

From the Chairman

Dear Members,

Thank you to those members who in November attended the CBA South-East AGM and Conference held in Chertsey. I hope that you enjoyed the occasion. At the AGM the rest of the committee and I were re-elected (thanks again) and we reported on the work and activities of our group during the previous year. One member of the old committee, Martyn Allen (our previous Chairman), resigned due to other commitments, but Martyn was thanked for all his hard work for CBA SE. Thanks were also given to all who served on the Committee during the last year, and especially to Anne Sassin, our Vice-Chair, and Rose Hooker, our Secretary, for their major inputs into organising the AGM and Conference (thanks are also due to David Calow of the Surrey Archaeological Society, our partners for the conference, for his efforts). As in the previous three years, the conference made a surplus which will be used to increase our Research Fund. For your information a full list of the elected committee for 2018-2019 is on page 2, including details of the specific roles assigned.

Two major areas that we still need people to cover are publicity and the provision of activities for young archaeologists (ie those aged 8-16). Please let any of the committee know if either role might be of interest to you.

The conference referred to above, *Structured Deposits: definitions, developments and debates*, was very popular, and thanks are due to all the speakers, helpers and delegates. Please note that next year's AGM and Conference will be held in Kent (tba).

Thanks are also due to those who responded to the recent Surrey County Council public consultation regarding the future provision of **Heritage and Libraries in Surrey** (we sent out details to members by email). Soon afterwards a similar consultation exercise was undertaken by East Sussex County Council regarding the Council's '**Core Offer**' which again includes libraries, archives and heritage. Thanks to those who responded to our email alert about this consultation. Both consultations are concerned with inadequate County Council funding and thus the need to cut services (I may have been mistaken, but I thought that Theresa May said recently that the period of austerity was coming to an end!). Finally the main **CBA at York** have been consulting members and others, and again we sent out details by email. Thanks again to all who responded.

Wishing you all a happy and prosperous New Year,

Dr David Rudling
Chair, CBA South-East

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CBASE Events

Site and Town Tours 2019: contact events@cbasouth-east.org with any queries or check the website for future events: www.cbasouth-east.org, including a planned tour of Roman and Tudor Otford in March.

Council for
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Site and Town Tours

Sunday, April 28th 2019

(10:30 - 16:00)

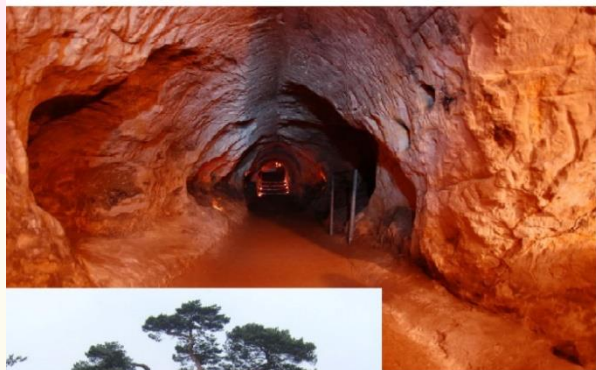
Reigate Caves and Heath Tour

In the morning, we will be guided through both Baron's Cave and the Tunnel Road West complex. Baron's Cave is one of the oldest show caves in Britain. Tunnel Road West started as a sand mine and was reused during both World Wars.

After lunch, Dr Judie English will lead a walk around Reigate Heath and discuss its Bronze Age barrow cemetery.

Cost: The afternoon walk is free to all CBA-SE members, or £2 for non-members. There is a £5 per person admission charge for the caves.

Enquiries and to book: events@cbasouth-east.org



A new programme is being developed for workshops and tours and will be advertised on our website www.cbasouth-east.org as the dates and venues are confirmed.



Courses

Surrey Archaeological Society has received a Heritage Lottery Grant for a project which focuses on training. A number of activities are planned and details are available from www.surreyarchaeology.org.uk

Thursday 10th January 2019 (11.00-13.00)

Dorking Education Centre – **The Archaeology of Money**

Led by Dr David Rudling this 10 week course will concentrate on the history and use of coins in Britain from the Late Iron Age to decimalisation. There will be opportunities to handle examples of coinage types and the course is suitable for historians, archaeologists, collectors and metal detectorists.

