KING ALFRED WEEKEND 20-23 October 2016

20-23 October 2016 Hyde, Winchester

Presented by Hyde900 & St Bartholomew's Church

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WELCOME TO THE KAW!

The King Alfred Weekend is Hyde900's annual showcase of the projects it has undertaken in bringing to light the heritage and talents of Hyde and its community.

This year there is an exceptionally rich and varied mix. We begin by commemorating the casualties from Hyde in 1916, the year of the Somme and the Battle of Jutland and then move back one thousand years to consider the state of the English language at the time of King Alfred, whose remains still lie on the site of Hyde Abbey. What's left of the abbey itself is then exposed and discussed in a number of specialist sessions before a celebration of the links between Hyde and Shakespeare through a performance of his most distinguished poem, 'Venus & Adonis'. We will be talking about our plans to do more to interpret the Hyde Abbey site and giving a chance to our friends and supporters to contribute to our future strategy at the Annual General Meeting.

We are particularly delighted this year to welcome Mr Alan Lovell, Chair of Hampshire Cultural Trust and a key partner for Hyde900, to outline his vision of what the future might hold for Winchester as a world-class heritage venue.

If you are a local resident or interested in this unique corner of Winchester then the King Alfred Weekend is an exceptional opportunity to get under the surface of what lies locally and discover more than you might imagine.

We look forward to welcoming you.

Steve Marper Chair, Hyde900

Thursday 20th October

Launch of the weekend, followed by

Hyde Soldiers 1916 - 2016

St Bartholomew's Church, 6.45pm

Doors open and drinks served from 6.15pm

An event to commemorate all those who left homes in Hyde to serve in the Great War, and the family and neighbours they left behind. Following a programme of music and poetry commemorating the era, the event will conclude with a reading of the roll-call of the 1916 casualties. The modern day occupiers of their former homes are then invited to add their flags to the Hyde Soldiers commemorative map.

Light refreshments will be served at the end of the event. *Numbers limited to 220. Tickets £8, Hyde900 members £6.*



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Friday 21st October

Launch of the Winchester: A Nation Emerges Symposium

Mr Alan Lovell

St Bartholomew's Church, 6.45pm

Doors open and drinks served from 6.30 pm.

Hyde900 are honoured to welcome Mr Alan Lovell, Chair of Hampshire Cultural Trust, who will introduce the first symposium in the Winchester, The Royal City series, taking place the following day, Saturday 22nd, in the Guildhall.

Winchester, The Royal City aims to celebrate and promote the ancient city as a centre of key significance to the development of

England and English Culture. Hyde900 is a member of the project group. For further information see www.hampshireculturaltrust.org.uk

No booking required. No charge.



The Hyde900 King Alfred Lecture: How Did Alfred Sound?

Talk by Professor David Crystal

St Bartholomew's Church, 7.30pm

Would people in Winchester today understand Alfred's accent, if he time-travelled to the 21st century? This talk explains how historical phonologists reconstruct accents before the advent of audio-recording, presents the sound of Old English using Alfred's writings, and illustrates the continuities between then and now. Hyde900 is honoured to welcome Professor Crystal,



foremost expert on the structure of the English language and its history. Professor Crystal published the first of his over 100 books in 1964, and is a renowned writer, editor, lecturer, and broadcaster. He received an OBE for services to the English language in 1995, is a Fellow of the British Academy, and patron of the English Project. www.davidcrystal.com Numbers limited to 220. Booking recommended. Tickets £8, Hyde900 members £6, students free.

> Venues: Hyde Parish Hall, Hyde St, Winchester SO23 7DF. St Bartholomew's church, King Alfred Place, Winchester SO23 9LH.

Saturday 22nd October

Venus and Adonis

by William Shakespeare

St Bartholomew's Church, 7.30pm

An abridged version directed by Cecily O'Neill with music by The Food of Love ensemble. Introduction by Professor Christopher Mulvey of the English Project.

Following its sell-out appearances at this year's Winchester Festival and at Beaulieu, the Hyde900/English Project production of Shakespeare's tragi-comic long poem about the ill-starred love affair of Venus and Adonis is back to its roots in Hyde. Addressed to Henry Wriothesley, Earl of Southampton and the grandson of Thomas Wriothesley who was responsible for pulling down Hyde Abbey in the late 1530s, the poem made Shakespeare's



name nationally long before his fame spread as a dramatist.

Hyde resident Cecily O'Neill, well-known both as a director and drama educationalist, has worked with a small team of actors including well known local actor Nigel Bradshaw to produce this highly entertaining staged version of the poem which features music directed by Chris Burgess and the Food of Love.

A specially produced programme-with-text designed by Hyde resident Sharon Cluett and illustrated by former Hyde resident Kate Arnold completes the package on what will be an exceptional event. Definitely not to be missed!

Numbers limited to 220. Booking recommended. Tickets £8, Hyde900 members £6, students free.

