

# Worthing Archaeological Society

## Newsletter

## October & November 2023

### WAS Autumn Social

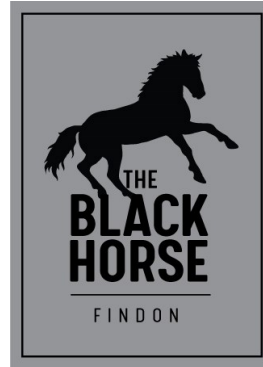
Come and enjoy an evening of quizzing and skittling in the Skittle Alley at:

[The Black Horse, High Street, Findon, BN14 0SX](#) on Friday 10th November, 2023 from 6.30 pm - 10.00 pm

Lovely Buffet menu:

- Selection of homemade sandwiches
- Cocktail sausages in a honey and mustard glaze
- Fish goujons with homemade tartare sauce
- Selection of quiches
- Parma ham, salami selection, chutney and crusty bread
- Crudities with hummus
- Selection of cheese and biscuits
- Selection of homemade cakes
- Tea & Coffee

*Please note that any dietary requirements will be arranged*



Car parking is either in the pub car park on-street

Tickets £20.00 per person, This covers the buffet, room hire and three raffle tickets for the Grand Draw

Please let [donna.wiltshire@sky.com](mailto:donna.wiltshire@sky.com) know if you will be joining us. She will arrange to receive payment from you and check

### WAS Field Unit

#### Malthouse

41 WAS Members took part in our dig this year! Finds being processed, very different from previous years.

There is now a Malthouse/Whitehouse Research group set up as a result of our dig, and John Mill's research.

The planned Fieldwalk over the field West of Lambley's Lane in Sompting over the weekend of 30th September was postponed. Possible alternative: October 21st/22nd.

#### Climping - next visit TBC

Planning is being sought for new places for the cafe and car park.

#### Finds Processing

Our next meetings at the Slindon Shed will be on Thursdays 5th and 19th October, and 2nd and 16th November, from 9.30 a.m. to about 12.15 p.m., when we will continue processing finds from our Sompting dig and also from our forthcoming fieldwalk.

As Autumn is approaching, it's likely that we will have to return to working inside, which will mean restricting attendance to 14 people per session. If you would like to attend any of the meetings, please let me know as soon as possible and I can then confirm your place.

Please remember to bring your own drinks and also wear or bring extra clothing if there is a chance we can work outside.  
[ggmturner@aol.com](mailto:ggmturner@aol.com)

#### The Flint Sessions in Worthing Museum Education Room

Will now start on Wednesday January 10th, from 10.30 to 1.30, and then alternate Wednesdays.



### Autumn 2023 Lecture dates, 7.30pm In Worthing Library Lecture Theatre

October 10th Dr Judie English

Early European Jewellery: from the Palaeolithic to the end of the Roman period. *(See poster at end)*

- November 14th Dr Mike Allen
  - Cerne Abbas – playing with giant ideas.
- December 12th John Mills
  - Old Atherington and the washed-away coastal villages of West Sussex.

Theresa has produced our Lecture Programme in full, and in full colour.

Look for it on our website: [worthingarchaeological.org](http://worthingarchaeological.org)

### Field Unit Forum

Our next meeting will be at 7.30pm on November 21st in St Botolph's Church rooms, in Heene. BN11 4LY. On the North side of the Church, entrance from Manor Road.

### WAS Garments

We have sourced a company in Bognor Regis to supply and print the WAS Boar logo on the front left chest area and 'Worthing Archaeological Society' on the back of Polo Shirts, Sweatshirts and Zip-up Fleece.

Our starting point with prices is as follows although this may change dependent on the number of each item ordered:

- Polo shirt (10 ordered) = £19.20 each
- Sweatshirt (10 ordered) = £23.62 each
- Zip-up Fleece (10 ordered) = £18.98 each

*Sizing ranges from XS to 6XL.*

Unique Workwear would supply the garment, which is of very good quality, or alternatively you could supply your own garment to be printed, obviously at an additional cost. They also have T-shirts, Hoodies and Safety wear that can be ordered (price to be determined). Here is the link to their website. <https://www.uniqueworkwear.com/>

Please could you select the item(s) you would like, the colour(s) and the size(s). Once we have all that information we can go back to Unique Workwear to finalise prices before ordering.

Many thanks Donna [donna.wiltshire@sky.com](mailto:donna.wiltshire@sky.com)

### Study Days

- 18th November – in Worthing Museum, 10am to 4pm. Desktop research by John Mills.
- 13th January - Day School: Medieval Towns of Sussex, Worthing Museum, Simon Stevens



## **Study Days**

### **A Series of Drawing Day Schools for Worthing Archaeological Society (WAS) Presented by Bob Turner**

This series of Day Schools will focus on three main elements of Archaeological drawing:

- On-Site Plan and Section Drawing
- Post-Excavation Plans and Section Drawing
- Artefact Drawing

An excavation is a destructive process so it is important that we record all detail as a dig progresses. As with other disciplines, drawing must conform to certain standards ensuring that any archaeologist can understand the site.

