

Dear CBA South-East members,

On behalf of the CBA South-East Committee I would personally like to welcome you to the first of a new series of E-letters from CBA South-East. These will be a regular feature, advertising archaeological news and events from across the region, and will supplement the existing newsletter. The launch of the E-letter marks the beginning of a range of developments currently being implemented by the Committee, which will come into effect gradually over the next year. For those of you who are already following us on Facebook and Twitter you will have already seen the launch of our **BRAND NEW WEBSITE**, so please visit and feel free to let us know what you think (www.cbасouth-east.org). The website provides more details on the activities of CBA South-East, information about the members of the current Committee (who we are and what we do), and provides links to all our institutional members, so that our individual members can find out more about county/local archaeological societies and about the important work undertaken in the commercial sector. Please keep returning to the website to find new updates and developments.

Our popular **CBA South-East Newsletter** will continue to be published and disseminated to all members as usual, and will retain its important function of delivering the results and details of excavations and activities from across the region. We are, however, going to be moving away from paper copies of the newsletter to digital versions which will be emailed bi-annually (ie February and August/September) to members from the end of this year. This is a vital part of our current financial restructuring, an essential change which will enable us to redirect funds to provide more, and add to the existing activities of CBA South-East. Nevertheless, the Committee fully appreciates that some members are reliant on receiving a paper copy of their newsletter. If this is the case, please contact our Newsletter Editor, Dr Judie English (judie.english@btopenworld.com), to request that you continue to have a paper copy posted to you. Otherwise, I do hope that the remaining members support our move in this regard.



Martyn Allen, *CBA-SE Chair*

In line with our new website, we are pleased to announce the launch of our annual **Town and Site Tour Series**. Members will have the opportunity to visit current excavations and existing heritage sites across the south-east. The tours are running on six scheduled days between April and September, and will be guided by local experts to reveal insights and information at **no cost*** to existing members (£5 to non-members). Each tour will consist of two stimulating parts with mornings visiting archaeological excavations ranging from Bronze Age barrows to Roman villas, whilst the afternoons will take in the splendour and history of nearby towns, castles and historic houses. More information is given below in this E-letter, but please do visit our website and stay tuned to our other social media feeds. We will also continue to organise our annual conference and AGM with tickets now to be offered at a 20% discount to all members. This year's event, to be held on **Saturday 14th November**, will focus on the Mesolithic/Neolithic transition. It will showcase some of the startling archaeology which has been excavated and explored in the South-East over the last couple of years, and will combine these with some of the exciting research currently being undertaken by scholars of prehistory across the country. Again, please keep visiting our website for up-to-date information on both the tours and the conference.

The Committee itself has also undergone some minor changes and restructuring as we continue to monitor and develop our activities and practices over time. We have now formally introduced new positions, including a **Student Representative**, a **Museums Representative**, a **Social Media Officer** and an **Events Officer**, who together will enhance and increase the quality and frequency of the benefits we offer to all our members.



To sustain some of the changes we are making, we have had to introduce slight increases to our membership fees structures. Once more, we appreciate the need to keep costs as low as possible for all our members and we hope that we have your continued support to secure the long-term existence of CBA South-East as a fully-functioning and independent charitable organisation. The reinstatement of the CBA South-East Research Grant is one of the primary missions of the committee and we feel it is vital that we fully support high-level, academic study into the archaeology of the south-east to generate new knowledge and understanding of our local past. With this in mind the Committee will, this year, formally announce the launch of the **Peter Drewett Archaeology Fund**, celebrating and commemorating the life and work of one of our foremost and eminent archaeologists who sadly passed away in 2013 (see website).

Such a change in fee structure will not only allow us to offer more benefits to our members, but also to campaign against any threats and pressures which have a negative impact upon our regional heritage. For example, some of you will have heard through our news feeds about the serious developments in West Sussex, where the County Council will be dispensing with the provision of specialist archaeological advice to six of its district council planning departments from the end of March 2015. Such a move has the potential to plunge us back to the pre-PPG16 days, prior to 1990, before developers were required to preserve or mitigate against any damage caused to the archaeological resource. We are actively working alongside the national CBA and local groups to see that proper measures are put in place and you can read more about such developments on the news section of our website (<http://www.cbasouth-east.org/events/news-and-other-events/>).

