# Council for British Archaeology South East

# Events and News **April 2016**

#### Dear CBA South-East members,

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May marked the final **CBA South-East workshop** of 2016, being run by Luke Barber on post-medieval ceramics. I have to say that our first year of running these workshops has far exceeded our expectations. We have had an outstanding turn-out by members, with some events being fully booked, leaving us in the difficult position of having to turn eager attendees away. We will soon assess the structure and content of the programme, taking on board members' feedback, to see how we can improve next year's schedule. This may involve adding extra sessions to the schedule to satisfy demand, while other subjects not covered this year will certainly form part of the programme. If you have any thoughts on future workshops, please let us know.

Town Tours also kicked-off recently, with attendees being treated to a trip to the stunning South Downs landscape at Slindon. Alice Thorne gave an excellent overview of the current LiDAR survey work being undertaken as part of the *Secrets of the High Woods* project, which is revealing fascinating new insights into the archaeology of the National Park. After lunch, Chichester District Archaeologist, James Kenny, led the team around the historic city, highlighting remnants of its Roman and medieval legacy in the landscape and the architecture.

On a final note, full details of this year's **CBA South-East Annual Conference** will soon be published on our website. The date has been changed from that recently published in the Newsletter to Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> of November (NOT Sunday the 20<sup>th</sup>). The theme for this year's event is **Medieval Palaces and Parks**, and we are pleased to announce that Dr Amanda Richardson from the University of Chichester will be our keynote speaker. Please don't leave it too late to buy tickets!



Dr Martyn Allen Chair, CBA South-East





#### **CBA-SE** events

#### **CBA-SE Site and Town tours 2016**

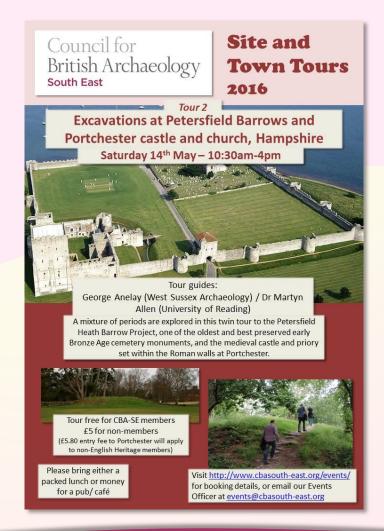
Full-day tours to current research excavations and historic sites and towns across the south-east, led by local experts. Seven tours in total, between April and October, with sites ranging from Roman villas to Tudor Palaces!

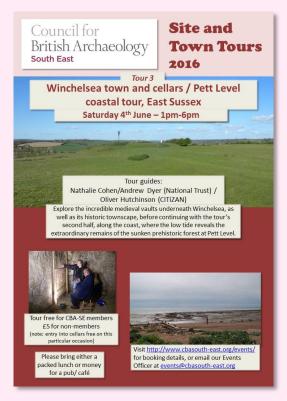
Free to all CBA-SE members - £5 for non-members (entry fees may apply at some sites). Limited spaces, thus early booking recommended. Directions and joining instructions available upon sign-up – please email any queries to our Events Officer at <a href="mailto:events@cbasouth-east.org">events@cbasouth-east.org</a> or visit <a href="http://www.cbasouth-east.org/events/cbase-tours-and-field-trips/">http://www.cbasouth-east.org/events/cbase-tours-and-field-trips/</a>.

Tour 2 Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> 2016 (10:30-16:00)

# Petersfield Barrows / Portchester castle and church, Hampshire

Led by George Anelay of West Sussex Archaeology Ltd and Martyn Allen from the University of Reading, this tour begins with a visit to the Petersfield Heath Barrow Project which is currently investigating one of the largest and best preserved early Bronze Age cemetery monuments. After lunch, we will travel to Portchester and explore a mixture of periods, where the medieval castle and priory sit within the Roman walls. \*Entry fee (adult £5.80) for Portchester castle applies – English Heritage members enter for free





Tour 3 Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup> 2016 (13:00-18:00)

# Winchelsea town and cellar / Pett Level coastal tour, East Sussex

Led by Nathalie Cohen and Andrew Dyer of the National Trust and Oliver Hutchinson of CITiZAN, this tour will explore the incredible medieval vaults underneath Winchelsea, as well as its historic townscape, before continuing with the tour's second half, along the coast, where the low tide reveals the extraordinary remains of the sunken prehistoric forest at Pett Level.

