelyn Rix (walked from Canterbury), written as advice for a friend, in two parts: a) Canterbury to Roncesvalles. 25 handwritten pages. b) Roncesvalles to Santiago, 21 handwritten pages.
- 1983 - account by George Grant (cycled from Santander) who used the very first Pilgrim Guide to Spain. 11 handwritten pages, in form of letter to Confraternity Secretary.
- 1989 - report for the Confraternity by Joseph May (cycled, using mountain bike, from St Jean Pied-de-Port). 7 typed pages, which include useful lists of tools, equipment, documentation.

Accounts by other members (all forms of transport), especially if they have not appeared in the Bulletin, will be welcomed by the Librarian.

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Pilgrimage for MS - Congratulations to Laurie Dennett who walked into Rome (from the Barbican) on September 29th, exactly the date planned long ago. Brother Anthony Brunning met her some 15kms earlier and they were accompanied by a group from the Italian MS Society and a Canadian Embassy representative. A police escort was provided and impatient Roman traffic piled up behind them until they disappeared into the Ministry of External Affairs for a press conference - and then a very well-earned rest.

display - and for sale - are two very attractive new colour postcards showing the refurbished clock surmounted by the statue of St James. One is a close-up while the other shows the west door of the tower with clock at first-floor level. The cards cost 20p each.

Treasures from Sussex Churches

This is an exhibition at the Brighton Museum and Art Gallery, until 26 November. Tuesday to Saturdays 10.00 - 5.45, Sunday 2-5pm. Admission free.

Books for Christmas

A number of books that would make excellent Christmas presents are available from the Confraternity Publications Officer, Amanda Bath at 111a Englefield Road, Islington, London N.1 3LH. They include:

Ada Alvey's In Search of St James, Cornwall to Compostela, 1989. £9-00 including p. & p., £9-50 overseas.

Laurie Dennett's A Hug for the Apostle, 1987. £9-50, or £10-00 overseas.

Rob Neillands' The Road to Compostela (now paperback), 1989. £7-50 or £8-00 overseas.

Bert Slader's Pilgrims' Footsteps: a Walk along the Ancient Road to Santiago de Compostela, 1989. £5-50 or £6-00 overseas.

Hal Bishop's The Way of Saint James; the GR65, 1989.
or overseas.

For those wanting some scholarly Christmas/New Year reading there are still copies of Horton and Marie-Hélène Davis' Holy Days and Holidays on the Road to Santiago de Compostela published in 1982, cost now being £24-00 or £24-50 to overseas addresses.

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SHERBORNE VISIT - NOVEMBER 11th-12th, 1989

Please return this form asap, with sae for plan of Sherborne, to Susan Morgan, 6 Chapel Green Lane, Bristol BS6 6UA. (0272)-733853

Saturday

I/We wish to come to Sherborne and bring..... friends.

Lunch (see below) is required for person/people.

Sunday

Transport for the Sunday walk is required for..... person/People.

I can offer transport for the Sunday walk for people.

I need / do not need to return to Sherborne after the walk.

Name/s

Tel. no.:

Address

Saturday Lunch

At the request of The Church House Gallery please tick the list below to give an approximate guide for lunch (one tick = 1 helping).

Hot Special	Soup & roll
Three cheeses, salad & fruit	Castle pie (turkey & ham)
Jacket potatoes (with fillings)	garnished
Bacon quiche	Cheese quiche
Pizza	Spinach strudel.

Price range: £1-40 to £3-50. Filled rolls and salads, plus puddings, are also available.

Bed and Breakfast - if you would like bed and breakfast, please apply direct to John and Shirley Snell, 6 Castle Road, Sherborne, Dorset DT9 3RP. Tel.: (0935)-813171.

Transport from London: contact Marion Marples, 45 Dolben Street, London SE1 0UQ. Tel.: (01)-633 0603.

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Maragato Pilgrim Emblem

Rabanal del Camino is in the region known as the Maragatería and according to George Borrow in The Bible in Spain the Maragatos were carriers or distributors of commercial goods and 'no one accustomed to employ them would hesitate to confide to them the transport of a ton of treasure from the sea of Biscay to Madrid'.

