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Birds eye view of future Turing College at
University of Kent at Canterbury.

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The next Newsletter will appear in December 2013. Please send contributions to the Chairman at the above address by the beginning of November 2013.

Excursions organised by FCAT

Members and guests participate in excursions at their own risk. FCAT does not accept responsibility for any loss or injury. Excursions involve walking in the open and negotiating steps and stairs both externally and within buildings. Appropriate footwear and clothing should always be worn.

FCAT welcomes participation in its excursions by members and guests with impaired mobility, **provided that they are accompanied by a person who can act as a helper**. It is advisable to check in advance with the Excursion Leader or the Excursions Secretary to establish whether access problems are anticipated on a specific trip.



**Have you moved house or changed your bank?
Don't forget to let our Membership Secretary
know so that our records are up-to-date.**

From the Chairman of the Friends

Following several difficult years with fewer commercial property developments due to the recession the outlook for the Trust has recently improved. In this newsletter the Director outlines progress on the excavations at the future Turing College (Keynes III) at the University of Kent at Canterbury (UKC) and at an extension to the Meads site in Sittingbourne. In Canterbury projects are being carried out for Christ Church University (CCCU) behind the library in Rhodaus Town and at both Almonry House and Diocesan Payne Smith School for Kings School. In addition a small hotel development site in Spital Street, Dartford alongside a Roman Road which has deeply stratified urban archaeology from all periods will be excavated in a few months time. However, the Trust needs development projects on which bidding is to start soon to provide work for the second half of the year.

You will find enclosed with this newsletter a leaflet on CAT Courses which have been developed by Andrew Richardson in his new role of Outreach Manager. This is the first of a range of services that will be created to deliver education and training through the Trust's resources to the public and private sectors as well as individuals. I think you will find the range of courses impressive and you are encouraged to take advantage of them. The full prospectus and online applications can be made at http://www.canterburytrust.co.uk/community_archaeology/catcourses/, but if you do not have internet access please call Andrew Richardson on 01227 825276.

Inside the back page you will find a summary of the comprehensive programme that your committee has developed for you for the rest of the year. It starts with a visit to the Turing College excavation site led by the CAT project manager Alison Hicks as part of a public open day. We then have an all day visit to Lyminge, starting in the morning with a visit to the Reading University excavation site that we learned about at the early Medieval Symposium held last February. In the afternoon members of the local history society will lead us on a village and church tour. Later we have lectures on Royal Castles in Kent and the Building Stones of Canterbury at our new permanent venue of Lecture Room Newton Ng03 at Canterbury Christ Church University. Location details can be found on page 21. In November we have a tour of the travelling exhibition "Beyond the Horizon: Societies of the Channel and North Sea 3,500 Years Ago" at Dover Museum led by Peter Clark, Deputy Director of CAT. This rather obscure title hides the fact that the exhibition derives from the BOAT 1550BC project which stated with the discovery of the Bronze Age boat found in Dover in 1992 and should therefore be of interest to all members. You will also find enclosed our walks for the Canterbury Festival in late October and Meriel Connor has again developed a programme for everyone, including as usual a number of new walks.

We have recently benefited from a further bequest from the Donald Baron Trust set up by our Founder and first Chairman, which together with your subscriptions have

enabled us to support the Trust with further grants. These include grants for staff to attend conferences on Creativity in the Bronze Age and Roman Archaeology. Thank you for your continuing support and as always I would welcome anyone who is interested in joining our committee, even if initially just to find out what we do, to contact me.

Steve Rogers

From the Director of Canterbury Archaeological Trust

Dear Friends,

It has been a frantic few months since the publication of the last Newsletter: a period filled with exciting fieldwork at Sittingbourne and in Canterbury, with the steady progress of various Community initiatives at Folkestone and in Belgium and with the development of plans to expand our outreach activities. All of this good news however has been overshadowed with great sadness following the death of our former Chairman, Dr Frank Panton on 8th April.



Dr Frank Panton 1923–2013

I would like to open my letter to you with a tribute to Frank, who did such a great deal for the Trust during his sixteen years as Chairman of the Management Committee and as the founder Chairman of the Dover Bronze Age Boat Trust (DBABT). For many of us Frank's death, just weeks away from his 90th birthday, came as a great blow. We developed a great partnership when he was Chairman and it is difficult to believe that Frank is no longer there to deliver wise advice and to talk matters over with. Ours has been a long and treasured friendship, with

me very much the apprentice, learning from a masterly negotiator with a lifetime of experience and an immense depth of knowledge. Even after he retired from both trusts his opinion was sought and always valued.

Many tributes have been paid to Frank; his distinguished service in bomb disposal during the war for which he was awarded MBE in 1948; in post-war military intelligence, specialising in atomic weapons; as a defence attaché to Washington DC; as a scientific advisor to the Ministry of Defence on atomic weapons; as Director of Government research establishments and as consultant to the Cabinet Secretary on nuclear matters. For his services to Government Frank was made CBE in 1997.