Tour 3 Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup> 2016 (10:00-16:00)

# Abinger Roman villa / Chilworth Gunpowder Works, Surrey

Led by Emma Corke, David Bird and Andrew Norris of the Surrey Archaeological Society, this tour takes in the picturesque Tillingbourne valley, starting with the fascinating excavations at Abinger Roman villa, which have revealed extensive evidence for late Iron Age and Roman activity. After lunch, this will be followed by a walk and talk around the extensive remains of the Gunpowder Works at Chilworth, which were first established by the East India Company in 1626 and only ceased manufacturing in 1920.



## **Conferences and symposiums**

Saturday, July 30th 2016 (09:30-17:00)

Eastbourne Natural History& Archaeological Society – **Eastbourne** Archaeology Symposium 2016 "Eastbourne Urban Medieval Excavation Project 1977 – 1984"

By the late seventies Eastbourne had produced archaeological material from most eras but not the medieval. The obvious target was an open space in Church Street opposite St Marys Parish Church, which was known to have, at the latest, Norman origins. The Symposium will introduce delegates to an extensive excavation that revealed evidence for the origins of medieval Eastbourne. There will be insights into work carried out at the medieval Jesus House which housed the Guild of the Brotherhood of Jesus, the vicarage and also look at the Lamb Inn and Star Brewery site which occupied the same general area.

Tickets £10. See <a href="http://www.eastbournearchaeology.org.uk/?page\_id=253">http://www.eastbournearchaeology.org.uk/?page\_id=253</a> for booking form. Birley Centre, Carlisle Road, Eastbourne, BN21 4EX

#### **Lectures and talks**

Thursday, May 19th 2016 (19:00)

University of Sussex Archaeological Society – Reconstructing the Past -

#### The Roman Gladiator

Lecture by the Raven Tor Romans, which will feature demonstration fighting, viewing of equipment and talks.

Non-members £3. Further information: <a href="mailto:admin@usas.org.uk">admin@usas.org.uk</a> or <a href="www.usas.org.uk">www.usas.org.uk</a>.

Lecture Theatre A, Fulton Building, University of Sussex Falmer, Brighton, BN1 9NZ

Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> 2016 (19:15)

Isle of Thanet Archaeological Society - The Caesars Camp/Ebbsfleet,

#### **Thanet Project**

Talk by Andrew Mayfield

Free to members - £2 to non-members

Lecture Hall, Crampton Tower Yards, High Street, Broadstairs, CT10 2AB



Friday, June 10th 2016 (20:00)

Eastbourne Natural History& Archaeological Society – The Artefacts from the Pococks Field Excavations of 2014-2015

Talk by Giles Dawkes.

Non-members £2.50.

St Saviour's Church Hall, Spencer Road, Eastbourne, BN21 4PA

Wednesday, July 6th 2016 (20:00)

Epsom & Ewell History & Archaeological Society –

#### **Archaeology of the NESCOT site**

Talk by Alexis Haslam

Admission to non-members: £4

St Mary's Church Hall, London Road, Ewell, KT17 2AY



#### **Events**

Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup> 2016 (10:00-17:00)

#### Epsom and Ewell Borough Council - Echoes of the Past

Saxon Epsom comes back to life in Rosebery Park. Meet the folk that gave the town its name and discover how they lived as they get ready to face the Vikings at the battle for London in 1016. There will be living history displays and crafts including weaving, have-a-go braiding, kids dressing up, weapons handling, skirmish combat, warrior training, coin striking, candle rolling, music, stories and children's activities.

Adults £5 and children under 12 free. Further information contact Bourne Hall Museum 020 8394 1734, or email <a href="mailto:dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk">dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk</a>.

Rosebery Park, Epsom, KT18 5AT



## Friday, June 10<sup>th</sup> 2016 (11:00-17:00) Surrey Archaeological Society Prehistoric Group –



#### Down Farm, Cranborne Chase

A visit to Down Farm on Cranborne Chase has been arranged, which will consist of a walk around Fir Tree field to see the 'great shaft' – a geological feature which produced a remarkable sequence of deposits spanning 2500 years from 4400-2000BC. After lunch, a slightly longer walk will take in a dramatic piece of the Ackling Dyke Roman road and restored Neolithic henge monuments and house footprint on Wyke Down, followed by a visit to the museum and the displays of local archaeological finds. Martin Green, the owner, will escort the group and will not make a charge for this, but welcomes a donation to his favourite charity.

