

Longworth & District History Society PROGRAMME 2010 (shaded panels = visits) Queries: Pam 01865-820500	
<p>☛ All visits (free to members) have attendance limits so reserve a place by ticket. Book at meeting or via Pam. ☛ ☛ There is no charge for these but if you cannot attend please inform Pam so places can be offered to others. ☛</p>	
<p>13 Jan (Wednesday) AGM. Note: for a change this year we are holding it in Longworth Village Hall: 7.30 pm. (A chance to discuss what we do and what direction we should take, followed by free wine and nibbles).</p>	
21 JAN	<p>MAPS FROM GOUGH TO GOOGLE. John Leighfield. An illustrated talk concentrating on our local area showing the development of printed maps in Oxfordshire and including an exhibition of local maps. A Thursday evening meeting in Southmoor Village Hall. 7.15 for a 7.30 start.</p>
17 FEB	<p>17th CENTURY COSTUMES. Barbara Allison describes her research into what the ordinary woman wore in the early 17th century with a display of examples made for her by a friend. A Wednesday evening meeting in Longworth Village Hall. 7.15 for a 7.30 start.</p>
18 MAR	<p>A VILLAGE FOUND, IN DETAIL. Ken Houlton gives an illustrated talk of the research he carried out to find the locations for T.R. Williams's stereo photos of Hinton Waldrist which is the subject for Brian May's recently published book. A Thursday evening meeting in Southmoor Village Hall. 7.15 for 7.30 start.</p>
MAR	<p>HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT AND BIG BEN Details not yet finalised. Check on our web site. Queries to Pam. Arrangements will also be announced at February and March meetings. ☛ Limited places: ticket event. ☛</p>
14 APR	<p>RIDGE AND FURROW. Everyone recognises ridge and furrow as they walk over a corrugated field but who made these patterns, when and why? Deborah Hayter considers the question - what's it all about? The answers may not be as straightforward as many people think. An illustrated presentation. A Wednesday evening meeting in Longworth Village Hall. 7.15 for a 7.30 start.</p>
15 APR	<p>DUCKINGTON VISIT hosted by the Duckington History Group (see also an alternative visit on 9 June). Meet at Duckington Church 11am for introduction, followed by a guided village walk including the Fritillary Meadow. Optional lunch with us at "The Bell" if you choose. ☛ Limited places: ticket event. ☛ A Thursday morning visit starting at Duckington Church at 11am.</p>
20 MAY	<p>ENTERTAINMENT AND SELF-IMPROVEMENT IN 19th CENTURY ABINGDON. Trevor Davies will offer a glimpse of the entertainment available for C19th Abingdonians as well as some leisure activities available together with the self-improvement and self-advancement opportunities. A Thursday evening meeting in Southmoor Village Hall 7.15 for a 7.30 start.</p>
25 MAY	<p>VISIT TO TUBNEY HOUSE AND GROUNDS to discover the history of the house and estate and its fascinating role as the centre of "WildCRU", an outpost of the Zoology Department of Oxford University. Directions and map available (contact Janet (T: 01865-820522)). ☛ Limited places. Ticket event. ☛ A Tuesday afternoon visit, meeting in Tubney House car park at 2.45 for 3pm start.</p>
3 JUN	<p>VISIT TO COLLINS FARM, Frilford hosted by Murray Maclean. An evening walk to see cropping on the farm and the past history of land use – particularly the visible signs of medieval strip system farming, the WWII Anti-tank trench and defences, the farm buildings and Murray's "finds" collection. Directions: from north on A415 pass Millet's Farm entrance then Collins Farm is signed on the left after about half a mile. ☛ Limited places. Ticket event. ☛ Thursday evening visit. Meet at 7pm in car park at Collins Farm.</p>
9 JUN	<p>DUCKINGTON VISIT hosted by the Duckington History Group (see also an alternative visit on 15 April). Meet at Duckington Church 11am for introduction, followed by a guided village walk including the Old Rectory. Optional lunch with us at "The Bell" if you choose. ☛ Limited places. Ticket event. ☛ This is a Wednesday morning visit starting at Duckington Church at 11am.</p>
24 JUN	<p>VISIT NEW HOUSE & GROUNDS. Caroline Jackson (MEP since 1984) will give a Powerpoint talk on the house and then lead a tour of the ground floor and garden, after which refreshments will be provided. ☛ Limited places. Ticket event ☛ This is a Thursday evening visit. Meet at New House at 7.30pm</p>
24 JUL	<p>WALK TO VISIT FYFIELD DOWN SSSI (2.5 mile walk from Avebury) Peter Keene has led visits to this remote landscape reserve for many years: archaeology, sarsen rock streams & dry valleys. We leave civilisation (Avebury, food, toilets) for over 4 hours. Bring packed lunch and weather-proof clothing. ☛ Limited places on walk. Ticket event. ☛ Avebury map with main car park (GR: 101697) on ticket. 10.30am start from Red Lion (Avebury), 5 mile walk returns to Red Lion (rendezvous?) 4pm-ish. ALTERNATIVE: For those (car sharing) who prefer a day in Avebury; sites of interest booklet provided.</p>
August summer break – no meeting	
16 SEP	<p>A HISTORY OF POLICING. Ken Wells, curator of Thames Valley Police Museum. Policing from parish constable to Bow Street Runners & Victorians. Thurs. evening: Southmoor Village Hall 7.15 for 7.30.</p>
25 SEP	<p>HISTORY ON OUR DOORSTEP. Special Heritage Day for all the family - full of interest & fun – Hall full of stalls - hundreds of photos, local finds & displays. Cream teas & other refreshments. Entry with programme 50p. Children free & especially welcome. Saturday 10am to 5pm, Southmoor Village Hall.</p>
20 OCT	<p>TALES FROM THE BAWDY COURTS. Mark Priddey (Oxfordshire Record Office). Amazing tales from ecclesiastical & church records. Wednesday evening: Longworth Village Hall 7.15 for 7.30 start.</p>
18 Nov	<p>"It will do him more good than going to school." Liz Woolley. The story of our county's 19th century child workers, many of whom began work as young as five or six. Thursday evening in Southmoor Village Hall. 7.15 for 7.30 start.</p>
9 Dec	<p>Our usual oversubscribed Christmas feast and entertainment (details during year) A Thursday evening event in Southmoor Village Hall ☛ Limited places. Ticket event ☛</p>