

**PROGRAMME 2022**

**REVISED JANUARY 16 2022**

- January No meeting
- Wednesday 16 February **GROWING UP IN 1950s STONE QUARRY** by **Michael Hodge**.
- Wednesday 23 March **WAKEHURST, KEW AND THE NATIONAL TRUST** by **Paul Reader**. This talk covers why Kew came to Wakehurst, its association with the National Trust and the impact of the 1987 storm.
- Wednesday 20 April **THE HISTORY OF THE BRITISH SEASIDE IN 100 OBJECTS** by **Kathryn Ferry**  
Sandcastles, donkeys, piers and sticks of rock. This talk unpicks our experience of the seaside through the things that make it distinctive.
- Monday 2 May** **MAY FAIR: Society Stall in the High Street. 10am – 4pm**. An opportunity to find out who we are and what we do, plus a tombola with fantastic prizes!
- Wednesday 18 May **ART DECO** by **Ian Gledhill**. The style that defined the Jazz Age. We had several Art Deco buildings in East Grinstead including the Radio Centre and Caffyns, sadly now demolished. However, the exterior of the newly situated Martell's shop still retains its Art Deco frontage formerly known as the Whitehall.
- Wednesday 15 June **SCANDAL, SALVATION AND SUFFRAGE** by **Ros Black**. Ros also includes the growth of the women's temperance movement in her talk.
- Wednesday 13 July **SUMMER DRINKS AND OPEN FORUM** Discussion on Planning, Development and Heritage
- August No meeting
- Wednesday 14 September **LEWES AND BONFIRE NIGHT** by **Andy Thomas**. Andy explores the history of Lewes - renowned for the 'Biggest Bonfire Night Celebrations in the World'.
- Wednesday 12 October **EAST GRINSTEAD AS SEEN IN MANORIAL RECORDS** by **Jeremy Clarke**. These valuable sources help us to understand more about the history, geography and people of East Grinstead Parish from the 12<sup>th</sup> to the 19<sup>th</sup> century.
- Wednesday 16 November **55th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**. An assessment of the year and election of the new Committee. Followed by a short talk given by **Lester Porter** Chairman of the East Grinstead Museum Trustees.
- Wednesday 7 December **REFLECTIONS OF A BOOKSELLER** by **John Pye**. An entertaining talk by our local celebrity Bookshop owner who was voted the 2021 Best Independent Bookshop Retailer of Greeting Cards in the country.

**Wednesday meetings start at 7.30pm in the Jubilee Centre, Charlwoods Road  
with no charge for members and £5/non-member.**

Annual adult subscription of £15 includes a Newsletter.  
Application form can be found on the website, or from the Hon. Treasurer.

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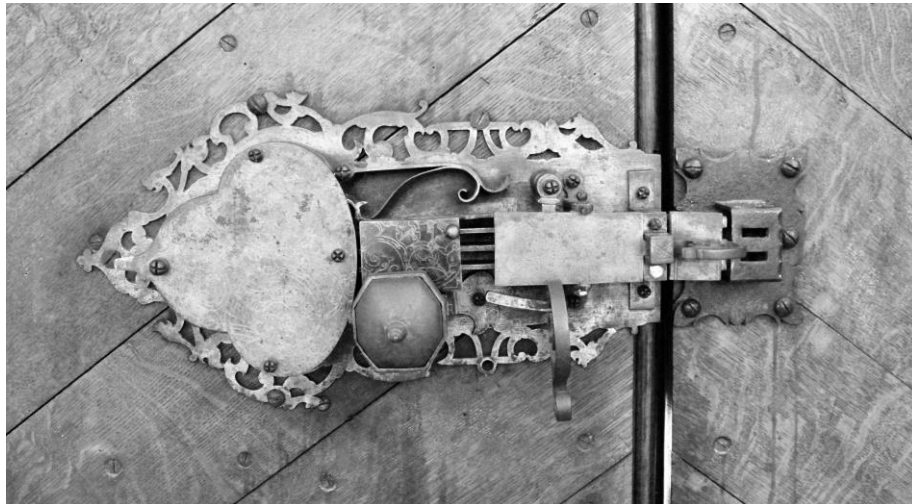
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The East Grinstead Society is an independent association, which exists to maintain and enhance the town's distinctive character by monitoring planning applications and the amenities in the town and its surroundings. Evening meetings are held during the year, with guided walks, on request, reflecting the town's heritage, participation in cultural events and recognition of notable members and residents.

## THE EAST GRINSTEAD SOCIETY 2022



### LOCK DETAIL FROM CHAPEL DOOR OF SACKVILLE COLLEGE

This late 16<sup>th</sup> Century intricate lock is of German manufacture and still works perfectly. It may have come from (or with?) an old door from the Sackville Family's House at Buckhurst, which was being demolished at the time the College was being built in the early 17<sup>th</sup> Century. The lock contains various artistic engravings including the maker's name.

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