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The Wilkinson Society

The Society was formed in 1972 to meet the demand for an organisation to preserve the material and documentary evidence of Broseley's industrial past. Since an important part in this industrial past was played by John Wilkinson, who lived for a time at "The Lawns", it was decided that the organisation should be known as The Wilkinson Society.

The aims of the Society are:-

- (i) to act as custodian of any relevant material and information and to make such material and information available to interested individuals and organisations;
- (ii) to promote any relevant preservation activity and to assist individuals or organisations in such activity where deemed appropriate;
- (iii) to provide a link with the community of Broseley for individuals or organisations undertaking local historical research.

Any available material will be added to the existing collection of Broseley and Wilkinson relics at "The Lawns", Church Street, Broseley. This collection is open to the public on Saturdays and Sundays between Easter and September, from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m., or at other times by appointment.

Administration of the Society is by an annually elected committee. Membership is open to anyone interested in the Society's aims and activities. These activities include illustrated lectures, social evenings, researching and exhibiting the collection, field trips and coach tours. Members are kept informed by newsletters, and this annual Journal presents articles on the history of the Broseley area, John Wilkinson, and industrial archaeology in general.

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NOTES AND NEWS

The Year's Activities

The Fourth Annual General Meeting was held at "The Lawns" on Friday 22nd. October 1976. Your officers and the serving committee were re-elected "en bloc" by a unanimous vote.

The Chairman, in his report, thanked specially all those who had helped with the Museum reorganisation and redecoration. The Treasurer, in his report, pointed out that there were outstanding loans for £49-50 arising from this work, which it was expected would be cleared within 12 months.

Anthony Mugridge, a student member, was elected Assistant Museum Curator.

After the formal part of the meeting, Messrs. Pointon, Griffiths and Hawes gave an illustrated account of their weekend trip to Wilkinson Sites in Cumbria in June 1976.