



Re-enactment of the Battle of Faringdon in 2008

## **The Vale of the White Horse and the English Civil War 1642-46**

**Becky Hogben**

The English Civil War was not the first conflict to play out amongst the fertile soils, rivers and ridgeways of the Vale of the White Horse. When King Charles marched into Oxford in November 1642, he placed not only the city but the Vale in the centre of a violent struggle between the Crown and Parliament. Despite the many battles and skirmishes that took place nearby this is a little known part of its history. Becky will describe how the Vale's land and people were not simply part of an accidental frontline but a crucial corridor of war, vital to both sides until the end of the conflict.



Siege of Radcot House 1645-6

# **Hanne y History Group**

**TUESDAY**

**28 MAY**

**2019**

**8.00 P.M.**

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Cavalry Armour 1644

