



2022 Excavation **Sunday 5th June to Monday 20th June**

This year we will be digging at Hursley again, located 5 miles south west of Winchester. Parch marks in the lawn outside the current grand Georgian house showed evidence of the original Elizabethan Manor, which we found remains of last year together with a possible earlier building.

We require two types of volunteers, diggers and finds processors, with some flexibility to move from one to the other, if physically able. You can register as a digger or finds processor for a whole day, a morning or an afternoon. To help offset dig costs, we ask for a contribution of £10 for a full day and £5 for a half day. Payment can be made by direct bank transfer, cheque, or cash, see below for details. Depending on the number of applications, we might ask whether you can do alternative dates.

Our insurance cover means that all volunteers must be either dig members or full members of WARG. The minimum age to participate is 16. Any 16 or 17-year olds must be accompanied by a parent or guardian, and both need to either take out dig membership or be a WARG member. Dig membership costs £5 and full WARG (annual) membership is £15, this must be **paid in advance of participation**. If you wish to Join WARG, please download an application form from the website at www.warg.org.uk and return it with your dig registration. All members on site will be asked to register each day, attend a health and safety briefing and sign the health and safety form which covers safety issues and points of basic site behaviour.

As well as the digging days, we need volunteers to help in setting up the site from the 30th May to the 4th June, and for close down which will be for 3 days after mechanical replacement of the spoil on either the 27th/28th/29th June or 4th/5th/6th July. Both setting up and backfilling/breakdown can be physically demanding, so not only do we not charge you for these days, and we offer a free day's digging/processing for each day of set-up/close-down you undertake (max 6 days).

The working day will start at 09:00 and end at 17:00. Please be on site by 08:45 at the latest for administration and a health & safety briefing. We provide tea, coffee, biscuits, and soft drinks, but please bring your own lunches. (The IBM club house and Stables Café also provide food and drinks). Toilet facilities will be available from 08:00.

Please park in the South or overflow carparks, allow 10-15 minutes for the short walk to site.

Application and Payment

Please complete the forms on the next two pages and email them to membership@warg.org.uk, or post to Warg Big Dig 2022, Church View, Barton Stacey, Winchester, Hampshire, SO21 3RF. Along with payment if by cheque.

For Bank Transfer please pay to the account of **Winchester Archaeological Rescue Group** at NatWest Bank pic, Winchester, Old Bank Branch, Account number 88148866 sort code 55-81-26

On site payments can be in cash or via card and mobile phone all (phone signal permitting)

Membership must be paid in advance. Advance payment of digging fees is appreciated but must be with us by the end of the excavations at the latest.

Any queries should be addressed to membership@warg.org.uk



Main Dig Days

Please indicate the sessions that you would like to attend. For a whole day, fill in both boxes for that day. Please indicate a preference, **D** for digger; **P** for processor. The 14th June is not a working day.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon		
05-Jun	06-Jun	07-Jun	08-Jun	09-Jun	10-Jun	11-Jun	12-Jun	13-Jun	14-Jun	15-Jun	16-Jun	17-Jun	18-Jun	19-Jun	20-Jun		
Digging starts																	
									XXX								
									XXX							XXX	

Morning
Afternoon

We are allowing extra days for dig completion, documentation, drawing and finds processing etc . If you would like to take part in activities on these days please indicate in the table below.

Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
21-Jun	22-Jun	23-Jun	24-Jun
Doc completion	Doc completion	Doc completion	Contingency

Morning
Afternoon

Skills

Please explain your level of skill and experience for each of the following where you want to take part. Please also indicate if you are inexperienced in an area or a novice. We aim, where possible, to assign experienced people to assist and guide those with a lower level of skill.

Skill Area		Please describe your level of skill and experience	Like to take part Y/N
Digging			
Finds Processing			
Supervision			
Archaeological drawing and documentation			
First Aid			
Other – explain			

This is my first dig or I am inexperienced

I will need training



Set up and Close activities

There are opportunities to assist with set up on the 31st May, and the 1st and 2nd June. (One day's digging credit will be given for each of these days). On the 3rd June we need people who have experience of working around machinery, and on the 4th there is an opportunity for diggers to assist in completing trench opening.

Please indicate if you are interesting in taking part on any of these pre dig days.

	Mon 30-May	Tue 31-May	Wed 01-Jun	Bank Holiday 02-Jun 03-Jun		Sat 04-Jun
	Toilets and Fencing	Lorry and Equip to site	Set up Kit	Turf Cutter	Digger on site	Pre dig day
Morning	XXXXXX					
Afternoon	XXXXXX					

Because of the dangers of working around heavy machinery access to the main site will be limited on the 3rd June

Final close down activities are dependent on the availability of the digger and driver and will either take place in week starting Saturday 25th June or a week later from Saturday 2nd July. Assistance with Re turfing, Site tidy, Pack-up and Transport of equipment each earn a day's digging credit. Please complete both tables as we will confirm which one is appropriate asap

	Sat 25-Jun	Sun 26-Jun	Mon 27-Jun	Tue 28-Jun	Wed 29-Jun
	Digger (1)	Digger (1)	Manual finish (1)	Pack Up (1)	Transport (1)
Morning					
Afternoon					

	Sat 02-Jul	Sun 03-Jul	Mon 04-Jul	Tue 05-Jul	Wed 06-Jul
	Digger (2)	Digger (2)	Manual finish (2)	Pack Up (2)	Transport (2)
Morning					
Afternoon					

We need the information below for health and safety reasons and for running the dig. By completing your details you are giving us permission to hold your information (as per the WARG Privacy guidelines) and contact you with dig details.

Print name

Address

Phone Mobile

E-mail address

I am a member of WARG I wish to Join WARG (fee £15)

I wish to take out Dig membership (fee £5)

Your car registration number, for site security, if you do not work at IBM:

In the unlikely event that you have an accident on-site, who should we contact?

Print name

Phone Mobile

Any other notes

Medical Conditions.

If you suffer from any medical condition that we should know about could you please provide details on a separate sheet along with what steps should be taken should an incident occur.

Please email this to membership@warg.org.uk, or post to Warg Big Dig 2022, Church View, Barton Stacey, Winchester, Hampshire, SO21 3RF

This information will be treated in the strictest confidence and will be held securely on site