

CDAS – Chairman’s Monthly Letter – December 2017

Christmas Party and AGM

A reminder that this is being held on Tues 5th Dec at St Nicholas Church Hall, Brooks Lane, Bosham, West Sussex, PO18 8JZ. Brooks Lane is the last turning on the left as you leave Bosham on the A259 heading towards Chichester. We aim 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

You may want to put the following dates in your new diary.

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	

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, December 13th	13.04	11.45	West shore of Portsmouth Harbour Initial reconnaissance with Citizen.	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)

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

Proposal for a Textiles Study Day

Textiles require a huge amount of time and resources to produce.

Surviving evidence of textiles and textile technology is often scanty. The significance of textile production to our ancestors is easy to overlook.

An understanding of the history of textiles is fascinating and gives insights into the levels of interconnectedness of ancient societies.

The study day will give an overview of the evidence for ancient textiles and an opportunity to have 'hands on' experience of some of the technology.

The leader of the Study Day has a strongly scientific background and is currently Chairman of the Cambridgeshire Guild of Weavers, Spinners and Dyers. She has always had an interest in textiles and has been a weaver since 2010.

We plan to hold the study day at Eames Farm near Emsworth on Tuesday 6 March 2018 from 10:00 to 3:30. The cost will be about £25 per person for members and £30 for non-members.

We would like to gauge the level of interest to see if the study day would be viable. If you think you would like to attend, please email Pauline Blagden activities@cdas.info to tell her – no commitment at this stage.

Ann Davies - CDAS Chairman