

Dear CBA South-East members,

The clocks have now turned back, the nights are drawing in, and the air is now a little chillier as we head towards winter. I hope you have all had an enjoyable year so far with new, exciting projects being undertaken all over the south-east. Being treated to one such project by the Liss Archaeological Group at Colemore on a cool, damp morning in October, I was fascinated by glimpses of a Romano-British domestic settlement, complete with enclosure systems, masonry structures, and considerable evidence for industrial-working. I certainly look forward to seeing how this story unfolds in the future.



In recent weeks we have all heard of the disturbing news coming from Further Education and AQA's decision to disband with its A-level Archaeology course, along with Art History and Classical Civilisation, from 2018. There have been several responses from AQA to strong, recent criticism, ranging from lacking pupil numbers to problems of sourcing adequate expertise in the discipline (see <http://new.archaeologyuk.org/news/aqa-cuts-a-level-archaeology-from-curriculum>). CBA South-East stand alongside the national CBA, CIfA, and Historic England in condemning this decision which, we feel, will be extremely damaging to the commercial sector and support for heritage over the mid-long term. A-level Archaeology has proved to be an important stepping-stone for university students looking to begin a career in this discipline. It is well known that we currently have a shortage of professional archaeologists to fulfil planning requirements over the next few years, and with the quantity of major infrastructural projects currently being 'rubber-stamped' or awaiting approval by the government, the situation is beginning to look worrying to say the least.

On a happier note, we get together for our annual conference and AGM in two weeks' time, and I hope to see as many of you there as possible for what promises to be a stimulating day. If you have yet to purchase your tickets I urge you to get in contact ASAP with Vicky Owen studentrep@cbasouth-east.org who, along with Nathalie Cohen, is organising this year's event. Tickets may still be available on the door on the day, but reservations are recommended.

Bookings too are already coming in for next year's CBA South-East workshops. This time around we are providing two days on archaeological illustration, including one on pottery and another on lithics. Please have a look at the website for more details or contact our Events Officer, Anne Sassin events@cbasouth-east.org. This year's workshops on pottery analysis proved so successful, we may hold these again at a later point—stay tuned for details.

Dr Martyn Allen
Chair, CBA South-East

Conferences and symposiums

Saturday, November 12th 2016 (12:00-16:00)

Kent Archaeological Society Place Names Committee / CCCU

– **Kent Places and People: A Day Conference on Names**



Talks include Dr Paul Cullen 'Kent field names'; Dr Mike Bintley 'Wics and burhs in Old English poetry'; Dr Harry Parkin 'Change in the bynames and surnames of the Cotswolds, 1381-c.1600: a model for Kent'; Elizabeth Finn 'Court rolls, custumals and gavelkind: Kent manorial records and the Manorial Documents Register'; Dr Paul Cullen 'Relationship surnames'

Tickets £12 available from <https://canterbury.ac.uk/arts-and-humanities/events/events-list.aspx>. For full programme and booking form, see <http://www.kentarchaeology.org.uk/kas-news/kentish-place-names-and-surnames-canterbury-sat-12-nov-2016/>

Powell Lecture Theatre, School of Humanities, Canterbury Christ Church University, CT1 1NQ

Saturday, November 26th 2016 (9:00-18:00)

South-East Regional Conference – **Geology, Landscape and Humans in Southeast England**

Speakers include: Chris Duffin (Natural History Museum) 'The Iguanodon: Iconic Dinosaur of the Weald', Julian Murton (University of Sussex) 'Southeast England as a Periglaciated Landscape', Sanjeev Gupta (Imperial College, London) 'The English Channel Megaflood: Implications for Pre-History', Julie Gardiner (Oxbow Books) 'Flint Mining: organisation, operation & significance', Brian Short (University of Sussex) 'Victorian Ashdown Forest: Environment and Politics', Jeremy Hodgkinson (Wealden Iron Research Group) 'Iron Working in the High Weald: 1600-1770', Annabelle Hughes (Wealden Buildings Study Group) 'The Wealden House: General Model or Complete Misnomer?', Tom Dommert (NT Regional Archaeologist) 'The Changing Landscapes of Petworth Park: Mediaeval to Modern', Roger Smith (Southern Testing Geoconsultancy) 'The Geological Hazards of Southeast England-and How to Avoid Them!'

Tickets £25. Please address enquiries to Anthony Brook (anthony.brook27@btinternet.com). See <http://www.surreyarchaeology.org.uk/sites/default/files/SOUTHEAST%20ENGLAND%20REGIONAL%20CONFERENCE%20programme.pdf>

Exhibition Hall, Worthing College, Worthing BN14 9FD

Saturday, November 26th 2016

Kent Archaeological Society – **Villas in the Roman Landscape**

Talks include: Dr Elizabeth Blanning, Kevin Fromings, Simon Elliott, Dr Patricia Reid, Edward Biddulph, Dr Lacey Wallace, Keith Parfitt.

Tickets £25. To book visit <http://www.kentarchaeology.org.uk>

Rutherford College, University of Kent, Canterbury CT2 7NX

Saturday, November 26th 2016 (10:30-17:00)

Surrey Archaeological Society – **SHERF 16: Research Revisited**

This year's Annual Research Framework Conference will explore what new insights can be revealed by revisiting earlier research work. The morning will be opened by Michael Russell, of Historic England, who will discuss the prehistoric ceramics from Weston Wood, Albury. Judie English and David Bird will present reassessments of Surrey Greensand hillforts and of Ashted Roman Villa. In the afternoon Harvey Sheldon will talk about new interpretations of Roman Southwark, Martin Higgins will ask what makes a Surrey Wealden house special and Catherine Ferguson closes by linking the Loseley Chapel, Guildford with the wider cultural world.