He had an exceptional career, but I remember him best as an interested and interesting star student in my extra-mural archaeology class and eventually as my Chairman. He needed little encouragement to join the Trust's Management Committee and was by any standards an exceptional Chairman who put the Trust on a sound financial footing and with wise counsel and a steady nerve, guided the organisation through two recessions. That would be enough of a retirement job for most men but for Frank he was at the same time Margaret Thatcher's advisor on nuclear weapons and a student at the University of Kent where he obtained a PhD in Local History.

Among his many achievements, Frank helped the Trust to purchase our premises at 92A Broad Street and, over time, to refit them. Involved in many of our greatest discoveries, he took particular pride in our spectacular discovery in 1992 of the Dover Bronze Age boat. When the decision was taken to form a board of Trustees to raise funds to preserve the remains and place them on display, Frank was drafted in to help. The Dover Bronze Age Boat Trust was formed in 1994, with Frank as the first Chairman. Working with the Trustees and Dover Museum, particularly Robin Westbrook and Christine Waterman, Frank the magician wove spells around everyone to pave the way, to solve challenging problems and to win over anyone who could help achieve the Trust's objectives. The internationally renowned, award-winning boat gallery in Dover Museum is the result of that labour. Frank took great pride in the DBABT and the gallery is a fitting legacy of his Chairmanship. Similarly, when Frank retired as Chairman of CAT in 2000 the organisation, in a stable and healthy financial state, had become an industry leader, with a national reputation for the quality of its work.

Frank was an exceptionally talented man and a great friend, mentor and teacher to many. He gave freely and unstintingly of his time, considerable talents and experience to all those organisations he supported. His wise counsel, dry wit and friendship will be sadly missed by all of us but by me in particular.

Frank would have been thrilled to see and hear about our recent discoveries at Sittingbourne and at the University of Kent.

The Meads, Sittingbourne

Previous work at the Meads led to the discovery of a Bronze Age burial mound, a Roman field system and an Anglo-Saxon cemetery with over 200 graves, many richly furnished with jewellery and weapons. The most recent work undertaken by a team led by Tania Wilson has exposed a further extension of the cemetery and the surprising and rare discovery of a Neolithic henge monument. The henge or 'sanctuary' was an enclosure some 30m in diameter defined by a ditch 1.5m wide and 1m deep. At the centre of the enclosure were two concentric rings of post-holes, one within the other, forming perhaps either a circular structure with a roof (a shrine?) or free-standing posts creating a 'sacred' centre. A cremation burial was located close to the centre



and two possible inhumations were identified outside the outer ring to the north and north-west. A second possible cremation in a late Bronze Age collared urn was found cutting the grave to the north-west. To the north of the enclosure was a contemporary row of at least five equally spaced posts aligned north-west to south-east to approach the centre of the enclosure. A second row of five equally spaced post-holes aligned almost east to west was identified outside the enclosure to the north. The enclosure may have been formed with one or more entrances. None was located but it is thought likely that a causewayed entrance existed under the modern road perhaps in line with the north-west to south-east row of posts.

Two phases of fill were identified in the ring-ditch. Tip-lines in the primary fill suggest that the enclosure may have been built with an outer bank. After a period of abandonment the ditch was perhaps re-cut with tip-lines suggesting the presence of either an internal bank or a large mound. Perhaps in a later phase a burial mound was raised within the enclosure and that this, in turn, encouraged the building of other mounds nearby, one of which has been excavated and at least two more are known from crop marks in fields to the west. Later prehistoric activity is suggested by two substantial linear ditches located to the north-east of the henge. More recent activity was also identified.

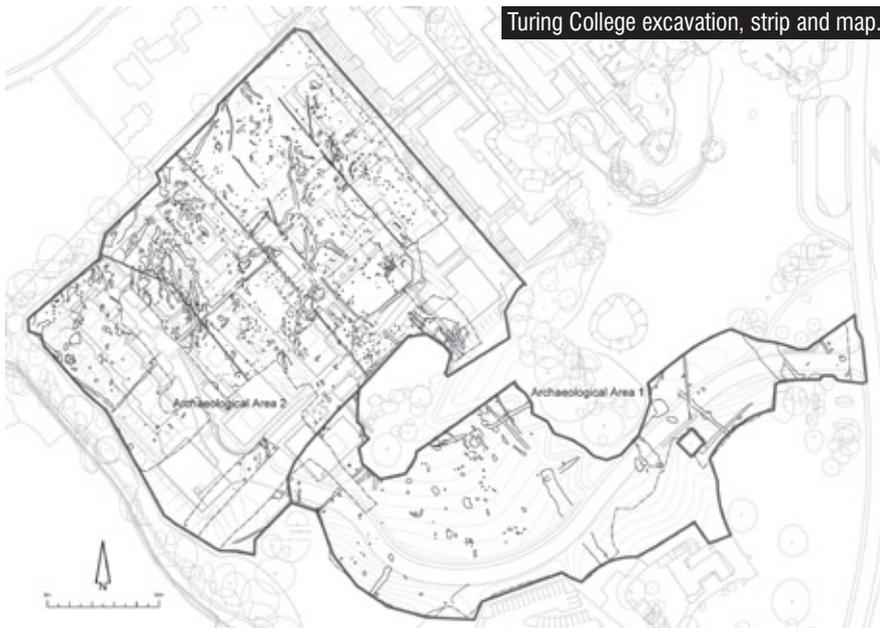
The site is remarkable not only for the quality and rarity of the finds, but because the Meads was quarried for brickmaking in the early twentieth century when at least 18 inches of brickearth was removed. Therefore only the deepest-cut features have survived.

