

From the Group Secretary,

These are photos from our successful visit to Otford when we saw the Discover Roman Otford Project excavation and followed this by visiting the Bishop's Palace where we were told about the plans to restore it as a heritage hub. More information is available on the website:

www.otfordpalace.org



We also wish to remind you that the Festival of Archaeology launch event at the British Museum will be on 13th July and some committee members will be there to talk to all. John Gater will be demonstrating geophysics on the front lawn and there is to be a Time Team panel discussion on the Future of Archaeology bookable via the British Museum.

On 17th July the CBA will be partnering the National Trust on the twitter based #askanarchaeologist day and, on 22nd July there will be 'A Day in Archaeology', details of all of these available from:

<https://festival.archaeologyuk.org>

Have a great summer of archaeology.

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

Title: 'Archaeological Perspectives on Links between the South East and the Continent'. Confirmed speakers include Gustave Milne.



Dover boat reconstruction

Site and Town Tours 2019: The events in Reigate and Otford were very successful and we hope to organise further such outings for our members. Check the website for future events as they become available:

www.cbasouth-east.org.

The cottages built into the
Bishop's Palace in Otford



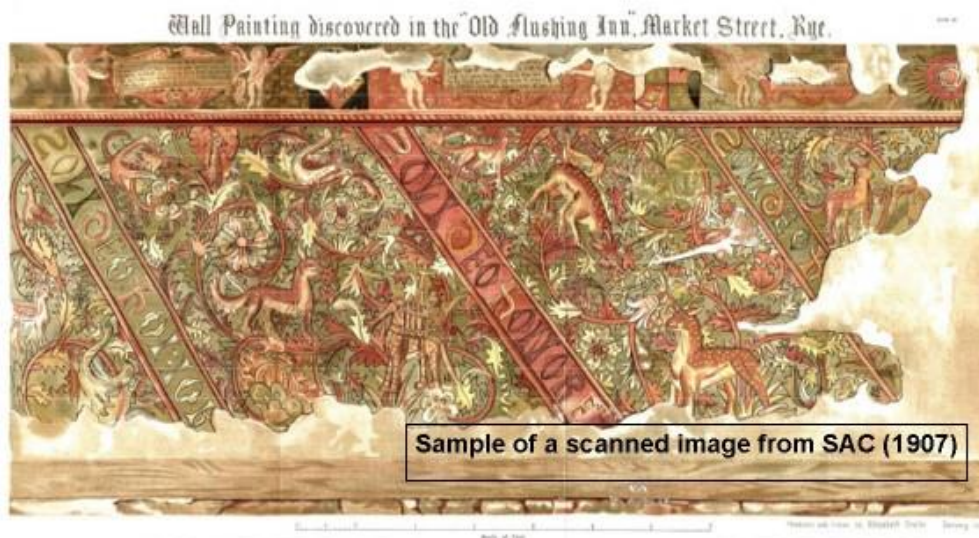
Can you help us put 136 volumes of Sussex Archaeological Collections online?



Since 1847 the Society has published its Collections of articles about the local history and archaeology of Sussex annually; volumes since 1999 have been published simultaneously online. Now we would like to retrospectively digitise the earlier volumes from Volume 1 (1847) onwards – 136 volumes in all!

Investigations have located potential sources of income to cover some of the cost but we need to raise 50% of the total cost to secure funding from external sources.

Can you help us to raise funds so we can proceed with this project which will provide online access to the complete set of SAC?



Donations can be made either by sending a cheque marked SAC Project to Barbican House Library, Lewes BN7 1YE or via www.sussexpast.co.uk as a Library Donation.

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/

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

Saturday 28th September 2019 (10.00-12.00)

Rottingdean Whiteway Centre & SSA – The Impact of the Normans (Pt 2)

Led by Simon Stevens this is the first of a series of three courses on the towns, countryside and people after the Norman Conquest.

Venue: Rottingdean Whiteway Centre, Rottingdean

Cost: £12 per lecture or £30 for all three

Details and booking: courseorganiser@rwc.org.uk

Conferences and Symposia

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

Events

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

Saturday 20th July 2019 (14.00-15.30)

Sussex Archaeological Society – Coffee with the Curator

Join the Curator of Fishbourne Museum for a behind the scenes tour and the chance to hear about current research over coffee.

