

SHAHT NEWSLETTER

MAY 2016

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

OPENING TIMES

Monday afternoons
2.00 – 4.00

U3A hold their Archaeology meetings at the centre on the second Monday of each month, so we are not open on the following dates:

30.5.16

(Bank Holiday)

13.6.16

11.7.16

Tuesday evenings
7.30 – 9.00

We can open on other dates by prior arrangement: contact details below

If you would like to come along to help us in a variety of archaeological tasks or would like to know more please contact us (details below)

Don't forget you can visit us at our website:

www.shaht.co.uk

email:

shaht.bagshot@gmail.com

twitter - @SHAHTArchaeo

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NEWS UPDATES

❖ **AGM: Tuesday 21st June 7.30pm**

Members will have received the Annual Report for the AGM next month. We look forward to seeing many of our members that evening. Join us for a glass of wine/juice and nibbles before the meeting. Stay afterwards to wander around and see all we have achieved and continue to do.

❖ **Lease Renewal**

Surrey County Council has again offered us another year's extension to the lease. We are currently finalising this with them. We are still looking to the future and working with Surrey Heath Museum, local Bagshot and Camberley councillors, Bagshot Society and other local organisations.

We are very positive about our future and our role within Surrey Heath as guardians of much local archaeology.

Over this year we have sorted through the many finds from the sites previously excavated, ensured they are being stored correctly, correlated the data and catalogued ready for their next home.

U3A have helped hugely in this alongside SHAHT members. Monday afternoons can see as many as 10 people working hard with a variety of finds and it's good to see some old members returning.



So with an extra year we have already planned out what we intend doing. Once we have finished working through the Conservation Room we will make a start on the Pot Room, ensuring all the referenced finds are boxed up carefully and recorded; the Pipe Room and tackling the Site folders in the Office, and sorting through the maps. With the extra time this can be done in a thorough and organised way.

Clearance

We have made great headway with clearing rooms of non-archaeological items and had a very successful Sunday recently where through the website Freegle we said goodbye to a number of furniture items.

We will certainly be doing this again.

Where are they now?

We recently received this email from Duncan Turner who would like to share his memories of the very early days at SHAHT

I was a member of the Surrey Heath Archaeological Group, back in 1985 before it became SHAHT, right up until 1992 when I got married and moved away.

My peers within the group (on the General Purposes Committee) were; Geoff Cole, David Tedder, John and Dorothy Jillings, Paul Stokes, Hazel Lucus, Alison Lucus, Alison Bowyer, Graham Huxley, Marianne Brooks and Paul Hopkins, and so many more I can't remember them all.

I was on site the first day a couple of student archaeologist arrived, someone called Justin Pollard, Douglas Spears (Prof.) it would have helped if they knew how to push a wheel barrow.

I was there for the long fight to get the 'Old Police' station in Bagshot, due to the covenant on it that meant it had to be used for educational purposes, the day we got the 20 year rent free lease and the of the official opening.

I was wondering if you still have any contact with any of the members of the trust from its heyday, excavating the Three Mariners pub, and the Romano British Site of Aqualumin (Lightwater).

If anyone would like to email Duncan please contact us at SHAHT and we will pass his details on.

And if you would like to tell us what you are up to now we will include it in our next Newsletter.

Annual Subscriptions

Ordinary Member £12.50

Senior Citizen/Student £10

Joint (two adults at the same address) £20

Payment may be made by Cash, Cheque (payable to SHAHT)

Gift Aid: If one (or both) are a UK Tax Payer, the value of your membership can be increased as we can reclaim the Tax payable on your membership.

I am a UK taxpayer & would like the tax to be reclaimed on my membership subscription, since 2006 and all future donations until I notify you otherwise.

Signature.....Date.....

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Please send completed forms & payments to the Membership Secretary,
The Archaeology Centre, 4-10 London Road,
Bagshot, Surrey, GU19 5HN

Subscription Renewal

If all our news makes you feel you'd like to renew your membership to support SHAHT then simply fill in the form and either send it to us or come along on a Monday or Tuesday. As a full member you can also join us at the AGM.

EVENTS IN SURREY HEATH

➤ **Surrey Heath Local History Club**

'In celebration of 35 years digging for History': talk by Phil Stevens

To mark the future move of the Surrey Heath Archaeological & Heritage Trust from the Old Police Station at 4 – 10 London Road.

SHAHT members welcome.

Venue: Brook Church Bagshot. Wednesday 8th June at 7.30pm. Free

➤ **Surrey Heath Museum Events**

- **Exhibition: Travel Through Surrey Heath** - until 25.6.16

- **Exhibition talk – Travel Through Surrey Heath**
25.5.16 11 – 3.pm Free.

Drop in to Surrey Heath museum and find out about your local history

➤ **Historic Walks of Surrey Heath**

9.6.15 – Bisley (£5) 7.7.16 – South Camberley

4.8.16 – Bagshot 15.9.16 – Frimley

29.6.16 - Special RMA Sandhurst Walk £25

➤ **The Somme Study Day:** 2.7.16.

To commemorate 100 years since the Battle of the Somme

9.30 – 4.00 Tickets £15

➤ **Children's Fun and Craft Activities around the Museum throughout June**

- For more details on all these events contact Surrey Heath Museum or visit their website at: www.surreyheath.gov.uk/museum

ARCHAEOLOGY NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT

Please consider reading more about this new planned legislation and signing the petition to enforce parliament to debate it. Copy the link to petition site below.

Stop Destruction Of British Archaeology. Neighbourhood and Infrastructure Bill

'Britain has some of the most amazing and diverse archaeological remains in the world, however the new Neighbourhood Planning and Infrastructure Bill announced today puts all of this at risk, leading to the destruction of our past for good. The lack of surveys will inherently lead to this'

<https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/130783>