We thought of making our appeal emblem a Maragato pilgrim collecting the ton of treasure, hopefully £50,000, whilst pursuing the pilgrimage from Roncesvalles to Santiago de Compostela. And there are three useful coincidences which contribute to the picture of our Maragato pilgrim advancing on the Camino as we collect more funds for the Appeal.

Firstly the Camino is some 500 miles long and with our target of £50,000, every £100 advances our pilgrim one mile (an expensive journey!). Secondly our Spanish El Bierzo friends estimate the cost of restoring the hostel at around £35,000, and thirdly Rabanal is roughly 350 miles from Roncesvalles. Therefore our Maragato pilgrim's first objective is to reach Rabanal, but our overall objective is for our pilgrim to reach Santiago itself.

Our Competition

We have an excellent map of the Camino which is 50 inches long, but to show the Appeal's progress we need a pictorial cutout figure of our Maragato pilgrim about 3 inches high. Would budding artists within the Confraternity, including friends and children, please volunteer to paint a suitable 3 inch Maragato pilgrim cutout in time to be displayed at the Spanish Embassy reception on Friday 10th November. The more cutout figures we receive the merrier, and we can hold a competition to select the winning Maragato pilgrim as our Appeal emblem. Please remember that the cutout needs to be on strong paper or card so that as the Appeal fund grows it can be moved along the map of the Camino. We can give you a lead from Edwin Mullins' book The Pilgrimage to Santiago on Maragato attire: 'sporting a tight-fitting jerkin, wide bloomers, gaiters, a slouch-hat and a broad belt equipped with a pouch,' but you are free to use your own artistic licence.

We realize time is short, so get your pens and paint-brushes out now and send your masterpieces to James Maple, 12 Donne Court, Burbage Road, London SE24 9HH, to arrive before 10 November. Many thanks.

The Appeal Fund

At the time of writing (28 October 1989) the fund stands at around £4,000, which is good going for the start. If you look at the map on the appeal leaflet, our Maragato pilgrim has covered 40 miles and has reached Pamplona. So he could appear prominently on our larger map which will be displayed at the Embassy reception on 10 November.

There have been some 66 donations, mostly from members, but including 13 non-members, and 5 corporate/organisations. Whilst there are a few wonderfully large donations, most vary from £5 to £100 and are very welcome. We have set up a system of thank-you letters (please forgive any delays but it takes time for the post to reach the system through the CSJ Appeal address) and a donation book in which every gift is recorded. There have been 3 covenants so far. We do recommend this as an excellent way of contributing: the Appeal has no set time limit, but funds will always be needed for maintenance and improvements to the hostel. So covenants are a way of enhancing your contribution through the refund of tax.

Our sincere thanks to those members who have already contributed and also to the non-members who have surely been introduced through members.

This reminds us that we have had very few requests for additional leaflets. You may remember that in our June newsletter we mentioned a theoretical target of raising £100 per member, the idea being to distribute the leaflets to as wide an audience as possible through churches, clubs, associations etc. Obviously many leaflets will be wasted, but we have ample to spare and we do not want them to vegetate in their boxes. The increasing number of non-members' donations is a good indication of success in distributing the leaflets.

Mailings

We have organised mailings (letter and leaflet) to some 750 firms and organisations. So far most of the replies are negative, which is to be expected, but we believe and hope that we may receive a few very useful donations, mainly through organisations linked with Spain. If you know of potential contacts locally, eg a Spanish club or circle, or a company with ties with Spain, please approach or write to them direct, for any duplication with our national mailing will do no harm. Future mailings are planned when we have the time.

Spanish Embassy Reception - 10 November, 6.30-8.30 pm

As we said in the Bulletin, there should be room at the reception for any members who have not yet booked their invitation. Please telephone Mary or Walter Ivens on (01)-229 2624 if you have not yet applied. The Appeal Committee looks forward to seeing members at the Embassy on 10 November and at the supper afterwards.

THE PARACHUTING PILGRIM

And what of the parachuting pilgrim whose initiative was described in Bulletin no. 32?