Turing College

A huge excavation is presently underway on the University of Kent at Canterbury (UKC) campus. The work, being funded by the University, managed by Alison Hicks and directed by Ross Lane, has exposed a remarkable array of mainly Iron Age features. The excavation extending from Giles Lane to Beverley Farm on the western side of the University is being undertaken in advance of the construction of Turing College. At the time of writing, the site, covering some 4.2 hectares of steeply sloping ground with panoramic views across Canterbury, is still being stripped of topsoil. Already we can see that we are dealing with an exceptionally interesting and important site, perhaps a settlement pre-dating Iron Age Canterbury.

Using newly-acquired satellite surveying equipment, Crispin Jarman is producing a mapping plan that is growing on a daily basis as new ground is cleared. A field team at least thirty-five strong is now hard at work sampling the vast array of features that have been laid bare. Working to a strict timetable, we have to date completed a large area north of Beverley Farm, revealing metallated trackways, ditches, pits, post-holes for fence lines and buildings, hearths, fire-pits and a rare Iron Age well containing the remains of a notched timber ladder and part of a possible wooden shovel. The subsoil is ghastly: a horrible glutinous clay when wet, turning to fissured concrete when dry. But the team, comprising our own full-time staff supplemented by new archaeologists from home and abroad, together with students from the University of Kent are stepping

Turing College excavation, strip and map.



up and are managing their tasks admirably. We are committed to a tight schedule for this work and we have pulled out all the stops!

The upper levels of the site are filled with features representing entire field systems, settlement compounds and animal pens. There is even a compound defining a small cemetery containing cremation burials, some in pottery vessels but others perhaps originally interred in wooden, textile or leather containers that have not survived. A bewildering profusion of post-holes can on examination be seen to represent square, rectangular and subcircular buildings. Some of these associated with hearths. Other hearths sit in seeming isolation, with no features around them, suggesting perhaps a building with no earthfast posts. There are many four post granary-type buildings and others of domestic type. Others defy interpretation at the moment. Features are generally rich in prehistoric pottery, although finds of other kinds are relatively rare. At a glance the pottery dates from the early to late Iron Age, say from 700 to 50 BC.

Paul Bennett

The maiden voyage of the 'Abugnata'



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Over the weekend of 23rd and 24th March 2013, the reconstruction of the ancient river boat from Fontaine-sur-Somme, christened the 'Abugnata' (daughter of the river) successfully completed its first voyage, being towed by hand up the river Somme for over 20km to the archaeological park at Samara. It took seven hours to cover the route which took place without any major problems, a pleasant surprise for the first attempt at towing a Roman boat by people on a French river for hundreds of years.

The boat was fitted out with a mast based on that found on the recently excavated barge from Arles-Rhône 3; a short mast of ash 3.7 metres tall. Attached to this mast were two hemp towing ropes, each one being pulled by two or three haulers. The towing took place without difficulties, the ropes sagging under their own weight and creating a dampening effect to offset the drag of the boat, particularly when it was



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oblique to the flow of the current. The inexperience of the haulers and the helmsmen didn't allow too many lessons to be learned at this stage. However, it seems likely that the best strategy for steering involves keeping the boat as perpendicular as possible to the flow of the current, which diminishes the pull on the tow rope.

For this first attempt the boat was crewed with just six people. In the years to come we will conduct loading tests with all kinds of cargoes, in containers (bales, barrels, amphora, etc.) as well as loose loads (rock, sand, wheat) to assess the manoeuvrability of the boat with different kinds of freight. Through public events, notably for schools, or through participation in riverside festivals on the Somme and on other rivers (the boat will be transported by lorry), the Abugnata will be a major attraction at future cultural events.

Michel Philippe and Stéphane Gaudefroy
translated by Peter Clark

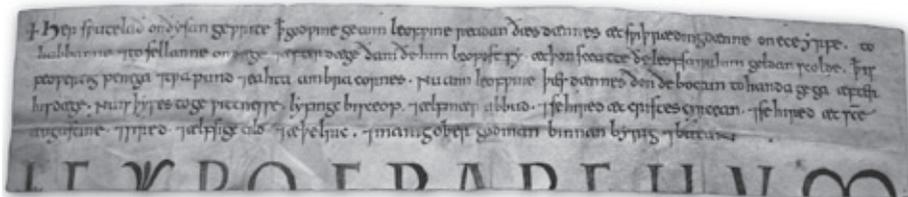
The Godwine Charter

With a most generous grant from the National Heritage Memorial Fund, the Friends of the National Libraries, the Friends of Canterbury Cathedral, the Coral Samuel Charitable Trust and private donations, Canterbury Cathedral Archives has been able to bring home to Canterbury an exceptionally rare early 11th-century charter. The charter was acquired through Sotheby's of London.

