

# Leatherhead & District Local History Society

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## The Hut - The Paddocks - Ashtead



Left: The Hut c: 1919

Above: The Hut

Right: The Paddocks c: 1908

The Hut was situated at the end of a private avenue of poplars, on the south side of Ottways Lane, opposite Agates Lane. It was built in 1876 and the first resident was Colonel Alexander Cameron Gleig of the Royal Artillery, a veteran of the Crimean War. He later moved to Murrays Court. The Hut has been demolished and only one poplar tree remains from this beautiful avenue.

The Paddocks was a large house standing in five acres of land. It was built for George Masterson, a race horse trainer and his horses. In the grounds were two cottages for his staff, both still remain and are now called Hermon and Paddocks Barn. In the early 1960s The Paddocks was demolished and twenty-two detached houses were built forming Paddocks Way.



Sorry to say no photograph of The Paddocks could be found, however, on the left is a map showing the house and a somewhat strange looking Equestrian Building. If you can help the Society rectify this in anyway please contact John Rowley Leatherhead & District Local History Society: Ashtead Archive - Email: [ashtead.archive@virginmedia.com](mailto:ashtead.archive@virginmedia.com) Tel: 01372 723417

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