Venue: Dorking Christian Centre, Dorking

Fee: £60

Details and booking from: alfie.hine@hotmail.co.uk

Wednesday 16th January 2019 (10.30-12.30)

Rottingdean Whiteway Centre – **The Saxons in England – from Roman colony to Anglo-Saxon kingdom**

Led by Dr Judie English this 10 week course will cover an interesting period in the development of England.

Fee: £84

Details and booking from: courseorganiser@rwc.org.uk

Canterbury Archaeological Trust runs an extensive series of archaeological courses. Details of all spring term courses are available from:

www.canterburytrust.co.uk

Saturday 2nd March 2019

Chichester & District Archaeological Society – **Flint recognition study day**

Led by Bob and Gillian Turner this course will give you an overview of flint tools with an emphasis on those you are likely to find during excavation.

Venue: Fishbourne Roman Palace (Rudkin Room), Roman Way, Fishbourne, Chichester

Fee: £30 non-members (if places available).

Book via: activities@cdas.info



Conferences and Symposia

Saturday 9th February 2019 (10.00-16.30)

Surrey History Centre – **David Williams Memorial Conference**

This day conference is meant to celebrate the life and work of David Williams who died suddenly in 2018 and to bring friends and colleagues together with talks and displays based on his work.

Venue: Surrey History Centre, Woking

Cost: £10

Details and booking via the Surrey History Centre or available on www.surreyarchaeology.org.uk

Saturday 23rd February 2019 (10.00-17.00)

Surrey Archaeological Society – **Annual Symposium**

This event covers recent work by archaeologists and local historians in the historic county of Surrey, with a keynote presentation by Dr Peter Guest of Cardiff University and a study of the Guildown Saxon burials presented by Ceri Falys of TVAS, followed by Dr David Bird of SyAS.

Venue: Ashted Peace Memorial Hall, Ashted, Surrey

Cost: £15

Programme and online booking available from: www.surreyarchaeology.org.uk/events



Saturday 4th May 2019 (10.00-17.00)

Sussex Archaeological Society – **Annual Symposium**

A date for your diaries. Offers of papers to be presented at the symposium are welcome (info@sussexarchaeology.co.uk)

Venue: Kings Church, Lewes

More details in due course from the Sussex School of Archaeology.

Lectures and talks

Friday 4th January 2019 (19.30)

Lewes Archaeological Group – **What the ‘hobbits’ of Indonesia can tell us about human evolution and why it matters**

Talk by Dr William Harcourt Smith (City University, New York) on his work as a palaeoanthropologist

Venue: Lecture Room, Lewes Town Hall, Lewes

Cost: Members £3; non-members £4

Details from: www.lewesarchaeology.org.uk



Tuesday 8th January 2019 (19.30 – 21.00)

Surrey Archaeological Society Roman Studies Group – **The Garum and Salt Industries in Northern Gaul during the Late Iron Age and Roman periods.**

Talk by James Bromwich discussing these industries and particularly that of the French Atlantic Coast

Venue: Leatherhead Institute, High Street, Leatherhead

Cost: Non-members £5

Details from: www.surreyarchaeology.org.uk

Tuesday 8th January 2019 (19.30)

Worthing Archaeological Society – **The Roman Army in Sussex**

Talk by Edwin Wood on the impact of the invasion and the lasting imprint of the military community throughout the Roman period

Venue: Lecture Theatre, Worthing Library, Richmond Road, Worthing

Cost: Non-members £4

Details from: www.worthingarchaeological.org/events

Friday 11th January 2019 (19.30)

Brighton & Hove Archaeological Society – **How many??? Bronze Age, Iron Age and Roman Buildings at Chalkers Lane, Hurstpierpoint**

Talk by Simon Stevens (ASE) about an archaeological investigation of a Wealden site

Venue: Unitarian Church, New Road, Brighton

Cost: Non-members £3

Details from: www.brightonarch.org.uk



Thursday 17th January 2019 (19.00)

University of Sussex Archaeological Society – **The Secret Sussex Resistance**

Talk by Stewart Angell on the secret British Resistance of WWII, highlighting the men, their training and their underground operational bases in Sussex

Venue: University of Sussex, Fulton Lecture Theatre B, Falmer

Cost: £4 non-members

Details from: admin@usas.org.uk

Thursday 31st January 2019 (19.00-20.30)

