

Purbeck U3A Archaeology 2024-2025

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Meetings on the 4th Friday of the month

Coffee/tea served from 9:45 until 10:10

20p in the pot on the counter please

Please return cups by 10:20 to allow helpers to switch on dishwasher and take their seats.

Talks will start at 10:30

We should be out of the hall by 12:00 please, as that's when our hire period ends and other users may be coming in.

- September 27th **Ben Buxton** "Archaeology on the edge: the Outer Hebrides"
- October 25th **Dr Martin Papworth** The story of the discovery of the Royal medieval manor house of Kingston Lacy
- November 22nd **Derek Monk** The Fly Agaric, how a study of this mushroom had led to an understanding of the earliest peoples of America, the origins of Hinduism, Scandinavian mythology and much more.....
- February 28th **Neil Meldrum** An ancient civilization specific topic to be confirmed
- March 28th **Lillian Ladle** Pits, pots and people – the archaeology of Bestwall Quarry, Wareham. Excavations between 1992 and 2005 on this 55 hectare site extensive evidence for occupation from the Early Mesolithic to the modern day, including hunter-gatherer camps, Neolithic monuments, Bronze Age settlements, Iron Age and Roman pottery production, burials and coin hoards and Saxon charcoal making and iron production.
- May 23th **Alex Godden** Stonehenge. You may remember Alex is the archeological lead for the tunnel project. This has recently been cancelled. However I will discuss with him nearer the time if there is a talk there about what is happening or try to arrange another topic.

Please invite friends to join our group or come as a taster if a topic is of interest.

If for any reason the group is not running I will try to let you know by e mail.