In examples such as this and in our other activities, we will continue to increase our efforts to act as an advocate, an information hub, and a group which offers more benefits and opportunities for all our members to engage with the fabulous archaeology on offer in the south-east. Please do stay in touch with us and we hope that the rest of 2015 is a positive and enjoyable year for all those engaged with archaeology in the south-east.

Very best wishes,



Dr Martyn Allen
Chair, CBA South-East

*Some entrance fees to private historical venues may apply - please see the website for details



CBA-SE events

CBA-SE Site and Town Tour Schedule 2015

Full-day tours to current excavations and historic sites and towns across the south-east, led by local experts. Six tours in total, between April and September, 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 events@cbasouth-east.org or visit <http://www.cbasouth-east.org/events/cbase-tours-and-field-trips/>.

Council for
British Archaeology
South East

Site and Town Tours 2015

Tour 1

**Teston Roman villa and
Tonbridge Castle, Kent**
Saturday 11th April – 11am-4pm

Tour guides: Simon Elliott and Dr Paul Wilkinson (Kent Archaeological Field School) / Pat Mortlock (Tonbridge Historical Society)
Includes a visit to the site of an eloquent Roman villa settlement currently being excavated by Kent Archaeological Field School in the morning and, after lunch, a walk through the fabulous Tonbridge Castle nearby

Tour free for CBA-SE members
£5 for non-members
£7 entry fee to the castle will apply



Visit <http://www.cbasouth-east.org/events/>
for booking details, or email our Events
Officer at events@cbasouth-east.org



Please bring either
a packed lunch or
money for a pub/
café in Tonbridge

Tour 1

Saturday, April 11th 2015 (11.00-16.00)

Teston Roman villa / Tonbridge town and castle tour, Kent

Led by Simon Elliott and Dr Paul Wilkinson (Kent Archaeological Field School) and Pat Mortlock (Tonbridge Historical Society), this tour includes a visit to the site of an eloquent Roman villa settlement currently being excavated by Kent Archaeological Field School in the morning and, after lunch, a walk through the fabulous Tonbridge Castle nearby.

Maximum 20 people on the tour.
Please either bring a packed lunch, or money for a local pub/café. Entry to the castle will be £7

Tour 2

Saturday, May 30th 2015

‘Finding the Earls of Arundel’: Downley Medieval Deer Park and Arundel Town/Castle Tour, West Sussex

Led by Mark Roberts (University College London) and Dr John Godfrey (National Trust/Sussex Heritage Trust), this tour will be a fascinating opportunity to visit the Institute of Archaeology, UCL excavations for the lost hunting lodge of the earls of Arundel at Downley Park, near Singleton and set in the picturesque backdrop of the South Downs. This will be followed by a 20 minute journey to the classic market town of Arundel, where we will lunch and partake in a leisurely afternoon tour of the town, cathedral and castle.



Tour 3

Saturday, 20th June 2015

Excavations at Petersfield Barrows and a Tour of Cowdray Ruins, Hampshire/West Sussex

Led by George Anelay (West Sussex Archaeology) and Dr Martyn Allen (University of Reading), this twin tour will see a mixture of periods explored, beginning 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 20 minutes due east to Midhurst and a group visit of the eerie ruins at Cowdray House set in the atmospheric landscape of Cowdray Park.



Conferences and symposiums

Saturday, March 21st 2015 (10:00-17:00)

Sussex School of Archaeology – **The Sussex Archaeology Symposium 2015**



Of interest to archaeologists and historians, especially those with an interest in the landscape or the development of agriculture in Southern Britain, this symposium looks at different aspects of fields from their early development in Prehistory through to more recent times. The afternoon session will include talks based on recent projects from around Sussex, bringing together some of the leading experts and the results of some of the most recent research.

Cost £30 - Full time students and under 19s £20 - Friends of the Sussex School of Archaeology £25

See http://media.wix.com/ugd/472ea5_d685c875020942c98fc0230dcaa0ee77.pdf for booking.

