



ST. ASAPH ARCHAEOLOGY SOCIETY



Information on our programme and activities can be found on our web site

<http://www.stasapharchaeologysociety.org.uk>

June 2017 “Dig This”

June 7th – John Blore – ‘Bryn Alyn – The Sacred Mountain’. Although we know John for his tenacity and patience in cave excavations what many may not realise is that his interest also extends to landscape archaeology and his meticulously detailed work on Bryn Alyn has revealed an otherwise ‘lost’ landscape. John has published an abstract of this work which can be found on the internet and makes very interesting reading. If you cut and paste the following into your search bar it will take you to the site. independent.academia.edu/JohnBlore

July 5th - Dr Karen Pollock – Graffiti – Karen is currently working on the re-interpretation of a Roman cemetery at Chester and as part of her research into the local heritage (in collaboration with Aimee Pritchard), she is carrying out the identification, recording and historical contextualisation of modern graffiti at prehistoric and historic sites. The presence of Graffiti has become very important in recent years as it gives an insight into how our ancestors viewed sites and places of significance in the landscape.

Please note that payment for the Summer Trips needs to be paid to Andrea by the June 7th meeting. Non-refundable. Cash or cheque payable to SAAS.

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For **Trellech** on Wednesday 2nd August it is £25 (coach plus donation for the guided tour) or £5 if travelling independently.

For **Norton Priory** on Wednesday 9th August it is £18 (coach plus group entrance, plus guided tour) or £7 if travelling independently.

As you all know, we are asking for volunteers to offer their services as committee members and officers this coming October when the present committee will be retiring. Thanks to Andrea the speakers are already in place for next year; thanks to Andrew we are in a sound financial position and we have this lovely venue to meet in so this is not an onerous task, it is just a case of keeping things running and guiding the Society in whatever direction you, the members, would like to go. If you would like to discuss this or to put yourself forward that is fine, just get in touch, or if you wish to nominate someone please get their permission first and then inform any of the present committee so we are aware of the situation.

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From other organisations: - for further details please check on the organisations own website.

June – Rhyl History Club – Outing (A day in historic Caernarfon: The castle, a guided tour of the Borough and a visit to the Roman Camp, Segontium) rhylhistoryclub@gmail.com
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June 10th - Holywell and District Society – Coach outing to York

June 19th – Holywell and District Society - High Street Walk

June 21st – Holywell and District Society - Coach outing to Weaver Hall Museum and Anderton Boat Lift - for further details please contact Ray Bailey at red.baron1@talktalk.net

Wednesday 14th. June at 10am -Prestatyn History Club – ‘History of Prestatyn Part One, Ancient Times’ – Derek Bond

Rhuddlan Local History Society – **No meeting in June or July**

Friday 16th June at 7.00 pm – Wireless in Wales Radio Museum, Denbigh – Talking to the World: The world of Amateur Radio: Speakers with demonstrations by Museum Radio Amateurs.

Monday 26th June 10am – Flintshire U3A at New Brighton Community Centre, Mold – John Blore, Archaeology and Caves of the little Orme.

Friday 9th July – An Evening Event in St Asaph Cathedral – Refugees: Relections in Words and Music. Featuring:- Charlotte Church, Mary Hopman, Mererid Hopwood, Ysgolion Llanddulas Choir and Cystennin Choir plus many other performers. Entry is free but to ensure a place please contact maggietowse@gmail.com or tel: 01492 514870

If you are interested in visiting or volunteering on the dig's taking place on the Clwydian Range this year they are:

The Moel y Gaer excavation takes place from July 16th to 28th and is run by Professor Gary Lock – gary.lock@arch.ox.ac.uk and John Pouncett john.pouncett@arch.ox.ac.uk and further information can be found at <http://www.arch.ox.ac.uk/bodfari.html>.

The Penycloddiau Excavations also start on the 16th and continues into August and is run by Dr Rachel Pope at the University of Liverpool rachel.pope@liv.ac.uk