

## EVENT INFORMATION

Prior booking is essential for all events where stated. See event details for 'book before' date and book by email to [office@sanhs.org](mailto:office@sanhs.org)

- Non-members are welcome at all meetings. There will normally be a small charge for attendance.
- Donations may be requested at events in support of causes/charities involved.
- To avoid disappointment, and before setting out, we suggest you check the SANHS website for any changes to planned events.

## ASSOCIATED SOCIETY EVENTS

For up-to-date information on Associated Society activities and events, please send an email to [office@sanhs.org](mailto:office@sanhs.org) asking to be added to our mailing list.

## ABBREVIATIONS

ARCH—Archaeology	HB—Historic Buildings
MAYA—Mick Aston's Young Archaeologists	LH—Local History
ESC— Exploring SANHS collections	NH—Natural History

## GRADING OF WALKS

This key is intended as a general guide to the level of difficulty likely to be encountered by participants taking part in SANHS walks and other activities. Keep in mind that a change in weather conditions can make a walk more difficult than anticipated. All walks and activities demand a basic level of fitness, suitable footwear and waterproof clothing.

- 1 **Easy** – generally even ground with a few gentle slopes; no special fitness needed. Comfortable footwear required.
- 2 **Moderate** – for reasonably fit people, may include unsurfaced rural paths and tracks, moderate slopes, uneven surfaces, steps and stiles. Walking shoes/boots required.
- 3 **Strenuous** – for fit, experienced walkers, will include hills, uneven surfaces, tracks and may include muddy terrain. Walking boots and waterproof clothing are essential.
- 4 **Confined spaces** – including caves and attics. Locations may be dusty, slippery and dark.

Activity leaders carry out a risk assessment beforehand. Participants are required to provide emergency contact details before taking part in an activity – this information is destroyed by the group leader after the activity has taken place.

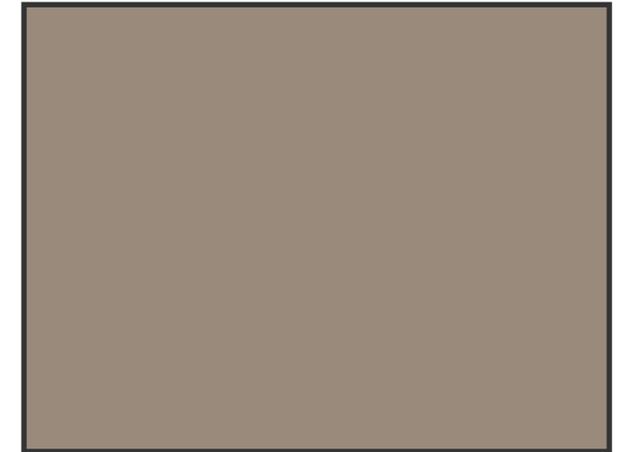
## MEMBERSHIP

Individual £30  
Joint £41.00

# SOMERSET ARCHAEOLOGICAL & NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY



## Programme of Events October 2018—April 2019



### OFFICE

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The office is usually open on

Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays

from 9.00am--5.00pm

Somerset Archaeological & Natural History Society is a  
Registered Charity in England & Wales No. 201929

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 14:00 [ESC]**

POETRY AND THE READING PUBLIC IN SOMERSET AND THE SOUTH-WEST—SANHS LIBRARY COLLECTIONS, C. 1700-1945

Andrew Butcher examines the extensive collection of poetry held in the SANHS Library and especially those volumes donated by Charles Tite. Content includes a wide range of local matter (including verse in regional dialect), religious and political subjects; poems of love, meditation, contemplation; of seasons and landscapes; comic and satirical work; and a wide range of translations. Cost: £5.00 includes refreshments and a booklet of examples copied from the SANHS Library collections. Book by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October.

**VENUE:** Somerset Heritage Centre, Taunton TA2 6SF

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October from 11:00 until 15:00 [NH]**

FUNGUS FORAY

Searching for fungi on the Blackdown Hills, led by Steve Parker. Bring a packed lunch. Book by 10<sup>th</sup> October. Meeting arrangements on booking. [2](#)

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October at 19:30 [LH]**

ORDERING THEIR ESTATE: THE SANFORDS OF NYNEHEAD COURT—a talk by David Rabson

Non-members welcome for £3 donation. Refreshments available.

**VENUE:** Somerset Heritage Centre, Taunton TA2 6SF

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October at 10:00 [SANHS & TLHG]**

ASSOCIATED SOCIETIES DAY

Tintinhull Local History Group members present highlights of their research carried out in Tintinhull over the past ten years. Weather permitting, there will be a guided tour of the village after lunch. Lunch at £5.00, book by 19<sup>th</sup> October, or bring a packed lunch.

**VENUE:** Tintinhull Village Hall Vicarage St BA22 8PY [1](#)

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 14:30 [ARCH]**

WW1 ARCHAEOLOGY OF DONYATT

A guided walk by David Hunt and Chris Webster around surviving WWII archaeological sites in and around Donyatt.