Huxley Building, University of Brighton, Lewes Road, Brighton, East Sussex BN2 4GH



Saturday, March 21st 2015 (10:30-16:00)

Medieval Studies Forum, Surrey Archaeological Society – **Moated Sites and Churches in the Landscape**

A full day meeting of the Medieval Studies Forum, incorporating the Villages Study Group, which will be in the form of two seminars.

The charge for the day is £5, payable on the door. Please notify Brian Creese (bjc@briancreese.co.uk) if you are likely to attend, or see

<http://www.surreyarchaeology.org.uk/node/931> for programme details.

St Catherine's Village Hall, Chestnut Avenue, Guildford, Surrey GU2 4HD

Saturday, March 28th 2015 (10.00-16.30)

Kent Archaeological Society/CCCU Regional Kent History and Archaeology and Historical Association conference

‘New Directions in Kent History since Joan Thirsk’

Tickets £18 (lunch not provided) – available through Dr Sheila Sweetinburgh, 11 Caledon Terrace, Canterbury CT1 3JS. For full programme and booking details, see <http://www.kentarchaeology.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/KentThirskConference.pdf>

Old Sessions House, Christ Church University, North Holmes Road, Canterbury, Kent CT1 1QU



Friday, April 24th 2015 (10:00) to Sunday, April 26th 2015 (17:00)
**Early Medieval Monasticism in the North Sea Zone: New Research
and Fresh Perspectives**



2015 marks the conclusion of a major AHRC-funded campaign of excavation at Lyminge, the first archaeological investigation to provide a detailed account of the origins and development of a royal monastery in the kingdom of Kent. The results shed light on many themes central to the interpretation of early medieval monastic foundations in their contemporary contexts. The aim of the conference (sponsored by the AHRC and project partners Kent Archaeological Society) is to contextualise the results of this research by bringing together an international body of scholars to examine the theme of early medieval monasticism in the North Sea Zone from a variety of archaeological, historical and cross-disciplinary perspectives.

Sessions include: 'Power and Place: the Politics of Monastic Foundation', 'What did Monasteries Look Like? Architecture and Layout', and 'Production, Consumption and Surplus: Monasteries as Economic Central Places'. The conference will conclude with a round table discussion to identify priorities for future research and opportunities for new scholarly collaboration. There is an optional excursion to Lyminge and other local sites on Friday afternoon followed by a keynote address by Professor John Blair and a wine reception. Among confirmed speakers are: Justine Bayley (London), John Blair (Oxford), Rosemary Cramp (Durham), Rosamond Faith (Oxford), Zoe Knapp (Reading) Elizabeth Lorans (Tours), Mark McKerracher (Oxford), Tomás Ó Carragáin (Cork), David Petts (Durham), Thomas Pickles (Chester), Gabor Thomas (Reading), Dries Tys (Brussels), Ian Wood (Leeds), Barbara Yorke (Winchester).

Conference registration fee is £42 which includes lunch and refreshments. The optional field trip to Lyminge is £10 per person. Please go to www.lymingearchaeology.org for details and registration. Please contact a.knox@reading.ac.uk with inquiries.

University of Kent, Canterbury, Kent CT2 7NX



Saturday, April 25th 2015 (09:00-17:00)

**SERIAC 15 - South East Regional Industrial
Archaeology Conference 'I.A. Home and Away'**

Annual one-day conference hosted this year by Hampshire Industrial Archaeology Society. Please see <http://www.sihg.org.uk/seriac.htm> for details.

Ashburton Hall, Queen Elizabeth II Court, Sussex Street,
Winchester, Hampshire SO23 8UJ

Sunday, April 26th 2015 (10.00-15.45)

Winchelsea Archaeological Society – conference on **Medieval Ports, Ships and Sailors**



A one-day conference hosted by the Winchelsea Archaeological Society (WAS) in the Ancient Town and Cinque Port of Winchelsea, East Sussex, bringing together experts in medieval archaeology, such as Emeritus Professor David Hinton (University of Southampton) and maritime archaeologists such as Dr Joe Flatman (English Heritage) and Professor Jon Adams (University of Southampton). The conference will discuss what we currently know about medieval ports and maritime activity and use this as context for a review the preliminary results of the first geophysical and geotechnical survey of the port area of medieval Winchelsea being conducted by the University of Southampton and WAS. The conference will include a guided tour around Winchelsea, including its medieval cellars and a visit to the rare assemblage of medieval ship graffiti in a special cellar.

