# Buckinghamshire Archaeological Society NEWSLETTER – Spring 2016

## **Buckinghamshire Archaeological Society Summer Excursions 2016**

Saturday 14 May - a joint trip with the Bucks Garden Trust

Cotswold Country Estates: Chedworth Roman Villa & Cirencester Park with Sarah Gray who welcomes enquiries (01865 662361). Booking essential using the booking form attached.



First to **Chedworth** for coffee & cake in the new visitor centre, then a guided tour of one of Britain's grandest villas: a nymphaeum, mosaic floors, hypocaust systems and bath house rooms plus Roman finds and artefacts. <u>nationaltrust.org.uk/chedworth-roman-villa</u>

Then on to nearby **Cirencester**, Roman Corinium, where we will have about 3.5 hours and choices of visit. Lunch to be fitted around these, either a picnic or plenty of choice in the town centre:

- The 18c forest garden landscape of Cirencester Park boasts the longest avenue in England, Broad Ride which extends 8 km west of the town and mansion. No admission charge but serious walking required! We will take a shorter way through the centre of the park from the south to the garden buildings around the Hexagon and can then break away for more time in the park or
- Less energetic a guided visit to the magnificent parish church of St John Baptist, 3 pm, at a cost of £4 each. Please book in advance and we will make a single payment to the church.
- The excellent Corinium Museum will open all day and has extensive new displays and some of the finest Roman objects from this always prosperous town. No guided visit but plenty on the website <u>http://coriniummuseum.org/</u> or download the app @£2.99.
- 4. Self-guided walks, long or short, around Roman Corinium will be available on the day.

Coach will leave Amersham 8.15am, Great Missenden 8.25am, Wendover 8.35am, Bedgrove 8.40am and Aylesbury 8.45am. Expected return times: Aylesbury 5.40pm, Amersham 6.10pm.

The **cost of the day will be £25** to include the coach fare, driver's tip + coffee/cake and guided tour at Chedworth Villa where admission is free on production of National Trust membership card, otherwise £8.70.

### Saturday 11 June 2pm

A walk around Buckingham conducted by Julian Hunt who welcomes enquiries (01296 714634).

Meet at the Hunter Street Car Park, University of Buckingham at 2 pm.







No coach, no charge and no need to book

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### Saturday 13 August

Into Hertfordshire with leaders Diana and Peter Gulland who welcome enquiries (01844 291154). Booking essential using the booking form attached.

A day in our neighbouring county. In the morning, as a sequel to last year's tour of the Chartist village at Minster Lovell, Oxon, we will visit the pioneer, and completely different, **Chartist village built in 1847 at Heronsgate, near Chorley Wood**. After lunch (not included) in **Chesham** (with the opportunity for a flying visit to Chesham Museum) we will continue to **Berkhamsted**. Here there will be guided tours of the castle's impressive earthworks and the First World War practice trenches preserved on Berkhamsted Common.



The coach will pick up from Aylesbury at 09.00 a.m., Bedgrove at 9.05, Wendover at 9.10, Great Missenden at 9.20, and Old Amersham at 9.30. We expect the coach to return to Amersham at around 4.50 p.m. arriving at Aylesbury at approx. 5.20p.m.

The coach fare will be £20.00, including driver's tip. (No admission charges)

### Saturday 8 October

The Church Crawl with Michael Hardy who welcomes enquiries (01844 343560). Booking essential using the booking form attached.

We will explore an area to the North and North West of Aylesbury with the closest town being **Winslow** where we will stop at lunch time.



To receive a detailed itinerary, please send a stamped addressed envelope with the booking form or supply an email address. Please note that the itinerary will not be available until shortly before the Crawl.

Coach will leave Amersham 8.45am, Great Missenden 8.55am, Wendover 9.05am, Bedgrove 9.10am and Aylesbury 9.15am. Expected return times: Aylesbury 5.30pm, Amersham 6.00pm.

The coach fare will be £20.00, including donations to churches and driver's tip.

### Location of picking up and dropping off points for the coaches for all excursions:

- Old Amersham High Street, wait outside Elmodesham House
- Great Missenden Link Road, beside car park
- Wendover War memorial, High Street
- **Bedgrove** On the main Wendover Road at a bus stop near the junction with Camborne Avenue
- Aylesbury Walton Street facing the Lending Library