Council for British Archaeology South East

Events and News March 2019

From the vice-chair

Dear members,

I hope you've been enjoying the unseasonably warm weather this past week (who knew surveying in February would result in sunburn!)

As you'll see in the next pages, we've planned some excellent tours for the spring, including Reigate, Surrey and Otford, Kent, which are booking up fast. More tours will be planned for early autumn in other areas of the south-east. If your group or area is interested in highlighting your work or local monuments for later tours, please do get in touch, as we're always looking for more sites and excavations to highlight.

April will also see CBA-SE host for the first time in many years the annual CBA regional groups forum, where other groups from around the country (as well as central CBA) get together to discuss various heritage issues. This year the SE will be heading sessions around planning, training and education, and featuring the famous Reigate Caves in a guided tour on the second day.

I'd also like to take the opportunity to highlight the current HLF project, Sustainable Impact, run by Surrey Archaeological Society, which focuses on increased outreach and training opportunities. Although SyAS members are obviously the targeted audience, the project's courses and fieldwork are available to non-members as well, and collaboration with other groups and individuals (including across county borders) is key to the successful dissemination of skills and knowledge. Anyone who would like to be added to the monthly mailing list or has a particular query, please email <u>outreach@surreyarchaeology.org.uk</u>.

Finally, please note that the deadline for public consultation on the South East Historic Environment Research Framework that was developed by East Sussex, Kent, Surrey and West Sussex County Councils is **7 March** (<u>https://consultations.kent.gov.uk/.../SERFst.../consultationHome</u>). Although very near, feedback on chapters, particularly those which relate where you are aware of new discoveries which are regionally significant, are welcome. Further questions should be directed to <u>heritageconservation@kent.gov.uk</u> or <u>lis.dyson@kent.gov.uk</u>.

Dr Anne Sassin Vice Chair, CBA South-East



Site and Town Tours 2019: contact <u>events@cbasouth-east.org</u> with any queries or check the website for future events: <u>www.cbasouth-east.org</u>. There are now two tours available for booking: Reigate in Surrey – details below – and Otford in Kent as shown on the next page.







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 £5 for non-members. There is a £5 per person admission charge for the caves.

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



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Site and Town Tours



Sunday, June 9th 2019 (10:30 - 15:30)

Otford Villa and Palace Tour

In the morning, we will start with a tour of the DROP (Discovering Roman Otford Project) excavation at the Roman villa at Otford, a site which was at least twice the size of the villa at nearby Lullingstone.



After lunch in the picturesque village, the tour will continue with special guided visit of the nationally important 16th century Archbishop's Palace, which at its height rivaled Hampton Court and is currently being restored by the Palace Conservation Trust.

Cost: The walk is free to all CBA-SE members, or £5 for non-members.

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More tours are being considered for later this year and will be advertised on our website: <u>www.cbasouth-east.org</u>

The 2019 AGM and conference will be held on 2nd November in conjunction with Kent Archaeological Society at the University of Kent, Canterbury campus.

Title: Archaeological Perspectives. Details will be on our website as they 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

Canterbury Archaeological Trust runs an extensive series of archaeological courses. Details of all spring term courses are available from <u>www.canterburytrust.co.uk</u>

Sunday 7th April 2019

Chichester & District Archaeological Society – The Origins of Coinage, and Caltia and Paman Coing

and Celtic and Roman Coins

Led by David Rudling (Sussex School of Archaeology) this course will examine the development of coins before considering early British coinage.

Venue: Fishbourne Roman Palace (Rudkin Room), Roman Way, Fishbourne, Chichester Fee: £30 non-members (if places available) Book via <u>activities@cdas.info</u>

Saturday 13th April and Sunday 14th April

Canterbury Christ Church University – Tudor and Stuart History

This study weekend consists of 22 lectures and guided visits from which to choose, enabling access to new interpretations, ideas and knowledge in a range of early modern topics. Venue: Old Sessions House, Canterbury Christ Church University, Canterbury Details and booking: www.canterbury.ac.uk/tudors-stuarts

Saturday 4th May 2019

Worthing Archaeological Society – Late Iron Age and Roman period pottery day

Led by Gordon Hayden this course will concentrate on pottery found in West Sussex using presentation and handling sessions.

