

Dear Members,

I would like to express my appreciation to those who attended our online Annual General Meeting (AGM) on the 13th of February 2024. The evening commenced with a presentation from Trevor Creighton and Sue Webber, reviewing their experiences in recreating a Sparsholt Villa mosaic, near Winchester, at Butser Ancient Farm. It is intended to share the presentation through our YouTube channel – <https://www.youtube.com/@cbasouth-east9845>

The AGM paperwork was posted to members on the 26th of January and included proposed changes to our Constitution, the Chair's report, and Treasurer statement. All of these were officially proposed for approval and accepted. The acceptance of Trustee positions was equally proposed and approved. Our structure is as follows:

Trustee Roles

Chair & Treasurer	Steve Cleverly
Vice-chair	Andrew Ward
Secretary	Elizabeth Blanning
Membership Secretary & Kent Officer	Shiela Broomfield
E-letter editor & Surrey Officer	Rose Hooker
Newsletter editor	Ann Isenburg
Newsletter editor	Ann Russell
Webmaster	Phil Stanley
Social media	Andrew Ward
Grants officer	John Funnell
Committee member	Judie English
Committee member & Sussex officer	David Rudling
Committee member	Anne Sassin

We continue to seek volunteers to assist the Committee (without necessarily becoming a Trustee), in organising events for our membership. If you are interested in helping please contact any of the Trustees.

As always, thank you for your continued membership and support.

Best wishes, Steven Cleverly (CBA Southeast Chair)

CBA News

The CBA has opened booking for the Festival of Archaeology being held between 13th and 28th July 2024. Details can be found here for events and organisers:

<https://www.archaeologyuk.org/festival.html>



The CBA has announced the newly designed YAC Pass for 2024-27. The Pass can be used at most English Heritage, Historic Environment Scotland and Cadw sites for special offers. Check for offers before you go at:

<https://www.yac-uk.org/places-to-go>

For more details contact: <https://www.yac-uk.org/news/launching-the-new-yac-pass-2024-27>

The CBA has two interesting This is Archaeology **Zoom** talks in March which are free.

Thursday 7th March (19.00): **An Evening with National Trust Archaeologists 2024**

Details and booking from: <https://www.archaeologyuk.org/get-involved/events-and-activities/event-calendar/an-evening-with-national-trust-archaeologists-2024.html>

Thursday 21st March (19.00): **Rooted in history – branching into the future: the story of the nation's forests.**

Details and booking from:

<https://www.archaeologyuk.org/get-involved/events-and-activities/event-calendar/this-is-archaeology-rooted-in-history-branching-into-the-future-the-story-of-the-nation-s-forests.html>

Conferences

Saturday 9th March 2024 (10.00-17.00)

Surrey Archaeological Society – **Annual Symposium: Recent work in Surrey**



**Surrey Archaeological Society
Annual Symposium 2024**

**Saturday 9 March
10:00-17:00**

**East Horsley Village Hall
www.surreyarchaeology.org.uk**



This is an 'in person' event .

Fee: £12

Programme and booking from:

