

From the Group Secretary,

In this e-letter we are advertising a large number of Festival of Archaeology events. This year the Council for British Archaeology is celebrating its 70th anniversary and hopes that the Festival being held between 13th and 28th July will be bigger and better than ever.

CBA South East would like to encourage all members to support the Festival activities. There is a large spread of events across the counties of Kent, Surrey and Sussex as well as some on our borders with something for all to enjoy. Many are free and most are family friendly, plus there is a dedicated website which you can use to check any details of events near you: <https://festival.archaeologyuk.org>

CBA South East has also created a grants fund specifically for YAC and Museum groups which is ready for applications for funding Festival events. Contact our Grants Officer for details: john.funnell@brightonarch.org.uk

We hope that you will enjoy at least one of the events on offer this summer.

Rose Hooker



Site and Town Tours 2019: contact events@cbasouth-east.org with any queries or check the website for future events: www.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.

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

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

Title: 'Archaeological Perspectives on Links between the South East and the Continent'. 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/

Friday 3rd May – Sunday 5th May 2019

Field Studies Council – **Land Snail Identification**

This weekend course is led by Dr June Chatfield. Based in the classic snail country of the North Downs the weekend includes searching for snails in their habitats with follow up identification. Snails are sensitive to habitat conditions so are useful environmental indicators for both archaeological and environmental studies. The course is suitable for all ability levels.

Venue: Juniper Hall, Mickleham, Surrey

Details from: enquiries.jh@field-studies-council.org

Saturday 8th June 2019 (10.00-12.30)

Sussex School of Archaeology – **The Roman Army in Northern Britain**

Led by Dr David Rudling this half-day school will outline the history of the Roman army in Northern Britain, starting with the campaigns of Agricola and then concentrating on the two famous frontier walls built by the Romans under the emperors Hadrian and Antinus Pius respectively. This event will help prepare those planning to visit either of the two walls or other Northern military sites. An archaeology tour to these sites will be available in 2020.

Venue: Rottingdean Whiteway Centre, Rottingdean

Cost: £12

Booking essential: contact courseorganiser@rwc.org.uk for details and booking

Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th July 2019

Kent Archaeological Field School – **Archaeological Survey for Students**

An opportunity to excavate and record Roman features in the landscape

Cost: non-members £15 per day

Details and booking from: www.kafs.co.uk

Conferences and Symposia

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 info@sussexarchaeology.co.uk

Saturday 18th May 2019 (9.45 – 17.30)

Docklands History Group – The Medieval Port of London

This conference will be looking at all aspects of the medieval port: trade, ships, river management, the waterfront and archaeological finds.

Venue: Museum of London

Fee: £35 non-members

Details and booking from: www.docklandshistorygroup.org.uk

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/>

Saturday 20th July 2019 (10.00-17.00)

Kingston upon Thames Archaeological Society – KUTAS 50th Anniversary Conference

An all day immersion in Kingston's archaeology.

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

Cost: £12 non members if booking in advance

Details at: www.kingstonarchaeology.com

Lectures and talks

Thursday 2nd May 2019 (19.00)

University of Sussex Archaeological Society, Holleyman Lecture – **New Research on Roman Temples in Britain**

Talk by Professor Tony King (University of Winchester) reviewing recent findings in Hayling Island and Meonstoke, Hampshire which have given new insights into Roman sacred landscapes
Venue: Fulton Building Lecture Theatre B, University of Sussex, Falmer

Fee: £5 non-members

Details from: <https://www.sussexarchaeology.org>

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)

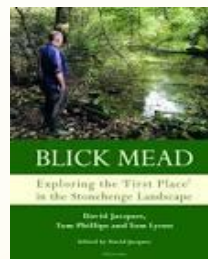
Surrey Archaeological Prehistoric Group – **Blickmead Mesolithic site**

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 www.surreyarchaeology.org



Thursday 13th June 2019 (20.00)

Kingston upon Thames Archaeological Society – **The Quest for Gold in the North Sea Realm**

