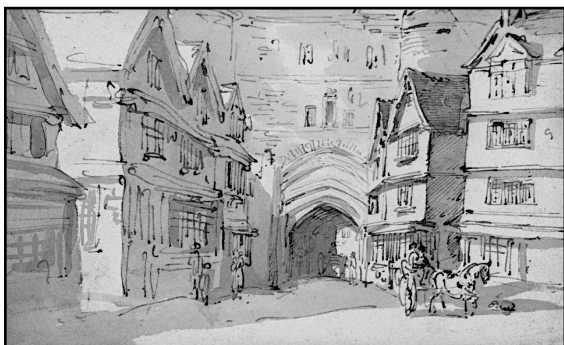


Wednesday 16th September

'Lost Buildings of Exeter, 1800 - 1900'

Dr Todd Gray MBE, a leading historian of Devon's history & heritage.



South Gate Exeter by Thomas Rowlandson. Last of the city's five gates demolished in 1819. (Yale Center for British Art)

Wednesday 21st October

The Gothic Line: The German and Italian defensive line of the Italian Campaign in WW2

Anna Hooke of Doccombe lived on a farm on the Gothic Line.

Wednesday 18th November

'Living with the Shadow of Churchill'

Bill Murray, Dartmoor folklorist, will talk about his early life with his father, Churchill's bodyguard.

December

Christmas Meal

Date TBC

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Churchill visiting President Eisenhower with Sergeant Murray behind them. (Hillsdale College Press).

See November's talk

**Meetings begin at 7.30 pm in the
Parish Hall, Fore St TQ13 8LL**

Wednesday 21st January

'Ian's A-Zs of English History'

Dr Ian Mortimer's Presidential Talk.

Wednesday 18th February

**'Everyday Life in the
Seventeenth-Century West
Country'**

Dr Mark Hailwood, Bristol & Exeter
Universities.



*'English Peasants making merry outside
The Swan Tavern' by Pieter Bruegel the
Younger c1620. (Public Domain)*

Wednesday 18th March

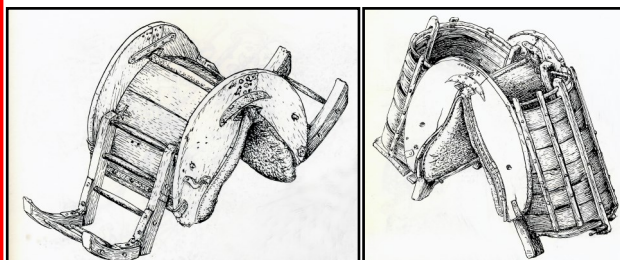
**'Times of the Hunter Gatherers
on Dartmoor'**

Dr Emily Stockley, Leicester
University.

Wednesday 15th April

**'Road Travel before the Railway
Era'**

Alan Rosevear, author with a lifetime
interest in the history of road transport.



*Packhorse saddles used on Dartmoor from
the C H Laycock collection (Torquay
Museum formerly at Mearsdon)*

Wednesday 22nd April

**Visit to Mechanical Music
Collection at Chudleigh.**

May

**Walk to Cut Hill — the site of
newly discovered archaeological
finds.**

Debbie Jenkin, Moorland Guide & MHS
member.

Date tbc

Wednesday 20th May

**'Fiction, Fallacy & Fake News -
Spin and Propaganda in art
throughout the ages'**

Dr Geri Palby, former Fleet Street
journalist & film PR.

Friday 5th June

**'Poo, Power & Potable Water - a
Hydrological History Walk
Around Tavistock'**

Dr Sharon Gedye, University of the
West of England.

Wednesday 24th June

**Dartington Gardens & the
Elmhirst Centre**

Rosemary Griggs, author & Dartington
Guide.



*Dorothy Elmhirst in Pilgrim dress by
Walter Goldbeck 1913. (Dartington Trust)*

Monday 3rd August

Choice of

**A guided tour of Exeter
Cathedral roof**

Or

**A guided tour of some of
Exeter's historic buildings**

Tuesday September 8th

Guided Tour of the Tamar Bridge