The Godwine Charter is a single-sheet Anglo-Saxon charter, datable to 1013-1020, probably to 1013-1018. It is written in Old English, on parchment, in the form of a

chirograph. The hand of this charter can be accepted as contemporary with the date of the document: many Anglo-Saxon charters are later forgeries.

The Godwine Charter is a grant from Godwine to Leofwine the Red of a 'denn' in the Weald, probably Southernden in Boughton Malherbe, West Kent. This denn seems to have later belonged to the Cathedral's manor of Hollingbourne. The charter is indisputably a Christ Church Canterbury charter: it formed part of the series of Anglo-Saxon charters held at Canterbury Cathedral in the Middle Ages. On the reverse of the document is written a description in the hand of one of Christ Church's monk



archivists, datable to the mid-12th century. The charter was removed from the cathedral collection in the 17th century, by Sir Edward Dering. It remained in the hands of the Dering family until its sale in 1989.

Overall, Anglo-Saxon charters in the vernacular are of very great importance for their evidence for the development of the English language. They provide invaluable information about place-names. In addition, they bear witness to the development of literacy, the use of the written record, and the development of administration. The charter is of further local importance to Canterbury: the agreement it records was made in the Borough Court of Canterbury.

Through our acquisition, the Cathedral Archives has been able to bring this document home, to Canterbury and to Christ Church Cathedral, where it belongs, and where it will be preserved for future generations. It rejoins the charters from the historic Christ Church charter series which remain in our collection. Taken together, our Anglo-Saxon charters are the Cathedral's oldest possessions, older than any of the Cathedral buildings standing today. An edition of the texts of all Christ Church Anglo-Saxon charters will be published for the British Academy by Prof. Nicholas Brooks at the end of this year. We are delighted to have been able to secure the future of the Godwine Charter, which had seemingly been the last complete text in Anglo-Saxon to remain in private hands, before the publication of this definitive work.

Due to our limited display facilities at the Archives, the Godwine Charter will be on display at the Beaney Museum and Art Gallery in Canterbury from June onwards. Prof. Nicholas Brooks will give a lecture in the Archives on Thursday 17th October at 6.30; we are also planning related family activities.

Cressida Williams



FAVERSHAM IN THE MAKING

SATURDAY 20TH JULY 2013, 10AM TO 4PM
ALEXANDER CENTRE, PRESTON ST, FAVERSHAM

PRESENTED FREE OF CHARGE TO THE PUBLIC BY THE FAVERSHAM SOCIETY

An engaging and dynamic event to celebrate our rich local heritage. To inform, enthuse and delight a wide audience and encourage participation in local archaeology and history projects

Discover

Where is King Stephen buried? See the Magna Carta. How did Faversham people live their lives 10,000 years ago? An exhibition of local archaeology and history brought to life.

Listen

A programme of expert speakers giving presentations on local and regional archaeological and historical work throughout the day.

Watch

Battle re-enactments, demonstrations and interactive displays in the central arena, including Saxon battles and Roman orators, historic drama workshops and much more!

Museum

Free entry to all visitors at the Alexander Centre into the Fleur de Lis Heritage Centre. More hands-on fun in the museum galleries including Victorian laundry and the Magic Lantern.

Hands-On

Try your hand at medieval stone masonry, make a Saxon brooch or create your own prehistoric pot. Interactive crafts and demonstrations from the prehistoric to medieval periods.

Families

Children's workshops including dress-up and learn with Sir Teachalot as he brings the Romans, Saxons and Medieval Knights to life - running throughout the day.

Excavation

In the gardens of the Old Wine Vaults Public House on Preston St by the Faversham Society Archaeological Research Group (FSARG). Visit the dig and see what secrets they can unearth.

Fun

Medieval music and dance throughout the day, put your friends or family in the stocks or test our experts with your questions and finds - fun for the whole family.

Market Place

Find out about the local heritage groups, projects and venues at the market-place. Participants include the Historic Dockyard Chatham, the Lyminge Archaeological Project and many more.



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Kent Archaeological Society's 'Festival of Archaeology' display

Our pictures show two archive images of Canterbury's Westgate which have recently been scanned from glass plate negatives (provenance unknown) by the Kent Archaeological Society for its Visual Records Collection of local history images, examples of which will be displayed at Maidstone Museum during next month's national Festival of Archaeology (Saturday July 13 – July 28).

