# Council for British Archaeology South East

# Events and News **January 2023**

Dear Members,

Having been elected to Chair at our recent Annual General Meeting, I would like to introduce myself. I was co-opted to the CBA SE committee in early 2015 and later that year took over the position of Treasurer from our colleague, John Funnell. In 2020 I additionally took on the role of Vice-Chair. These last few years, especially post lockdown in these days of online meetings, I have represented CBA SE with other CBA regional groups and the CBA, working across several topics and shared issues, seeking to bring us all closer together on matters of mutual interest.

In addition to my CBA SE responsibilities, I am also a (joint) branch leader of the Chichester Young Archaeologist Club which has now been running for a rewarding six months. I am also a member of Chichester and District Archaeology Society, having in the past sat on their General Committee, but more active within their Fieldwork Committee.

#### Steve Cleverly

| Role                                    | Trustee            |
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| Committee Member                        | Judie English      |
| Committee Member (co-opted)             | Alex Egginton      |
| Grants Officer (co-opted)               | John Funnell       |

At the AGM on 8<sup>th</sup> December our committee membership was confirmed as listed above. We are still looking for volunteers to assist the Committee and the group however, without necessarily becoming a trustee, particularly help with organising events for our membership. If you are interested in helping, please contact any of the trustees.

We would also like to congratulate the Stiances School project led by Simon Stevens and supported by grant funding by CBA SE for winning the Youth Engagement Project of the Year for the Council for British Archaeology/Marsh Community Archaeology Awards 2022.

#### **CBA News**

The CBA AGM and De Cardi lecture will be held on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2023. This is an **online** event.

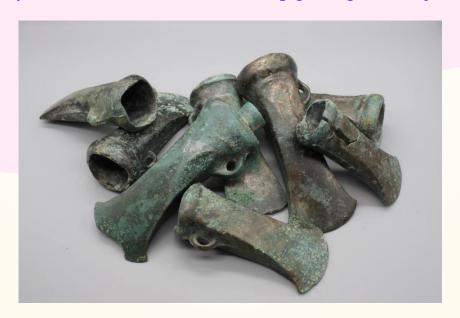
Details and booking from: <a href="https://www.archaeologyuk.org/get-involved/events-and-activities/event-calendar/council-for-british-archaeology-2023-agm-de-cardi-lecture.html">https://www.archaeologyuk.org/get-involved/events-and-activities/event-calendar/council-for-british-archaeology-2023-agm-de-cardi-lecture.html</a>

The theme for the Festival of Archaeology will be announced at this event.

#### **YouTube**

The AGM lecture by Sophia Adams on 'The Battle of Bronze Age Hoards' is now available here:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOaHqegSBBgn-JAIanjQvRg



Also, the talks from the recent Surrey Archaeological Society Research Committee Conference can be found here:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCksA125pBoA4to2kAjwwHBw



## **Conferences and Symposia**

Save the date for these forthcoming conferences

Saturday 18th March 2023 (10.00-17.00)

Surrey Archaeological Society – Annual Symposium

This in person event will include contributions from James Brown (NT),

Andy Hood (Foundations Archaeology) on prehistoric activity at

Spelthorne and Becky Haslam (AOC) on Mesolithic finds from Mercer's

Farm.

Venue: Ashtead Peace Memorial Hall, Woodbridge Road, Ashtead

Fee: £12

Programme and booking details from www.surreyarchaeology.org.uk

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2023 (9.30-17.00)

Sussex School of Archaeology – Annual Conference

This in person event will have contributions about recent work in Sussex.

A full programme is being developed.

Venue: King's Church, Lewes

Fee: tbc

Programme and booking details from

https://www.sussexarchaeology.org/

Saturday 18th November (10.00-17.00)

CBA South East – Annual conference

This is an in person event with a programme being developed for circulation in due course.

Venue: King's Church, Lewes

Fee: tbc

Details will be confirmed in the newsletters and on the website as soon as possible.

### **Events**

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023 (10.30-16.00)

#### Weald and Downland Museum – Wassailing Day

Join the Museum as the orchard is blessed on Wassailing Day.

Venue: Weald and Downland Museum, Singleton

Fee: Normal entry fees apply

Details and booking from: <a href="https://www.wealddown.co.uk/events/wassailing-day-2/">https://www.wealddown.co.uk/events/wassailing-day-2/</a>

Saturday 21st January 2023 (10.00)

#### Brighton & Hove Archaeological Society – Cissbury Walk

A walk to the Neolithic flint mines and Iron Age hillfort.

Meet at Findon Road carpark

Details from: john.funnel@brightonarch.org

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2023 (10.00)

# Chichester & District Archaeological Society — **Behind the scenes tour** of the Mary Rose

Venue: Victoria Gate, Portsmouth Harbour

Booking necessary due to limited numbers; Fee £35 non-members

Details from: activities@cdas.info

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2023 (10.00)

#### Brighton & Hove Archaeological Society – A Day in Lewes

Meet outside Lewes Castle for a tour of heritage sites in Lewes.

Non-members will need to pay entrance fee.

