

RICHARD TANNER WI approved speaker with Hampshire since 2001

Early retired from secondary school headship, I went teaching geography at the 'royal' school in Jordan, giving me opportunities to travel in the Holy Land, Egypt, India, Turkey and overland to England. Following this with a 'geriatric gap year', travelling round the world on a shoestring through California, Fiji, New Zealand, Australia, Indonesia, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, Laos, Nepal and India, I have a collection of 8000 slides plus books, posters and artefacts to illustrate my talks:

FABULOUS FABRICS – costume from Arabia to Indonesia.
OLD INCENSE ROUTES – from Yemen through Petra to the Med.
TO BETHLEHEM – an update on the Christmas Story.

BELOW SEA LEVEL – Jordan Valley, cradle of civilisation.
FROM THE APOSTLES TO THE CRUSADES – a journey across Syria.
CRUSADER CASTLES – the development of fortresses to hold the Holy Land.
WINNING WWI – The story of the Hejaz Railway and Lawrence of Arabia.
EVENING IN A BEDOUIN TENT, in which you practise Bedouin etiquette using authentic artefacts to play roles as family members and visitors arriving at sunset.

SEVEN DAYS IN TIBET – 4WD to Lhasa and back over Everest.
DOWN THE NILE BY FELUCCA – Aswan to Luxor.
CONTRASTS IN INDIA – north and south, mosques and temples.
A GERIATRIC HIPPY'S JOURNEY ROUND THE WORLD
ROUND NEW ZEALAND BY CAMPERVAN
ROUND AUSTRALIA BY BUS
ROUND AMERICA UNDER CANVAS

FOLLOWING THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST PAUL - from Damascus through Turkey to Ephesus and across to Philippi, Athens and Corinth, we retrace St Paul's journeys.
FOLLOWING THE VIKINGS – from Norway to Iceland, Greenland and beyond.
THE SEARCH FOR THE SOURCE OF THE NILE – the amazing story of 19C adventurers Burton & Speke, Livingstone & Stanley.
WHERE NOW? A history of mapping North Hampshire (needs internet connection).

Returned to North Waltham, I've become the village archivist, helped set up a history society and become an adult education lecturer and writer, so can also offer:
RESEARCHING YOUR FAMILY HISTORY or HOW TO DATE YOUR HOUSE
LIVING WITH JANE – a gardener's view of the life and times of Jane Austen.
STEVENTON – a tour of Jane Austen's village, either through slides or a guided walk, which can end with home-made cream tea or pub lunch to make a real outing.
STEVENTON MANOR IN THE 1930s – silent film showing Fane family life.
NORTH WALTHAM – a slideshow tracing the development of my village OR a guided walk around my village &/OR "Voices of North Waltham", a DVD of residents' memories telling the story of change in our community 1935-65.

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