A rolling display of images in the society's library will include those of a 'hop-pickers mission'; a 'dig' at the Coldrum Longbarrow prehistoric burial chamber at Trottscliffe, seven miles from Maidstone, in 1910, during which the skeletons of 22 adults and children were unearthed; farming in days gone by and Rochester's Royal Owl Club.

On July 13 and 14 Maidstone Museum, the KAS and Regia-Anglorum (the country's leading group of early medieval living history enthusiasts) will host an exciting two day outdoor event designed to illustrate the richness of the county's Saxon history. A Saxon village will be recreated in the museum's public gardens, with displays of Saxon art, craft, cooking, music and weapons.

Said Pernille Richards, KAS Library Secretary: 'Our society was founded in 1857 and the emphasis of our displays will be to show what we have done over the past 156 years to inspire people of all ages to become actively involved with Kent's local history and archaeology'.

Other attractions will include a Roman 'curse scroll' discovered during the Maidstone Area Archaeological Group's 'dig' on the site of a Roman settlement at Lower Road, East Farleigh. The scroll, the first to be found in Kent for more than 40 years and on



public display here for the first time, was inscribed with the names of 14 people who may have lived in East Farleigh nearly 2,000 years ago.

'Curse scrolls' were used by the Romans – the first inhabitants of England who could read and write - to cast spells on people accused of theft and other misdeeds, and were hidden in graves, springs, wells and other places considered to be close to the underworld.

Also on show will a Roman lead scroll found in 1970 at the site of a Roman villa at Eccles.

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Turing College University of Kent at Canterbury (UKC) Archaeological Excavation

Thursday 25th July 2013

13.45pm, Keynes College Bus Stop, University Road, University of Kent at Canterbury (UKC)

Since early April, Canterbury Archaeological Trust has been undertaking an archaeological excavation within the UKC campus. Extensive remains of an Iron Age settlement have been found, comprising pits, ditches, post-holes and small structures. A well has also been excavated, from the upper levels of which were retrieved pieces of waterlogged wood which may have formed part of a collapsed superstructure. The excavation is projected to run until early August and we have arranged a visit to view the site and finds, led by the CAT project Manager Alison Hicks.

Travel will be independent, but the Stagecoach Bus 4X (we will wait for the 1330 from Canterbury Bus Station to arrive at 1344) or the Unibus will take you straight to the meeting point.

There is no need to book for this tour and no charge will be made, but voluntary donations to FCAT would be welcome.

Lyminge Archaeological Excavation, Village and Church

10.45am Wednesday 21st August 2013

1,300 years ago, an Anglo-Saxon monastery stood in the village of Lyminge, presided over by a royal abbess. Excavations are now showing that Lyminge was an important place before this, with evidence of a long sequence of Anglo-Saxon occupation extending back into the 5th century A.D.

In the morning we will have a tour of the Lyminge Archaeological Project, an ambitious programme of village-core archaeology to uncover Lyminge's Anglo-Saxon past. The project is based at the University of Reading and directed by Dr Gabor Thomas supported by professional archaeologists, student trainees, volunteers from local archaeological societies and local residents from Lyminge and neighbouring communities. The current phase of the project is delivered in collaboration with project partners Kent Archaeological Society, and through professional links with Canterbury Archaeological Trust. Further details are available at: www.lymingearchaeology.org/

In the afternoon we have arranged the following programme:

Highlights Tour of Lyminge – Mike Foxon (Lyminge Historical Society)

St. Mary & St. Ethelburga Parish Church – Derek Boughton (LHS) and Derek Smith (Church PCC)

St. Ethelburga 'Princess to Abbess' talk – Mike Foxon (Church PCC)

Church Tower climb (optional and subject to good weather!)

Travel will be independent and car parking is very restricted so car sharing is recommended, but parking is available at the village hall car park at the end of Woodland Road. We will meet at the Coach and Horses Public House in Church Street at 10.45am and then make our way to the archaeological site for a 11.00 tour which will last until approximately 12.30pm. You will then have a break to make your own lunch arrangements and we will meet again at 13.30 at the Coach and Horses for the afternoon tour, which will last approximately 2 hours.

Please note that the cost of the tour includes all the guides and is subject to a maximum number of 20.

Booking form on page 21.

Beyond the Horizon: Societies of the Channel and North Sea 3,500 Years Ago

1.15pm Wednesday 20th November 2013

Dover Museum, Market Square, CT16 1PB

In September 1992, archaeologists from Canterbury Archaeological Trust monitoring roadworks in the port of Dover discovered a nine metre long boat over 3,500 years old. From this discovery was born the BOAT 1550BC project to research into the archaeology of the maritime connections of the Transmanche zone during the Bronze Age.

After 20 years of collaborative research between seven institutions in three countries, this travelling exhibition is the highlight of the project which invites visitors to rediscover a common cultural identity dating back to the Bronze Age. By way of seven key themes including the building of the boat, travel, crafts and beliefs, it describes the way of life of people of this time. At the centre of the exhibition will be the original Dover boat, but the replica made using the materials and techniques of 1550BC will also be on display.

