

AGM AND ANNUAL LECTURE

Wednesday, October 1st, 2025

The Literary & Philosophical Society, 23 Westgate Road, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 1SE

The evening's timetable will be as follows:

- 6.00 pm Annual General Meeting
6.30 pm Substantial finger buffet
7.30 pm Annual lecture given by **Bill Griffiths FSA**, Head of Programmes and Collections, North East Museums (formerly Tyne & Wear Archives & Museums): ***“And now for something completely different: marking 1900 years of Hadrian’s Wall”***.

Bill Griffiths FSA is Head of Programmes and Collections at North East Museums, which manages 12 museums including the Roman forts of Arbeia (South Shields) and Segedunum (Wallsend), part of Hadrian’s Wall World Heritage Site.

Bill began his career as a field archaeologist and has excavated at several sites along Hadrian’s Wall. He was closely involved in the development of Segedunum Museum, becoming its first curator. He then moved into strategic management roles in museums, including leading regional museum development and cultural learning programmes. He retains a keen interest in Roman Military Archaeology and has been involved with many sizable engagement programmes on Hadrian’s Wall, including chairing both the 2017 Hadrian’s Cavalry project, and the 2022 1900th anniversary festival for the Wall. He is a Vice Chair of the Hadrian’s Wall Management Board.

ABSTRACT: ***“And now for something completely different: marking 1900 years of Hadrian’s Wall”***.

AD122 is the generally agreed date for the foundation of Hadrian’s Wall. 2022 saw its 1900th anniversary marked by a wide-ranging festival that explored not simply its Roman heritage, but its meaning to the communities that lived along its line. The organisation of this festival, its content, and potential legacies will be explored in this presentation

To sign up, please complete the form below and send it (or the equivalent information) **by Monday, September 15th, 2025** either by email to susanmaustin@hotmail.com or by post to Mrs. Susan Austin, Church View, The Dene, West Rainton, Houghton le Spring DH4 6PR.

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