

## **The AAG Winter Programme**

This year's mixture of talks and practical sessions has proved popular, and it is planned to continue with a similar mixture.

All the sessions have been well attended, despite sometimes unfriendly weather.

**Mike Farley** provided a session on pottery identification (which showed most of us that we are not very good at it); **Bob Zeevat's** talk on Wulfhere's people was very interesting, as was **John Morriss's** account of the history and archaeology of the Chiltern Woodlands – there is a great deal that remains unknown, or only partly known about these remarkable woods; the Christmas Social and round up of what we had been doing was very popular (and 'bring a plate' produced rather more food that we managed to eat); **Andy McGrandle's** talk on Lidar in January was probably the best attended and most popular talk we have had; but **Sandy Kidd's** talk and practical session on Archaeology and Maps was not far behind, and we all learned a lot.

The remaining talks are:-

**Tues 20<sup>th</sup> March** Hugh Garrod on Dunstable Priory up to the Reformation.

The Priory is another of the great Augustinian houses, also known for being the site of Henry VIII's divorce from Catherine of Aragon

**Tues 17<sup>th</sup> April** **Doug Stuckey** will talk about Canal Archaeology – concentrating on our work at Whitehouses and Three Locks, but including background research.

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May** **Jill Eyers** will run a session on flint and stone tool identification, dating and drawing. This is a mainly practical **session**.

Everyone is welcome at these meetings, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month from September through to May, at 7.30pm at the County Museum – entrance by the side door from the path by the church. We charge £1 for tea/coffee and biscuits.

Our blog, which we try to keep up to date is <http://basaag.blogspot.co.uk>. This will give an idea of what we are doing

**Pauline Hey Feb 2018**