Tickets £10 members (£12 non). For programme and booking form see <http://www.surreyarchaeology.org.uk/content/sherf-16-research-revisited>

Leatherhead Institute, High Street, Leatherhead KT22 8AH



Lectures and talks

Tuesday, November 8th 2016 (19:30-21:30)

Surrey Industrial History Group – **The Construction of Gothic Cathedrals**

Talk by Doug Irvine, civil engineer – part of the 41st Series of Industrial Archaeology Lectures in Guildford

Single lecture £5, payable on the night. Enquiries to Bob Bryson, 01483 577809, meetings@sihg.org.uk

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



Tuesday, November 8th 2016 (19:00)

Worthing Archaeological Society – **Roman Villas in Sussex**

Talk by David Rudling

Worthing Library, Richmond Road, Worthing BN11 1HD



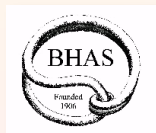
Friday, November 11th 2016 (19:30)

Brighton and Hove Archaeological Society – **The Malling Hill Skeletons**

Talk by Greg Chuter (Assistant County Archaeologist)

£3 non-members

Unitarian Church, New Road, Brighton BN1 1UF



Friday, November 11th 2016 (19:30)

Eastbourne Natural History and Archaeology Society – **The Excavations at Bridge Farm**

Talk by David Millum and Rob Wallace

Members free, visitors very welcome £2.50

St Saviours Church Hall, Spencer Rd, Eastbourne BN21 4PA

Saturday, November 12th 2016 (14:30)

Tonbridge Historical Society – **Monasteries & Monastic Life and Building a Mediaeval Cathedral**

Talk by David Carder

Non-members welcome at fee of £3 (under 18s free), payable at the door

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



Friday, November 18th 2016 (19:30)

Lewes Archaeological Group – **A Land of Ice and Earth: Thoughts on the Formation of the Chalk Downland Landscape**

Talk by Matt Pope

Price £3 (£4 non-members)

Lecture Room, Lewes Town Hall, Lewes BN7 2QS



Wednesday, November 23rd 2016 (19:30)

Chichester and District Archaeological Society – **The Secrets of the High Woods Project**

Talk by Anne Bone, Cultural Heritage Lead at the South Downs National Park Authority

Free to Members, non-members £3 payable at the door

New Park Centre, New Park Road, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 7XY



Saturday, November 26th 2016 (14:00-15:00)

Brighton and Hove Archaeological Society – **Witches, Warlocks and Wellingtons; The Ritual Protection of the Home**

Local History talk by Janet Pennington

United Reformed Church, Blatchington Road, Hove BN3 3YF



Wednesday, November 30th 2016 (19:30-21:30)

Surrey Industrial History Group – **Tide Mills – more history and archaeology**

Talk by David Plunkett, Chairman Mills Research Group – part of the 41st Series of Industrial Archaeology Lectures in Guildford

Single lecture £5. Enquiries to Bob Bryson, 01483 577809, meetings@sihg.org.uk
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Saturday, December 3rd 2016 (15:00)

Carshalton and District History and Archaeology Society –
The Magic Circle

Talk by Michael Symes

Non-members welcome £2

Milton Hall (Derby & Joan Club), Cooper Crescent, Caershalton SM5 2DL



Tuesday, December 13th 2016 (19:00)

Worthing Archaeological Society – **What does land organisation tell us about social change in late prehistoric Sussex?**

Talk by Judie English

Worthing Library, Richmond Road, Worthing BN11 1HD



Friday, January 6th 2016 (19:30)

Lewes Archaeological Group – **The Curious Case of Homo Naledi**

Talk by Dr William Harcourt-Smith

Price £3 (£4 non-members)

Lecture Room, Lewes Town Hall, Lewes BN7 2QS



Saturday, January 7th 2016 (15:00)

Carshalton and District History and Archaeology Society –
An Introduction to the John Gent Collection

Talk by John Hickman and Carole Roberts

Non-members welcome £2

Milton Hall (Derby & Joan Club), Cooper Crescent, Caershalton SM5 2DL



Tuesday, January 10th 2016 (19:00)

Worthing Archaeological Society – **Neolithic Rock Art in Britain and Ireland: sacred or secular works of art, or merely random graffiti**

Talk by Jane Russell

Worthing Library, Richmond Road, Worthing BN11 1HD



Thursday, January 15th 2016 (19:45)

Tonbridge Historical Society – **Bad King John?**

Talk by Dr Marc Morris

Non-members welcome at fee of £3 (under 18s free), payable at the door
Riverside Room, Angel Centre, Angel Lane, Tonbridge, TN9 1SF



Courses

Saturday, December 3rd 2016 (10:30-12:30)

Sussex School of Archaeology – **Mesolithic Britain:
The Last Hunter Gatherers**

Course by Chris Butler

See <http://www.sussexarchaeology.org/autumn-term-2016> for more details
Rottingdean Whiteway Centre, Rottingdean BN2 7HB



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 **December 31st** – please send any September, October or November info by **December 30th**

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