

E-newsletter 9

31 January 2022

Roman Army School Newsletter 9

Happy New Year from the Roman Army School! We hope everyone had a wonderful and relaxing festive period.

In this newsletter we have an update on the RAS 2022 meeting, a video from HS2 detailing their important Roman Site at Blackgrounds, the links to watch five of our 2021 lectures again and an attached flyer with details for SANT's planned lectures this year.

RAS Durham 2022

It is with much heated discussion and heavy regret that we have made the difficult decision to cancel The Roman Army School residential course this year. Arrangements were due to be in place before New Year and we did have a number of people booked to attend, however, the COVID-19 situation remains far from ideal and with a new wave threatening just before Christmas and our bookings being lower than we'd hoped due to an understandable wariness of sitting inside in large groups, holding the conference in Durham began to look unfeasible. As such the committee made the difficult decision to cancel the 2022 Roman Army School, we so very sorry that we have had to do this once again and are grateful to everyone for understanding.

However, we have also managed to successfully book a slot in Durham for RAS 2023! Dates for your diary are Friday 31st March to Monday 3rd April when it is intended to run what would have been this year's course.

We are also looking into the potential to host more online lectures this year so please do watch this space, and our website and facebook pages for more information.

Our 2021 online lecture series:

Five of our online lectures are available to re-watch on our website or on youtube at your leisure, so whether you missed the lecture first time around or would simply like to watch it again, there are the links to some of last year's lectures. More will be uploaded in due course so keep an eye on our website.

Bearsden: Life in a Roman Fort – Professor David Breeze

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VEv9UIOIYR0> <<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VEv9UIOIYR0>>;

Roman Frontiers – Professor David Breeze <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c3yYoztwK30>

<<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c3yYoztwK30>>;

Transmission and meaning of the Nottia Dignitatum – Marko Jelusic

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L1l0nKfzd7w> <<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L1l0nKfzd7w>>;

The Saxon Shore – Richard Bridgland <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IMymRQ9XUrQ>

<<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IMymRQ9XUrQ>>;

The logistics of Agricola's final campaign – Professor David Breeze

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bq6EN0OPaj8> <<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bq6EN0OPaj8>>;

HS2 discoveries:

For the past year MOLA Northampton have been working on a large development site as part of the HS2 project. The site was recently featured in the national and international news, with TV crews from as far away as the USA descending on the Northamptonshire site, which has uncovered the remains of a Roman trading settlement. The collection of buildings, roads and agricultural remains are extraordinary and the finds have been superb. In this 4 minute video released by HS2, MOLA Northampton Archaeological Project Officer, James West discusses the amazing archaeology on his site.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xOWhHUBJ-Yk&t=3s>

<<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xOWhHUBJ-Yk&t=3s>>;

Augustan fort at Haltern Germany:

The LWL Roman Museum is currently closed as they get ready to unveil their next big exhibition.

Information about their new exhibition, opening times and how to visit can be found on their website:

<https://bit.ly/31bgu1x> <<https://bit.ly/31bgu1x>>;

Additional information:

Attached is a flyer detailing the monthly lecture series of the Society of Antiquaries of Newcastle upon Tyne (SANT). They are hoping to hold the lectures in person but will look to move online depending on the COVID-19 situation.

The RAS organising committee will endeavour to keep everyone up to date on our plans for 2022 and 2023, we hope we can bring you more interesting lectures over the next few months.

Best wishes on behalf of the organisers,

Susan

Chair – The Roman Army School

S. M. Porter MA. BA Hons, ACIfA Project Officer, Fieldwork Trainer and Roman Coin Specialist Museum of London Archaeology, (MOLA), Basingstoke

<<https://www.facebook.com/pg/smporterauthor>>; <<https://twitter.com/smporterauthor>>; @SMPorterauthor

<<https://www.facebook.com/pg/smporterauthor>>; <<http://amzn.to/2eA1bDN>>; <<http://amzn.to/2eA1bDN>>;

Why not read my Archaeological Adventure novels. Available on Amazon!

<<https://www.facebook.com/pg/smporterauthor>>; <<https://twitter.com/smporterauthor>>;

www.smporterauthor.co.uk

Archive note: This PDF is a web-friendly transcription of the original e-newsletter email. References to attachments and historical website links have been retained in the text; separate email attachments are not reproduced here.