Venue: Worthing Museum Education Room, Worthing

Fee: on application via www.worthingarchaeological.org



Conferences and Symposia

Saturday 30th March 2019 (9.30-16.00) Surrey Archaeological Society Local History Committee – **Georgian Surrey**

A study of the age on enlightenment. Venue: Surrey History Centre, Woking Cost: £15. Online booking is available via <u>www.surreyarchaeology.org.uk</u>

Saturday 13th April 2019 (9.00-17.00)

Kent Archaeological Society – 2019 South Eastern Region Industrial Archaeology Conference

This conference will cover industrial activities from Roman times to the 20th century. Venue: Dartford Grammar School, Dartford DA1 2HW Cost: pre-booking £12; on the day £15 Further information and booking form available from <u>mike@mikeclinch.co.uk</u>

Saturday 4th May 2019 (10.00-17.00)

Sussex School of Archaeology – Annual Symposium

This conference will explore thousands of years of the human past in South East England. Confirmed speakers include David Calow, Mark Roberts and Jo Seaman Venue: Kings Church, Lewes Fee: £35 to include a buffet lunch More details and booking from <u>info@sussexarchaeology.co.uk</u>

Wednesday 12th June to Friday 14th June 2019 (10.00-17.00) Roman Finds Group and Finds Research Group – **Hoarding and deposition in Europe from later prehistory to the medieval period** – **finds in context**

This conference will explore little studied aspects of hoarding as a depositional process such as environmental data as well as deposition in wet contexts, structured deposits and surface finds. Venue: Kings College, London

Details from: http://www.romanfindsgroup.org.uk/



Lectures and talks

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 (National Trust) considering the challenges of archaeological salvage, restoration and rebuilding of Clandon House after the devastating fire of 2015.

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

Cost: £4 non-members

Details from: www.worthingarchaeological.org

Friday 15th March 2019 (19.30) Lewes Archaeological Group – Prehistoric Art in the Prehistoric Landscape

Talk by Professor Richard Bradley on the fascinating subject of rock art. Venue: Lecture Room, Lewes Town Hall Cost: non-members £4 Details from: www.lewesarchaeology.org.uk



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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

Friday 22nd March 2019 (19.30)

Eastbourne Natural History and Archaeology Society - The Roman Villas

of Sussex

Talk by Dr David Rudling on Roman villas in Sussex including the Eastbourne villa. Venue: St Saviour's Church Hall, Spencer Road, Eastbourne Cost: £2.50 non-members Details from: www.eastbournearchaeology.org.uk

Wednesday 27th March 2019 (19.30-21.00)

Chichester and District Archaeology Society – The South Downs Cross

Ridge Dyke Project

Talk by Dr Judie English on this study across the South Downs and what might be interpreted from the evidence so far.

Venue: New Park Centre, New Park Road, Chichester Cost: £5 non-members Details from: <u>www.cdas.info</u>



Thursday 28th March 2019 (19.00-20.30)

Canterbury Christ Church University – **The Medieval Monastic Death Ritual: The Cluniac Experience**

Talk by Dr Ellie Williams (CCCU) who will explore the Cluniac response to death and burial integrating osteoarchaeological and documentary evidence.

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

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



Tuesday 9th April 2019 (19.30-21.00)

Worthing Archaeological Society – Medieval Building Stones in Parish Churches of the Worthing area

Talk by Roger Cordiner and Anthony Brook concentrating on the building stones of 55 Medieval Parish churches in the Worthing area. Venue: Lecture Theatre, Worthing Library, Richmond Road, Worthing Fee: £4 non-members Details from: www.worthingarchaeological.org

Thursday 11th April 2019 (20.00)

Kingston upon Thames Archaeological Society – Merchants, Military Men and Migrants

Talk by Dr Judie English about incomers to London and the South East in the Roman period and later.

Venue: Main Hall, Surbiton Library Halls, Ewell Road, Surbiton Fee: £3 non-members Details from: <u>www.kingstonarchaeology.com</u>

Thursday 11th April 2019 (19.30)

Tonbridge Historical Society – The Domesday Knights of Canterbury

Talk by Vanessa King focussing on the landholdings of the Archbishop of Canterbury's knights in 1086. This talk follows the AGM.

Venue: Riverside Room, Angel Centre, Tonbridge Fee: £3 non-members

Details from: www.tonbridgehistory.org.uk

Friday 12th April 2019 (19.30)

Lewes Archaeological Group – Lewes to Wessex and Back Again

Talk by Mike Allen (LAG President) commencing LAG's 50th anniversary celebrations with a review of its early excavations and research and how this relates to more recent developments.

