



Spring Meeting

Saturday 5th April 2025

St. Fagans National Museum of History
Cardiff CF5 6BX

Our Spring Meeting 2025 will be held in the main building of the St Fagans site, in Studio 3. Please ask at the reception desk inside the main entrance for directions, and note that a lift to the first floor is available inside the foyer should you require this.

Access to the National Museum of History at St Fagans is easy and well signposted from **Junction 33** of the M4 on the west side of Cardiff. Admission to the museum is free, but if you are driving to St Fagans, you will have to pay for parking, £7 per day, this can be paid by cash or card. Parking is free for disabled badge holders and motorbikes.

Our charge for the day's meeting is **£20.00**, to help cover the cost of speakers' expenses, and for morning coffee/tea/biscuits – please see the next page re payment.

Meeting Programme - Saturday 5th April 2025

10:00 Assemble in Studio 3 on the first floor of the main building for coffee, tea, biscuits, conversation and catching up

10.30 Introduction – **Steven Tyrer** *chairman*

10.35 Welcome to St Fagans - **Emyr Davies**, *Senior Conservator Furniture, National Museum*

10.40 - 11.00 **Emyr Davies**: *“Horology at St Fagans”*

11.00 - 12.15 **Steve and Darlah Thomas**: *“Jacob Winter's Shopfront in Stockport”*

12.15 - 13.30 **Lunch** - further details on page 3

13.30 - 14.45 **Martin Gatto**: *“Tavern Clocks”*

14.45 - 16.15 **Simon Davidson** *“Watertight Pocket Watches”*

end of meeting - the museum closes at 5.00pm

Will you join us at the Blue Anchor Inn, Aberthaw, 6.30pm for dinner? see page 3

Acceptance advice

To **Tony Panes** - W&MHS Treasurer - please print this page and return to Tony, or reply by email (or text to Tony’s mobile, number below).

Dyffryn Tawel, Rudry, Nr. Caerphilly CF83 3EB Tel: 07534917307

Re: Spring Meeting on Saturday 5th April 2025

Payment by bank transfer must have your name as reference, and include “*St Fagans*” - also can you please send an email to Tony saying that you have paid by bank transfer tonypanes43@gmail.com

Lloyds Bank (Rowcroft Stroud branch)

Wales and Marches Horological Society

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Please return this as soon as possible, and no later than Tuesday 25th March 2025.

I will / will not be attending the Spring Meeting of W&MHS at St Fagans National Museum of Wales on Saturday 5th April 2025.

I have paid by cheque / Bank Transfer payable to “**W&MHS**” for **£20.00** (**£25.00 to include your deposit, if booking a meal afterwards at Blue Anchor Inn**).

Name:.....

Address:.....

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Tel. no:.....

email address:.....

Will you be joining us for a meal at Blue Anchor Inn, Aberthaw? **Yes/No**
(£5.00 deposit required in advance)

There are four eating-places at St Fagans National Museum of History. These are:

Y Gegin – the principal restaurant, in the main building, open 10.00am to 4.30pm and serving hot meals between 12.00 and 3.00pm,

Gweithdy – A café set in the new craft building, serving a selection of light lunches, beverages and cakes, open from 11.00am to 3.00pm,

Pysgodyn – serving beer battered fish and chips in a traditional cone, open at weekends and during the school holidays,

Castle Buttery – a small café serving a selection of beverages, as well as sandwiches and cakes, (open seasonally, check at reception for the opening hours).

You are also welcome to bring a packed lunch/picnic if you wish. There are a number of picnic table sites at St Fagans, and Studio 3 can be used as an eating area if the weather is inclement – or simply if you do not wish to eat outside.

An online map of the St. Fagans site is available at:

<https://museum.wales/stfagans/visit/location/>

Invitation to join us at 6.20pm at the Blue Anchor Inn, Aberthaw, CF62 3DD

Some of our speakers are staying overnight in the area and will be joining us for a meal at Blue Anchor Inn after the meeting. Blue Anchor offers a varied menu, including vegetarian and vegan offerings, with main courses at £15 - £25. The meal will be served in their upstairs restaurant area and we plan to meet there at 6.20pm. A typical menu can be seen at <https://www.blueanchoraberthaw.com/food-menu>

If you would like to join us there, please could you include a **£5.00 non-returnable deposit** with your booking for the meeting, when you reply to this invitation letter.