

Dear Members,

Spring will soon be upon us and already trowels are being sharpened and buckets, shovels and other tools being cleaned ready for the new season. Various groups around the south east will soon begin a new season of excavation. Post excavation and research will continue and progress. The CBA South East does have a grant fund to support archaeological endeavours covering both excavation and research. CBA South East has funding to support the Young Archaeologists Club (YAC), with their various activities, and have also given help with a number of school projects. If you believe that your project could benefit from one of our grants, then please contact John Funnell at john.funnell@brightonarch.org.uk. The CBA-SE grant applications are examined at meetings in April and October, although some applications can be fast tracked during other parts of the year.

John Funnell, Grants Officer

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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: Ashted Peace Memorial Hall, Woodbridge Road, Ashted

Fee: £12

Programme and booking details <https://www.surreyarchaeology.org.uk/content/surrey-annual-symposium-book-online-now>



Saturday 25th March 2023 (9.30-17.00)

Sussex School of Archaeology – **Annual Conference**

Topics and periods will include:

Hearts and Histories of the Downs (to include the Butt's Brow excavations), Local Traditions in the Near Lewes Hoard, A comparison of the early animal food-based remains of Fishbourne Roman Palace to the later villas of Hampshire and Sussex, Bridge Farm Excavations 2018-2022, Ground penetrating radar on Roman to post-medieval Chichester, Roman Sussex in the Post-Roman world - Reuse and Recycling in early medieval Sussex, Travertine - a little known Sussex building stone, The Iron Industry of the Weald, Iron Firebacks, PAS metal finds from West Sussex

Venue: King's Church, Lewes

Fee: In person £30 or online £25

Booking from <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/sussex-archaeology-symposium-2023-tickets-549294583887>

Sunday 21st May 2023 (9.30 – 17.00)

Surrey Archaeological Society – **Shining a light on the disposal of the dead in Roman SE England**

This in person event is available to book now with confirmed speakers including Dr John Pearce, Dr David Rudling and Prof. Tony King.

Venue: Ashted Peace Memorial Hall, Woodfield Lane, Ashted

Fee: £15

Details and booking from: <https://www.surreyarchaeology.org.uk/content/shining-a-light-on-the-disposal-of-the-dead-in-roman-se-england-book-online-now>

Saturday 14th October 2023 (9.15-17.00)

Sussex School of Archaeology – **Sussex History Symposium**

This is an in person event and the programme will be available in due course.

Venue: King's Church, Lewes

Fee: tbc

Details will be available in due course

Saturday 18th November 2023 (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.

Saturday 25th November 2023 (10.00 – 16.00)

Surrey Archaeological Society – **Surrey Historic Environment Research Framework Conference**

This will be an **online** event with a theme of the history and archaeology of medicine.

Fee: tbc

Details will be available in due course.

Events

Saturday 18th March 2023

Horsham & District Archaeology Group – **A guided stroll around Storrington**

This walk will be looking at the local heritage. Details from horshamarch@hotmail.co.uk.

Saturday 1st April – Sunday 2nd April 2023 (10.00-16.00)

Butser Ancient Farm – **Roman re-enactment weekend**

Discover life in Roman Britain with the Butser IX legion.

Venue: Butser Ancient Farm, Chalton Lane; Fee: normal admission prices apply

Details from: <https://www.butserancientfarm.co.uk/whats-on/roman-reenactment-living-history-2023-april>

This is the first of regular themed weekends in April and May.

Saturday 22nd April 2023 (10.00-15.00)

Butser Ancient Farm – **Prehistoric Pottery Workshop**

Discover an ancient technology and create your own prehistoric pot.

Venue: Butser Ancient Farm, Chalton Lane; Fee: £90

Booking necessary from: <https://butserancientfarm.digitickets.co.uk/event-tickets/38219?catID=33765>

Friday 28th April 2023 – Sunday 30th April (19.00 – 15.00)

Centre for Kent History & Heritage – **Tudor and Stuarts History Weekend**

This event will showcase recent research through lectures and guided visits of this remarkable period in history.

Tickets £10 per person per chosen event (discount for multiple tickets available)

Details from <https://www.canterbury.ac.uk/arts-and-humanities/research-kent-history-and-archaeology/tudors-and-stuarts-weekend-2021/Tudors-and-Stuarts-History-Weekend.aspx>

Saturday 15th July – Sunday 30th July 2023

Council for British Archaeology – **Festival of Archaeology: Archaeology and Creativity**

Details from: <https://www.archaeologyuk.org/festival.html> to submit an event.