Hyde900 Annual General Meeting

Hyde Parish Hall, 10.00am

The statutory business of the AGM will be followed by a 15 minute open discussion of Hyde900's mission, priorities and new possibilities. Anyone who is interested in making a contribution to that debate or becoming involved in Hyde900 activities is invited to attend and participate.

Saturday 22nd October

Exhibition:

Bringing Hyde Abbey to Life

Hyde Parish Hall, 10.45am to 5.30pm

An exhibition featuring many of the recent activities and discoveries in the research into the history of the abbey:

• A display of encaustic tiles from the abbey site discovered in Hyde, and the story of the project to reconstruct their original pattern;



Image: Debs Wilson, University of Winchester

- The exciting results of the first Hyde900 Community Dig, held in April 2016, and preliminary details of the 2017 dig;
- The story of the newly discovered roof timber from the abbey reused in Hyde, and a reconstruction of the building they came from;
- A 3D interactive visualisation of the abbey complex which can be seen as it would have looked in the 13 century.

No booking required. No charge.

Walking on History

A talk on the Hyde Abbey encaustic tile project

Hyde Parish Hall, 11.00am

An introduction to examples of these striking mediaeval tile fragments found at Hyde Abbey, how they might have looked in the abbey. The story of the finds discovered during the many excavations made at the site of Hyde Abbey and how it has enabled the team to recreate the appearance of over 30 tiles. *Numbers limited to 25. Booking recommended. No charge*



Encaustic Tile Workshop

Hyde Parish Hall, 12 noon and 12.30pm

The opportunity to watch encaustic tiles being made. For those wanting to try their hand a workshop to experience the different stages of manufacture. Numbers limited to 6 at each session. Children welcome but be prepared to get your hands dirty! Booking essential. £5, Hyde900 members £4



Saturday 22nd October

Hyde Abbey Area Guided Walk

The history of the abbey and its inhabitants

Meet in Hyde gateway at 1.00pm

A tour of the abbey precinct area and an opportunity to see and hear about the history of the abbey and its inhabitants *Numbers limited to 15. Booking recommended. No charge.*



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The Hyde900 Community Dig

A talk on the 2016 dig and launch of the 2017 dig

Hyde Parish Hall, 2.00pm

The story of the first Hyde900 Community Dig carried out in April 2016 in partnership with WARG and the roller coaster ride on the way to discovering a lost part of the transept of the abbey. A preview of the exciting plans for 2017.

Numbers limited to 25. Early booking strongly recommended. No charge.



The Hyde Abbey King Alfred Project

Developing a visitors' information area in the precincts of Hyde Abbey

Hyde Parish Hall, 4.00pm

Hyde Abbey and King Alfred are the missing links in Winchester's story of 'Kings and Scribes'. Without appreciating the crucial importance of King Alfred and his burial-place, first in New Minster and then in



Interactive information board (Debs Wilson, University of Winchester)

Hyde Abbey, the full scope of Winchester's significance in the history of England cannot be understood. Hyde900 founder Edward Fennell will report on developments since the initial announcement at last year's King Alfred Weekend, and plans for now realising this important project.

Numbers limited to 25. Booking essential. No charge.

Venues: Hyde Parish Hall, Hyde St, Winchester SO₂₃ 7DF. St Bartholomew's church, King Alfred Place, Winchester SO₂₃ 7DF.

Sunday 23rd October

King Alfred's Day Service

St Bartholomew's Church, 9.30am

Bringing Hyde Abbey to Life

Hyde Parish Hall, 11.00am to 4.00pm

Yesterday's exhibition continues.

Encaustic tile workshop

Hyde Parish Hall, 11.30am and 12 noon

See Saturday for details.

Booking essential. Charge £5, Hyde900 members £4



St Bartholomew's Church

The Hyde Timber Project – Reconstructing the Past

A tale of two buildings told through timber from the abbey

Hyde Parish Hall, 2.00pm

The story of the latest Hyde900 major discovery into the building materials and construction of Hyde Abbey. The talk describes the first identifica-



Roof at Old Hyde House (Mike Caldwell)

tion of recycled abbey roof timbers in two buildings in present day Hyde, and the exciting results of the analysis of the timbers which revealed a construction date of the second half of the 13th century. The team was then able to reconstruct the original appearance of the abbey building.

Numbers limited to 25. Early booking strongly recommended. No charge.

Hyde Abbey Area Guided Walk

The archaeology and architecture of the abbey

Meet in Hyde Parish Hall at 3.00pm

A tour of the abbey precinct area and opportunity to see what remains of the original buildings, and the sites of the now vanished parts in modern day Hyde. Follow the trail of stones reused from the abbey site.

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12 noon	Hyde Parish Hall	Encaustic tile workshop
12.30pm	Hyde Parish Hall	Encaustic tile workshop
1pm	Hyde Gateway	Hyde Abbey area guided walk
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4pm	Hyde Parish Hall	Talk: The Hyde Abbey King Alfred Project
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