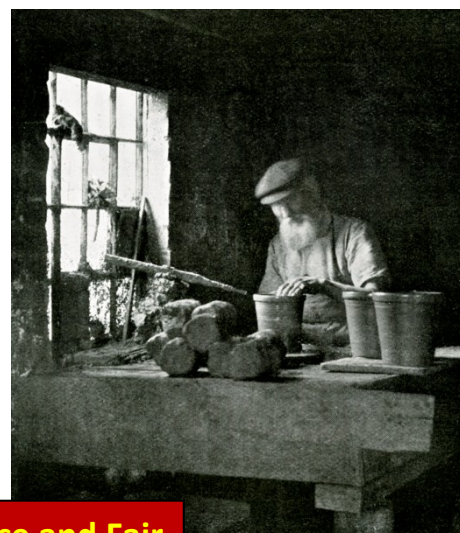


The cottage industries of Buckinghamshire

Our annual **ONE-DAY CONFERENCE** with local speakers and **LOCAL HISTORY FAIR** with displays and stalls provided by history and archaeology societies and organisations from across the county.



POTTING

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE LOCAL HISTORY NETWORK Conference and Fair
♦ **Saturday 1 October 2022** ♦ **The Oculus, Aylesbury** ♦ **10am–4pm**

Conference timetable for the day

- 9.30am *Conference opens – coffee and tea provided*
- 10am *Welcome by John Lovelock, of Hedgerley Historical Society*
There will be opportunities for questions and discussion at the end of every talk.
- 10.10 **Pots and potters in Buckinghamshire**
– Mike Farley, of Bucks Archaeological Society
- 10.50 *Coffee/tea break: first chance to see displays and bookstalls*
- 11.10 **The lace industry in Bucks**
– Marian Swindells, of the Cowper and Newton Museum
- 11.50 **Straw plaiting in Bucks** – Veronica Main, of the Chilterns Conservation Board (a pre-recorded presentation)
- 12.30 **LUNCH BREAK** – buffet lunch available (see tickets overleaf)
This will be a 90-minute opportunity to focus on the displays and bookstalls by local history and archaeology societies.
- 2pm **The BAS Archaeology Prize** – announcement of this year's winner by Sandy Kidd, of Historic England
- 2.20 **Chair making as a cottage industry**
– Catherine Grigg, of Wycombe Museum
- 3pm **Needle making in Long Crendon**
– Julian Hunt, president of Bucks Archaeological Society
- 3.40 **Are we just careless with our industries?** – Peter Marsden
- 4pm *Conference ends*



LACEMAKING



CHAIRMAKING



STRAW PLAITING

FOR CONFERENCE AND LUNCH TICKETS – SEE DETAILS OVERLEAF ►

BLHN ♦ 2022

BLNH ♦ 2022

Potting, lace making, chair making, straw plaiting... these were all once major cottage industries in Buckinghamshire. Alongside work on the land, thousands of families depended on them for their livelihood. Without them, many would have gone hungry. Their history is part of our heritage...

A FACE-TO-FACE CONFERENCE

- The BLHN 2022 Conference and Fair will be in person only. The Oculus Centre in Aylesbury seats 200 people, so has space for social distancing for those who wish this. The displays and society stands – and the lunch area – will be in ‘The Street’, which is a large and airy entrance hall.
- Unlike 2020 and 2021, the conference will not be broadcast online via Zoom.
- The Oculus is Buckinghamshire Council’s conference centre in Gatehouse Road, Aylesbury HP19 8FF. Gatehouse Road is on the Aylesbury ring road near its junction with the A41 for Bicester. Entrance to its free car park is opposite Sainsbury’s superstore and is clearly signposted. There are frequent buses from the town bus station, which is a short walk from the railway station.

CONFERENCE TICKETS IN ADVANCE

- **Conference and Fair only – £20**
This is without the buffet lunch, though you are welcome to bring your own food for lunch. Coffee, tea and fruit juice will be available free at breaks and at lunchtime.
- **Conference AND buffet lunch – £25**
- **Full-time students under 25 – FREE**, but please apply in advance (the buffet lunch is £5 extra).

► HOW TO GET YOUR TICKETS:

- **ONLINE:** Get your tickets at <https://bas1.org.uk/blhn-2022-tickets>, with payment by credit card.
- **BY POST:** Please write, specifying which ticket(s) you require, to BLHN Conference, BAS Library, Discover Bucks Museum, Church Street, Aylesbury HP20 2QP. Enclose a cheque made out to ‘Bucks Archaeological Society’, and please remember to include your name, postal address and email.
- **Your payment will be acknowledged, but tickets will not be sent until two weeks before conference.**



THE HATMAKERS 1891 – painting by C A Smith



THE OLD NEEDLE HOUSE, Long Crendon, in 2021