

Norfolk & the North Sea: The Prehistory of the Past Million Years

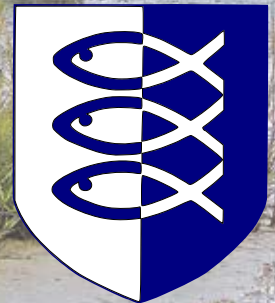
Day Conference 15 October 2022
Imperial Hotel, North Drive, Great Yarmouth NR30 1EQ

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Norfolk's proximity to the North Sea provides the county with a unique place in history. The earliest known human footprints outside of Africa, dating back almost a million years, were found at Happisburgh, and Norfolk is the only county which contains evidence of four different human species. The world's most complete skeleton of a Steppe Mammoth was excavated at West Runton, alongside the remains of other species from warmer environments such as lions, rhinoceros and even hyaena, providing proof that the region has been experiencing climate change over a very long period of time. Extreme temperature variation from tropical zones to ice ages, and changes in water levels impacted significantly on the area now occupied by the North Sea. Recent archaeological investigation, alongside discoveries made by industrial dredging and seismic research, are revealing intriguing new insights into the landscape formation and human and animal habitation in and around the North Sea basin.

Great Yarmouth Local History & Archaeological Society is delighted to present a one-day conference on 15 October 2022, 10.00–16.30 at the Imperial Hotel, Great Yarmouth, NR30 1EQ to further explore this fascinating topic.

Speakers at this conference include:

- **Dr Rachel Bynoe**, Marine Archaeologist, Director of the Centre for the Archaeology of Human Origins, University of Southampton to speak on Underwater Archaeology.
- **Dr Rob Davis**, Project Leader, Pathways to Ancient Britain, Dept. of Britain, Europe and Prehistory at the British Museum to speak on Early Man in Norfolk and surrounding counties.
- **Professor Vincent Gaffney**, Anniversary Chair in Landscape Archaeology, School of Archaeology and Forensic Sciences, University of Bradford to speak on archaeology and sea levels in the North Sea Basin.
- **Professor Adrian Lister**, Research Leader, at the Dept. of Vertebrates and Anthropology at the British Museum to speak on the Natural History of the Region.

Booking:

Delegate fee: £35.00 per head when paid by BACS (no fee added)
fees: by cheque £35.40; by card (online or telephone) £38.09

Time: 10.00–16.30

Buffet lunch and day refreshments included.

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