



WINTER PROGRAMME 2026 - 2027

Meeting in St Ninians Old Parish Halls, Kirk Wynd, Stirling FK7 9AJ. 7.30pm to 9.30pm

October 13th

NO MEETING

November 10th

THE ROMANS IN SCOTLAND

One of our speaker's principal interests is the Roman conquest of southern Scotland, areas of native resistance and the Antonine Wall as an example of a Roman frontier. This talk promises to be an enthralling and entertaining tour of sites in and around Stirlingshire, both North and South, by a leading scholar of the period. Dr Jones is the co-Chair of the International Congress of Roman Frontier Studies.

Dr. REBECCA JONES
(National Museums of Scotland)

December 8th

STRATHEARN ENVIRONS and ROYAL FORTEVIOT the SERF Project – From Prehistory to the Picts

Visitors to tiny Forteviot are often surprised to learn that Kenneth mac Alpin, one of the first kings of a united Scotland, died at his 'palace' there in 858 AD, when it was a major royal centre in a fledgling Scottish nation. Thousands of years earlier the same area (including Dunning and Forgandenny) was home to a powerful people who left behind one of the most extensive concentrations of ritual monuments in mainland Scotland. Come along and find out why – it wasn't just the scenery!

Dr. Ken Brophy
(One of the project directors - Glasgow University)

January 12th

THE NEOLITHIC & BRONZE AGE IN SCOTLAND.

Continuing the theme of (very) early Scottish history we shall learn how it is possible to discover, from this distance in time, whether the undoubtedly primitive and often fragmentary artefacts we discover in excavations belonged to people of the Neolithic Age (c.4100 - 2500years BC) or the Bronze Age (2500 – 800years BC). Our speaker will illuminate the subject using her extensive practical and research experience in this field.

Julie Lochrie
(Analytics Manager Historic Environment Scotland).

February 9th

INVASIVE SPECIES

Discover what they are, why they are undesirable and what can, or should, be done to combat them.

Speaker to be advised
Woodland Trust

March 9th

AGM & RECENT ARCHAEOLOGICAL WORK

We are fortunate that once again our speaker has found time to treat us to a succinct account of the various strands of archaeological excavation and research that has kept him busy during the past year and will keep us informed and entertained this evening.

Dr. Murray Cook
(Regional Archaeologist)