<https://www.surreyarchaeology.org.uk/content/symposium-2024>

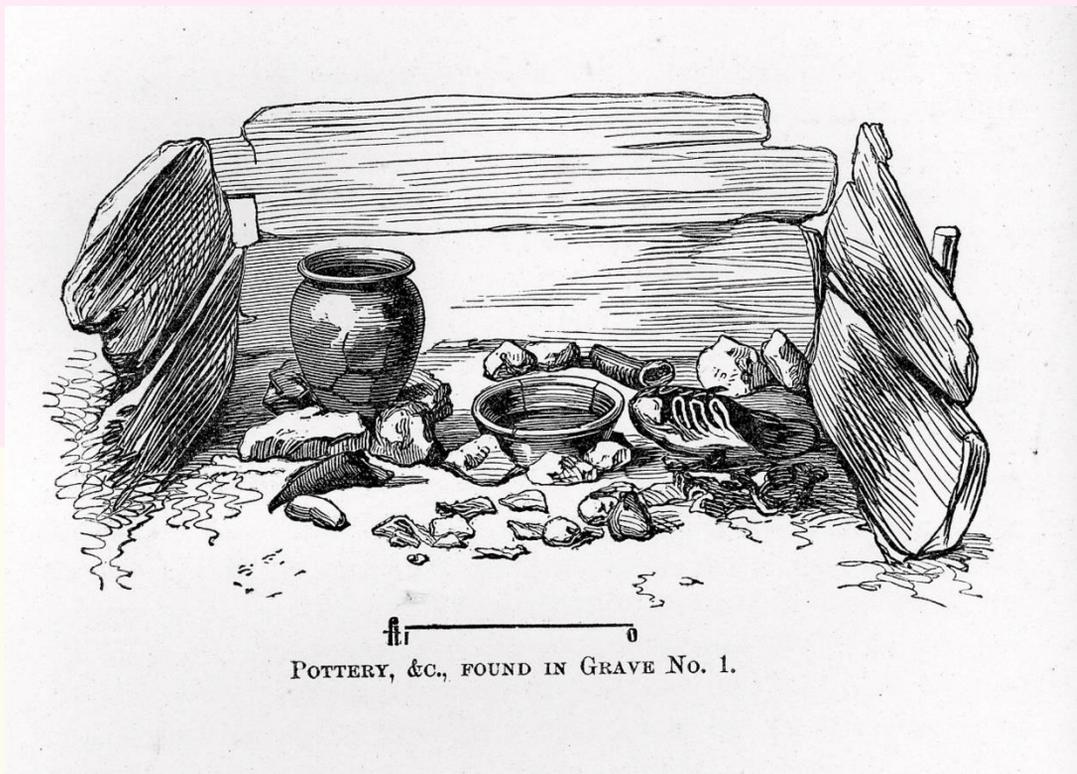
Saturday 23rd March 2024 (10.00-17.00)

Sussex School of Archaeology and History (in association with the
Roman Studies Group of Surrey Archaeological Society – **Disposal of
the dead in Iron Age and Roman South East England**

Venue: Kings Church, Lewes

A 'live' event with an 'online' option. It will be reviewing the evidence for burial practices in the South East (and beyond) in this period and will also consider the fate of the 'missing millions'

Confirmed speakers include Professor Tim Champion, Professor Mike Fulford and Professor Tony King..



Details and booking from: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/781428502687>

Lectures

Wednesday 6th March 2024 (20.00)

Orpington & District Archaeological Society – **Work at East Farley, East Malling and the Cistercian Abbey at Boxley**

A talk by Stephen Clifton, Chairman of Maidstone Area Archaeology Group

Venue: Christ Church URC, Tudor Way, Petts Wood

Fee: non-members £2

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

Friday 8th March 2024 (19.30)

Brighton & Hove Archaeological Society – **Life, Death and Times in the Bronze Age**

Prof. Parker Pearson (UCL) will talk about his excavations in the Western Isles of Scotland and how they have helped to transform our knowledge of the treatment of the dead and how people lived in roundhouses.

Venue: Unitarian Church, New Road, Brighton

Fee: £4 non-members

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

Tuesday 12th March 2024 (19.30)

Worthing Archaeological Society – **The EPIC Project at Sompting Brooks**

A talk by Connie Shirley and Robert Turner.

Venue: Worthing Library Lecture Theatre, Richmond Road, Worthing

Fee: non-members £4

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

Tuesday 12th March 2024 (20.00)

Plaxtol Local History Group – **Medway Meanderings – Social History/Architecture of the Medway Valley**

A talk by Jonathan Fenner

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

Fee: non-members £2

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

Friday 15th March 2024 (19.30)

Lewes Archaeological Group – **2000 years of archaeology at Smallhythe in Kent**

A talk by Nathalie Cohen (NT) presenting the results of the most recent season of excavation at the National Trust property at Smallhythe

Venue: Lecture Room, Lewes Town Hall, Lewes

Fee: non-members £4

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

Wednesday 20th March 2024 (19.30)

University of Sussex Archaeological Society – **CRETE: The Myth of the Minotaur and the archaeology of the Minoans.**

A **Zoom** talk by Sarah Green (SSA)

Fee: £3

Details from: <https://www.sussexarchaeology.org/usas>

Wednesday 20th March 2024 (19.30)

Horsham & District Archaeology Group – **The Sarsons of Stonehenge**

A talk by David Nash

Venue: Copsale Village Hall, Copsale

Details from: horshamarch@hotmail.co.uk

Thursday 21st March 2024 (20.00)

Bexley Archaeological Group – **Henry VIII's Manor House in Dartford**

A talk by Chris Baker

Venue: Bexley and Sidcup Conservative Club, Bexley

Details from: <https://www.bag.org.uk/>

Friday 22nd March 2024 (19.30)

Eastbourne Natural History & Archaeology Society – **Recent Work at the White Horse Hill, Uffington**

A talk by Adrian Cox (NT) explaining how his work on this site is an example of how archaeology helps us to protect and care for special places.