The cost is £20 or £15 for WAS members or £10 for students. Bookings can be made and more information obtained by calling 01797-224446 or e-mailing was@winchelsea.net

New Hall, Rectory Lane, Winchelsea, East Sussex TN36 4AA



Saturday, May 2nd 2015 (10:00-17:00)

Local History Committee, Surrey Archaeological Society – annual symposium ***'Death, Disease and Damnation'***

The theme for the Local History Committee's annual symposium next year will be 'Death, Disease and Damnation' exploring attitudes to death and its causes, belief, burial and commemoration. It will be attended by local historians from across Surrey and local history societies put on displays. The Gravett Award will be presented to the group presenting the best display. Please see <http://www.surreyarchaeology.org.uk/node/946> for full programme.

If you would like to reserve display space (which is free) please contact Glenys Crocker, 6 Burwood Close, Guildford GU1 2SB (01483 565821; glen@glfd.freemove.co.uk). The cost will be £12 if registered in advance with Janet Balchin at janet.balchin@btinternet.com (Hullbrook Cottage, Cranleigh Road, Ewhurst GU6 7RN; 01483 277342).

Ashted Peace Memorial Hall, Woodfield Road, Ashted, Surrey KT21 2BE

Saturday, May 9th 2015 (09:45-16:00)

Surrey in the Age of Magna Carta

An exciting day of talks exploring the significance of Magna Carta and the history of Surrey in the thirteenth century, organised by Surrey Heritage. Speakers include Professor Nigel Saul, Rob Poulton, Dr David Stone, Dr Naomi Sykes and Professor David Carpenter.

Tickets for the day, including tea and coffee, are £15 and available from Surrey History Centre, in person or by phone on 01483 518737, or via the website www.surreycc.gov.uk/heritageevents.

Surrey History Centre, 130 Goldsworth Road, Woking, Surrey GU21 6ND

Lectures and talks

Tuesday, March 3rd 2015 (19:30)

Roman Studies Group, Surrey Archaeological Society – **Roman Rural Settlement Project**



Dr Martyn Allen of Reading University will talk about the Roman Rural Settlement Project, whose aim is to research both unpublished and published sources to write a new account of the rural settlement of Roman Britain.

Leatherhead Institute, 67 High Street, Leatherhead, Surrey KT22 8AH

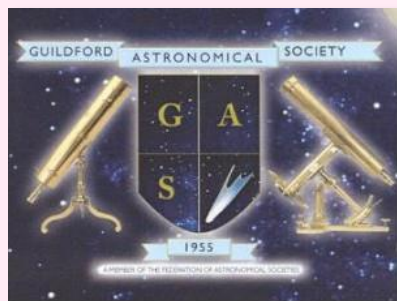
Tuesday, March 3rd 2015 (19:30-21:30)

Surrey Industrial History Group – **The London Water Ring Main**

Talk by John How of the Inland Waterways Association & Basingstoke Canal Society.

Single lectures £5. Enquiries to Bob Bryson, 01483 577809, meetings@sihg.org.uk

The Education Centre, The Cathedral, Stag Hill, Guildford, Surrey GU2 7UP



Thursday, March 5th 2015 (19:30-21:30)

Guildford Astronomical Society – **The Influence of Astronomy on Life in Ancient Times**

Lecture by David Hughes, Emeritus Professor of Astronomy, Sheffield University, which will go back to the time of the cave men and the early towns and cities and ask “What was the use of astronomy?”.

This lecture will appeal to many people including Astronomers and Historians so turn up early – all are welcome to attend, although there will be a charge of £4 for non-members.

University of Surrey, Guildford, Surrey GU2 7XH

Friday, March 6th 2015 (19.30)

Lewes Archaeological Group – **Old Walls, Wellies and Wasps - Recent Archaeological Work at Lewes Priory**



Simon Stevens, Senior Archaeologist at Archaeology South-East, will talk about recent developments at Lewes Priory. To be followed at around 8.45pm by the AGM.