Talk by Dr Angela Evans, President of the Sutton Hoo Society on wealth and power from 485 – 650 AD in Anglo-Saxon and Northern European kingdoms

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

Fee: £3 non-members

Details from www.kingstonarchaeology.com

Events

Saturday 4th – Sunday 13th May 2019

Kent Archaeological Field School – Excavation: Roman Aisled building at Faversham

This project will be looking at the potential marine association of the building with the nearby tidal waterway

Cost: non-members £75 for the week or £15 per day

A training course is also available

Cost: £100 if membership is taken out when booking

Details from: www.kafs.co.uk

Wednesday 15th May 2019 (10.00-12.00)

Chichester & District Archaeology Society – Butser Ancient Farm

This half-day guided visit will see how Butser Ancient Farm has extended its original remit of the British Iron Age with the construction of experimental buildings from the Neolithic, Romano-British and early Medieval periods.

Location: Charlton Lane, Charlton, Waterlooville PO8 0BG

Cost: Non-members £20 (if places available)

Contact for details and booking: activities@cdas.info



Saturday 18th May 2019 (9.00)

Thames Discovery Programme – Putney Fulham Foreshore Guided Walk

Explore the history and archaeology of this historic river crossing and visit our fieldwork recording the archaeology to be found on both banks of the Thames.

Venue: Start at Slipway, at the end of Brewhouse Lane, Putney

Cost: £9 + booking fee

Details from: www.thamesdiscovery.org

Monday 3rd June – Friday 12th July 2019

Culver Project – Bridge Farm 2019

Participate in revealing the archaeology of this important Romano-British settlement site

Cost: £25 for 7 days, £40 for 14 days, £60 for the season

A 2 week intensive Field School will be held from 3rd -14th June at £500

Details from: www.culverproject.co.uk

Saturday 15th June to Tuesday 16th July 2019

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

This season will further explore Roman and Iron Age features in the field adjacent to the Roman villa discovered in the 1870s.

No fee, but new volunteers are expected to commit to five days over the month.

Students welcome as are work experience students.

Details from: nikki.cowlard@btinternet.com

Festival of Archaeology Events

Saturday 13th July 2019 (10.00-15.30)

Festival of Archaeology, hosted by Maidstone Museum – **Family Archaeology Day**

Lots of family activities to join in such as an archaeology trail and the chance to handle objects. Museum entry is free but some activities will have a small charge.

There are three free talks but booking in advance is necessary.

Location: Maidstone Museum, St Faith's Street, Maidstone

Contact: evelynpalmer@Maidstone.gov.uk

Saturday 13th July 2019 (10.30-15.30)

Festival of Archaeology, hosted by Culver Archaeological Project – **Bridge Farm Excavation Open Day**

Guided tours around this excavation of this defended Romano-British riverside settlement. The tour includes a visit to the finds unit.

Location: Bridge Farm, Barcombe Mills Road, Barcombe, East Sussex

Donations gratefully received.

Contact: rob@culverproject.co.uk

Saturday 13th July 2019 (11.00 -15.00)

Festival of Archaeology, hosted by Surrey Archaeological Society – **Tours of Abinger Villa dig 2019**

There will be two guided tours of the site of this Roman Villa with a long period of occupation. You will be able to view the trenches and finds.

Booking is essential

Location: Crossways Farm, Abinger, Surrey

Contact: outreach@surreyarchaeology.org.uk

Saturday 13th July 2019 (19.00-22.00)

Festival of Archaeology, hosted by Butser Ancient Farm – **Roman Feast at Butser**

The first of a number of Festival activities at Butser Ancient Farm. A feast of food from the Roman era.

Cost: £30

Location: Butser Ancient Farm, Chalton Lane, Waterlooville, Hampshire

Details of all events from 13th July to 2nd August:: admin@butserancientfarm.co.uk

Saturday 13th July – Sunday 14th July (10.00-18.00)

Festival of Archaeology, hosted by Museum of London – **Animal archaeology**

Learn how to identify animal materials, take an animal themed tour and make your own beastly archaeological artefacts.