The exhibition runs from July 1st until December 31st 2013, but we have arranged a visit led by Peter Clark, Deputy Director CAT, who has been one of the leaders of the BOAT 1550BC project since its inception. Travel is independent and the entry fee to Dover Museum is £3.50 (concessions £2.25) and visitors should pay for themselves in time for the tour. No charge will be made for the tour, but voluntary donations will be welcome.

During the exhibition a conference entitled "Yesterday Today: Bronze Age Connections in a modern world" will take place from 18th-20th October 2013. For more information please contact bronzeageboat@btopenworld.com. For the latest updates on the BOAT 1550BC project go to <http://boat1550bc.meshs.fr/>



Festival Walks, 19 October – 2 November 2013

Friends of Canterbury Archaeological Trust

All FCAT walks last about 2 hours. Sensible clothing always advisable.

No dogs on any FCAT walks.

Walks Organizer: Meriel Connor: meriel_connor@btinternet.com | telephone: 01227 830487

It is advisable to book early for these walks and bookings should be made through the Canterbury Festival Office. If you have missed out on a tour you were keen to do, there are usually several ticket holders who do not appear on the day and, depending on numbers, it is often possible to join the tour if you come early.

FCAT 1	Sunday 20 October	Martin Taylor
Exact Title	Glimpses of 18 centuries behind the frontages of Stour Street, Gas Street, Castle Street and St Margaret's Street	
Meeting Place	Lloyds Bank, Canterbury High Street	
Time	10 am	
Approximate distance	Within the city	
Possible Hazards	None known	
Dogs	No	
Location at end	Abode Hotel, Canterbury High Street	
Walk Description	Glimpses of 18 centuries behind the frontages of Stour Street, Gas Street, Castle Street and St Margaret's Street.	
Number:	25	

FCAT 2	Monday 21 October	Doreen Rosman
Exact Title	The Story of Canterbury	
Meeting Place	Lady Wootton's Green (off Broad Street)	
Time	10 am	
Approximate distance	Within the city	
Possible Hazards	None known	
Dogs	No	
Location at end	St Peter's Street	
Walk Description	From the Romans to the 18th century remodelling of the city. See and hear how life changed over the centuries.	
Number	25	

FCAT 3	Monday 21 October	David Birmingham
Exact Title	Canterbury's River	
Meeting Place	Castle Grounds, Gas Street	
Time	2 pm	
Approximate distance	Within the City	
Possible Hazards	Some muddy ground possible	
Dogs	No	
Is walk circular?	Yes	
Walk Description	A Roman river-side city became a medieval borough of monastic water-mills and evolved fine municipal gardens.	
Number	30	



FCAT 4	Tuesday 22 October	Meriel Connor
Exact Title	Travel in the Middle Ages	
Meeting Place	Westgate Gardens, close to Westgate Tower	
Time	10 am	
Approximate Distance	Within the city	
Possible Hazards	None known	
Dogs	No	
Walk Description	Throughout its history Canterbury has attracted travellers and traders, pilgrims and visitors. Who were they in medieval times? Why did they come? Where were they lodged? What did they do?	
Number	25	

FCAT 5	Wednesday 23 October	David Lewis (new)
Exact Title	History of Canterbury in 50 objects	
Meeting place	Corner of Monastery Street and Longport	
Time	2 pm	
Approximate distance	c.1 ¼ miles	
Possible Hazards	No hills or steps; just traffic and a brisk pace!	
Dogs	No	
Walk Description	Following the BBC's successful History of the World in 100 objects, we attempt the history of Canterbury in 50 – expect everyday street objects and oddities you never noticed before. Survivors of the walk with email are welcome to a PDF souvenir of the afternoon.	
Number	25	

FCAT 6	Thursday 24 October	Keith Parfitt (new)
Exact Title	Tour of part of Dover Western Heights	
Meeting Place	Public car park adjacent to St Martin's Battery off South Military Road, Dover	
Time	10 am	
Approximate distance	1 mile	
Possible Hazards	Traffic, moderate slopes and maybe long flights of steps. Probably includes a low narrow passage/tunnel.	
Dogs	No	
Location at end	Starting point at car park	
Walk Description	A circular tour, with one of the Trust's most experienced archaeologists, of some of the more interesting parts of Dover's Western fortifications. Moderately strenuous.	
Number	25	

FCAT 7	Friday 25 October	Sarah Pearson
Exact Title	The Village of Charing	
Meeting Place	Charing Parish Church	
Time	2 pm	
Approximate distance	1 mile	
Possible Hazards	Possibly some damp, uneven ground	
Dogs	No	
Location at end	Charing High Street	
Walk Description	Throughout the Middle Ages Charing belonged to the Archbishops of Canterbury. We hope to visit the medieval palace and the old church, and explore the village street.	
Number	25	