You can nominate people and projects for the Marsh Community Awards here:

<https://www.archaeologyuk.org/what-we-do/celebrating-archaeology/the-marsh-community-archaeology-awards.html>

Courses

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

Saturday 13th May 2023

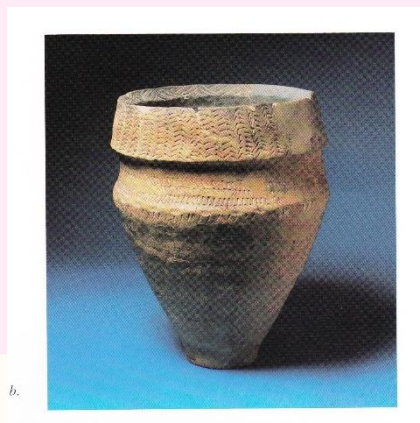
Worthing Archaeological Society – **Study Day: Prehistoric Pottery**

Barbara McNee will be leading this in person study day on prehistoric pottery from the Neolithic to the Iron Age.

Venue: Worthing Museum & Gallery, Chapel Road, Worthing

Details from <https://www.worthingarchaeological.org/events.html> and contact via this link:

<https://www.worthingarchaeological.org/contact.html>



Saturday 27th May – Monday 29th May 2023

Kent Archaeological Field School – **Field walking and map analysis**

This weekend course will cover the recognition and recording of artefacts found in the ploughsoil and the importance of regressive map analysis for such projects.

Venue: Kent Archaeological Field School, Graveney Road, Faversham

Fee: non-members £25

Details of this and other courses: <http://www.kafs.co.uk/courses.aspx>

Booking from: <http://www.kafs.co.uk/bookings.aspx>

Lectures and talks

Some of the following events are being presented via Zoom and there may be audience restrictions or requirements if they are 'in person'. Please check with the organisers before booking.

Tuesday 7th March 2023 (18.30)

The Rochester Bridge Trust – **Cobham Landscapes Detectives**

Andrew Mayfield (Community Archaeologist) will talk about this project and the discovery of local histories from prehistory to the 20th century.

Venue: Rochester Bridge Chapel (reopened after refurbishment)

A free event – tea and coffee from 18.00

Booking necessary from: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/bridge-chapel-lecture-archaeology-in-cobham-tickets-512959243907>

Friday 10th March 2023 (19.30)

Brighton & Hove Archaeological Society – **Title tbc**

A mystery talk by Michael Parker Pearson (UCL)

Venue: Unitarian Church, New Road, Brighton

Fee: non-members £4

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

Friday 10th March 2023 (19.30)

Richmond Archaeological Society – **Shakespearian Playhouses**

An **online** talk by Heather Knight (Museum of London Archaeology)

Fee: non-members by donation

Details from: <http://www.richmondarchaeology.org.uk/>

Tuesday 14th March 2023 (19.30)

Worthing Archaeological Society – **Women in Archaeology**

A talk by Amie Friend (founder of Time Seekers), about a number of pioneer archaeologists such as Hilda Petrie

Venue: Worthing College, Sanditon Way, Worthing

Fee: non-members £4

Details from: <https://www.worthingarchaeological.org/events.html>

Tuesday 14th March 2023 (20.00)

Plaxtol Local History Group – **Defending Kent – a History of Fortification**

A talk by Sir Paul Britton

Venue: Plaxtol Memorial Hall, School Lane, Plaxtol, Sevenoaks

Fee: non-members £2

Wednesday 15th March 2023 (19.30)

University of Sussex Archaeological Society – **Secrets of the High Woods**

An **online** talk by Anne Bone who will share the discoveries made by this project and the questions raised.

Booking from: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/537309636587>

Friday 17th March 2023 (19.30)

Lewes Archaeological Group – **5000 Years of Life on the Downland: Archaeological Excavations at Butts Brow**

A talk by Katherine Buckland (Heritage Engagement Officer) discussing the nationally important early Neolithic monument, the excavation of which is part of the Changing Chalk project.

