

B&DAS NEWSLETTER

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June 2018

Dear Member

After our AGM on 15th February Stewart Richards, in an excellent presentation, outlined his plans to restore the water mill next to Blake Museum. He received a lot of support from our members.

In March, John Page described the Saxon Palaces at Cheddar which were discovered, in a ground-breaking excavation, by Philip Rahtz in 1979. Please excuse the pun.

At our April meeting I gave a talk on Medieval Bridgwater illustrated by colour slides. Many thanks to Chris Sidaway for mastering the recalcitrant focusing on my projector.

On 24th May Brian Smedley, Leader of Bridgwater Town Council, spoke about Bridgwater and Slavery to a large audience augmented by many visitors. After his well-researched presentation there was a lively discussion during question time.

Many thanks to Vicki Gardner for getting brief reports of recent meetings into the Bridgwater Mercury and publicising our meetings.

Best Wishes

David Baker

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

<u>2018</u>

<u>Saturday 23rd June</u>. Visit to Walronds, Cullompton, an interesting Elizabethan Manor House. By lift share. Meet at the house 11 am. £10 including light lunch. Optional tour of Cullompton in the afternoon.

Thursday 19^{th} July. Annual Dinner at Blackmore Farm, Cannington. Meet at 6 pm for tour, 7pm for dinner. £22

Thursday 20th September. All Day Excursion to see historic Exeter

More details and booking forms for these events are/will be on our website and are being circulated.

<u>Thursday 8th October.</u> New Findings at The Wembdon Road Cemetery - Miles Kerr-Peterson

<u>Thursday 22nd November</u>. After the Bing (Archaeological Geophysics) – Liz Caldwell

<u>Thursday 13th December.</u> BDAS Christmas Party with Bob Croft, County Archaeologist, Somerset Heritage Trust. At Wembdon Parish Centre - the old school building near the church. Please bring refreshments

The Programme of Events for March to December 2018 has also been circulated.