

Dear Members,

2023 Conference

This year's annual conference – '*What is new from Commercial Archaeology in the South-East?*' – will be run jointly with the Sussex School of Archaeology and History. The event will be held on the 18th of November 2023 in person at Kings Church, Lewes, East Sussex, with an online option. The provisional programme is listed on page 2.

Tickets are priced £25 in person conference fee, £20 for CBA Southeast members and Sussex School Friends and full-time students. Online viewing will be £13.

Tickets will be available from Eventbrite, a link for which will be found shortly on our website <https://www.cbasouth-east.org/>

Finally, our AGM will be held in early February 2024 with an online lecture. Date and time will be announced in due course.

Any queries, please contact cbasoutheast@hotmail.com.

Steve Cleverly (Chair)



What is new from commercial archaeology in the South-East?

Programme (running order to be confirmed)

9.50 Meeting link will open

10.00 Chair: Welcome and introduction

10.05 Andy Hood (Foundation Archaeology): *Excavation of a rather fine pair of funerary barrows at Spelthorne Leisure Centre in late 2021-early 2022*

10.40 Hayley Nicholls (Archaeology South-East): *A new lowland hillfort at Chichester*

11.15 Coffee/Tea

11.40 Jon Baczkowski (Chris Butler Archaeological Services): *Investigation of multiperiod site near Pevensey with complicated superficial geology/geoarchaeology*

12.15 Paul Wilkinson (Swale and Thames Archaeological Survey): *Watling Street – the corridor (or conduit) for Roman Sacred and Secular power*

12.40 Lunch

13.40 Chair

13.40 Odile Rouard (Thames Valley Archaeological Services): *A new take on a site at Water Lane, Angmering*

14.15 Diccon Hart (HB Archaeology and Conservation): *Buildings archaeology and survey*

14.40 Coffee/Tea

15.05 Mike Allen (Allen Environmental Archaeology): *Environmental archaeology at Isle of Sheppey, Ouse Valley at Lewes*

15:40 Letty Ingreby (Archaeology South-East): *Post-excavation of some Palaeolithic sites, including the 'giant handaxe' from the Maritime Academy site*

16.15 Closing comments and Q&A

16.30 Close

Conferences

Saturday 14th October 2023 (10.00 – 17.00)

Sussex School of Archaeology & History hybrid conference – **The Sussex Landscape Transformed: an overview**

Speakers:

Dr Sue Berry, Dr Jon Baczkowski, Dr Judie English, Dr David Rudling, Dr Marc Morris, Dr Caroline Adams, Dr Geoffrey Mead

Topics and periods:

Two millennia of change: Sussex through the Neolithic

Development of Field Systems during the Later Bronze Age and The Iron Age

The Impact of Rome

The Impact of the Norman Conquest on Anglo-Saxon England

Changing Manorial Landscape in the Early Modern Period

Transformation by the Georgians and Victorians of the Urban and Rural Landscape

The 20th century as a time of societal change

Tickets: £30 (£20 student concessions); £15 online by zoom

Further details (Programme, abstracts, speaker details, etc): <https://www.sussexarchaeology.org/>

Eventbrite bookings: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/656143431667>

Venue: King's Church, Lewes



Saturday 11th November 2023 (9.00 – 17.30)

Wealden Geological Assembly

This in person event has a full programme now available from Anthony.brook27@btinternet.com

Fee: £30 (Students £25)

Venue: King's Church, Lewes

Saturday 25th November 2023 (10.00 – 15.00)

Surrey Archaeological Society – **Surrey Historic Environment Research Framework Conference: *Pills, Potions and Poison***

This will be an **online** event with a theme of the history and archaeology of medicine. Speakers will include Dr Patty Baker, Dr Judie English, Dr Mary Alexander, Lorna Webb and Dr Martin Hugon

Fee: £5

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

The Surrey Archaeological Society AGM will be taking place between 13.00 and 13.30 and can be booked separately FOC.



Medieval Hospital

Saturday 17th February 2024 (9.45 – 17.00)

Sussex Archaeological Society – **Sussex Archaeology: A 175 Year Heritage**

This 'in person' event will celebrate the history of archaeology in Sussex and some of the people who shaped the study, protection and explanation of the past in the county and more widely.