Canterbury Christ Church University – **Roman Lympne: context, new research and new questions**

Talk by Dr Steven Willis (University of Kent)

The late Roman shore fort at Lympne is not easily visited nor are its remains readily comprehensible but it remains an intriguing site

Venue: Ng07 (Newton Building), Canterbury Campus, North Holmes Road, Canterbury

Details from: sheila.sweetinburgh@canterbury.ac.uk

Tuesday 5th February 2019 (19.30-21.00)

Surrey Archaeological Society Roman Studies Group – **Recent fieldwork at Cocks Farm Abinger**

Talk by Emma Corke (Site Director) with an update on the work which has revealed Iron Age pits and enclosure ditches as well as Romano-British activity

Venue: Leatherhead Institute, High Street, Leatherhead

Cost: £5

Details from: www.surreyarchaeology.org.uk

Friday 8th February 2019 (19.30)

BHAS – **A Persistent Place: Excavating Ice Age archaeology on the Channel Island of Jersey**

Talk by Dr Matt Pope (UCL) about the renewed investigation of La Cotte de St Brelade and the wider Quaternary archaeology of Jersey

Venue: Unitarian Church, New Road, Brighton

Cost: £3 for non-members

Details from: www.brightonarch.org.uk



Tuesday 12th February 2019 (19.30-21.00)

Worthing Archaeological Society – BHAS investigations of medieval remains in Hog Croft, Ovingdean

Talk by John Skelton (BHAS) on this field which is rich in archaeological remains. Recent excavations have revealed of a Saxon community

Venue: Lecture Theatre, Worthing Library, Richmond Road, Worthing

Cost: £4 non-members

Details from: www.worthingarchaeological.org/events

Wednesday 13th February 2019 (19.00)

Canterbury Historical and Archaeological Society – Following the whale's road: perceptions of the sea in prehistory

Talk by Peter Clark (CAT) on aspects of prehistoric seafaring

Venue: Newton Lecture Theatre (Ng03), Canterbury Christ Church University, Canterbury

Cost: visitors £3

Details from: www.canterbury-archaeology.org.uk/meetings/

Thursday 14th February 2019 (20.00)

Kingston upon Thames Archaeological Society – Did the Romans reach Cornwall?

Talk from Dr Julie Wileman and presented by Patricia Smith which tries to answer this question based on recent discoveries in Cornwall

Venue: Main Hall, Surbiton Library Halls, Ewell Road, Surbiton

Details from: www.kingstonarchaeology.com/meetings

Friday 15th February 2019 (19.30)

Lewes Archaeological Group – Where Archaeology meets Astronomy

Talk by Robert Turner who will explore the extent to which astronomy can assist our understanding of standing stones and their alignments

Venue: Lecture Room, Lewes Town Hall, Lewes

Cost: £4 non-members

Details from: www.lewesarchaeology.org.uk



Thursday 21st February (19.00)

University of Sussex Archaeological Society – **Palaeolithic cannibalism: calories or culture?**

Talk by Dr James Cole (University of Brighton) on recent research and interpretation of Palaeolithic populations

Venue: University of Sussex, Fulton Lecture Theatre B, Falmer

Cost: £4 non-members

Details from: admin@usas.org.uk

Saturday 23rd February (18.00-19.30)

Canterbury Christ Church University – **The Frank Jenkins Memorial Lecture**

Talk by visiting Professor Paul Bennett showcasing the work of Canterbury Archaeological Trust over 2018

Venue: Old Sessions House, Canterbury CT1 1PL

Details from: shiela.sweetinburgh@canterbury.ac.uk

Wednesday 27th February 2019 (19.30-21.00)

Chichester & District Archaeology Society – **Finds from the Chichester Sewer Expansion Scheme**

Talk by Archaeology South East on significant finds from this work

Venue: New Park Centre, New Park Road, Chichester

Cost: £5 non-members

Details from: www.cdass.info/Lectures.



