

BECKLEY HISTORY SOCIETY



Would you like to know more about Beckley's past? If so, please join our Society.

The History Society meets 4 times a year. Usually on the last Fridays of January, March, May and November. We aim to have at least 2 talks annually about Beckley and its environs with other talks on local history or wider historical subjects of interest.

An archive for the village is gradually being built. Started by our founder, Dennis Ward, in 1998, documents, photos etc. are being conserved for future research. The Committee welcomes researchers whose interest contributes to our knowledge of the village.

Next Meetings: Friday 27 March 2026, AGM followed by Jenny Godfrey with a talk on Suffragettes in Kent

Then Friday 29 May Old Rural Ways with Melvin Smith.

Come along to our next meeting and join the Society. It's only £5 annual subscription. Visitors £3 per meeting.

All talks at Beckley Village Centre start at 7.30p.m.

Previous talks include:

Bernard Baverstock – Saw Pits

David Dennis – Old Winchelsea

Jenny Collett – Riot & Rumpus (Northiam)

Dr Andrew Richardson – Lossenham (Newenden)

Dr John Crook - William Walker the diver who saved Winchelsea Cathedral

David Alderton – Mountfield Gypsum Mines

Andrew Hitchings – Origins of the English Industrial Revolution

Stephen Jempson – Jempsons Stores

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