



# Yeovil Archaeological and Local History Society

Are you interested in history and archaeology, particularly of Yeovil and its surrounding towns & villages?

YALHS talks start at **7:15pm prompt** (doors open 7pm), on the **1st Friday** of the month from October to May. We also organise visits to historical sites and archaeological digs (when available) during the summer months. Talks are held at the **Holy Trinity Church and Community Centre, Lysander Rd, Yeovil, BA20 2BU**. Members free, Non-members £2.

## 2026 Winter-Spring PROGRAMME

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 7.15pm** – Members evening. Shirley Gear-Evans and Angela Baker on the Emily Coombs wedding dress. Steve Jukes on his archaeological discoveries over the years. Joseph Lewis update on the South Somerset Heritage Collection.

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February 7.15pm** - Dr Anne Teather, Managing Director of Past Participate, with a talk on 'Living Amongst the Sarsens' a community archaeology project in the Valley of Stones, Portesham, Dorset.

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 7.15pm** – '**Beyond the Fringes of the Stonehenge World Heritage Site**' by Andrew Manning Principle Archaeology Consultant for ADAS. He will highlight some of the amazing discoveries found in recent work outside the Stonehenge World Heritage Site, a testament to the current planning system and the hard work of Wiltshire Council Archaeology Service in advising on discoveries.

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April 7.15pm** – Wheels in History: wheelwright and ancient vehicle specialist Robert Hurford will explain how the technology of wheeled vehicles waxed and waned in Britain into the middle ages.

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May 7.15pm** – Annual General Meeting (AGM) – talk on the Tolpuddle Martyrs by David Nunn a branch secretary for the Prospect trade union.

## VISITS

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June** (time TBC): **Avalon Marshes** - £10 per member. Detail to follow.

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August: Cerne Abbas Archaeological Dig Site.** Ongoing excavations locating the actual site of the Abbey. Meet at **2pm** in Kettle Bridge car park (near the village hall) in Kettle Bridge Lane off of Duck Street.

## **Membership Fees 2026**

**Individuals £15: Joint £20: Family £25: Juniors/Students £2: Guests £2**

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