#### **Session 2: 24th February 2024. Post-Excavation Plans and Sections. Half Day, Slindon Finds Processing Shed, Slindon**

This session will take the on-site plans and section drawings created in Session 1 to a stage where they can be included in the final site report. This will include inking-in and the production of notes.

#### **Session 3: 13th April 2024. Artefact Drawing. Full Day, Worthing Museum**

This session will cover the recording and illustration of pottery, metal, wood, glass, stone, flint, leather, textiles and bone. Illustration recording is drawing 'what you see', so you do not need to be an artistic person to enjoy this discipline. These illustrations will form part of the final site report.

Cost for Members £20.00 and Non-Members £25.00 for all three sessions

Bursary – WAS has a Bursary which is set up to help Members attend events which they might find difficult to pay for. Please ask a Committee Member about this if it would help you.

Please contact Donna Wiltshire if you would like to join any or all of these sessions [donna.wiltshire@sky.com](mailto:donna.wiltshire@sky.com)

## **Facebook**

Brian Drury has set up a Facebook Group – WAS Members only – to discuss possible archaeological sites in the Arun and Adur area.

This is a link to the facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1702178780227116>





### Sussex School of Archaeology – ‘The Sussex Landscape transformed, an overview’

Saturday 14th October, 10am-5pm

A Sussex School of Archaeology & History hybrid conference. Venue: Kings Church, Brooks Road, LEWES, BN7 2BY

Speakers: Dr Sue Berry, Dr Jon Baczowski, 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>

### Wealden Geological Assembly

11th November. (See flyer on page 8)

### CBA South East – Annual conference

Saturday 18th November 2023 (10.00-17.00). Venue: King’s Church, Lewes

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

Programme (*running order to be confirmed*)

09.50	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 Baczowski (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 Ingrey (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

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: link on <https://www.cbасouth-east.org/>



### **Brighton and Hove Archaeological Society**

Back in the Unitarian Church New Road, Brighton

- Friday 13th October (19.30)
  - 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.
- Friday November 10th.19.30
  - 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.
- Friday 8th December
  - AGM at 7pm, then the President of BHAS, Janet Pennington, will give a talk on the History of the Adur Valley in West Sussex.

Non-members £4

Details from: [http://www.brightonarch.org.uk/6\\_1.htm](http://www.brightonarch.org.uk/6_1.htm)

### **University of Sussex Archaeological Society**

- Wednesday 18th October at 19.30 – Rudyard Kipling and Roman Britain
  - An online talk by Dr David Walsh (University of Newcastle)
- Wednesday 22nd November at 19.30
  - An online talk by Dr Miles Russell on Roman Imperial Sculptures in Sussex and Beyond.

Details and booking from: [www.usas.org.uk](http://www.usas.org.uk)

### **Date for your diaries:**

- Saturday 17th February 2024 (9.45 – 17.00)
  - Sussex Archaeological Society – Sussex Archaeology: A 175 Year Heritage



## Other Societies / Groups



Based in Pulborough, the Society has a variety of walks and talks which might well be interesting. Email: [enquiries@southdownssociety.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@southdownssociety.org.uk)



**Chichester District Archaeology Society (CDAS)** have made their talks available free on their YouTube channel see: [www.CDAS.info](http://www.CDAS.info)



[www.lissarchaeology.uk](http://www.lissarchaeology.uk)  
Or email [lissarchaeology@gmail.com](mailto:lissarchaeology@gmail.com)



**Worthing Heritage Alliance** of which WAS is part of this group which has a very useful Calendar of all events in the area of an Historic nature. [www.worthingheritagealliance.org.uk](http://www.worthingheritagealliance.org.uk)



**Hampshire Field Club and Archaeological Society** has a variety of events see [landscape-events@hantsfieldclub.org.uk](mailto:landscape-events@hantsfieldclub.org.uk)



**Butser Ancient Farm** has launched ButserPlus: a way to enter the world of ButserAncient Farm online with professional video content. Details here: [www.butserancientfarm.co.uk/butser-plus](http://www.butserancientfarm.co.uk/butser-plus)



**Sussex Archaeological Society**  
<https://sussexpast.co.uk>



**Brighton and Hove Archaeological Society** <http://www.brightonarch.org.uk>

Back in the Unitarian Church New Road, Brighton- Start time 7-30 pm. The BHAS lectures will be **live** and not on Zoom.



**Brighton Young Archaeologists' Club (YAC)** is open to everyone aged 8-16 years. We get involved in all sorts of activities, including visiting and investigating archaeological sites and historic places, trying out traditional crafts, taking part in excavations, experimental archaeology and lots more. Brighton YAC is based at Brighton Museum , where we have access to the wonderful Elaine Evans Archaeology Gallery. Occasionally our sessions may be held at other venues depending on planned activities. The club usually meets once, a month on the last Saturday, from 10.30 am-12.30 pm.