FCAT 8	Saturday 26 October	Sheila Sweetinburgh
Exact Title	Canterbury's Medieval Hospitals	
Meeting Place	Maynard's Hospital, Hospital Lane (off Stour Street)	
Time	2 pm	
Approximate Distance	About 2 miles	
Possible Hazards	None known	
Dogs	No	
Location at end	Jesus Hospital	
Walk Description	Some ancient hospitals withstood the upheavals of Henry VIII reign. Some still fulfil functions envisaged by their medieval founders.	
Number	25	

FCAT 9	Sunday 27 October 2013	Geoff Downer (new)
Exact Title	The building stones of Canterbury's walls	
Meeting Place	Westgate Towers	
Time	10 am	
Approximate distance	1 ½ miles	
Possible Hazards	None known	
Dogs	No	
Location at end	The Castle	
Walk Description	A circuit of the city walls looking at the past and present use of building stones, what the stones are and where they have come from and a little about the city wall itself.	
Number	25	

FCAT 10	Sunday 27 October	Chris Bounds
Exact Title	Canterbury Christ Church University: its Buildings and History	
Meeting Place	St Martin's Priory, North Holmes Road. (Entrance drive just to right of gateway to St Martin's Church)	
Time	2 pm	
Approximate distance	2 miles	
Possible Hazards	None known	
Dogs	No	
Location at end	Augustine House, Rhodaus Town (New Christ Church Library on ring road)	
Walk description	The University is 50 years old, but it occupies a World Heritage Site and has fine buildings from the 16th to the 21st century.	
Number	25	

FCAT 11	Monday 28 October	Derek Boughton (new)
Exact Title	Elham: a village shaped by its medieval market	
Meeting Place	The Square (by the church)	
Time	10 am	
Approximate distance	600 yards	
Possible Hazards	One incline (downwards)	
Dogs	No	
Location at end	St Mary's Church	
Walk Description	An easy walk round the village, looking at the street pattern and historic buildings.	
Number	25	

FCAT 12	Monday 28 October	Alan Barber (new)
Exact Title	Libraries Ancient and Modern	
Meeting Place	The Buttermarket	
Time	2 pm	
Approximate Distance	1 mile	
Possible Hazards	Stairs to libraries	
Dogs	No	
Location at end	The Beaney House of Art and Knowledge	
Walk Description	Canterbury's libraries from monastic to municipal – including tracing the roots of our public library from 1769.	
Number	20	



FCAT 13	Tuesday 29 October	Doreen Rosman (new)
Exact Title	Canterbury in the Nineteenth Century	
Meeting Place	Lady Wootton's Green (Off Broad Street)	
Time	10 am	
Approximate distance	Within the city	
Possible Hazards	None known	
Dogs	No	
Walk Description	Recycled buildings, a new college, shops and businesses, places of recreation and worship. Learn about life in Canterbury in a century of rapid change.	
Number	25	

FCAT 14	Wednesday 30 October	Paul Bennett (new)
Exact Title	The Director's Walk	
Meeting Place	The Buttermarket	
Time	10 am	
Approximate distance	Within the city	
Possible Hazards	None known	
Dogs	No	
Walk Description	Iconic Medieval buildings of Canterbury Architecture and Archaeology. To include a Church, an Inn, a Hospital, a Shop, and a House or three.	
Number	25	

FCAT 15	Wednesday 30 October	David Birmingham (new)
Exact Title	A dry pub-crawl!	
Meeting Place	Canterbury West Station	
Time	2 pm	
Approximate Duration	2 hours	
Approximate distance	Within the city	
Possible Hazards	None known	
Dogs	No	
Is walk circular	No	
Walk Description	In his books, Edward Wilmot describes 154 Canterbury pubs, half of them now lost. This walk will explore the history of some of the old pub sites and current pub signs.	
Number	25	

FCAT 16 **Thursday 31 October** **Mary Berg**
 Exact Title The Norman Conquest and its legacy in Canterbury
 Meeting Place Dane John Garden entrance, Watling Street
 Time 10 am
 Approximate distance Within the city
 Possible Hazards None known
 Dogs No
 Walk Description The Normans built and rebuilt Canterbury's cathedral, abbeys and castles soon after the Conquest – some evidence remains 900 years later.
 Number 25

FCAT 17 **Friday 1 November** **Peter Berg**
 Exact Title St Dunstan's to the Westgate – the last few steps of the Pilgrims' Way
 Meeting Place St Dunstan's Church
 Time 10 am
 Approximate distance 1½ miles
 Possible Hazards None known
 Dogs No
 Walk Description Early industrial suburb, hostelry quarter, site of the world's first passenger railway. St Dunstan's has an intriguing history and many of its buildings have survived to tell the tale.
 Number: 25

FCAT 18 **Friday 1 November** **Sarah Pearson**
 Exact Title Tour of Medieval Sandwich
 Meeting Place Town Quay Car Park (Fisher Gate)
 Time 2 pm
 Approximate distance 1½ miles
 Possible hazards None known
 Dogs No
 Location at end Probably the Town Quay
 Walk Description We will take in the central area and buildings of this once thriving port discussing its origins, growth and decline.
 Number 25

