

16th October

60 years farming on Dartmoor

An evening of reminiscences with Colin Pearse, the well-known local farmer & author.

20th November

AGM followed by Metal Detecting in the Moretonhampstead area

A talk by John Smith, an enthusiastic local metal detector, who will bring along some examples of his historic finds in & around the local area.

11th December

Christmas Dinner

Date & venue to be confirmed



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PROGRAMME 2013

Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month in the Stables Room at *The Union Inn*, Ford Street, Moretonhampstead starting at 7.30 p.m. unless stated otherwise.



16th January

**Chairman's Address:
'Moretonhampstead is a town
with a particularly intriguing
religious history'. (Mark Stoye)**

Bill Hardiman will consider some of the issues that he and Ian Mortimer discovered when writing their new guide to St. Andrew's Church.

20th February

A fact stranger than fiction

An illustrated talk by Andy Powell on the mysterious fate of the early American colony of Roanoke Island set up by Sir Walter Raleigh.

20th March

John Clare 'peasant poet'

'Born in poverty, died impoverished – but what a life in between!' Brian Spittles, one of our members, will discuss the life and works of this acclaimed rural poet.



17th April

**The Courtenay family of
Powderham Castle**

Felicity Harper is the archivist at Powderham Castle & an authority on the Courtenays, lords of the manor of Moretonhampstead for over 500 years.

(See September trip)

15th May

Mardon Down

A guided walk on Mardon Down to interpret its archaeological remains and features with Andy Crabb, Dartmoor National Park Authority archaeologist.



Giant's Grave Mardon Down

19th June

'The Green Lanes of Devon'

Valerie Belsey, an ardent enthusiast and archivist for our countryside, has written several books on the green lanes of Devon and the stories they have to tell.

17th July

Guided walking tour of Lydford

Meet at the car park opposite the Castle Inn at 3pm for a walk of about 2 hours led by Dr Tom Greeves, Chairman of Dartmoor Society and well-known cultural environmentalist.

4th September

Guided tour of Powderham Castle

A follow-up to our April meeting. Start at 2.30 pm. Other details to be confirmed.

18th September

Devon Roof Bosses

An illustrated talk by Dr Sue Andrew, a leading authority on this fascinating topic.



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