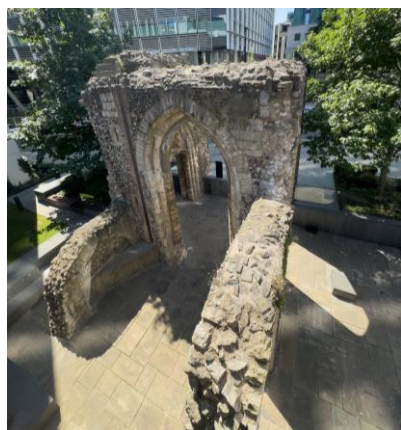


## ROMAN LONDON TOUR SAT 5<sup>th</sup> JULY

The tour was guided by Mike Stone, who was patiently waiting at 9:30 AM on the front steps of St Paul's Cathedral. Club members travelled to London on a National Express coach, leaving Chippenham around 6:30 AM, arriving in London and then using different modes of transport to reach St Paul's.

Because of a demonstration, club members arrived at different times, but the walking tour kicked off just after 10 AM. Comfortable shoes were suggested and the weather was just right, though it was a bit warm.



Left: Remains of the medieval tower St Alphege or St Alphege. Built directly upon London Wall. It was also known as St Alphege Cripplegate.



Right: Leadenhall Market a charming historic market located in the heart of the City . Dating back to the 14th century, this covered market boasts stunning Victorian architecture



They took a short lunch break around 1245PM and then continued on what one of the groups estimated to be a total of 14,916 steps, wrapping up at the Tower of London around 4:30 PM



This photo was taken outside St Lawrence Jewry, a church in the City of London. The plaque details the history of St Lawrence Jewry, noting its origins in the 12th century and its destruction in the Great Fire of London.



View of the fort which straddled the Roman-built London Wall near Cripplegate (close to the Museum of London). Some of the original Roman stonework can be seen at the bottom. The bricks are a Victorian addition.



Surviving section of the city of London Roman wall near Tower Hill Tube station.

The London Wall was built between AD 190 and 225, primarily using ragstone from Kent, and served as a crucial defensive barrier for the Roman city.



All the club members who attended made it home safely by about 10:30 PM, except for one who misplaced her debit card at some point during the day.

Everyone had a great time!





Meet Billy, a four-year-old who will celebrate his 5th birthday in September. When he was a puppy living in Chippenham, Billy lost his tag. Fortunately, Terry, the club's chairman, discovered the tag at Birds Marsh, Langley Burrell Common. A big thank you to the owner for sharing.

## Club member finds

July has been a dry month and members have been struggling, but here are a few finds



HENRY VI HALFPENNY 1430-1431 CALAIS



HENRY III PENNY 7b1 CANTERBURY



KING JOHN 5b1 FVLKE



ELIZABETH I PENNY 1500-1600



COLCHESTER ONE PIECE BROOCH AD25-60