Entrance (including tea/coffee) for members is £3/£2 for concessions (non-members £4/£3 for concessions; 18s and under free). See <http://www.lewesarchaeology.org.uk/> for details.

Town Hall Lecture Room, High Street, Lewes, East Sussex BN7 2Q5

Thursday, March 12th 2015 (19.00)

The University of Sussex Archaeological Society – **The Vici of Lowland Roman Britain**

Ernest Black will talk, with free wine reception following lecture – £2 members, otherwise £3
Fulton Lecture Theatre A, University of Sussex, Falmer, Brighton, East Sussex BN1 9NZ

Thursday, March 12th 2015 (19.45)

Tonbridge Historical Society – **The Early Kingdoms of Kent, 100BC to 600AD**



Talk by Deborah Cole. Kent was the first recorded English kingdom which some say swallowed up the previously independent West Kent. In the very colourful and controversial history from 100BC to 600AD what can be told about war lord and tribe becoming king and state?

Non-members are welcome to attend as guests at a fee of £3 (under 18s free), payable at the door.

See <http://www.tonbridgehistory.org.uk/thsh/thshome.htm#thslectures> for details.

Riverside Room, Angel Centre, Tonbridge, Kent TN9 1SF

Friday, March 13th 2015 (19.30)

Brighton and Hove Archaeological Society – **Digital Archaeological: 3D scanning for archaeologists**



Lecture by Jaime Kaminski undertakes research across a spectrum of interdisciplinary areas to support the development and use of digital collections, focusing 3D virtual environments, archives and collections management systems, to name but a few.

Admission Free to Member, £3 to Non-Members

Unitarian Church, New Road, Brighton, East Sussex BN1 1UF

Tuesday, March 17th 2015 (18:30-21:30)

Surrey Industrial History Group – **Superseding the Seamstress; a history of the sewing machine**

Talk by Dr Martin Gregory, Newcomen Society & HIAS
Single lectures £5. Enquiries to Bob Bryson, 01483 577809,

meetings@sihg.org.uk

The Education Centre, The Cathedral , Stag Hill, Guildford, Surrey
GU2 7UP



Friday, March 20th 2015 (19.30-21.30)

Maidstone Area Archaeological Group – **The Rochester Bridge Trust's Contribution to Maidstone Life**

Talk by Sue Threader (Bridge Clerk)

Admission free (non-members £1). See <http://www.maag.btck.co.uk/Meetings2014-15Updated4thJune> for details.

New Line Learning Academy, Boughton Lane, Loose, Maidstone, Kent ME15 9QL



Saturday, March 28th 2015 (14:00-15:00)

Friends of Woking Palace – Spring talk 2015 (**From Manor to Palace - Excavating the moated site at Woking**)

Excavations have been taking place at Woking Palace annually since 2009. This talk by Rob Poulton (SCAU) will focus on the exciting new information to emerge in 2014, including the discovery of the palace well, a new medieval building and an industrial area.

Tickets are free but booking is essential. To book e-mail info@woking-palace.org or call 07722 299026.

Surrey History Centre, Goldsworth Road, Woking, Surrey GU21 6ND

Tuesday, March 31st 2015 (19.00)

West Sussex County Council Historic Environment Record –

Archaeology at your fingertips

A talk by Rachel Salter, WSCC HER Officer

Price £7.50, includes refreshments. To book

a place telephone 01243 753602, email

record.office@westsussex.gov.uk, or visit

www.westsussex.gov.uk/ro

West Sussex Record Office, Chichester,

West Sussex PO19 1DD

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Tuesday, April 14th 2015 (19.30)

Worthing Archaeological Society – **The Lost Hunting Lodge of the Earls of Arundel**

Talk by Mark Roberts. See <http://www.worthingarch.co.uk/talks-and-events> for details.
Lecture Theatre, Worthing Library, Richmond Road, Worthing, West Sussex BN11 1HD



Thursday, April 16th 2015 (19.00-20.30)