Venue: St. Saviour's Church Hall, Spencer Road, Eastbourne

Fee: non-members £2.50

Details from: https://www.eastbournearchaeology.org.uk/?page_id=22

Wednesday 27th March 2024 (19.30)

Chichester & District Archaeology Society – **The Coultershaw Story:
Water, Water, Everywhere**

A talk by Tony Sneller

Venue: New Park Centre, New Park Road, Chichester

Fee: non-members £5

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

Thursday 28th March 2024 (19.45)

Nutley Historical Society – **Roman Villas in Sussex**

A talk by Dr David Rudling FSA who will review the results of recent archaeological research regarding some of the Roman period villas in Sussex.

Venue, Church Hall, Nutley Church of St James the Less

Fee: non-members £4

Wednesday 3rd April 2024 (20.00)

Epsom & Ewell History & Archaeology Society – **Brewing along the
Wandle Valley**

A talk by Alison Cousins (Wandle Industrial Museum)

Venue: Ewell Hall, London Road, Ewell

Fee: non-members £4

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

Wednesday 3rd April 2024 (20.00)

Orpington & District Archaeological Society – **Scadbury Manor and
Thomas Walsingham: new research**

A talk by Janet Clayton, Chairman ODAS

Venue: Christ's Church URC, Tudor Way, Petts Wood

Fee: non-members £2

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

Wednesday 10th April 2024 (19.30)

University of Sussex Archaeological Society – **Re-making Rapa Nui (Easter Island): archaeology’s Polynesian narrative**

This Holleyman Lecture will be presented **online** by Professor Sue Hamilton

Fee: £3

Details from: <https://www.sussexarchaeology.org/usas> (booking essential)

Friday 12th April 2024 (19.30)

Brighton & Hove Archaeological Society – **Recent discoveries in the Roman city of Colchester**

A talk by Adam Wightman

Venue: Unitarian Church, New Road, Brighton

Fee: non-members £4

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

Friday 19th April 2024 (19.30)

Lewes Archaeological Group – **John Pull and Worthing’s Stone Age Revolution**

A talk by James Sainsbury, Curator Worthing Museum discussing the excavation of the flint mines at Blackpatch above Worthing.

Venue, Lecture Room, Lewes Town Hall, Fisher Street, Lewes

Fee: non-members £4

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

Wednesday 24th April 2024 (19.30)

Chichester & District Archaeology Society – **South Downs and Low Weald: South Downs in the Bronze Age**

A talk by Judie English

Venue: New Park Centre, New Park Road, Chichester

Fee: non-members £5

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

Wednesday 24th April 2024 (19.30)

**Horsham & District Archaeology Group – The washed away villages of the
Sussex Coast**

A talk by John Mills

Venue: Copsale Village Hall, Copsale

Details from: horshamarch@hotmail.co.uk

Wednesday 1st May 2024 (20.00)

**Orpington & District Archaeological Society – Witch Marks and other
Apotropaic Symbols**

A talk by Nathalie Cohen (NT)

Venue: Christ's Church URC, Tudor Way, Petts Wood

Fee: non-members £2

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

Events

Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th April 2024 (10.30 – 16.00)

Worthing Museum – Stone Age Weekender

Venue: Worthing Museum

Fee: from £180

Join Dr James Dilley and museum curator James Sainsbury for a weekend devoted to flint experiences.

Booking necessary from: <https://wtm.uk/events/stone-age-weekender/#book-tickets>

Saturday 13th April 2024

Worthing Archaeological Society – WAS Drawing Day School

Bob Turner will present a session on Artefact Drawing, covering the drawing and illustration of the many types of artefact.

Venue: Worthing Museum, Worthing

Fee: £24

Details and booking from: <https://www.worthingarchaeological.org/events.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 October and the next deadline for applications is October 25th 2024.

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 **May 1st**– please send any May, June and July items by **April 24th**

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