Council for British Archaeology South East

Events and News May 2020

From the Group Secretary:

Dear members,

The Covid 19 virus has had a devastating effect on group schedules. Lectures and courses have been cancelled and excavation dates are under review. The Festival of Archaeology has revised dates available on p3. We hope you will be able to participate during the new schedule.

News of the CBA SE conference to be held in Lewes on the 10th October 2020 is on page 2. Booking is available vial the Sussex Past website address on p2. It is an exciting and imaginative programme discussing how climate change is affecting archaeology and what archaeology may be able to do in mitigation. We of course can't predict just yet what circumstances will be like in the autumn, but we certainly hope the event can still take place.



The CBA SE AGM will be held during the lunch break at this event and there will be some changes to the lineup of the officers. The committee would also like to see some volunteers to assist with managing events in particular.

We hope to see many of you there since it could be one of the first such events after the Covid 19 lockdown.

Rose Hooker



CBA SE Conference and AGM

Saturday 10th October 2020 (10.00-17.00)

A joint CBA South East and Sussex Archaeological Society conference – Archaeology and Climate Change

This conference will include the CBA South East AGM. Venue: King's Church, Lewes

Programme:

09:15 Arrival, registration and coffee

10:00 Introduction and welcome by Chairman Dr Matt Pope (UCL, and Vice-Chair SAS)

10:10 Quaternary climate change - Professor Martin Bell (University of Reading, and President SAS)

10.40 Expanding Space for the Palaeolithic (and all human history) in the Global Response to Climate Change – Dr Marcy Rockman (ICOMOS) a RECORDED PRESENTATION

11.10 Coffee and Tea

11.40 KEYNOTE LECTURE: Climate change archaeology: building resilience from research into coastal wetlands – Professor Robert van De Noort (University of Reading)

12.20 Rising seas and falling trees: CITiZAN, citizen science and climate change case studies from South East England - Lara Band (CITiZAN/MOLA)

12.50 Questions

13.00 Lunch

13.40 CBA SE AGM

14.10 Climate change, land-use and soil erosion past and present – Professor John Boardman (University of Oxford)

14.40 Learning from the past: historic buildings and climate change – Dr Robyn Pender (Historic England)

15.10 Tea

15.40 Why heritage matters to climate change – Dr Hannah Fluck (Historic England)

16.10 Heritage and Environment Matters – taking effective action in uncertain times

– Tor Lawrence (CEO Sussex Wildlife Trust).

16.40 Questions/Discussion

17.00 Close

Booking via https://sussexpast.co.uk/event/archaeology-and-climate-change-conference



Events

Due to the Covid 19 pandemic it is advised that you should contact the organisers of any events to confirm that there have been no changes or cancellations before booking to take part.

CBA Festival of Archaeology has changed dates and format due to Covid 19. The theme is Climate and Environment.



The first part of the Festival (11th to 19th July) will focus on digital events such as A Day in Archaeology and Ask an Archaeologist. Check the website for details as they are confirmed.

In October there will be a wide range of opportunities to participate in walks and talks, hands on activities, skills training and family fun. Again, more information will be found on the website as events are confirmed.



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CBA notifications

https://new.archaeologyuk.org/news/cba-coronavirus-update For all details about how the CBA is dealing with Covid 19 use this link.

https://new.archaeologyuk.org/news/all-cba-publications-free-to-download

Act while you can and check out this free research resource. There are many fascinating reports to read while you are tied to your home.



An archaeological resources hub is now available with suggestions of free resources for anyone engaged in archaeology in any capacity. <u>http://blog.archaeologyuk.org/2020/03/24/archaeology-resources-hub/</u>



Dig School is an online programme developed by Carenza Lewis and the CBA of workshops themed around archaeology and targeted at ages 10-15 though all are welcome. It will be provided free of charge through funding from Historic England during the summer term of 2020 to help students and teachers during the coronavirus pandemic.

A programme of sessions is available on the website



Whitehawk Camp

The nature reserve adjacent to Whitehawk Hill is under threat from planning proposals which you can read about here: <u>https://savewhitehawkhill.org.uk</u>. These plans will also impact on the landscape setting of the Neilithic enclosure so Dr David Rudling , Chair of CBA South East, has written to Brighton & Hove Council to object, as has Professor Martin Bell, President of Sussex Archaeological Society. Follow events on the above website as they unfold.

Online presentations

Heritage at Home – YouTube presentations by Jo Seaman, Heritage Manager of Eastbourne Borough Council.