Venue: Bramber Building, University of Sussex, Falmer

Fee: £30 (includes lunch and refreshments)

Details and booking from: <https://sussexpast.co.uk/event/conference-2023/>

Lectures

Most of these lectures are now being held ‘in person’ so do check with the organisers for any Covid protocols still in place.

Wednesday 6th September 2023 (20.00)

Orpington & District Archaeological Society – **The Lossenham Project**

A talk by Dr Andrew Richardson, Director Isle Heritage CIC

Venue: Christ Church URC, Tudor Way, Petts Wood

Non-members £2

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

Wednesday 6th September 2023 (20.00)

Epsom & Ewell History & Archaeology Society – **The Punic Wars (tbc)**

A talk by Charles Blencowe

Venue: Ewell Hall, London Road, Ewell

Non-members £4

Details from: <https://www.epsomewellhistory.org.uk/EEHASTalks>

Monday 11th September 2023 (19.00)

Lewes History Group – **The importance of the River Ouse for the growth of Lewes**

A talk by Mary Burke

Venue: King’s Church, Lewes

Details from: <https://leweshistory.org.uk/meetings/>

Tuesday 12th September 2023 (20.00)

Plaxtol Local History Group – **An Illustrated History of Canterbury**

A talk by Martin J Crowther

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

Non-members £2

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

Thursday 14th September 2023 (19.45)

Tonbridge Historical Society – Colonel Stephens: The Father of Light Railways

A talk by Doug Lindsay

Venue: Riverside Room, Angel Centre, Tonbridge

Non-members £3

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

Wednesday 20th September 2023 (19.30)

University of Sussex Archaeological Society – From industry to agriculture: new Roman and Anglo-Saxon discoveries on the Bexhill-Hastings link road

An **online** talk by Dr Martyn Allen (Oxford Archaeology) discussing an extensive Romano-British iron bloomery and an Anglo-Saxon agricultural settlement.

Details and booking from: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/700128672707> Free but donations welcome

Wednesday 27th September 2023 (19.30)

Chichester & District Archaeology Society – Working with children and animals: the Stiances Archaeological Project

A talk by Simon Stevens on this long term youth project

Venue: New Park Centre, New Park Road, Chichester

Non-members £5

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

Wednesday 27th September 2023 (19.30)

Horsham & District Archaeology Group – Some recent and not so recent Field Work projects undertaken by Worthing Archaeological Society

A talk by Keith Bolton (*WAS)

Venue: Copsale Village Hall, Copsale, Horsham

Non-members £5

Details from : <http://horshamarchaeologygroup.webs.com/>

Monday 9th October 2023 (19.00)

Lewes History Group – Traditional Windmills in Sussex and Lewes

A talk by Guy Blythman

Venue: King's Church, Lewes

Details from: <https://leweshistory.org.uk/meetings/>

Thursday 12th October 2023 (19.45)

Tonbridge Historical Society – Kent's Tudor Defences

A talk by David Carder

Venue: Riverside Room, Angel Centre, Tonbridge

Non-members £3

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

Friday 13th October 2023 (19.30)

**Brighton & Hove Archaeological Society – Digging the Durotriges:
Excavations in Bronze and Iron Age Dorset 2021 -23**

A talk by Miles Russell showing how these ongoing excavations, together with other surveys of the county, are helping to reconstruct prehistoric activity in SW Britain.

Venue: Unitarian Church. New Road, Brighton

Non-members: £4

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

Wednesday 18th October 2023 (19.30)

**University of Sussex Archaeological Society – Rudyard Kipling and
Roman Britain**

An **online** talk by Dr David Walsh (University of Newcastle)

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

Wednesday 25th October 2023 (19.30)

**Chichester & District Archaeology Society – Bronze Age finds from
Chichester & Sussex (tbc)**

A talk by Jaime Kaminski

Venue: New Park Centre, New Park Road, Chichester

Non-members £5

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

Wednesday 1st November 2023 (20.00)

Orpington & District Archaeological Society – Update of work at Greenwich Park

A talk by Andrew Mayfield, Community Archaeologist

Venue: Christ Church URC, Tudor Way, Petts Wood

Non-members £2

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

Friday 10th November 2023 (19.30)

Brighton & Hove Archaeological Society – Crete: The Myth of the Minotaur and the archaeology of the Minoans

A talk by Sarah Green looking at the archaeological evidence for the Cretan Bronze Age civilisation.

