



# Bucks Archaeological Society Newsletter



## Welcome to our slightly new look Newsletter

A Heritage Open Days Special for the new editor to try her skills and flag up events early next month. We'll send out a full News in September with reports and articles.

So, some ideas for HODs days out, an appeal from Mike Farley for help with the BAS Muddled Museum on 14th September and an idea for an outing to Taplow Court on 8<sup>th</sup> September.

Sarah Gray



## Heritage Open Days return

6-15 September 2024



Heritage Open Days is England's largest festival of history and culture, involving thousands of local volunteers and organisations. A chance to see hidden places and try out new experiences – and it's all FREE. Here's a listing of

### [all the Buckinghamshire events](#)



Heritage Open Days events also take place across Milton Keynes from Friday 6th to Sunday 15th September. The theme for this year is *Routes – Networks – Connections*, celebrating how people and ideas have moved around and come together throughout history. The transport routes, communication networks, trade unions and social clubs. The travellers who have spread ideas and the hosts who welcome them. To celebrate HODs 30th anniversary a **special gallery page** showcases the wonderful sites, stories and people that have made Heritage Open Days so magical over the years. It features the Ancient Monument of Bradwell Abbey. The **events list for 2024** has been published online by the Living Archive Milton Keynes.



## The 'Muddled Museum'

Market Square, Aylesbury, 14 Sep 2024 The 'Muddled Museum' is an opportunity for adults and children to touch real objects of archaeological interest and to see if they can identify them and guess how old they are.

The Society will be back between 10am – 4pm with a table full of finds that have got in a bit of a muddle ..' We already have a couple of volunteers but could do with a couple more to help with setting up (from about 9.00 am), dealing with the public and - hopefully - taking money from book sales. There is a good selection of coffee shops nearby! Drop Mike Farley an email if you are interested [mfarchaeol@btinternet.com](mailto:mfarchaeol@btinternet.com) . Thanks.



**Taplow Court Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September**, a group visit to the Taplow Court Heritage Open Day with **Sarah Gray**. No coach and public transport takes ages to this far-south corner of the County. Anybody stuck for a lift or offering a lift should contact Sarah Gray [sarahgray707@btinternet.com](mailto:sarahgray707@btinternet.com) and we will put people in touch. Taplow Court is next door to Cliveden National Trust but hard to find on the HODs website as its listed under Berkshire, just the other side of the Thames. [Taplow Court Open Day \(heritageopendays.org.uk\)](http://heritageopendays.org.uk)

The 85 acres of gardens and grounds at Taplow Court will open at 12.30pm and the house and café (cream teas) open at 2pm, both until 5pm. If you would like to go round as a group, register below and we will meet in the car park entrance in front of the house at 1.30pm. Although the Buddhists of SGI UK at Taplow Court are offering free admission, it is suggested that we give them a donation, maybe £5 pp, on the day. Something for everyone here. In the grounds is the 7c Taplow Burial mound, within a former hillfort and staring down at the Thames. There are replicas of the superb grave goods (British Museum) in the house and a reconstruction of the burial chamber. From the Grenfell family's time, life sized and moving group portraits by CRW Nevinson of the two sons killed in WW1 and their contemporaries at Oxford.

**[Register for this excursion Here.](#)**

Any enquiries to Sarah on [sarahgray707@btinternet.com](mailto:sarahgray707@btinternet.com).



**EVERYONE  
WELCOME**

The house and grounds will be open to the public on the following Sundays:

5 MAY  
2 JUNE  
7 JULY  
4 AUGUST  
1 & 8 SEPTEMBER  
(NATIONAL HERITAGE DAY)

Grounds open from 12.30-5pm  
House open from 2pm-5pm  
Tea and cakes available to purchase from 2pm

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**'A LIFE DEDICATED TO PEACE'**

An exhibition celebrating the life of Daisaku Ikeda (1928-2023), Buddhist philosopher, peacebuilder, educator, author and poet, who dedicated his life to fostering a lasting culture of peace through dialogue.

Admission free  
Free parking  
Only guide & alert dogs permitted  
[sgi-uk.org](http://sgi-uk.org)

Taplow Court  
Cliveden Road  
Taplow SL6 0ER  
Tel: 01628 773163



**2024  
TAPLOW COURT  
OPEN DAYS**

SGI-UK

Substance of Action for Peace

<https://www.heritageopendays.org.uk/submission-event/taplow-court-open-day-2024.html>

Google Maps SGI-UK Taplow Court, Cliveden Road Maidenhead SL6 0ER

Sunday, 08 September, 2024 12:30 – 5pm

Admission free, Free parking, Only guide and alert dogs permitted



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