The introduction to these presentations is here: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kq9lCeKytY8</u>

The first subject is about the Anglo-Saxon heritage of Eastbourne, titled Sleepers under the Hill

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QEDS_n6oi2w



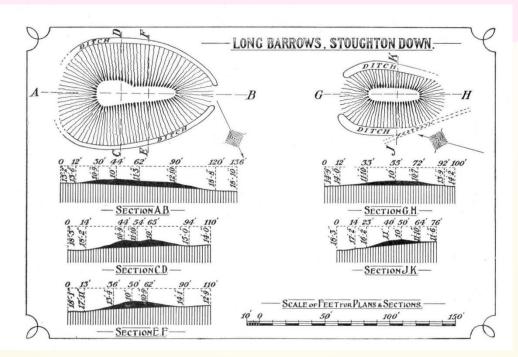


Sussex Archaeological Society

Could you help the Sussex Archaeological Society with its project to digitise Sussex Archaeological Collections which was first published in 1847?

Our project is progressing well with the scanning of 136 volumes completed and over 1300 articles split off from the full volume scans. Now we need assistance with listing the bibliographic data and search terms for the individual articles onto Excel spreadsheets (.xls templates and articles in .pdf format will be provided along with guidance as to how to proceed) and also with cross checking spreadsheets completed by others to ensure accuracy. Once we have completed these spreadsheets, the volumes will be uploaded to Archaeology Data Service to join the volumes published since 1999 which are already there.

We already have a team of volunteers helping us with the digitisation but several now find themselves unable to continue for various reasons. If you feel able to assist us and would like to join our team of volunteers, please email <u>library@sussexpast.co.uk</u>



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KHLC virtual talks

8 May – Kent Voices from VE Day

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To celebrate the 75th anniversary of VE Day, we are preparing a recording featuring readings of personal diary entries, local newspaper articles, parish magazine items and local government literature from 1945 that describe the experiences of VE Day and VJ Day in Kent. All of the sources featured are held in the Kent Archive and Local History collections.

1 June – Isaac Naylor 'Dunkirk and East Kent'

In a talk arranged to coincide with the eightieth anniversary of Operation Dynamo, our speaker will examine the contribution of East Kent, within the wider story of what Churchill later described as a 'miracle of deliverance', with particular attention paid to the epic saga of the little ships and the invaluable support of the local population.



15 June – Jennifer Godfrey 'Suffragettes of Kent'

Hear the story of Maidstone-born Ethel Violet Baldock, the part Maidstone Prison played in forcible feeding, and the reception that greeted Mrs Charlotte Despard when she visited the town.

Links to the talks will be made available at <u>www.kentarchives.org.uk</u> and by circulation to everyone signed up to KHLC events and newsletter mailing lists. If you would like to be added to either of the mailing lists, then please email <u>archives@kent.gov.uk</u>



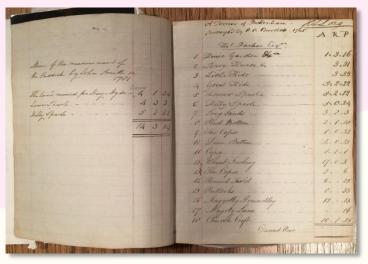
Surrey Archaeological Society

Puttenham Terrier Transcription Project

This online project has been set-up in order to obtain an accurate transcription of the names and other information contained within the 1765 terrier of the entire parish of Puttenham (owned by the Puttenham & Wanborough History Society). It is hoped that the outcome will not only be a full digital transcription of the terrier, but that transcribers will become more confident in their abilities to comprehend historical handwriting as found in original documentary sources, as well as think about the meanings of the names they transcribe and possible etymologies.

A page has been set-up on the Society's website

(https://www.surreyarchaeology.org.uk/content/puttenham-terrier-transcription-project), where photographs of each of the pages of the terrier can be downloaded from, as well as a table in which the contents of those pages can be transcribed. To register your interest, email outreach@surreyarchaeology.org.uk.



A helpful new resource and guide to studying the medieval landscape in Surrey, which has been compiled by Rob Briggs, HER Officer, as a follow-up to the medieval landscape study day in March, is also now available and can be found at

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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. Some of the funding has gone towards the cost of hiring equipment. Some archaeological groups have been supported with help towards the purchase of specialist equipment or geophysical work. Other grants have been awarded for archaeological training courses, and teacher training.

Projects that offer encouragement and fieldwork for school children and Young Archaeologists Clubs are regularly supported and are applicable specifically to our Young Archaeologists grant scheme, whose application can be found online.

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.funnell@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; and 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



Canterbury Historical and Archaeological Society 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.

The deadline for applications is 30th June 2020.

For full details of the application conditions contact <u>beechings1@gmail.com</u>

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 – <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>

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

Next e-letter will be issued approximately **July 1st**– please send any July, August and September items by **June 25th**.

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