Venue: Fishbourne Roman Palace, Sussex.

Fee: £15

Booking essential: call 01243 785859

Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st July 2019 (11.00-12.30/13.30-16.00)

Orpington and District Archaeological Society – Poverest Road Roman Bathhouse & Anglo-Saxon Cemetery Open Days.

Visit the Roman Bathhouse between Poverest Rd and Bellefield Rd. Follow our historical train of this important site. The Orpington and District Archaeological Society will be on hand and there will be a bookstall.

Location: Bellefield Road, Orpington

Entrance free



Saturday 3rd August – Sunday 11th August 2019

Kent Archaeological Field School – Excavation of a Roman Villa at Teston, near Maidstone

Work in 2018 identified a major building to the rear of the main villa and this will be the focus of investigation in 2019.

Cost: Members £50 for a week or £10 per day; non-members £75 or £15

Details from: info@kafs.co.uk

Sunday 1st September 2019 (10.30-13.00)

Sussex Archaeological Society – Guided walk, Findon

Dr David Dunkin will be leading a walk for members and guests to include the parish church, the Neolithic flint mines and the Late Iron Age and Romano-British settlement and in particular the temple complex.

Start location: Holmcroft Gardens off Cross Lane, Findon Village

Fee £5: Book via: members@sussexpast.co.uk

Saturday 14th – Sunday 15th September 2019 (14.00-16.30)

Orpington and District Archaeological Society – Scradbury Manor Open Weekend

Follow a self-guided train around the moated manor. See the excavations. Visit the refreshments, bookstall and exhibition.

Venue: Scradbury Manor, Orpington.

Free entry.

Details: www.odas.org.uk



Sunday 15th September – Sunday 22nd September 2019

Sussex School of Archaeology – Tour of Brittany and Normandy

Baxter Hoare Travel and Dr David Rudling are offering an archaeological tour to Brittany and Normandy departing from the Ferry Terminal, Newhaven.

Cost: £1899 per person (sharing).

Details from: enquiries@baxterhoare.com

Festival of Archaeology Events

Saturday 13th July 2019 (10.00-17.00)

Festival of Archaeology, hosted by the British Museum – Festival of Archaeology Event Launch

There will be a range of activities from medieval dancing, a Roman camp and a replica Anglo-Saxon ship to talks and activities by the Portable Antiquities Scheme. Some members of the Time Team will be there and there will be stalls in the Great Hall.

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 – 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 14th July (10.00-16.00)

Festival of Archaeology, hosted by Faversham Society Archaeological Research Group – **Hunting for the Kings Manor in the King's little town.**

In the summer of 2018 a large pit full of early Saxon pottery and other finds was excavated in the grounds of the Market Inn. This year more investigation will take place: finds processing will be on site and displays of the finds from 2018.

Join us for a fascinating weekend.

Location: 42 East Street, Faversham

Contact: drpatreid@community-archaeology.org

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: <https://festival.archaeologyuk.org/events/community-dig-and-70th-anniversary-celebration-lullingstone-roman-villa-1552914501>

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

Contact: anne.sassin@kentdowns.org.uk

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

Wednesday 17th July 2019 (11.00-18.30)

Festival of Archaeology, hosted by Wimbledon Museum – **Discover Day**

Discover the archaeology and history of Wimbledon; handle archaeological objects; meet our Roman soldier and WW2 army nurse.

Location: 22 Ridgeway, Wimbledon: Access is by stairs

Contact: collections@wimbledonmuseum.org.uk

Friday 19th July (10.00-12.30)

Festival of Archaeology, hosted by the National Trust – **Expert led
archaeology walk**

Join our regional archaeologist, Nathalie Cohen, on a walk around Bodiam Castle discussing recent discoveries. A light lunch is included.

Location: Bodiam Castle, Bodiam, Kent

Booking necessary: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/expert-led-archaeology-walk-tickets

Cost: £20

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

Monday 22nd July 2019

The CBA is launching a new blog page – **A Day of Archaeology**

A day of archaeology showcases ‘a day in the life’ of archaeologists across the UK. Anyone with and interest in archaeology can get involved.

Find out more here:: www.festival.archaeologyuk.org/day/about

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.

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.cbасouth-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@cbасouth-east.org

Next e-letter will be issued approximately **September 2nd**– please send any September, October and November items by **August 27th**

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