

October 8<sup>th</sup> 2019

**Connie Shirley**

**The Con Ainsworth Memorial Lecture : The Malthouse Fields at Sompting – Investigation of Building Remains**

Worthing Archaeological Society have investigated the building remains in Sompting Paddocks which may be part of a malthouse and farm complex known to be on this site in the 17th Century. Excavations have taken place over three years and a chalk-lined well and further flint walls have been found. Finds recovered include pre-historic flints and pottery from the late Neolithic to the present day. We present a review of the site in the landscape and findings to date.

November 12th 2019

**Carolina Rangel de Lima**

**Finds Liaison Officer - Sussex**

**The Portable Antiquities Scheme**

The PAS promotes best practice by finders, landowners, archaeologists and museums in the discovery, recording and conservation of finds made by the public. Carolina is the Finds Liaison Officer for Sussex and will talk about some of the recent finds recorded in our area. She may also bring along a selection of artefacts for handling at the end of the session.

December 10<sup>th</sup> 2019

**Mr John Mills**

**Archaeologist WSCC and President of Worthing Archaeological Society**

**Researching the life of a bridge: Old Swan Bridge and the Arun river crossing at Pulborough, ancient and modern.**

How do you research the history and changing life of an ordinary small local road bridge? This talk uses archaeology, topography, geology, transport and local history to study the archaeology and history of Old Swan Bridge at Pulborough, built in the 1780s. Previous bridges and river crossings on its site, from Roman Stane Street onwards, the bridge builders and re-builders, flood and bridge authorities, and the villagers of Pulborough all come into the picture.

January 14<sup>th</sup> 2020

**Professor Naomi Sykes**

**Fishbourne Roman Wildlife Park: new questions from old bones**

Over the last 20 years Fishbourne's animal remains have been subject to large-scale reinvestigation through a series of projects funded by the Arts and Humanities Research Council. This talk by Professor Naomi Sykes will present the results of this work, highlighting their importance for our understanding of the past but also their significance for modern international animal conservation policy.

February 11<sup>th</sup> 2020

**Dr Janet Pennington**

**The John Pull Memorial Lecture : An Archaeological Childhood in Sussex**

Janet grew up in the post-World War II years looking at the ground – daughter of Sussex archaeologists Eric and Hilda Holden. Most of her early memories are of Sussex history, field-walking with her parents and observing, later taking part in, archaeological excavations all over Sussex. This talk takes us back to a more peaceful time with little traffic, no health and safety, and when every outing seemed to be tinged with excitement and mystery.

March 10<sup>th</sup> 2020

**Richard Osgood**

**Senior Archaeologist - Defence Infrastructure Organisation**

**Recovering (from) the past: Archaeology and Operation Nightingale**

Operation Nightingale started in 2011 with the aim of assisting the recovery of military personnel post operational-tours using archaeology. Since then it has worked on sites as varied as Saxon cemeteries in Wiltshire to crashed fighter planes in Sussex. This talk will draw together many of the fieldwork results, and discuss the outcomes for volunteers and heritage.

**AGM at 7.00pm followed by Lecture 7.30pm**

April 14<sup>th</sup> 2020 to be announced.

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Lectures take place on the second Tuesday  
of the month

Members have free entry to lectures,  
visitors are asked to make a donation of £4  
to the society

Lecture on October 8<sup>th</sup> will be at the  
Worthing Library Lecture Theatre

New Lecture Venue from November 12<sup>th</sup> is:

The Gordon Room, Worthing Town Hall,  
Stoke Abbott Rd, Worthing BN11 1HA

New venue open from 7pm for notices,  
coffee and chat. Lectures start at 7:30pm  
and finish at 8:30pm

Parking Civic Centre car park access from  
Stoke Abbott Rd



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information on Lectures and Events  
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## Lecture Programme 2019/20

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