

LANDSCAPE
SURVEY GROUP
Quarterly news bulletin

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The Britarch briefing page is always useful and covers fieldwork, lectures and conferences:
www.britisharchaeology.org/briefing.

Member news

Al Oswald has suspended his barely-started PhD to take over from Dr Bob Johnston teaching Landscape Archaeology at Sheffield University (following Bob's promotion to Faculty Director of Learning and Teaching). He also continues to teach Analytical Field Survey at York University and, in addition, is filling in for Steve Roskams (who is writing up the Department's investigations undertaken in advance of the construction of the University's new Heslington East campus).

Publications

The ADS has recently made a range of English Heritage monographs available:
<http://archaeologydataservice.ac.uk/blog/2014/10/introducing-english-heritage-archaeological-monographs/>. The list includes many in-depth archaeological landscape studies, several of which were written or contributed to by individuals now involved in the Landscape Survey Group.

A new Landscapism article by Eddie Procter on the rhiw paths of the Black Mountains may be of interest: <http://landscapism.blogspot.co.uk/2014/10/the-rhiw-paths-of-black-mountains.html>.

A new good practice guidance document released via ADS covers the archaeological use of drones: <http://archaeologydataservice.ac.uk/blog/2014/11/archaeological-drones/>.

Events

28 November 2014, 5.30pm, OUDCE: The annual **Mick Aston Memorial Lecture** on Landscapes of Monasticism. Much more detail at:
<https://www.conted.ox.ac.uk/courses/details.php?id=V400-503&search=mick%20aston%20lecture&submitbutton=Search&multisearch=single>

24th-26th February 2015, Frankfurt: the final Arcland Project conference, free of charge. The Arcland website is at <http://www.arcland.eu/>, registration for the conference is under NEWS, at <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/sensing-the-past-new-approaches-to-european-landscapes-registration-12486195547>.

20th-21st March 2015, RCAHMS Edinburgh: LSG AGM. Full details:

http://landscapesurvey.org/?page_id=20

21st March 2015, 10am-4pm, Guildford: Medieval Studies Forum of Surrey Archaeological Society day meeting - 'Moated sites and Churches in the Landscape'. Details:

www.surreyarchaeology.org.uk/node/931

Projects

25th November, 7pm, Birling Gap: A meeting to recruit volunteers for the **Seven Sisters Community Archaeology Project**. This is a new project that has been awarded grant funding for community research work around the Seven Sisters. It will run until October 2016 and will include field survey and geophysical surveys at Gayles Farm and Belle Tout, excavations at Belle Tout as well as work on a barrow west of Birling Gap and some coastguard cottages. Contact Tom Dommett (NT) for details: Tom.Dommett@nationaltrust.org.uk.

Wessex Academy for Field Archaeology (WAFA) is a project which provides a range of ways of investigating the past within the setting of a long term landscape study in Wessex. Details on: www.wafa.org.uk. Mark Bowden of this parish tutored their earthwork survey course on the 8th November on the site of Lazerton DMV, Stourpaine.

The **Secrets of the High Woods** is a new project investigating the historic environment of the wooded western downs of Sussex. The project is hosted by the South Downs National Park Authority, in partnership with Chichester District Council and has received funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund. See: <http://www.southdowns.gov.uk/get-involved/secrets-of-the-high-woods>.