If you would like an event, course or new publication to be included, please send basic details (e.g. date, title, place, organising body, very brief description, website and/or email address and/or phone number) to volunteer@archaeologyscotland.org.uk. Please do not send attachments. The next deadline is 14 May. Archaeology Scotland members who wish to be added to the mailing list, or those who would like their name removed, should email volunteer@archaeologyscotland.org.uk.

We are currently seeking members’ view on what services we provide or could provide. Please help us improve what we do by completing the online questionnaire here: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/DW5YFCM

*NEW* and *UPDATE* indicate additions or changes to the previous list.

1. PROGRAMMES OF EVENTS

*NEW* 21 April 2012
TAKING PART IN THE PAST
ARCH are running a free family festival celebrating Highland community archaeology including speakers and stalls. www.archhighland.org.uk/taking-part-in-the-past.asp

May 2012
PERTHSHIRE ARCHAEOLOGY MONTH
Co-ordinated by Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust
A month long series of events focusing on the archaeology of Perth and Kinross. Details t.b.a.
http://www.pkht.org.uk/Exploring-Perthshires-Past/Perthshire-Archaeology-Month/

14-29 July 2012
CBA FESTIVAL OF BRITISH ARCHAEOLOGY
The annual extravaganza of heritage events coordinated by the Council for British Archaeology. Details t.b.a. spring 2012.
http://festival.britarch.ac.uk/

September 2012
SCOTTISH ARCHAEOLOGY MONTH
Events throughout Scotland for everyone, free of charge. Details t.b.a.
http://www.scottisharchaeologymonth.org.uk

September 2012, every weekend
DOORS OPEN DAYS
Free access to hundreds of fascinating buildings across Scotland. Details t.b.a.
http://www.doorsopendays.org.uk/opendays

September 2012
EAST LOTHIAN ARCHAEOLOGY & LOCAL HISTORY FORTNIGHT
Guided tours and illustrated talks throughout East Lothian. Details t.b.a.
http://www.eastlothian.gov.uk/archaeology

September 2012
BORDERS HERITAGE WEEK
Scottish Borders Council
A host of activities throughout the Scottish Borders. Details t.b.a.
http://www.scottishbordersheritage.co.uk

*NEW* 3-10 October 2012
ASSYNT FESTIVAL
A week long festival celebrating the cultural and natural heritage of the area. Details t.b.a.
www.assyntfestival.org.uk
October 2012
HIGHLAND ARCHAEOLOGY FESTIVAL
Events around the Highlands for everyone. Details t.b.a.
Highland Council Archaeology Unit
http://www.highland.gov.uk/yourenvironment/conservation/archaeology/highlandarchaeologyfestival.htm

2. DIGS, CONSERVATION AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

2012
ADOPT-A-MONUMENT
Archaeology Scotland is working with community groups across Scotland to conserve and interpret a range of important archaeological and historical sites. There are still opportunities to have Archaeology Scotland help you with a project at a local archaeological or historic site.
For further information, please contact Cara Jones, Adopt-a-Monument Officer, at Archaeology Scotland on 0845 8723333, c.jones@archaeologyscotland.org.uk

Continuing
DAER VALLEY PRE-HISTORIC SITES
Biggar Archaeology Group
We are currently excavating a series of prehistoric sites under threat by forestry in the Daer Valley, south of Crawford and just off the M74. Mesolithic, Neolithic and Bronze Age sites are being worked on. We are desperate for more volunteers, no experience is necessary. We work weekends only. Further enquiries will be welcome.
http://www.biggararchaeology.org.uk
info@biggararchaeology.org.uk

Continuing
RESEARCHING AVIEMORE, GLENMORE AND UPPER STRATHSPEY
The Cairngorms National Park Authority and the Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Scotland (RCAHMS) are organising a three-year programme of activities offering training and support to those wishing to research and explore the history of Aviemore and its surrounding area. Further information from Amy Gillespie, communities@rcahms.gov.uk

Continuing
WESTERN ISLES ARCHAEOLOGY PROJECT
Fishermen, beachcombers, divers and local people in the Western Isles are being urged to report anything unusual they’ve spotted at the shoreline or under the sea to a new archaeological project, which is searching for the prehistoric and historic remains of the coastal and marine areas of the Outer Hebrides. OHCCMAPP is a partnership between RCAHMS, WA Coastal & Marine, Historic Scotland and Comhairle nan Eilean Siar. For more information or to have a chat about getting involved, contact marine@rcahms.gov.uk or see http://www.rcahms.gov.uk

