Historic finds evaluations;

bridging a gap between people and science

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1. OUR OBJECTIVES ARE:

- Promotion of multidisciplinary research of geomorphology, archeology and cultural history of the trilateral Wadden Sea area.
- Presentation of results to a broad public in order to contribute to the appreciation and conservation of the Wadden Sea area.





↑ Experts evaluating finds at Terschelling (22-03-2010)

2. HISTORIC FINDS EVALUATION - ORGANISATION

- With help of local organisations in (cultural) history meetings are held in which local citizens can present their historic finds (e.g. washed onto the beach) to a team of specialists (geologist – archeologist – historian).
- The finds are then identified and assessed, as far as possible, and positioned in the known settlement history of the locality or region.
- Finds are photographed and documented.
- Involvement of local / regional media

← Expert explaining

3. HISTORIC FINDS EVALUATIONS were held at:

- Schiermonnikoog
- Zoutkamp
- Nes-Ameland
- Hoorn Terschelling
- Borkum
- Juist
- Vlieland; Spiekeroog

- November, 2007
- April, 2008
- November, 2008
- March 2010
- March 2011
- March 2012
- March 2013 (planned)



↑ Full house at Ameland (20-11-2008)









4. SOME RESULTS

- Stone age: antler axe, oxen bone artefact
- Roman period: potsherds and amphora neck
- Middle Ages: pottery, floor tiles,
- 11th century coin at Ameland
- Various more recent objects

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