

ANCIENT GREECE - TOPICS COVERED IN 2017

MONTH	TOPICS COVERED
JANUARY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Re-cap on ARCHITECTURE - using images of Neo-classical buildings in Poundbury, Dorset - Refresher on SCULPTURE of the human form - we used the wooden artist's mannequins to illustrate the key developments - Looked at various reproductions - figurines and artefacts - and put them in the chronological order of the originals (Mask of Agamemnon; Discobolos etc) - A bit more on FESTIVALS - Greta Panathenaia and Thesmophoria
FEBRUARY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clip from Dr Iain Stewart's programme about earthquakes, dealing with damage to the ancient sites, including Delphi (with a section on the Oracle) - An introduction to, and examination of, various GRAVE STELAI, with handout + PowerPoint - Handout on BATTLE OF THERMOPYLAE, and short film <i>Who were the Spartans?</i>
MARCH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pre-trip meeting, so a lot of general background stuff relating to places we would visit - THOLOI PowerPoint, and OLYMPIA handout, including the Philippeion - Tholos commissioned by Philip of Macedon - Section from <i>Treasures of Greece DVD</i> <p><i>TRIP TO GREECE</i></p>
APRIL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Just after our return from the Greece trip, so the meeting was devoted to this, with a discussion, slide show and talks on specific areas by various members
MAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The RECONSTRUCTION WORK that has been done in Greek sites + PowerPoint followed by a discussion on how far, if at all, ruins should be repaired, reorganised and restored - Brief history of the destruction of the major sites at Athens, Olympia, Epidavros, Mycenae and Delphi - Geoff's PPT presentation of our travels in Greece
JUNE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Juliet reported on her attendance at the History Masterclass on Ancient Greece run by Dr Michael Scott - with photographic evidence! - Deborah gave the first part of her illustrated talk on the WILDFLOWERS OF GREECE, and their mythological connections and ancient uses - Slides of the use of mythology and Classical architecture at NT Stowe - First half of HERAKLES DVD (to be continued ...)
JULY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meal at Santorini Greek restaurant in Chichester
AUGUST	<i>SUMMER BREAK</i>
SEPTEMBER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ancient Briton 2017 UK stamps, comparing parallel events in Ancient Greece - The finding of the Riace Warriors PowerPoint and handout and discussion of the sculptures ... - ... leading to proposed itinerary for our Sicily Trip 2018, with a planned visit to see the Warriors in Southern Italy - YouTube clip - refresher - on development of sculpture of the human form
OCTOBER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Getty Bronze pictorial clues to its journey from the bottom of the sea to installation in the Getty Museum in LA - Examination of Athenian forensic speech - Lysias: <i>On the Murder of Eratosthenes</i> and discussion what it shows of court protocol and Athenian life
NOVEMBER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In honour of Hallowe'en/All Saints Day, a look at superstition in ancient and modern Greece, and Name Days - Images of Alexander the Great followed by part of the first episode of Michael Wood's <i>in the Footsteps of Alexander the Great</i> <p><i>ANTIGONE</i> at the Theatre Royal, Winchester</p>
DECEMBER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A review of our visit to <i>ANTIGONE</i> - Re-cap on what we've covered this year, with handout - Winter traditions in Ancient Greece - Brief Quiz <p style="text-align: right;">GREEK(ISH) CHRISTMAS TEA!</p>

Suggestions for 2108 - any would be gratefully received and carefully considered!