If you'd like to get involved please get in touch with the team: contact: Odile Rouard

email: [brightonyac@gmail.com](mailto:brightonyac@gmail.com)



**Horsham and District Archaeology Group**  
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## UK GDPR: UK General Data Protection Regulation

Please can you refresh your memories by reviewing this document, which can be found on the Society's website under Documents / Policy / Privacy Notice.

If any of your contact details have changed since you completed your WAS Membership Application Form, please advise the Membership Secretary, Liz Lane.

Many thanks Donna



If you are already on Facebook and would like to join our closed WAS Facebook group, just ask to join on the Worthing Archaeological Society page

### Easy Fundraising

If you shop online, do consider using Easyfundraising to make donations to WAS. Retailers give part of every amount spent to WAS, if you nominate us as your charity  
<https://new.easyfundraising.org.uk>

### Photo Archive

WAS is developing an archive of photos, accessible via the website. Past digs are already well covered, but if you have photos you can share, please send them to Theresa and Richard on [theresa\\_in\\_brighton@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:theresa_in_brighton@yahoo.co.uk)  
If they are not recent ones, could give us names of people and sites included. There are some on our website which we haven't been able to identify – if you know when and where they were taken, please let us know.

### WAS Archive

Connie is currently Curator of our Archive. We have a good collection of Sussex Archaeological Collections, starting from

### And finally a reminder

Subs for 2023 were due on January 1st - £25 for ordinary members, £10 for full-time students. Feel free to pay by standing order or BACs (details on request)

Please send to: Liz Lane, Membership Secretary. 5 Smugglers' Walk, Goring-by-Sea, West Sussex. BN12 4DP. Membership forms can also be downloaded from the WAS website:  
[www.worthingarchaeological.org](http://www.worthingarchaeological.org)

**The Worthing Archaeological Society is a registered Charity (291431)**

Please note: our email address is: [worthingarchaeological@gmail.com](mailto:worthingarchaeological@gmail.com)

Items for next News sheet please to  
Liz, as above, or  
[liz.13lane@gmail.com](mailto:liz.13lane@gmail.com)



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**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2023**  
**Worthing Library Lecture Theatre**  
**Lecture 7.30pm – 9pm**

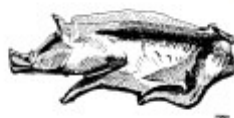
**Dr Judie English**

## **Early European Jewellery: from the Palaeolithic to the end of the Roman periods**



From the Neanderthals onwards people have used objects to adorn themselves, often this jewellery is of sufficient importance to be buried as grave goods to travel with them into the afterlife. Precious, rare and beautiful materials, symbols of power, were used and skilled labour employed to provide objects for people of high status, but the urge to wear jewellery extends throughout society. This talk will look at jewellery in Europe from the Palaeolithic to the end of the Roman periods.

**Visitors are welcome, entry £4**



[worthingarchaeological.org](http://worthingarchaeological.org)



An Invitation to attend the 2<sup>nd</sup> Biennial

## **WEALDEN GEOLOGICAL ASSEMBLY**

Saturday 11 November 2023 in Kings Church, Brooks Road, Lewes, BN7 2BY

**Programme**                      **Conference Organiser: anthony.brook27@btinternet.com**

**9.00**                      **Doors open and Registration**

**10.10**                      **Welcome and Announcements**

10.15-11.00              David Nash (University of Brighton) *'The Sarsen Stones of Stonehenge: Where from?'*

**11.00-11.30**      **Coffee and Biscuits**

### **Coastal Phenomena**

11.30-12.15              Dan Bosence (Royal Holloway, University of London) *'Bumps in the Bay: Geology of Offshore Dorset'*

12.15-1.00                Richard Hubbard (Kent Geological Group) *'The Shifting Shorelines of the Thanet Anticline'*

**1.00-2.00**      **Lunch**

### **Earth Movements**

2.00-2.45                Richard Edmonds *'The Great Bindon Landslip of 1839'*

2.45-3.30                Laura Evenstar (University of Brighton) *'Why are the Andes so High?'*

**3.30-4.00**      **Tea and Biscuits**

4.00-4.45                Chris Duffin (Natural History Museum) *'Tyrannosaurus Rex: Top Predator of the Late Cretaceous'*

4.45-5.30                Thomas Hose (University of Bristol) *'Importance of Conserving the Wealden R.I.G.s'*

**Registration Form**    **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Tel:** \_\_\_\_\_

**email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**The Conference Fee is £30 per person, including coffee/tea, packed lunch & Conference publication**

**Please make your cheque payable to *Anthony Brook* and forward, with this Registration Form, to Anthony Brook, 15, Cambourne Court, Shelley Road, Worthing, West Sussex, BN11 4BQ**

**Conference Fee for Full-time Students is only £25!**