Meeting arrangements on booking. Book through the SANHS office. **GRADING REQUIRED**

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 14:30 [ARCH]**

THE ARCHAEOLOGY OF WW1

An afternoon of remembrance and new discoveries to commemorate the end of the First World War, including talks and exhibitions. Cost £6.00. Book through the SANHS office.

**VENUE:** Westfield Academy, Stiby Road, Yeovil BA21 3EP

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 10:00 [LH]**

WEST SOMERSET MINERAL LINE

A walk, led by the WSMLA's Chairman, Phil Gannon, will reveal some of the many secrets that exist in the hills. Phil's knowledge of this subject is second to none and will show us parts of the industrial revolution. The precise location of our walk will be heavily weather-dependent. Booking essential. Book through the SANHS office by Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October; meeting arrangements available on booking. £3.00 donation for non-members. [2](#)

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November 14:00 [NH]**

BUTTERFLIES

A talk by Keith Gould about Somerset's butterflies.

**VENUE:** Friends Meeting House, Bath Place, Taunton, TA1 4EP

Cost is £4.00, book through the SANHS office.

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November from 11:00 to 12:30 [ARCH]**

MONEY THROUGH TIME

Laura Burnett, Finds Liaison Officer for the South West Heritage Trust will introduce the study of the history of coinage.

**VENUE:** Somerset Heritage Centre, Taunton TA2 6SF

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November MAP EVENT****Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November GENERAL MEETING****Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 14:00 [NH]**

PLANT RECORDING

A talk by Steve Parker about recording plants.

**VENUE:** Friends Meeting House, Bath Place, Taunton, TA1 4EP

Cost is £4.00, book through the SANHS office.

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 14:00 [NH]**

MEMBERS MEETING 2019

Relaxed meeting with refreshments followed by several short talks on various topics by members of the Natural History section.

**VENUE:** Friends Meeting House, Bath Place, Taunton, TA1 4EP

Cost is £4.00, book through the SANHS office.

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2019 at 19:30 [LH]**

JOHN GUNTER (1788-1856) OF GUNTER'S CONFECTIONERS, BERKELEY SQUARE

A talk by Francis Farr-Cox

**VENUE:** Somerset Heritage Centre, Taunton TA2 6SF

£3.00 donation for non-members.

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February at 14:00 [NH]**

TAUNTON PEREGRINE PROJECT

A talk by Mike Leigh Mallory about a project to facilitate and monitor the nesting of a pair of Peregrine Falcons on St Mary's Church tower, Taunton.

**VENUE:** Friends Meeting House, Bath Place, Taunton, TA1 4EP

Cost is £4.00, book through the SANHS office.

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> February at 19:30 [LH]**

THE SANHS ARCHIVES

A talk by Tom Mayberry, CEO of the South West Heritage Trust.

**VENUE:** Somerset Heritage Centre, Taunton TA2 6SF

£3.00 donation for non-members.

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 19:30 [ARCH]**

THE AVALON MARSHES CENTRE, PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE

A talk by Richard Brunning about the reconstruction of Roman and Saxon buildings and other new developments at the Avalon Marshes Centre near Shapwick. The talk will be followed up by a visit to the Centre in the Summer of 2019.

**VENUE:** Friends Meeting House, Bath Place, Taunton, TA1 4EP  
Cost £3.00, book through the SANHS office.

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 14:00 [NH]**

WIMBLEBALL RESERVOIR

A talk about damming the River Haddeo to form Wimbleball Reservoir on Exmoor.

**VENUE:** Friends Meeting House, Bath Place, Taunton, TA1 4EP

Cost is £4.00, book through the SANHS office.

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March from 10:00 until 16:00 [LH]**

REFLECTIONS ON THE FIRST WORLD WAR: A WEST COUNTRY PERSPECTIVE

Symposium to mark the end of WWI

A joint event with the South West Heritage Trust looking at the war away from the front and at its aftermath.

**VENUE:** Somerset Heritage Centre, Taunton TA2 6SF

Tickets £10 to include buffet lunch, coffee and tea. Booking essential through the SANHS office.

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March from 10:00 to 16:00 [ARCH]**

ANNUAL ARCHAEOLOGY DAY 2019

Annual Archaeology Conference. Keynote speaker: Danielle Schreve, Professor of Quaternary Science from the University of London who has been doing new research on the SANHS collections.

The morning will feature a panel of speakers on topical subjects presenting recent fieldwork and research in the county. Full programme to be circulated in February.

**VENUE: Wells and Mendip Museum** 8 Cathedral Green, Wells BA5 2UE

Cost £15.00, refreshments included.

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April from 11:00 until 15:00 [NH]**

BRUTON RAILWAY CUTTING AND SURROUNDING AREA

Explore the geology of Bruton Railway Cutting SSSI and surrounding area; if time, or if weather is poor, we may visit Bruton Museum to examine its fossil collection. Bring a packed lunch

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