Venue: Lecture Room, Lewes Town Hall

Fee: non-members £4

Details from: <http://www.lewesarchaeology.org.uk/>



Wednesday 22nd March 2023 (19.30)

Chichester & District Archaeological Society – **Excavation by Archaeology South East in Chichester**

A talk by Hayley Evans of ASE

Venue: New Park Centre, New Park Road, Chichester

Fee: non-members £5

Details from: <https://www.cdas.info/Lectures.html>

Thursday 23rd March 2023 (16.00)

Surrey Archaeological Society Prehistoric Group – **Interim findings from the ‘Monumentality and Landscape: Linear Earthworks in Britain’ project**

This free **online** ‘teatime talk’ by Dr Barney Harris (UCL) will discuss this interesting national project which looks at both Iron Age and Medieval Earthworks

To book contact: martintrose@aol.com

Wednesday 29th March 2023 (19.30)

Horsham & District Archaeology Group – **A ‘Potted’ History of British Archaeology – From Antiquarians to Internet Experts**

A talk by Simon Stevens (ASE) on the rapid development of the study of the past. Archaeologists of today benefit from centuries of archaeological experience, good and bad.

Venue: Copsale Village Hall, Copsale, Horsham

Fee: non-members £4

Details from: horshamarch@hotmail.co.uk or check the Facebook page

Tuesday 11th April 2023 (20.00)

Plaxtol Local History – **Westerham, Brasted, Sundridge and Ide Hill**

A talk by Jonathan Fenner on these linked sites

Venue: Plaxtol Memorial Hall, School Lane, Plaxtol, Sevenoaks

Fee: non-members £2

Details from: <https://plaxtollocalhistory.wordpress.com/talks-visits/>

Friday 14th April 2023 (19.30)

Lewes Archaeological Group – **The Seaford Head Archaeological Project**

A talk by Jon Sygrave (ASE) discussing investigations of the Seaford Head hillfort before it disappears into the sea.

Venue: Lecture Room, Lewes Town Hall

Fee: non-members £4

Details from: <http://www.lewesarchaeology.org.uk>

Friday 14th April 2023 (19.30)

Brighton & Hove Archaeological Society – **In Pursuit of the Classis Britannica**

Lynn Cornwell (Hastings Area Archaeological Research Group) will discuss investigations in the Weald and four new sites which have been discovered.

Venue: Unitarian Church, New Road, Brighton

Fee: non-members £4

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

Wednesday 19th April 2023 (19.30)

University of Sussex Archaeological Society – **The Sussex Landscape in the Mesolithic and Neolithic** (The Holleyman Lecture)

This **online** talk by Prof. Martin Bell (University of Reading) will review the evidence for the landscape of ancient Sussex. This evidence is relevant to current debates on nature conservation, rewilding and forest development.

Details from: admin@usas.org.uk or www.usas.org.uk

Friday 21st April 2023 (20.00)

Richmond Archaeological Society – **Surviving in Lower Palaeolithic Europe**

An online talk by Prof. Rob Hosfield (University of Reading)

Details from: <http://www.richmondarchaeology.org.uk/>

Wednesday 26th April 2023 (19.30)

Chichester & District Archaeological Society – **Finds and Artefacts from ASE excavations in Chichester**

A talk by Elke Raeaman of ASE

Venue: New Park Centre, New Park Road, Chichester

Fee: non-members £5

Details from: <https://www.cdas.info/Lectures.html>

Wednesday 26th April 2023 (19.30)

**Horsham & District Archaeology Group – Investigating Knepp Castle:
geophysical surveys at a ‘slighted’ site**

A talk by Richard Nevell about recent work which suggests that there is more to this site than currently meets the eye.

Venue: Copsale Village Hall, Copsale, Horsham

Fee: non-members £4

Details from: horshamarch@hotmail.co.uk or check the group Facebook page

Wednesday 3rd May 2023 (20.00)

**Orpingdon & District Archaeological Society – Archaeological Work at
Smallhythe**

A talk by Nathalie Cohen (NT) on recent work at Smallhythe

Venue: Christ Church URC, Tudor Way, Petts Wood

Fee: non-members £2

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



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 1st April and 1st 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 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.

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 <https://www.yac-uk.org/news/launching-small-grants-for-yac-groups>

Sally Christian Grants are available from **Sussex Archaeological Society** to support students and early career heritage professionals conducting archaeological research or study related to Sussex. Grants are awarded in March and September and total £2000 per year across multiple awardees.

Full details of what can be funded and how to apply are at <https://sussexpast.co.uk/research/the-sally-Christian-fund/>

Fundraising Accounts

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

These are:

1. Give as you live (www.giveasyoulive.com), our charity name being Council for British Archaeology South-East (short name: CBASE)
2. Easyfundraising (www.easyfundraising.co.uk), our charity name being Council for British Archaeology South-East
3. Amazon (through your Amazon account www.amazon.co.uk) 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.

The next e-letter will be issued approximately **May 1st 2023** – please send any March, April and May items by **April 25th** to rosemary.hooker@blueyonder.co.uk

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