Contact Rose Hooker at info@surreyarchaeology.org.uk or rosemary.hooker@blueyonder.co.uk to register an interest.

Down Farm, Sixpenny Handley, Cranborne Chase, Dorset, SP5 5PB

#### Thursday, July 14<sup>th</sup> 2016 (11:00-12:30)

## Sussex Archaeological Society – Archaeology Reserve Collections Visit

A rare chance to see the reserve bulk archaeology and small finds collections in store at Barbican House. Please note that access to the bulk store in the cellar of Barbican House is via an awkward staircase and the space is quite tight.

Cost £8. Email members@sussexpast.co.uk.

Barbican House Museum, 169 High Street, Lewes, BN7 1XH

## Saturday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> 2016 (11:00-12:00) Sussex Archaeological Society – Visit to Plumpton **Roman Villa Excavation**

A guided tour of this season's archaeological excavations on the site of the villa's winged-corridor house. There will also be an opportunity to see some of the recovered artefacts. The ticket price includes a donation to the project.

Ticket price £6. Email members@sussexpast.co.uk or visit https://sussexpast.co.uk/event/visit-toplumpton-roman-villa-excavation.

Plumpton Roman Villa, Ditchling Road, Nr Lewes, BN7 3AE



#### **Courses**

Saturday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> 2016 (09:30-17:00)

Sussex School of Archaeology – Introduction to Environmental

#### **Archaeology**

Course by Mike Allen.

Fee £40 (£35 for Friends of SSA) – contact SSA at 01323 811785 or <a href="www.sussexarchaeology.org/#!summer-term-2016/c1un">www.sussexarchaeology.org/#!summer-term-2016/c1un</a> for more details Plumpton College, Ditchling Road, Plumpton, BN7 3AE

Sunday, July 3rd 2016 (09:30-17:00)

Sussex School of Archaeology – Advanced Environmental

#### **Archaeology**

Course by Mike Allen.

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Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup> 2016 (09:30-17:00)

Sussex School of Archaeology – Basic Total Station Survey

Course by Andy Bradshaw.

Fee £40 (£35 for Friends of SSA) – contact SSA at 01323 811785 or <a href="www.sussexarchaeology.org/#!summer-term-2016/c1un">www.sussexarchaeology.org/#!summer-term-2016/c1un</a> for more details Plumpton College, Ditchling Road, Plumpton, BN7 3AE

Saturday, July 30th 2016 (09:30-17:00)

Sussex School of Archaeology – Introduction to Drawing and

#### **Planning**

Course by Andy Bradshaw.

Fee £40 (£35 for Friends of SSA) – contact SSA at 01323 811785 or <a href="www.sussexarchaeology.org/#!summer-term-2016/c1un">www.sussexarchaeology.org/#!summer-term-2016/c1un</a> for more details Plumpton College, Ditchling Road, Plumpton, BN7 3AE



## Research opportunities

# Liss Archaeology – **The Colemore Project excavations in Hampshire** June 2016 and September/October 2016

In 2016, two excavations are planned. In June the targets are features seen as geophysical anomalies in the vicinity of the main building that may indicate further rooms/habitation and will take the format of evaluation trenches plus test pits. The September/October excavation target is likely to be determined upon the results of the spring excavation; a large trench is planned. A further series of geophysical surveys are also planned for 2016 plus a local village test pit project in Stroud near Petersfield, field-walking, excavation elsewhere and more!

Volunteers from all walks of life are welcome to take part. Full training offered. In addition to excavation, finds processing, sieving, soil analysis, recording, planning and drawing plus surveying take place to professional standards. Local schools take part in on-site archaeology education; outreach education also available. Students are encouraged to experience community-based, volunteer archaeology with a friendly group of like-minded people. Taster days are available. For further information, please contact us <a href="mailto:lissarchaeology@gmail.com">lissarchaeology@gmail.com</a>

# Sussex School of Archaeology – Plumpton Roman Villa, Sussex: Excavation and Field School

Saturday, June 18th 2016 – Saturday, July 30th 2016

A training excavation at Plumpton, Sussex will include six 5-day Excavation Techniques courses. Each will provide a 'hands-on' and theory introduction to archaeological excavation, including: basic surveying and geophysics, excavation methods, written records, planning and section drawing, photography, environmental archaeology, finds processing and Health and Safety. This course is suitable for beginners, those with limited experience, A Level Archaeology students, people thinking of studying archaeology at university, and undergraduates. Tuition fees £150 per 5-day course. 1-day Saturday courses comprise: 'Taster' excavation days; Planning & Section Drawing; Total Station Survey; and Environmental Archaeology. Fees £40 per day. Volunteering opportunities (i.e. for those with some prior experience) are available from £25 for a 5-day week to a maximum of £50 for the whole season.

