

# MARLOW ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

## TALKS PROGRAMME - January to May 2012

All talks are held in the Garden Room, Liston Hall, Marlow at 8pm

**Thursday 19 January 2012**

**Excavations at Goldcliff when the tide goes out**

**JENNIFER FOSTER**

In the Iron Age, peat growth raised the level of the foreshore at Goldcliff, in the Severn Estuary, above the summer tide level, so summer houses were built. Exciting finds there are the Mesolithic footprints of men, women and children; a real window into a moment of the past. Jennifer, who specialises in the study of prehistoric artefacts, has worked on the site over the past 20 years.

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2012**

**Kangaroos, Kiwis & Bustards - The archaeology of WW1**

**RICHARD OSGOOD**

As Senior Historic Advisor to Defence Infrastructure Organisation, Richard is co-directing an excavation on the site of the Battle of Messines. His talk will examine the role archaeology can play in a study of the Great War and will follow a particular unit from their training on windswept Salisbury Plain through to their baptism of fire at the Battle of Messines in 1917.

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2012**

**The East Oxford Archaeology Project**

**JANE HARRISON**

This successful community project has included the excavation of Oxford's leper hospital and chapel - with burials - dating back to the C12, onto Civil War discoveries and those from a C19 farm. Jane, who is Project Officer, will also illustrate how members of the public can be drawn into various aspects of archaeology, including surveys and background research, with amazing results.

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2012**

**The Medieval City Monasteries  
- from their Foundation to their Dissolution**

**VAL PRETLOVE**

There were a large number of medieval monasteries around the edges of the City of London and Val will trace them and their activities up to the time of their Dissolution by Henry VIII. She will then explore what happened to them through the later Tudor period. Val, who is returning to MAS by popular request, is a Registered City of London Guide and teacher in Adult Education, whose enthusiasm for old London is contagious.

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2012**

**MAS AGM** – preceded by a talk (to be arranged).

Entrance £3.50 - members £2.50 for all the above talks  
Refreshments included

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