FCAT 19 **Saturday 2 November** **Maureen Ingram**
 Exact Title Canterbury Cathedral Precincts
 Meeting Place The Buttermarket
 Time 10 am
 Approximate distance Within the Precincts
 Possible Hazards None known
 Dogs No
 Location at end Precincts
 Walk Description An exploration of the area surrounding this magnificent building reveals many hidden treasures.
 Number 30

Venue for Future Lectures

Most of our lecturers now present from digital sources and we need a venue that has built in audio visual facilities to accommodate this technology. We have therefore decided to move all our future midweek lectures to Canterbury Christ Church University (CCCU) Lecture Theatre Newton Ng03 on the Holmes Road campus which seats up to 60 people in a banked format. Although it is not in the town centre car parking is free in the evenings.

Canterbury Historical and Archaeological Society (CHAS) are already using this venue so it will be known to many of you, but for those of you have not visited the campus before a site map can be found at [http://www.canterbury.ac.uk/AboutUs/docs/Map of the North Holmes Campus.pdf](http://www.canterbury.ac.uk/AboutUs/docs/Map%20of%20the%20North%20Holmes%20Campus.pdf). If you do not have access to the internet, just enter the campus at the Holmes Road Gate 3, park your car and ask for directions at the security desk.

The annual Frank Jenkins Memorial Lecture will continue to be held in the CCCU Old Sessions House lecture theatre.

Lyminge Archaeological Excavation, Village and Church

10.45am Wednesday 21st August 2013

See page 14 for further details

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Bookings and payment must be received by Friday 9th August 2013.

All arrangements are subject to availability and a maximum booking of twenty people.

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Booking Form

FCAT Lecture Programme

Royal Castles of Kent – Richard Eales

Richard is a medieval historian, taught at the University of Kent for many years and has written a number of articles on the history of castles and the Kent Domesday book.

Kent is the location of many important castles which have been studied individually and referred to in general books about English castles. The aim of this talk is to look at them in their local and regional context - in particular the interplay of royal power and other forces in Norman Kent.

Building Stones of Canterbury – Geoff Downer

From the time of the Roman occupation stone has been used in Canterbury for construction. However, there is little high quality building stone to be found in East Kent. Local stones have been used primarily for rubble walls and have rarely lent themselves to the high quality carving that has often been in demand. Stones have therefore been sourced from different locations at different times; sometimes from local quarries, at other times from further afield, both from within this country and from abroad. This talk will provide a historical overview of the changes seen in the use of building stone in Canterbury for both secular and religious buildings. It will examine the reasons for these changes whilst considering the provenance of some of the different stone types. Geoff has conducted several building stones walks in Canterbury, and indeed is doing so for the U3A this summer, but this talk will complement rather than repeat these walks.

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FCAT Events 2013–14

Thursday 25th July 2013

Turing College, University of Kent at Canterbury (UKC) Archaeological Excavation

A tour of the site led by Alison Hicks, CAT Project Manager

13.45pm, Keynes College Bus Stop, University Road, UKC

For details, see page 13.

Wednesday 21st August 2013

Lyminge Archaeological Excavation, Village and Church

A morning tour of the site led by Dr. Gabor Thomas, Site Director, followed by an afternoon tour of the village and church to include a talk on Saint Ethelburga.

10.45am Coach and Horses Public House, Church Road, Lyminge

For details, see page 14. Booking form on page 21.

Wednesday 11th September 2013

Royal Norman Castles in Kent

Richard Eales

7.00pm Lecture Room Newton Ng03, North Holmes Road Campus, Canterbury Christ Church University (CCCU)

For details, see page 22.

Wednesday 2nd October 2013

The Building Stones of Canterbury

Geoff Downer

7.00pm Lecture Room Newton Ng03, North Holmes Road Campus, Canterbury Christ Church University (CCCU)

For details, see page 22.

Wednesday 20th November 2013

Beyond the Horizon: Societies of the Channel and North Sea 3,500 Years Ago

Peter Clark, Deputy Director, Canterbury Archaeological Trust (CAT)

1.15pm Dover Museum, Market Square, Dover, Kent CT16 1PB

For details, see page 15.

Saturday 25th January 2014

Frank Jenkins Memorial Lecture

The annual review of the past year's work of the Archaeological Trust by Dr. Paul Bennett (Director CAT)

6.00pm Lecture Theatre, Old Sessions House, Canterbury Christ Church University, Longport, Canterbury

February 2014

Canterbury and East Kent in the Late Medieval Period

A symposium with speakers from Canterbury's Archaeological Trust and Universities

Time and venue to be confirmed in the Winter Newsletter

For all events that do not have a stated charge, FCAT requests a donation of £2.00 for members, £3.00 for non-members and £1.00 for students, to cover costs and to help to support the activities of the Archaeological Trust.

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