



Adult Learning Within Reach

## Member Lecture – 13 Apr 2023

Fire on the hearth: the human race and fire!  
Alison Warren, WEA tutor

Questions answered post-lecture

**Q1 You mentioned that Mr Bryant of Bryant and May bought a park for £170k – where was it?**

It was called Woodlands Park and is in Cobham in Surrey and is now a hotel. In its heyday, the future Edward VII stayed there with Mrs Lillie Langtry as one of the guests.

Useful links and resources for further reading.

Books

**Fire Lighting Through the Ages: Science and Technique** – Alessandro Contini

**Striking a Light: The Bryant and May Matchwomen and their Place in History** – Louise Raw  
– this is an excellent and well-written history of the events and personalities involved.

Links

**[How the Zippo lighter became an iconic symbol of the American warfighter](#)**

**[Flint and Steel Fire Lighting with 1700's Tinderbox - YouTube](#)**

**[Ray Mears Bushcraft - Bow Drill Fire Lighting - YouTube](#)**

Forthcoming WEA courses by Alison Warren

**All the trimmings – a history of accessories (C3534625)**

**Introduction to script writing (C2424737)**

You will be able search for the above courses when the new WEA website goes live later this month.