The Holleyman Archaeology Lecture for 2015 – ‘A Portal to the Anglo-Saxon Past’: Village Core Excavations at Bishopstone and Lyminge and Their Significance for Anglo-Saxon Settlement Studies

Lecture by Dr Gabor Thomas (Univ of Reading), held by the University of Sussex Archaeological Society in association with the Sussex Archaeological Society and Sussex School of Archaeology. From an archaeological perspective, the story of south-east England as an ‘Anglo-Saxon’ province has traditionally been told through cemeteries which still greatly outnumber excavated rural settlements of the 5th to the 11th centuries. This lecture will compare and contrast the results of two village-core excavations – Bishopstone, East Sussex, and Lyminge, Kent – initiated to fill this gap in the region’s settlement history. Discussion will highlight how these sites are enriching understanding of pivotal changes in Anglo-Saxon society, from the coming of Christianity and the foundation of the earliest monasteries, to the rise of a social elite and a recognisable settlement hierarchy, and the intensification of production and economic resources.

£8 for members of USAS, SAS or SSA; others £10. The price of the ticket includes a wine reception after the lecture. Admission is by ticket available in advance from the Sussex School of Archaeology: 01323 811785; or at info@sussexarchaeology.co.uk. See <http://www.sussexarchaeology.org/#!events/c4sk> for details.

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



Thursday, April 16th 2015 (19.45)

Tonbridge Historical Society – **Gluttony and Starvation in the 19th Century**

Talk by Jules Dussek on the starving labourer’s diet and the diet of the workhouse and prison. Followed by AGM.

Non-members are welcome to attend as guests at a fee of £3 (under 18s free), payable at the door. See <http://www.tonbridgehistory.org.uk/thsh/thshome.htm#thlectures> for details.

Riverside Room, Angel Centre, Tonbridge, Kent TN9 1SF





Friday, April 17th 2015 (19.30)
Lewes Archaeological Group – **Whitehawk
Hill Excavations**

Jonathan Sygrave who is a Project Manager at Archaeology South-East will talk about the excavation in the summer of 2014 at Whitehawk Hill, Brighton and the collection of objects excavated from the site in the 1920s and 1930s. The neolithic causewayed enclosure at Whitehawk Hill is a rare type of ritual monument predating Stonehenge by around 500 years and marks the emergence of Britain's first farming communities.

Entrance (including tea/coffee) for members is £3/£2 for concessions (non-members £4/£3 for concessions; 18s and under free). See <http://www.lewesarchaeology.org.uk/> for details.

Town Hall Lecture Room, High Street, Lewes, East Sussex BN7 2Q5

Saturday, April 18th 2015 (10.30-12.00)
Kent Archaeological Society - **Stricken
Maidstone, Talk on the Typhoid Epidemic**



The last major typhoid epidemic of the 19th century was an outbreak at Maidstone in 1897, with, according to the official report, 132 deaths. Join Ian Coulson and see a unique collection of photographs of the outbreak and discover more about what happened.

A £5 donation is requested to cover costs and help the Society further its work. Please book by sending your name address and telephone number by email to: librarian@kentarchaeology.org.uk or write to Joy Sage/Pernille Richards, KAS Library, Maidstone Museum, St. Faith's Street, Maidstone ME14 1LH giving the details requested.

Maidstone Museum, St. Faith's Street, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1LH

Saturday, April 25th 2015 (15.00)



Winchelsea Archaeological Society – **King John**

Talk by Prof Stephen Church. All welcome - £4 non-members. See <http://www.winchelsea.net/community/was.htm> for details.

St Thomas' Church, Winchelsea, East Sussex TN36 4EB



Friday, May 15th 2015 (19.30-21.30)

Maidstone Area Archaeological Group – **Historic South-East England from the Air**

Talk by Andrew Wood

Admission free (non-members £1). See

<http://www.maag.btck.co.uk/Meetings2014-15Updated4thJune> for details.

New Line Learning Academy, Boughton Lane, Loose, Maidstone, Kent ME15 9QL

Saturday, May 30th 2015 (15.00)

Winchelsea Archaeological Society – **Winchelsea, the Cinque Ports and the Barons' War at Sea**

Talk by Dr Adrian Jobson. All welcome - £4 non-members. See

<http://www.winchelsea.net/community/was.htm> for details.