Details from john.funnel@brightonarch.org

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2023 (14.00-16.00)

### Butser Ancient Farm – Imbolc 2023: Celtic Spring Celebration

An afternoon of storytelling, drumming and ritual.

Venue: Butser Ancient Farm, Chalton

Fee: £18

Details and booking from <a href="https://butserancientfarm.digitickets.co.uk/event-">https://butserancientfarm.digitickets.co.uk/event-</a>

tickets/45280?catID=34137

#### **Courses**

Friday 6th January 2023 (19.30-21.30)

Rottingdean Whiteway Centre – Wealthy Romans at Home: Mosaics,

#### **Painted Walls and Fine Furniture**

This short course will be led by Dr David Rudling and will explore how wealthy Romans decorated and furnished interior spaces within their homes.

Venue: Rottingdean Whiteway Centre, Rottingdean

Fee: £12

Details and booking from <a href="https://www.rwc.org.uk/Wealthy-Romans-at-home-mosaics-painted-walls-and-decomposition">https://www.rwc.org.uk/Wealthy-Romans-at-home-mosaics-painted-walls-and-decomposition</a>

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Friday 13th January 2023 (10.00-12.00)

#### Rottingdean Whiteway Centre – The Landscapes of Southeast England

This 10 week course will be led by Dr Geoffrey Mead and will look at a range of landscapes to better understand their characters.

Venue: Rottingdean Whiteway Centre, Rottingdean

Fee: £87

Details and booking from https://www.rwc.org.uk/the\_landscapes\_of\_southeast\_england

Saturday 28th January 2023 (10.00-16.00)

Brighton & Hove Archaeological Society – Roman Artefacts from

#### Excavation

This Study Day will be led by Dr David Rudling.

Venue: Patcham Community Centre, Patcham

Fee: £25 members; £30 non-members

Details and booking from john.funnel@brightonarch.org

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2023 (10.00-12.00)

#### Rottingdean Whiteway Centre – Firle Place: Gentry in a Landscape

This dayschool will be led by Dr Geoffrey Mead and will look at the house, the park and the family history.

Venue: Rottingdean Whiteway Centre, Rottingdean

Fee: £12

Details and booking from https://www.rwc.org.uk/firle\_place\_gentry\_in\_a\_landscape

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#### Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2023 (10.00-16.00)

### Brighton & Hove Archaeological Society – Prehistoric Pottery

This Study Day will be led by Barbara McNee Venue: Patcham Community Centre, Patcham

Fee: £25 members; £30 non-members

Details and booking from john.funnel@brightonarch.org

#### Saturday 25th February 2023

#### Chichester & District Archaeological Society – The Bayeux Tapestry

This dayschool will be led by Simon Stevens (ASE) and will provide an account of the Tapestry from its enigmatic origins to its place in popular culture today.

Venue: Eames Farm, Thorney Road, Emsworth

Fee: £25 members; £30 non-members

Details and booking from activities@cdas.info



### Saturday 11th March 2023 (10.00-16.00)

# Brighton & Hove Archaeological Society – **Archaeological Illustration** (**Pottery and Flintwork**)

This Study Day will be taught by Jane Russell and places are limited.

Venue: Patcham Community Centre, Patcham

Fee: £25 members; £30 non-members

Details and booking from john.funnel@brightonarch.org



#### **Lectures and talks**

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023 (19.30)

#### Worthing Archaeological Society – **Longitude**

A talk by Bob Turner on how we learned to navigate and the losses that happened at sea.

Venue: Worthing College, Sanditon Way, Worthing

Fee: non-members £4

Details and booking (date and venue subject to change) from

https://www.worthingarchaeological.org/events.html

Wednesday 18th January 2023 (19.30)

University of Sussex Archaeological Society – Understanding the 'near

#### Lewes' Bronze Age Hoard

An **online** talk by Dr Jaime Kaminski on the research by Sussex Archaeological Society on this hoard and setting it in the context of the ornament horizon of Southern Britain.

Details and booking from <a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/490374973747">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/490374973747</a>

Wednesday 25th January 2023 (19.30)

Chichester & District Archaeological Society – Recreating the Sparsholt

#### **Mosaic at Butser Ancient Farm**

A talk by Trevor Creighton about shedding light on mosaic making in Roman Britain.

Venue: New Park Centre, New Park Road, Chichester

Fee: £5 non-members

Details from http://www.cdas.info/Lectures.html

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2023 (20.00)

Orpington & District Archaeological Society – Update on excavations at

#### **Lullingstone Villa and Lullingstone Castle**

A talk by Dr Anne Sassin, Community Archaeologist on recent work at these sites.

Venue: Christ Church URC, Tudor Way, Petts Wood

Fee: non-members £2

Details from: http://www.odas.org.uk/meetings/



#### Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2023 (20.00)

# Epsom & Ewell History & Archaeology Society – Stane Street, the Roman

#### road between London and Chichester

A talk by Richard Baker

Venue: Ewell Hall, London Road, Ewell

Fee: £4 non-members

Details from <a href="https://www.epsomewellhistory.org.uk/EEHAStalks">https://www.epsomewellhistory.org.uk/EEHAStalks</a>

#### Saturday 4th February 2023 (14.30)

#### Wealden Iron Research Group – Winter Meeting

There will be three presentations on the Sidley bloomery, recent excavations at Udimore and recent smelting experiments.