Details of local accommodation and camping are available. Contact The Sussex School of Archaeology (www.sussexarchaeology.org), info@sussexarchaeology.co.uk, Tel. 01323 811785)



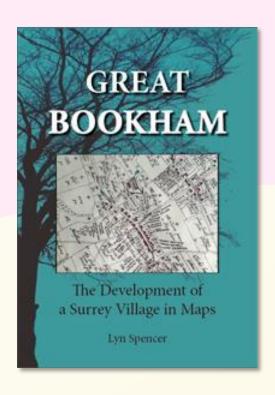
### **Publications**

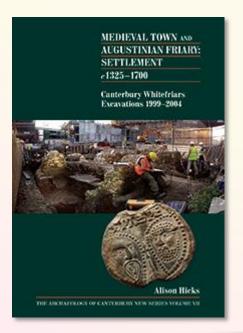
## Great Bookham - The Development of a Surrey Village in Maps

Lyn Spencer (2016)

This new publication in the Surrey Archaeological Society's Villages Project records the growth and development of Great Bookham village in the centre of Surrey. The information is presented through a series of maps from the medieval period through to the early 19th century. There are detailed maps and diagrams explaining the geology and geomorphology of the area and documentary sources are used to illustrate the rural nature of the village. A conjectural map, based on the earliest map of Great Bookham, provides a road layout for 1100 and then builds on this to show how the village developed over the centuries.

A4: 86 pages, 35 maps, 26 illustrations and photographs. The book is available at a cost of £10. Please contact: Sales Secretary L&DLHS, Leatherhead Museum, 64 Church Street, Leatherhead, KT22 8DP. Please add UK postage of £2.60 unless otherwise stated. Cheques should be made payable to L&DLHS.





The Archaeology of Canterbury New Series Vol VII. Medieval Town and Augustinian Friary: Settlement c 1325–1700. Canterbury Whitefriars Excavations 1999–2004

Alison Hicks (2015)

The first of four books on excavations in the Whitefriars area of Canterbury, this report describes the development of the Augustinian friary from c 1325 to its demise following the Dissolution. Combining stratigraphic analysis with documentary sources, environmental and artefact assemblages, the book seeks to illustrate the history of the friary and its immediate environs and gain an understanding of the people who lived and worked there.

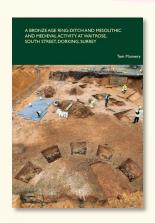
Softback. A4. 382 pages, 199 figures, 105 plates ISBN 9781870545303

Price GB £40.00 (FCAT £32)



# Prehistoric, Roman, Saxon and Medieval discoveries at Wey Manor Farm, near Weybridge 1994–2004, SpoilHeap Publications, Occ Paper 6

Graham Hayman, Phil Jones, Nick Marples and Jane Robertson, Surrey County Archaeological Unit Occasional paper 6 brings together a series of archaeological excavations between 1994 and 2004 in the Wey Manor Farm quarry that revealed features and artefacts spanning almost the whole of the Holocene period. The volume includes full details of the excavation results, specialist reports (especially on pottery by the late Phil Jones and an important analysis of the flintwork by Nick Marples), and an overall review setting the work in context.



# A Bronze Age ring-ditch and Mesolithic and medieval activity at Waitrose, South St, Dorking, Surrey, SpoilHeap Publications, Occ Paper 7

Tom Munnery, Surrey County Archaeological Unit Occasional paper 7 presents the results of archaeological work at the Waitrose, Dorking site between July and November 2013. The volume includes full details of the excavation results, specialist reports (especially on flintwork by Nick Marples), and an overall review setting the work in context.

These latest volumes in the SpoilHeap series are available from the Surrey History Centre and at its online shop (<a href="http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/heritage-culture-and-recreation/archives-and-history/surrey-history-centre/surrey-heritage-shop">heritage-shop</a>).

Please email any events, talks, recent publications relevant to the southeast, or fieldwork opportunities to <a href="mailto:events@cbasouth-east.org">events@cbasouth-east.org</a>

Next e-letter will be issued approximately on **June 30**<sup>th</sup> – please send any July, August or September info by **June 24**<sup>th</sup>

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