

CDAS – Chairman’s Monthly Letter – November 2017

Christmas Party and AGM

This is being held on 5th Dec (note: this is a Tuesday) in Bosham. We are trying a larger venue as it got a bit cramped last year. We try to keep the business aspects to a minimum (say just over ½ an hour) before moving onto the party. Glasses, paper plates, napkins, wine & soft drinks are organised by the committee; members are asked to bring a plate of food that can be shared.

Talks

These are held in New Park cinema and start at 7.30; the bar is opened afterwards. Remember that the next door car park charges up until 8.0pm.

Nov 22nd Matt Pope will speak on Neanderthals of the English Channel Region.

Spring 2018

January 24th	Iain Grant and Daniel Pascoe	New excavations at two Solent Wrecks: Hazardous and Invincible
February 28th	Trevor Davies	The Roman villa at Warblington: a review after 10 years of investigation
March 28th	Edwin Wood	Archaeological finds from Sussex: Portable Antiquities Scheme finds 2016-17
April 25th	Stuart Needham	Bronze Age Barrowscapes in the Rother region
May 23rd	Members evening	

Fieldwork - Surveying

One geophys project is being planned for November; this is at Idsworth and is being organised by Trevor Davies surveying@cdas.info . Those of you who have expressed an interest in surveying should have been emailed by him. Get in touch if you have not heard and want to get involved.

Coastal Monitoring

If you want to be on Peter’s list or find out more then contact him on lecture@cdas.info . There is no need to book in advance - just turn up.

Date	Low tide	Meeting time	Study Area and aim	Meeting place
Wednesday November 15th	14.26	13.35	North shore of Portsmouth Harbour, west of Portchester Castle .Initial reconnaissance with Citizan	Portchester Castle English Heritage Car Park (SU 624047 approx.) We will need to carry out a car shuttle, with some cars going to the Wicor Lake car park - to be arranged on the day.
Wednesday November 29th	13.01	11.45	Medmerry West Repeated monitoring	RSPB Car Park at Earnley adjacent to Earnley Concourse (SZ 816967 approx.) To minimise disturbance to birds we will take a minimum number of cars down to the shore.
Wednesday, December 13th	13.04	11.45	West shore of Portsmouth Harbour Initial reconnaissance with Citizan.	Explosion Museum car park, Priddy's Hard (SU 615 013 approx.) May need a car shuttle - let's see.

Activities

Study Day - Saturday 10 February - Roman-period pottery found in West Sussex (c.AD70-410)

The day will be led by Gordon Hayden. It will focus on the identification of the most common pottery types found in West Sussex, from the formal absorption of this particular area into the Roman Empire (c.AD70), until the end of Roman period. Through the use of presentations and a sorting session, the most common pottery types will be studied with the aim of differentiating between local, regional and imported wares.

Date: - Start time: To be confirmed. This is a full day event.

Location: Fishbourne Roman Palace (David Rudkin Room), Roman Way, Fishbourne, Chichester PO19 3QR. Directions at <https://sussexpast.co.uk/fishbourne-how-to-find-us> There is plenty of parking.

Cost: Cost: Members £25 , non-members £30 (if places are available). Payment is due by 10 January. Details of how to pay will be sent when your place is confirmed.

To book your place email Pauline Blagden at activities@cdas.info

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