Tuesday 5th March 2019 (19.30-21.00)

Surrey Archaeological Society Roman Studies Group – **Querns and millstones in the South East and Surrey**

Talk by Ruth Shaffrey (Oxford Archaeology) discussing quern and millstone designs and dating and how this can help the understanding of food supply

Venue: Leatherhead Institute, High Street, Leatherhead

Cost: £5 non-members

Details from: www.surreyarchaeology.org.uk

Friday 8th March 2019 (19.30)

BHAS – Bridge Farm 2018 – Into the Dark Centre

Talk by David Millum and Rob Wallace (Site Directors) and concentrating on the newest results from the 2018 excavations

Venue: Unitarian Church, New Road, Brighton

Cost: £4 non-members

Details from: www.brightonarch.org.uk



Tuesday 12th March 2019 (19.30-21.00)

Worthing Archaeological Society – The Clandon Park Project

Talk by Tom Dommett (NT) on the challenges of archaeological salvage, restoration and the rebuilding of this property after the devastating fire of 2015

Venue: Lecture Theatre, Worthing Library, Richmond Road, Worthing

Cost: £4 non-members

Details from: www.worthingarchaeological.org/events

Friday 15th March 2019 (19.30)

Lewes Archaeological Group – Prehistoric Art in the Prehistoric Landscape

Talk by Prof Richard Bradley (University of Reading) who will discuss the fascinating topic of rock art

Venue: Lecture Room, Lewes Town Hall, Lewes

Cost: £4 non-members

Details from: www.lewesarchaeology.org.uk



Thursday 21st March 2019 (19.00)

University of Sussex Archaeological Society – Neolithic Rock Art in Britain and Ireland

Talk by Jane Russell looking for similarities across areas and sites and whether there is any connection to astronomy or is it simply decorative art

Venue: University of Sussex, Fulton Lecture Theatre B, Falmer

Cost: £4 non-members

Details from: admin@usas.org.uk

Grants

The CBA South East has been able to offer grants to suitable archaeological projects for a number of years. The types of project vary and have included community activities, research, excavation, and support towards publication. A good number of excavations have had CBASE support, over all the region, with some of the funding going towards the cost of hiring equipment, including support towards the purchase of specialist equipment.

Geophysical projects have been supported in the past, as have school digs. Projects that offer encouragement and field work for school children is often supported. Other grants have been awarded for archaeological training courses and teacher training. Research has had grants for numerous investigations including the studies of Valencian tiles, Palaeolithic finds in the Lewes museum, metalwork from the Frensham excavations and a study of tesserae from the Southwick Roman Villa. The latest study being supported is about quern stones, their manufacture and distribution patterns.



Folkestone querns

A number of archaeologically related publications have been supported with children's journals, a book on the Wealden Iron Industry, and a publication on the Reculver Roman Fort among the awards. Other projects which have been awarded grants have included financial assistance for carbon 14 dating. The most recent such award may provide the dating for a possible Bronze Age shaft at Belle Tout in Sussex. Any archaeological project whether field or post excavation can be worthy of support.

If your group or project is lacking in funding then the CBASE may be a source of funds. The committee meets every 4 months and applications can be reviewed throughout the year. If you would like to apply for a CBASE grant contact the Grants Officer at john.funnel@brightonarch.org.uk for an application form and terms and conditions. If successful then a note about the project will be requested for publication in the newsletter.

Sally Christian Grants are available from **Sussex Archaeological Society** to support individuals starting out in archaeology as amateurs or students (including sixth formers) to assist with the costs of practical or academic training, and to enable them to gain experience in archaeological fieldwork and other forms of research in Sussex. Grants are available for short courses and dayschools, covering such subjects as surveying, excavation methods, environmental sampling, drawing and/or identifying finds, as well as attendance at relevant conferences or research projects. Feedback will be required from successful applicants.

Further details are available from the Society's Research Officer (research@sussexpast.co.uk) to whom all applications should be submitted at least five weeks before a proposed funded course or project takes place.

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A free way to raise money for CBA South East when shopping online.

Fund raising on behalf of the Council for British Archaeology South East, supporting annual grants to be awarded for archaeological research in the region, can be as simple as using this fund raising platform – <https://www.giveasyoulive.com/> – and costs nothing more than the advertised price of your goods.

Details of how to use Give as you Live can be found on our website: www.cbasouth-east.org/raise-money-for-cba-se-for-free/

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

Next e-letter will be issued approximately **March 1st** – please send any March, April and May items by **February 25th**

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