Archaeological Dowsing Section of SDG

Keith's Farm, Arlingham

On 24th August Barry Goldring and Peter Gibson led members on an archaeology survey in a field owned by member Keith Jones. Located opposite the church in Arlingham, it has long been thought to be the site of Arlingham Court, built in the late 17th century. Barry led a group of dowsers to an area he had previously dowsed to be the position of the building, almost opposite the church.

Peter and two other members dowsed an area just south of the site to locate the position of another building. Our rods indicated this to be a large 16th century house with a stable attached and nearby coach house.

The outlines of the buildings were flagged and the corners recorded as waypoints on a GPSr for further processing.

Mystifyingly, the GPSr results did not match the outline on site, which proved to be an incorrect feature on Barry's GPSr.

Mystery solved, Barry and Peter returned to the site a few days later to dowse and record the buildings as shown in the drawing above.

Anita's Farm in Wiltshire

Peter Gibson is in the process of writing a report on the dowsing carried



out during the last 3¹/₂ years at the site of the Deserted Medieval Village on Anita's farm near Swindon.

We at first thought the village had been abandoned as a result of the outbreak of the Black Death in 1348. However, research carried out by Peter and Anita into the history of the present house and the Estate has shown it was more likely to have been due to the social history of the area, probably in the mid-17th century.

A quarterly meeting of the AD Section will take place on September 21st at May Cottage, Shepherds Patch at 10.30 a.m. with practical dowsing following a B.Y.O. lunch. Phone Peter Gibson at 01453 890820.

Don't forget you can see reports of most of our events on our website.

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Another year . . .

I would like to thank everyone for their valuable contributions this year, especially those who helped with the Open Day and other events.

It would be nice if some of our regular members would like to join the Committee. If you're not sure about how much you'd be taking on, do contact me for a chat. Your contribution would make a difference, and we are very open to new ideas. *Di Holliday (Chair)*

A Great Year

It seems strange reviewing the past year in the middle of September, but we really have had an excellent 2013. The Open Day in May went well; the field trip to Avebury and West Kennet Long Barrow in August was a major success; we've had other great field trips thanks to the weather, some excellent speakers, and we continue to grow – some 45 members now, I believe.

But I think what stays with me most is the way so many of our members have improved their dowsing over recent years. It's wonderful to see how much more confident and capable we are all becoming. As we know, confidence is a large part of successful dowsing. And, as new people join, some of us are able to help them, as we were helped at first.

October 2013

... another AGM

Do come along and vote at the AGM, nominations and volunteers welcome. Barbara Davis has kindly offered to stand for election as Treasurer, and Di will stand for re-election as Chair.

Trish Mills has agreed to stand for re-election as Publicity and Newsletter Editor. "I've resigned every year for the last three years," says Trish, "but no one takes a blind bit of notice, so I might as well carry on. Unless someone else ..."



Off to visit Avebury and West Kennet Long Barrow in August.

Once the AGM is over, we will be planning the Programme for 2014. It will be the usual mix of training days, field trips, and talks, all ways to learn and grow.

If you have suggestions or ideas for speakers, do let a member of the Committee know, or better still, come and join us.

See you there!

Trish Mills

Thursday 10th October **Dowsing for Oil and Gold** with Peter Taylor*

Master water diviner and dowser Peter Taylor is an award winning professional dowser with 30 years experience. During this time he has located over 1050 boreholes, wells and springs.

Chairman of the BSD's Water Dowsing special interest group (SIG), Peter dowses for water, concealed site features, archaeology, natural resources (oil, gas and minerals including gold).



Peter Taylor (on the left) with villagers in Namibia.

He also offers dowsing for site energies, healing sick buildings, geopathic stress, and map dowsing At the time of going to press Peter had just returned from Namibia, where he volunteers for two weeks each year, self-funded, to find locations for new wells.



Orion's Belt - close up.

Saturday 26th October **Part 2: From Atlantis to Orion's Belt** (and back again!) with Trish Mills

After Part 1 of her talk was so well received, Trish returns with the second half. Fascinated as she is by ancient man and the neolithic period, she will be sharing her insights into the history of astrology – the mother of astronomy – which, let's face it, ancient man came up with first.

We also meet Osiris, Egyptian god of the afterlife, the underworld and the dead, and take a look into the connections between Paganism and Christianity, and why the Pagans had such a bad press.

Time permitting we'll also look into the case for w modern-day banks and the Euro are bound to fa

and against reincarnation, the historical reasons why modern-day banks and the Euro are bound to fail, and how crystals are being used to heal the world.

Saturday pub lunch at the Tudor Arms, Slimbridge

Good food and great conversation after every Saturday meeting. All welcome. The Tudor Arms has won awards for its excellent food and beer for five or six years now – or is it seven? There are usually ten or so of us; we don't book a table so just come along. A great opportunity to discover new ways of dowsing, thinking – and eating! Unless otherwise stated, Meetings take place in Slimbridge Village Hall on Saturdays at 10.15 for 10.30 am and Thursdays at 1.45 for 2.00 pm.



Thursday 14th November – **AGM** then . . . **The Many Ways of Using Human Energy – from Dowsing to the Law of Attraction** with Di Holliday

First the dreaded AGM, which is your opportunity to vote in a new Committee and make your voice heard. Ideas, suggestions, and (whisper it low) constructive criticisms all welcome.

Followed by Diane who will hold an interactive talk on the many ways we can use our energy, and find which works best for you.

Saturday 23rd November Walking the Leys with Lawrence Main*

At the time of going to press, Lawrence was in India, but I understand he will start by defining leys and giving a history of ley hunting. He will include specific leys, the song lines of the Aboriginals and how they relate to ancient people. He will also share some of his journeys along the leys.

Lawrence is Chairman of the Society of Ley Hunters and sounds absolutely fascinating. Come early to get a seat!



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Thursday 12th December Christmas Party and Four Tables

We started trying to think of something different for our Christmas Party this year, just for a change, but we didn't come up with anything better than the ever-popular Four Tables.

So we figured, if it ain't broke, don't fix it.

Our members usually come up with enough good ideas for a 'Table' so that we always end up with more than four. If you'd like to host a table this year, feel free. Let someone on the Committee know beforehand, but the more the merrier. Your turn to shine!