Refreshments available afterwards for £2.50 Venue: Nutley War Memorial Hall, Nutley

Details from https://www.wealdeniron.org.uk/2022/11/02/wirg-winter-meeting-2023/

#### Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2023 (19.45)

# Tonbridge Historical Society — The Retrial — examining social morality and the law of late Victorian Tonbridge

A talk by Pam Mills exploring the case of a murdered child in 1902, the influence of the press and the need for justice.

Venue: Riverside Room, Angel Centre, Tonbridge

Details from <a href="http://www.tonbridgehistory.org.uk/ths/thshome.htm#thslectures">http://www.tonbridgehistory.org.uk/ths/thshome.htm#thslectures</a>

#### Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023 (19.30)

# Brighton & Hove Archaeological Society – New evidence found at Cerne

#### Abbas

A talk by Dr Mike Allen.

Venue: Unitarian Church, New Road, Brighton

Fee: £4 non-members

Details from http://www.brightonarch.org.uk/6\_1.htm

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Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2023 (19.30)

University of Sussex Archaeological Society – With a Mag(netometer)

#### on Roman Farne Street

An **online** talk by David Staveley detailing the sections of road and roadside settlements that have been found from Hardham to Pevensey.

Details and booking from https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/491001036317

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2023 (19.30)

Chichester & District Archaeological Society – The Future of

#### Archaeology in Sussex

A talk by Dr Matt Pope

Venue: New Park Centre, New Park Road, Chichester

Fee: £5 non-members

Details from http://www.cdas.info/Lectures.html

Wednesday 1st March 2023 (20.00)

Epsom & Ewell History & Archaeological Society – Little Woodcote: A

#### Late Bronze Age 'Treasure' in Context

This talk by Jon Cotton accompanies the AGM

Venue: Ewell Hall, London Road, Ewell

Fee: £4 non-members

Details from <a href="https://www.epsomewellhistory.org.uk/EEHAStalks">https://www.epsomewellhistory.org.uk/EEHAStalks</a>

Wednesday 1st March 2023 (20.00)

Orpington & District Archaeological Society – The Archaeology of the

#### **River Thames in Greater London**

A talk by Eliott Wragg on this fascinating area

Venue: Christ Church URC, Tudor Way, Petts Wood

Fee: non-members £2

Details from: http://www.odas.org.uk/meetings/

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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, 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 are 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.

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. Any archaeological project whether field or post excavation can be worthy of support. Applications will be reviewed on 1<sup>st</sup> April and 1<sup>st</sup> October for consideration by the committee.

There is also a ring-fenced Young Archaeologists fund for YAC and Museum Groups which may need some small funds to kickstart projects and events.

If your group or project is lacking in funding then the CBASE may be a source of funds. If you would like to apply for a CBASE grant, contact the Grants Officer at <a href="mailto:john.funnell@brightonarch.org.uk">john.funnell@brightonarch.org.uk</a> for an application form and terms and conditions. If successful then a note about the project will be requested for publication in the newsletter.

#### **CBA YAC Grants**

In addition to CBA-SE's own Young Archaeologists grant funding, YAC have launched a small grants scheme to help YAC branches with COVID recovery.

The grants are £200 per branch and there are no restrictions on what they can be spent on, as long as they help with restarting in-person sessions.

The funding has come from several different pots. For English Clubs, **Historic England** have made funds available as part of their broader core funding for the YAC.

For Northern Ireland and Scotland, the **CBA** have helped fund the YAC, and funding has already been provided to YAC Welsh groups via the **NLHF project**, **Unloved Heritage**, managed by **Cadw**.

You can read the full blog about the YAC grants by following <a href="https://www.yac-uk.org/news/launching-small-grants-for-yac-groups">https://www.yac-uk.org/news/launching-small-grants-for-yac-groups</a>.



Sally Christian Grants from Sussex Archaeological Society are 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.

This grant fund has been put on hold while Sussex Archaeological Society considers the way forward for Society funds and activities.

#### **Fundraising Accounts**

CBA Southeast has set up multiple fundraising accounts that supporters may use to help to fund our charitable aims, and hopefully aligned with your preferences.

#### These are:

- 1. Give as you live (<u>www.giveasyoulive.com</u>), our charity name being Council for British Archaeology South-East (short name: CBASE)
- 2. Easyfundraising (<a href="www.easyfundraising.co.uk">www.easyfundraising.co.uk</a>), our charity name being Council for British Archaeology South-East
- 3. Amazon (through your Amazon account <a href="www.amazon.co.uk">www.amazon.co.uk</a>) by selecting our charity (Council for British Archaeology South East) under your account settings 'Programs and Features' (desktop) or 'Settings' (smart devices) and selecting 'AmazonSmile')

Supporters having difficulties in setting up such a service are welcome to contact us at cbasoutheast@hotmail.com.

Please email any events, talks, recent publications relevant to the southeast, or fieldwork opportunities to <a href="mailto:events@cbasouth-east.org">events@cbasouth-east.org</a>

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

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