Venue: Unitarian Church, New Road, Brighton

Non-members £4

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

Saturday 11th November 2023 (14.30)

Tonbridge Historical Society – Royal Parks at Greenwich; Archaeology of Shorne Woods Country Park.

Two talks separated by a tea break from Andrew Mayfield

Venue: Riverside Room, Angel Centre, Tonbridge

Booking essential. Details from: secretary@tonbridgehistory.org.uk

Thursday 16th November 2023 (19.00)

Surrey Archaeological Society Prehistoric Group – Neanderthal People of La Mancheland: Exploring the earliest prehistory of the English Channel Region

A free **online** talk by Dr Matt Pope.

To register your interest contact: martintrose@aol.com

Events

June 2023 – December 2023 (10.00-16.00, but days will vary seasonally)

Kent Archaeological Society – **Temporary exhibition**

Venue: Maidstone Museum, Maidstone

Details from: <https://kentarchaeology.org.uk/news/maidstone-museum-exhibition-showcasing-story-kent-archaeological-society>

Sunday 3rd September 2023 (11.00-16.00)

Oldland Mill, Keymer, Sussex – **A Family Mill Day**

Once owned by Sussex Archaeological Society and now managed by volunteers.

No access by car but free minibus from Ockley Lane.

Entrance by donation.

Information from: <https://www.oldlandwindmill.org.uk/newsite/visit-us/news/>

Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th September 2023 (14.00-16.30)

Orpington and District Archaeological Society – **Scadbury Moated Manor Open Days**

Visit the remains of the Tudor Manor House with a self guided trail around the site and ODAS members on hand. Bookstall but no toilet facilities or refreshments.

Venue: Scadbury Park, Chislehurst

Free event. Donations welcome.

Full details from: <http://www.odas.org.uk/>

Sunday 10th to Saturday 25th September 2023

Kent Archaeological Society – **Trottiscliffe Roman Villa Excavation**

The excavation this season is to identify whether a feature is indeed a bath-house.

Everyone is welcome, no experience is necessary and all ages and abilities are invited to volunteer for this free event.

Register your interest at: tchpvolunteers@kentarchaeology.org.uk

Saturday 16th September 2023

Worthing Archaeological Society – **WAS Drawing Day School 1**

A study day for on-site plan and section drawing led by Bob Turner.

Venue: NT-Slindon Estate, Top Road, Arundel

Non-members £25 (includes all 3 linked day schools)

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

Saturday 16th September 2023 (10.00)

Chichester & District Archaeology Society – **Walking Tour of Roman (and Medieval) Chichester**

A guided tour by James Kenny, Archaeology Officer, Chichester DC

Meeting point: Council Chamber, North Street

Non-members £12.50

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

Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th September 2023 (10.30-18.00)

Weald and Downland Museum – **Made by Hand**

A heritage crafts and skills weekend.

Venue: Weald and Downland Museum, Singleton

Details and booking from: <https://www.wealddown.co.uk/events/made-by-hand/>

Wednesday 20th September 2023 (9.30-11.30)

Rottingdean Whiteway Centre – **The archaeology of Sussex: an introduction**

This 10 week programme will be taught by Dr David Rudling and will take students through prehistory to modern times.

Venue: Rottingdean Whiteway Centre, Rottingdean

Fee: £90

Booking and details from: <https://www.rwc.org.uk/courses>

Saturday 23rd September 2023

Chichester & District Archaeology Society – **Dangerous Waters & Golden Sands**

A study day led by Dr Ian Friel an expert in maritime history.

Venue: Eames Farm, Thorney Road, Emsworth

Non-members £30

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

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 from Sussex Archaeological Society are available to support students and early career heritage professionals conducting archaeological research or study related to Sussex. Grants are awarded in March and September and the next deadline for applications is August 12th 2022, followed by February 17th 2023.

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.

Please email any events, talks, recent publications relevant to the south-east, or fieldwork opportunities to events@cbasouth-east.org.

Next e-letter will be issued approximately **Novemberr 1st** – please send any September, October and November items by **October 25th**.

Keep up-to-date on the website www.cbasouth-east.org and follow us on

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