



# NASNEWS

Newsletter of the Northamptonshire Archaeological Society

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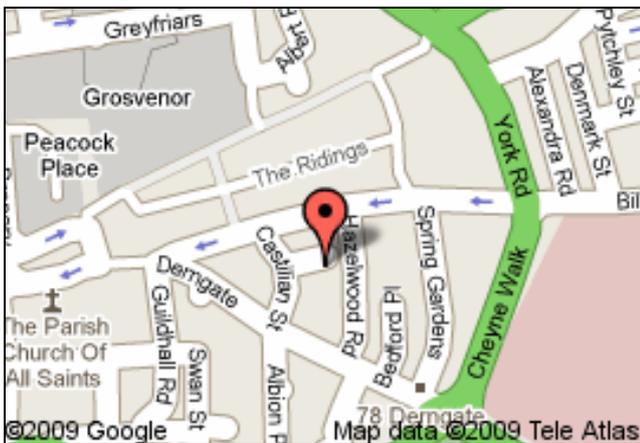
## October 2017

### NAS AGM and public lecture

### Tuesday, 14 November

The NAS Annual General Meeting will be held in the Humfrey Rooms of the Northamptonshire Natural History Society:

**10 Castilian Terrace  
Northampton NN1 1LD**



There will be tea/coffee and biscuits from 6.30pm, with the NAS AGM at 7pm:

Officers' reports

Statement of accounts

Election of members of council:

Andy Chapman, Pat Chapman, David Waller, Carol Simmonds, Brian Giggins, Stephen Hollowell, Graham Cadman, Mike Curtis, Roy Friendship-Taylor and Ian Barrie.

Proposed new members:

Rob Atkins as meetings secretary

Mark Holmes as NASNEWS editor

Andy Chapman remains journal editor,  
Pat Chapman as membership secretary  
and Carol Simmonds as Treasurer.

The public lecture will start at c.7.20 pm.

**Elizabeth Craig-Atkins**  
Senior Lecturer in Human  
Osteology,  
University of Sheffield

### The Rothwell Charnel Chapel Project

### Multidisciplinary Explorations of a Unique Medieval Charnel Chapel and its contents



Image from the recently-completed 3D digital model of Rothwell charnel chapel.



Cranium radiocarbon dated to the 14th or early 15th century - one of three individuals from the charnel chapel confirmed to have lived during the medieval period.

## NAS COMMITTEE

Anyone else wishing to join the committee to help keep the Society running, and who can bring in new energy and fresh ideas, please step forward.

New candidates should notify the Secretary in advance, together with the names of two members to nominate and second their application (or they can be nominated on the night).

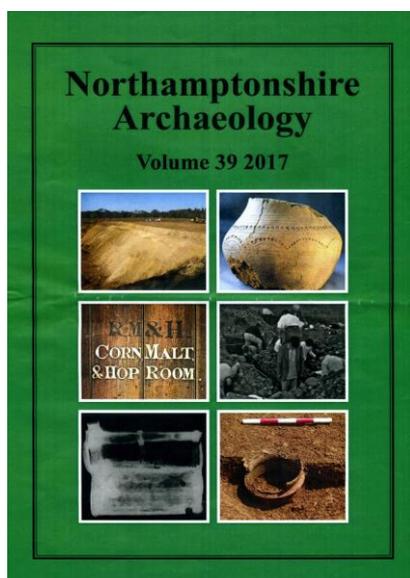
## SUBSCRIPTION REMINDER

A reminder for those who do not pay by direct debit that subscriptions were due in September, apart from those who joined from this summer onward. We would ask all those paying by Direct Debit to check that they have adjusted the amount paid according to the subscription rates as increased a couple of years ago, mainly to take account of the increased costs of posting the journals.

£12 individual membership,  
£15 family membership, £10 students  
£15 local associations, £25 institutions

Cheques payable to Northamptonshire Archaeological Society: to Pat Chapman, NAS Membership Secretary, 4 Oat Hill Drive, Northampton, NN3 5AL.

## Northamptonshire Archaeology Volume 39, 2017



We are hopeful that volume 39 will be available for collection by members at the AGM. Otherwise, copies will be forwarded by post through the second half of November.

## Contents

- An Early Neolithic enclosure near West Cotton, Raunds, Andy Chapman**  
**Late Neolithic pits and an Early Bronze Age cremation cemetery at Middleton Chase, Banbury Lane, Middleton Cheney, Martin Cuthbert and Bob Zeepvat**  
**A Bronze Age and Early Iron Age landscape at Harlestone Quarry, Northampton, Andy Chapman, Jason Clarke and Anne Foard**  
**A Middle Iron Age settlement at Banbury Lane, King's Sutton, David Ingham**  
**Iron Age and Roman Settlement to the north-west of Crick, Andrew Mudd, Nicola Powell and Dan Stone**  
**A Roman corn-drying kiln at Cogenhoe found in 1962, Robert Moore**  
**Late Iron Age to Early Roman and Middle Anglo-Saxon settlement at Darsdale Farm, Raunds, Adam Reid**  
**Late Saxon burials at All Saints Church, Little Billing, Northampton, Chris Chinnock**  
**Late Iron Age settlement and a medieval windmill north of Brick Kiln Road, Raunds, Carol Simmonds**  
**Late Iron Age to early Roman settlement and medieval settlement at Harley Way, Benefield, Claire Finn**  
**Medieval and later activity in the former precinct of St John's Hospital, Northampton**  
Simon Carlyle, Jonny Geber and Philip L Armitage  
**Historic Building Recording at the Anchor Brewery, Oundle, Amir Bassir**  
**Notes:**  
**A Bronze Age cairn at Wakerley Great Wood, Graham Cadman**  
**A Roman military harness pendant from Wellingborough, Robert Moore**  
**A Claudian pit group of bone hinges and box fittings from a 'military' latrine pit beneath the proto-villa at Piddington Roman villa, Roy Friendship-Taylor**  
**Recent Publications**  
**Archaeology in Northamptonshire 2014, 2015 and 2016**

**The Origins of Northampton Walk**  
**Thursday, 1 June 2107**

The walk around the historic area of Saxon Palaces, the town defences and Northampton Castle, led by Andy Chapman, of MOLA Northampton, was a success, and will probably be repeated in 2019 to mark the appearance of the Northampton special edition of the journal.

Below, standing above St Andrew's Road on the east side of the inner bailey, looking west towards the new station, right, where the outer bailey once stood.



Below, the walls of the Middle Saxon 'palace' marked out in the modern paving.



**Chester Farm**  
**Irchester Roman Town**

There is now a comprehensive website covering all aspects of the Chester Farm development: [www.chesterfarm.co.uk](http://www.chesterfarm.co.uk).

**CBA South Midlands:**  
**Autumn Conference**  
**Oxfordshire Archaeological Review**  
**Sunday, 5th November 2017**

Village Hall, South Green, Kirtlington,  
Oxfordshire, OX5 3HJZ

See the attached poster for details of speakers and a booking form.

**35th Annual Brixworth Lecture**  
**Saturday, 28th October**  
**5.00pm in the church**

Tea and coffee in the church from 4pm

**Pleasures of the Pulpit:**  
**Anglo-Saxon Preaching as a Guide**  
**to Life in the Community**

**Professor Jon Wilcox,**  
**University of Iowa**

Tickets £6.00

The annual Brixworth Lecture is always well worth attending for the lecture itself, the chance to spend some time sitting in Brixworth Church and, last but not least, the pre-lecture tea.

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