All the omens were for good for Sunday October 22nd, the day of Phinella Henderson's parachute jump in aid of the Appeal Fund. In 1797, on the very day - October 22nd - the first ever parachute jump took place, in Paris, the pioneer being one André-Jacques Garnerin. And on the same day in 1975 Don Juan Carlos of Bourbon was proclaimed King of Spain.* But even these omens and Phinella's determination could not reduce the 50 miles per hour gale at Ipswich Airport to the calm conditions required for first-time parachutists. Sadly, Saturday October 28th was no better. Phinella has successfully undergone all her training and hopes to make her jump before November 10th. Sponsorship is going well - more news soon.



Sponsorships

Not everyone has the time or inclination to go parachuting or to cycle to Santiago - two sponsored activities undertaken by members for the Appeal. Less energetic activities can also be sponsored on a one-to-one basis. For example, one of the definitions of sponsor in the Concise Oxford Dictionary is 'person who subscribes to charity in return for specified activity by another' and this could cover 3 of the suggestions received recently, sponsored gardening, decorating and French lessons. In other words the sponsorship is directly earned through a service to others. Anyone interested in having French lessons, with fees going to the Appeal, should telephone (01)-883 4893 in the first instance.

* Information supplied by
The Independent, 21/10/89

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Because of the Freepost system there can be ten days delay before donations are actually received. This means that the above list is correct to around 20 October 1989.

Hostel Appeal Reports

It is planned to produce a Hostel Appeal report at regular intervals. Contributions to the December report will be welcomed by Walter Ivens at Flat D, 1 Airlie Gardens, London W.8 7AJ.

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Friday 16 - Sunday 18 March 1990

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Friday 16 March:

from 5pm Arrival at Hengrave Hall
(coach from London available)
Tour of Hengrave Hall
8.30pm Formal Welcome and Opening
Lecture- English Pilgrims
to Santiago de Compostela:
Prof Derek Lomax

Saturday 17 March:

9.30am Pilgrimage from England
by sea: Prof Brian Tate
11.30am St James in Cornwall:
Miss Hilary Shaw
2.30pm Visit to some medieval Suffolk
churches: Woolpit, Hessett,
Long Melford, Lavenham
5.00pm Tea in Lavenham
8.00pm Music of the Pilgrimage:
Dr Mary Remnant

Sunday 18 March:

9.30am Conference Service
10.00am Visit to town of Bury St
Edmunds-St James' Cathedral,
St Mary's Church, Abbey ruins.
2.00pm Reading Abbey and St James:
Dr Brian Kemp
3.00pm St James' Way-Reading to
Southampton: Ms Marion Marples
3.45pm Conference summary and close by
Prof Derek Lomax
4.00pm Tea and farewells
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who they were, where they came from and
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and villages and the historic town of
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SPEAKERS

Prof. Derek Lomax: lately Professor of
Hispanic Studies, University of Birming-
ham, member of Council of Europe Historic
Heritage (Road to Santiago) committee.

Prof. Brian Tate: lately Professor of
Hispanic Studies, University of Nottingham

Dr Brian Kemp: Reader in History,
University of Reading.

Dr Mary Remnant: Lecturer, Royal College
of Music, gives illustrated lecture
recitals about music on the Pilgrimage to
Santiago.

Miss Hilary Shaw: Secretary, Bredereth
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I/We wish to attend the Conference at Hengrave Hall, 16-18 March

I/We enclose a non-returnable deposit of £10 per person

Accommodation:

single	<input type="checkbox"/>	4-bed	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Fare £6 single, £11 return

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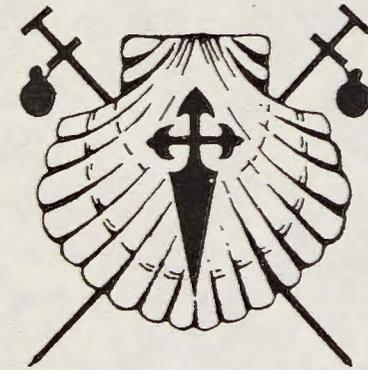
Visitors may care to lengthen their weekend by a day and a night in London:
Thursday 15 March:

Lecture: St James in London -
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Dinner

Friday 16 March: morning tour of sites connected with St James and Pilgrimage
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