St Thomas' Church, Winchelsea, East Sussex TN36 4EB

Events

Thursday, March 12th 2015 (13:30-16:30)

Roman Studies Group, Surrey Archaeological Society – visit to MoLA/finds from excavations at Bloomberg/London Walbrook

This visit will complement and expand on Sadie Watson's evening talk to RSG members in February, with a talk from Sadie, followed by another from one of MoLA's Roman Registered Finds Specialists with artefacts available to look at. Participants will also be taken around the processing area to see the washing and processing of finds from different sites. £10 per person payable on the day. Please let Irene Goring know if you would like to come by emailing her at irene@greenhayes.plus.com

MoLA, Mortimer Wheeler House, 46 Eagle Wharf Road, London N1 7ED



Monday, April 6th, May 4th and May 25th, 2015 (14.00 start)

Winchelsea Archaeological Society – **Under Winchelsea cellar tours**

Winchelsea boasts more than 50 medieval cellars, a number rivalled only by Southampton and Norwich. Most of the cellars are vaulted and were built around 1290-1300, at the same time as the town. Winchelsea Archaeological Society (WAS) conducts tours of the cellars. Find out why and how they were built, and also learn something of the history of the Ancient Town and Cinque Port of Winchelsea.

Other tour dates include Saturday June 6, Sunday June 21, Saturday July 4, Sunday July 26, Saturday August 8, Monday August 31, Saturday September 5, Sunday September 20, Saturday October 3, Sunday October 18. The cost is £5 and includes a guidebook to the cellars. All tours start at 14:00 on Castle Street. Proceeds go to WAS to pay for new archaeology. Enquiries and reservations to 01797224446 or tours@winchelsea.net.

Castle Street, Winchelsea, East Sussex TN36 4EL



Saturday, April 18th 2015 (13.45)

Churches Committee, Kent Archaeological Society – visit to Westwell and Hothfield churches (near Ashford)

The cost of the visit is £8 to include tea and biscuits. Please register by e-mailing or telephoning the Churches Visits Secretary, Jackie Davidson (Jacalyn.davidson@BTInternet.com or 01634 324004)

St Mary's Church, The Street, Westwell, Kent TN25 4JX

Saturday, May 2nd 2015 (11.00-16.00)

Museum of Farnham/Finding Farnham Community Archaeology Project – open day for 2015 season '**Cooking through time**'



Run by 'Finding Farnham', Farnham's annual community archaeology project, this is the first opportunity to sign up for the July 2015 dig. Open day activities include excavation in the museum garden of features uncovered the previous year, children's activities, and a cooking and tasting session which spans the prehistoric to Georgian periods.

Free event, suitable for all ages. See <https://farnhammaltings.com/museum/finding-farnham/> for more details, or email findingfarnham@gmail.com

Museum of Farnham, 38 Willmer House, West Street, Farnham, Surrey GU9 7DX

Courses

Saturday, March 7th 2015 (10.00-16.00)

Sussex School of Archaeology – **Medieval to Georgian Pottery Identification**

Course by Luke Barber. £40 – see <http://www.sussexarchaeology.org/#!/spring-term-2015/c1kj1> for more details.

Mays Farm, Selmeston, Polegate, East Sussex BN26 6TS



Saturday, March 14th 2015 (10.00-16.00)

Sussex School of Archaeology – **Religion and ritual in the Neolithic**

Course by Steve Patton. £40 – see <http://www.sussexarchaeology.org/#!/spring-term-2015/c1kj1> for more details.

Mays Farm, Selmeston, Polegate, East Sussex BN26 6TS

Tuesday, March 31st – Tuesday May 5th 2015 (10.00-13.00)

Sussex School of Archaeology – **Finds Illustration**

Six-week course by Lys Drewitt on drawing different archaeological finds from flint to pot and everything in between. £80 or £75 for Friends of the Sussex School of Archaeology – see <http://www.sussexarchaeology.org/#!/spring-term-2015/c1kj1> for more details.