Location: Museum of London, 150 London Wall, London

Contact: info@museumoflondon.org.uk

Saturdays 13th, 20th and 27th July 2019

Festival of Archaeology, hosted by the City of London – **Tours of Billingsgate Roman House and Baths**

Take the opportunity to visit the only Roman baths open to the public in London.

Hour long tours will go beneath a 1970s building to find these remains.

Location: 101 Lower Thames Street

Cost: £9 plus booking fee (concessions £7)

Contact: kim.biddulph@cityoflondon.gov.uk

Saturday 13th July – Sunday 28th July 2019 (10.00-18.00)

Festival of Archaeology, hosted by Darent Valley Landscape Partnership Scheme – **Community dig and 70th Anniversary celebration at Lullingstone Villa**

A community excavation and related activities will take place at Lullingstone Villa in Kent.

Details of participation can be found here: www.darent-valley.org.uk

There will be talks, tours and children's activities.

Contact: anne.sassin@kentdowns.org.uk

Sunday 14th July 2019 (13.30-16.30)

Festival of Archaeology, hosted by Bruce Castle Museum – **Mysteries of the Manor**

Visit the 16th century manor house and get hands-on in the galleries exploring the archaeological collections.

Location: Bruce Castle Museum, Lordship Lane, London

Contact: museumservices@Haringey.gov.uk

Sunday 14th July – Sunday 28th July (9.00-17.00)

Festival of Archaeology, hosted by Liss Archaeology – **Alton Big Dig**

Test pitting will be taking place in Alton Town Gardens which will remain open to the public for the duration of the event. Talks and tours will be available. To participate in the excavation booking and membership is required.

Location: Alton Public Gardens, 19-21 Westbrooke Road, Alton, Hampshire

Contact: lissarchaeology@gmail.com

Sundays 14th, 21st and 28th July 2019 (11.00-15.00)

Festival of Archaeology, hosted by Southborough & High Brooms Amateur Archaeology Society – **Southborough Mill Site and Wealden Iron Industry**

Set within the Southborough Valley visitors will be able to view structures dating from the 16th to the 19th centuries, and to investigate a wider suite of industrial and landscape remains.

Location: Mill House Barn, Powder Mill Lane, Southborough, Tunbridge Wells, Kent

No fee and no booking required.

Contact: info@southborougharchaeology.org

Saturday 20th July 2019 (10.30-12.30)

Festival of Archaeology, hosted by Benjamin Franklin House – **Bones in the Basement**

Become an archaeologist for the morning and search for bones in the basement. Booking required.

Location: Benjamin Franklin House

Contact: education@benjaminfranklinhouse.org

Saturday 20th July 2019 (11.00-15.00)

Festival of Archaeology, hosted by Spelthorne Museum – **Under the Streets of Staines**

Learn some archaeological skills and find out about Staines in the past during this family activity day.

Location: Spelthorne Museum, 1 Elmsleigh Road, Staines, Surrey

Contact: staff@spelthornemuseum.org.uk

Saturday 27th July 2019 (10.30-15.00)

Festival of Archaeology, hosted by All Hallows by the Tower church – **Londinium: the Roman city**

Beginning in the Crypt Museum of All Hallows this walk includes some of the Roman city wall remains, the Forum, Basilica and Fort, visits the Amphitheatre and ends at the Museum of London.

Location: All Hallows by the Tower, Byward Street, London

Cost: £10; no booking required

Contact: parish@ahbtt.org.uk

Sunday 28th July 2019 (10.00-16.30)

Festival of Archaeology, hosted by The Canal Museum Trust – **Ice Sunday**

Visitors who are suitably shod and fit enough to climb ladders will be escorted down into the Victorian ice wells that lie beneath the London Canal Museum.

Location: London Canal Museum, 12-13 New Wharf Road

Cost: Normal museum fee £5

Contact: martin@canalmuseum.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.



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 beechings1@gmail.com

Give as you Live

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 **July 1st**– please send any July, August and September items by **June 25th**

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