3. CONFERENCES

12-15 April 2012
SCOTTISH SOCIETY FOR NORTHERN STUDIES CONFERENCE
Bowmore, Isle of Islay

26 May 2012
ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESEARCH IN PROGRESS (ARP 2012)
National conference organised this year by Archaeology Scotland in collaboration with the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland. This year’s conference will be held in Aberdeen.
http://www.archaeologyscotland.org.uk/sites/default/files/ARP2012bookletWEB.pdf
*NEW* 6-8 July 2012
STUDY GROUP FOR ROMAN POTTERY
40th Anniversary conference for the Study Group for Roman Pottery at the University of Glasgow.
www.sgrp.org.uk/02/2012Glasgow.htm

21-23 September 2012
GARDENING TIME: REFLECTIONS ON MEMORY, MONUMENTS AND HISTORY IN SCOTLAND AND SARDINIA
Magdalen College, Cambridge
The key themes are the connections between memory and monuments, taking Scotland and Sardinia as two key examples. Timetable: declaration of interest - now; abstracts by 1 May 2012. For further details contact Isabelle Vella Gregory, iv219@cam.ac.uk, or Simon Stoddart, ss16@cam.ac.uk, or view the website, http://www.arch.cam.ac.uk/iron_age/2012/index.html

*NEW* COMMUNITY HERITAGE CONFERENCE 2012 – Birnam Arts Centre 10-11 November
We are working with RCAHMS and NTS and other partners to stage a vibrant conference, with allied training, workshops and posters. This will be a chance for community groups involved in a variety of historic environment-related activities to come together and share their experiences. Saturday will be a mix of workshops, talks and networking and Sunday will be a day of field trips and outings. The cost of attending will be kept as low as possible and more information to follow on this soon.

4. TALKS AND LECTURES

*NEW* 11 April 2012
THE BIG 5: FUTURE TRENDS IN SCOTTISH ARCHAEOLOGY
Lecture by Dr. Jeff Sanders, SoAS, ScARF
23a Fettes Row, Edinburgh
Organised by the Edinburgh Archaeological Field Society
www.eafs.org.uk

13 - 15 April 2012
THE RHIND LECTURES:
'ON THE WINDY EDGE OF NOTHING: VIKINGS IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC WORLD - ECOLOGICAL AND SOCIAL JOURNEYS'
By Professor Kevin Edwards, University of Aberdeen
Organised by the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland

*NEW* 30 April 2012
CARN LIAH BROCH: WHAT DO ARTEFACTS TELL US?
Lecture by Lynn Fraser
Dingwall Community Centre
Organised by ARCH
http://www.archhighland.org.uk/calendar.asp?intent=details&eventID=1205

*NEW* 8 May 2012
CASH OR CACHE: ROMANS, NATIVES AND COINS IN ANTONINE AND SEVERAN SCOTLAND
Lecture by Nichola Holmes, National Museum of Scotland
23a Fettes Row Edinburgh
Organised by the Edinburgh Archaeological Field Society
www.eafs.org.uk

9 May 2012 (Aberdeen) & 10 May 2012 (St Andrews)
ON THE MARCH: ROMAN CAMPS IN SCOTLAND
Lecture by Dr Rebecca Jones, RCAHMS
Organised by the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland

*UPDATE* 15 May 2012
REBEWED LIFE FOR SCOTTISH CASTLES
Lecture by Dr Allan Rutherford, Historic Scotland
Rescheduled from December 2011
New Kings 10, Aberdeen
Organised by Society of Antiquaries of Scotland
http://www.socantscot.org/article.asp?aid=1745

*NEW* 28 May 2012
STRATHCARNAIG (SUTHERLAND): BEFORE AND AFTER CLEARANCE
Lecture by David Alston
Dingwall Community Centre
Organised by ARCH
http://www.archhighland.org.uk/calendar.asp?intent=details&eventID=1206

Monthly
RCAHMS LUNCHTIME LECTURES
Conference Room, RCAHMS, 16 Bernard Terrace, Edinburgh, 1 pm
Lectures on Scotland's architecture, archaeology and industry, open to all, free, must be booked in advance, 0131 662 1456 or info@rcahms.gov.uk
http://www.rcahms.gov.uk/rcahms-lunchtime-lectures.html

5. EXHIBITIONS

*NEW* 11 Feb – 27 May 2012
FASCINATING MUMMIES
Exhibition from the Egyptology Collections of the National Museum of Antiquities in Leiden National Museum of Scotland
http://www.nms.ac.uk/our_museums/national_museum/exhibitions/fascinating_mummies.aspx