Mays Farm, Selmeston, Polegate, East Sussex BN26 6TS



Saturday, April 11th 2015 (10.00-16.00)

Sussex School of Archaeology – **Geology for Archaeologists**

Course by Rory Mortimer. £40 – see <http://www.sussexarchaeology.org/#!/spring-term-2015/c1kj1> for more details.

Venue tbc

Saturday, April 18th 2015 (10.00-16.00)

Sussex School of Archaeology – **Landscapes of the Stonehenge Environment**

Course by Julian Richards. £40 – see <http://www.sussexarchaeology.org/#!/spring-term-2015/c1kj1> for more details.

Plumpton College, Ditchling Road, Plumpton, East Sussex BN7 3AE



Saturday, May 9th 2015 (10.00-16.00)

Sussex School of Archaeology – **Environmental Archaeology the basics**

Course by Mike Allen. £40 – see <http://www.sussexarchaeology.org/#!/spring-term-2015/c1kj1> for more details.

Mays Farm, Selmeston, Polegate, East Sussex BN26 6TS

Tuesday, May 12th – Tuesday June 16th 2015 (10.00-13.00)

Sussex School of Archaeology – **Finds Identification**

Six-week course by various tutors on aspects of finds identification. £80 or £75 for Friends of the Sussex School of Archaeology – see <http://www.sussexarchaeology.org/#!/spring-term-2015/c1kj1> for more details.

Mays Farm, Selmeston, Polegate, East Sussex BN26 6TS

Saturday, May 16th – Sunday, May 17th 2015 (10.00-16.00)

Sussex School of Archaeology – **Understanding Vernacular Buildings (Part one)**

Part one of a two part course by David and Barbara Martin (4 days in total - £250 for all four days) – see

<http://www.sussexarchaeology.org/#!/spring-term-2015/c1kj1> for more details.

Weald and Downland Museum, Town Lane, Chichester, West Sussex PO18 0EU



Saturday, May 23rd 2015 (10.00-16.00)

Sussex School of Archaeology – **Saxon Woodworking**

Course by Damian Goodburn. £40 – see <http://www.sussexarchaeology.org/#!/spring-term-2015/c1kj1> for more details.

Bentley Country Park, Halland BN8 5AF

Saturday, May 30th 2015 (10.00-16.00)

Sussex School of Archaeology – **Bronze Casting**

Course by Rod Hughes. £40 (additional charge of £15 to cover materials) – see <http://www.sussexarchaeology.org/#!/spring-term-2015/c1kj1> for more details.

Bentley Country Park, Halland, East Sussex BN8 5AF



Publications

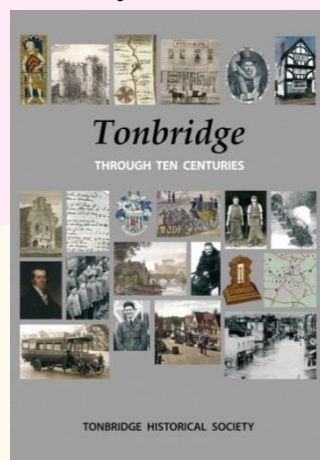
Tonbridge Historical Society, *Tonbridge through Ten Centuries* (available from 28th February 2015)

Edited by Anthony Wilson, with contributions from George Buswell, Deborah Cole, Pat Hopcroft, Pat Mortlock, Anthony Wilson and Margaret Wilson

240pp, 300 illustrations, rrp. £9.50

This richly-illustrated book – the only general history of the town currently in print – explores how the compact castle-centred community that was Tonbridge soon after the Norman Conquest evolved into today's town of more than 30,000 people in the course of ten centuries.

Available from [The Tourist Office at Tonbridge Castle](#) and [Mr. Books Bookshop](#), 142 High Street, Tonbridge TN9 1BB, and from [Amazon](#).



Announcements



The North Downs YAC branch is in need of extra leaders and volunteers to help support the group. Please contact either Andrew Mayfield or Sophie Adams at northdownsyacs@gmail.com if interested in joining in and helping the group with their fascinating activities!

Please email any events, talks, recent publications relevant to the south-east, or fieldwork opportunities to events@cbasouth-east.org

Next e-letter will be issued approximately on **April 30th** – please send any May, June or July info by **April 27th**

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