



SPRING PROGRAMME 2024

The Society's Winter/Spring Programme will involve ten talks, each given by a Member or other expert in the topic involved. Some of these talks will be given by **ZOOM**, but otherwise will be given in **St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh**. All talks will start at 7:30pm.

Date	Venue	Description
7 Wednesday 10 January	St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh	Peter McNaught is a very experienced artist and restorer of stained glass in both modern and historic settings. He learnt his craft and was trained in the tradition of stained-glass techniques at York Minster. Peter now has a vast wealth of experience. We will be privileged to be shown the processes that are involved in the production and restoration of different kinds of stained glass and some particularly fine examples of the craft.
8 Wednesday 24 January	ZOOM	Jan Hicks , the chairperson of the 'Lunesdale Archaeology Society' which was set up in April 2011 will talk to us about " Digging For Britons - excavations at High Carlingill ". This research project was funded by the National Lottery Heritage Fund and has produced many interesting 'finds'.
9 Wednesday 7 February	ZOOM	Steph Cove , who is a member of the 'Duddon Valley Local History Group', will give an account of the group's investigation into 39 farming-related longhouses in the valley. This survey was conducted in a professional manner by trained volunteers from the Society.
10 Wednesday 21 February	St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh	Erik Matthews , who is Fieldwork Officer of the 'Architectural and Archaeological Society of Durham and Northumberland', will talk about his research at Hornby Castle in Wensleydale. The title of his talk is: " The Material Culture of an Elite Mediaeval Household ".
11 Wednesday 6 March	St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh	Dr David Johnson is a renowned speaker in our region and his repertoire of topics is extensive. This time his talk is entitled: " Lime kilns: all you need to know and more ". He will demonstrate how lime was an essential ingredient in many aspects of life and work,
12 Wednesday 20 March	St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh	Christine Craghill's talk will be entitled " Echoes Across the Borderlines ". She will demonstrate how the onset of war - set against the Anglo/Scottish border - had brought about many changes. She deals with the legacy of 'the reverberations of rustlers, kidnappers, blackmailers, counterfeiters, and murderers who had operated on both sides of the border.