

Minutes of the WAS Committee Meeting, held on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018

Present: Andy, Gill, Jacqui, Liz, Patricia (Hostess and Chair), Theresa.

Apologies: Amie, Cheryl, Connie, Keith.

Minutes of last meeting: were accepted.

Matters Arising: The WAS windows are now installed on the Pier.  
The payment from Cardiff University re Binsted Pottery was paid.  
WAS Social very successful – 19 Members present.

FU Update N.B. there is a leak in the roof of the Slindon shed. Gill to contact Keith re how to proceed.

Slindon Field 20 – Interim report now brilliantly put together by Connie.  
Gordon's pottery report, flint report done too. Now to Tom Dommett. Next dig provisionally end of May.

Rough Copse – Excavation Report to come. Pottery Report done.

Binsted Pottery – dates Jan 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> in the Museum. 15 available 24<sup>th</sup>, 17 25<sup>th</sup>.  
Much the same for the other dates. 10 – 4pm, bring a packed lunch. Ben and Alice will be there. Aim to look at a single context, fabric identification, joining conjoining sherds. Theresa to put on website calendar.

Brinsbury  
– Gill has contacted Peter Brannlund and David Field. Report has been sent to David, Gill to contact him to check whether he has it.

Research Group – nothing to report.

Malthouse Field – Connie working on Report and plan. Provisional dates June 27<sup>th</sup> - July 7<sup>th</sup>.

Fittleworth – Field walk planned for Feb 17<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>. So far there are approx. 16 folk per day. CDAS/Steve Cleverly doing organising – might need some help setting-up beforehand. Steve is asking to borrow some of Connie's strings/canes. There will be a marquee, use of toilet in Mr Smith's house. The field is very exposed so need appropriate dress. It's very weather-dependent. The field was ploughed in early December, needs to weather – currently v wet.....

The Flint Group will be sorting at Mr Smith's house on Jan 27th  
Details will be sent to all involved nearer the time.

Finance – Connie's report circulated. Income down in 2017.

Membership – Members paid 2018 – 46.  
Paid 2017, not 2018, 50.  
Hon members 21, Life 22.  
There have been 7 new Members since October.  
There were 14 Guests at our last Lecture.

Secretary –

Newsletter – next one due out on Jan 30<sup>th</sup>. Contributions/updates welcomed.

Journal – Cheryl has received draft from Jan, corrected and returned for updating.

Website – Calendar updated. Gobblestubby Flint report 2016/17 on site.  
Archive page – Theresa is uploading pre-2000 reports etc at the moment.  
Need more photos, especially older ones.  
Should we have a Members Only section of the website?

Planned events – Day Schools – Matt Pope March 3<sup>rd</sup> – Ice Age Europe: the Archaeological Record. A few places left.

Matt Pope tour day – need a microphone. Pay Matt £200 day rate.  
Bob's Planning/Drawing Day at the Barn. Date to be confirmed.  
29<sup>th</sup> Sept Introduction to Wealden Timber-framed Buildings – in Museum.

Lectures – meeting to discuss the next programme on Jan 29<sup>th</sup>

AOB – Amie's proformas for reports etc – to be discussed at the next Field Unit Forum.

Clive Nobbs (new member and Metal Detectorist) has lent us 2 reports on his Group's detecting on Highdown. Finds, etc. To pass round – also show James Sainsbury.

Jacqui has a collection of Archaeological magazines – will bring them to Lectures for folk to take – for a donation.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm at Jacqui's.