Venue: Lecture Room, Lewes Town Hall, Lewes Fee: £4 non-members Details from: www.lewesarchaeology.org.uk





Wednesday 24th April 2019 (19.30)

Chichester and District Archaeology Society – Sussex Police Heritage Crime Advisor

Talk by Daryl Holt (Sussex Police) on his work as the Sussex Police Heritage Crime Advisor. Venue: New Park Centre, New Park Road, Chichester Fee: £5 non-members Details from: www.cdas.info

Thursday 9th May 2019 (20.00)

Kingston upon Thames Archaeological Society – **The Archaeology of the Thames Foreshore**

Talk by Will Rathouse (MOLA) which will include a handling session and information on monitoring and recording any features reveals. Venue: Main Hall, Surbiton Library Halls, Ewell Road, Surbiton Fee: £3 non-members Details from: www.kingstonarchaeology.com

Tuesday 21st May 2019 (19.30)

Surrey Archaeological Society Prehistoric Group – Blickmead Mesolithic site

Talk by Professor David Jacques on the important Mesolithic site of Blickmead and its place in the Stonehenge landscape.

Venue: Leatherhead Institute, Leatherhead Fee: £3

Details from <u>www.surreyarchaeology.org</u>





Events

Wednesday 6th March 2019 (10.30 – 12.30)

Chichester & District Archaeology Society – Visit to Arundel Museum

After a talk on the history of Arundel there will be ample time to explore the museum at your own pace.

Venue: Arundel Museum, Mill Road, Arundel Cost: £10 non-members (if places available) Details and booking : <u>activities@cdas.info</u>



Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th April 2019 Kent Archaeological Field School – **Field Walking and Test Pitting**

This weekend course is concerned with recognising and recording artefacts found in the plough soil. Venue: Teston Roman Villa, Maidstone Fee: £25 non-members. Details and to book: www.kafs.co.uk/courses

Friday 19th April to Sunday 28th April 2019 Kent Archaeological Field School – **Wye Roman Villa and Water Mill** A 10 day excavation course with practical participation. Venue: Wye Roman Villa Cost: Non-members £75 for the week or £15 per day Details and to book: <u>www.kafs.co.uk/courses</u>

Friday 14th June to Friday 21st June 2019 Sussex School of Archaeology – **Tour to visit Roman sites in the North** of Britain

Baxter Hoare Travel in association with the Sussex School of Archaeology will be running a tour of various sites in the North of Britain including both Handrian's Wall and the Antonine Wall. Tour leader: Dr David Rudling

For details of cost, itinerary and booking contact: <u>enquiries@baxterhoare.com</u> and ask about the **Hadrian's Wall Tour**



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.

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 (<u>research@sussexpast.co.uk</u>) to whom all applications should be submitted at least five weeks before a proposed funded course or project takes place.

Research and Publication Grants are available from **Canterbury Historical and Archaeological Society** which has limited funds available to award a

grant to individuals researching any aspect of the history or archaeology of Canterbury and its region. It is envisaged that a grant would not normally exceed £500. Preference would be given to work resulting in publication in any media. Please apply as soon as possible and no later than 30th June. For full details of how to apply write to the Honorary Secretary of the Grants Committee, Mr Barrie Beeching at <u>beechings1@gmail.com</u>

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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 – <u>https://www.giveasyoulive.com/</u> – 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: <u>www.cbasouth-east.org/raise-money-for-cba-se-for-free/</u>



Festival of Archaeology 2019

The Council for British Archaeology has announced that the Festival of Archaeology in 2019 will be held from the 13th to the 28th July.

Following a year off in 2018, the 2019 Festival of Archaeology is to be bigger and better, and will form part of the celebrations of the 75th Anniversary of the Council for British Archaeology.

A dedicated website for the Festival to search or register an event is here: https://festival.archaeologyuk.org

CBA South East will not be organising events but will advertise and support any available in the region.



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

Next e-letter will be issued approximately **May 1st** – please send any May, June and July items by **April 26th**

Keep up-to-date on the website <u>www.cbasouth-east.org/</u> and follow us on **f** <u>www.facebook.com/CBASouthEast</u> and **b** <u>@CBASouthEast</u>