*NEW* 16 March – 24 June 2012
SEE SCOTLAND BY TRAIN
First chance to see the National Museum of Scotland’s collection of Scottish Railway Posters
National Museum of Scotland
http://www.nms.ac.uk/our_museums/national_museum/exhibitions/see_scotland_by_train.aspx

*NEW* until 5th May 2012
THE CARPOW BRONZE-AGE LOGBOAT
Perth Museum and Art Gallery, 78 George Street, Perth, PH1 5LB
The Carpow logboat is one of the best-preserved prehistoric logboats ever found in Britain. The boat was discovered in 2001 in the Tay Estuary. It was buried in the intertidal sands and gravels and only survived because it had remained waterlogged. The boat had to be not only cleaned but also freeze-dried before it could be transported for conservation work.

6. WALKS, HOLIDAYS AND OUTINGS

THE SCOTTISH CRANNOG CENTRE, KENMORE, LOCH TAY
Featuring a unique reconstruction of an early Iron Age loch-dwelling.
Exhibition, guided tour, 'hands on' crafts and technology demonstrations, and special events. For opening times see http://www.crannog.co.uk

ORKNEY ARCHAEOLOGY TOURS
All-inclusive small group holidays and private tours run by professional archaeologists who are also accredited Orkney Tourist Guides.
2012 brochure downloadable from http://www.orkneyarchaeologytours.co.uk
tel. 01856 721217 or 01856 721450

BORDERS HERITAGE WEBSITE
Official web site of the Countryside and Heritage Service of Scottish Borders Council.
Information includes places to visit and publications.
http://www.scottishbordersheritage.co.uk/

EAST LOTHIAN COUNCIL ARCHAEOLOGY SERVICE
For archaeological guided walks in East Lothian, see
http://www.eastlothian.gov.uk/archaeology

HIGHLAND COUNCIL RANGERS
For guided walks led by Highland Council Countryside Rangers, see
http://www.highland.gov.uk/leisureandtourism/what-to-see/rangers/countrysiderangerevents.htm
Their walks of archaeological interest are also listed on
http://www.archhighland.org.uk/calendar.asp

LOCAL MUSEUMS
See Museums Galleries Scotland website,
http://www.museumsgalleriesscotland.org.uk/search-for-museums-&-galleries/results/?all

7. SHORT COURSES

*NEW*  19 April – 3 May 2012
SURVEYING YOUR HERITAGE
Part of a series of courses run by ARCH looking at ancient routeways and their influence on
landscape and archaeological features. Tain TRACC Room 22.
http://www.archhighland.org.uk/calendar.asp?intent=details&eventID=1216

*NEW*  17 April – 15 May 2012, 10 May – 7 June
REPORTING ON YOUR PAST
Part of a series of courses run by ARCH looking at ancient routeways and their influence on
landscape and archaeological features. Strathpeffer Community Centre, and Tain TRACC
Room 22.
http://www.archhighland.org.uk/calendar.asp?intent=details&eventID=1211
http://www.archhighland.org.uk/calendar.asp?intent=details&eventID=1219

*NEW*  Several Dates From March to September 2012
NAVIGATION COURSES
Lupine Adventure run a series of two day courses teaching navigational skills. Courses
available in either the Yorkshire Dales or the Lake District.
www.lupineadventure.co.uk/navigation-training/standard-navigation-course

*NEW*  4-22 April 2012
KENT ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELD SCHOOL
Investigations into a newly discovered Roman Villa at Abby Fields
www.kafs.co.uk/courses.aspx

*NEW*  Several Dates during May and June 2012
KENT ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELD SCHOOL
Introductory courses into archaeological survey and excavation, ideal for beginners or
newcomers to archaeology. Courses based in Kent.
www.kafs.co.uk/courses.aspx

*UPDATE*  May-June 2012
SAN GEMINI PRESERVATION STUDIES:
International Institute for Restoration and Preservation Studies
Courses in Athens, January 2012; San Gemini, Italy, May-June 2012
http://sangeministudies.org

*NEW*  5-6 May, 23-24 June
OSTEOARCHAEOLOGICAL PROJECT
Short course introducing osteoarchaeology and studying remains from the Roman and
Medieval Periods of Luton. Course in Stockwood Discover Centre, Luton.
David.klingle@yahoo.co.uk

*NEW*  9-13 July
VIKING CULTURE
Week-long summer programme of lectures and field trips including Rousay, Egilsay,
Maeshowe looking at Viking voyages, society, everyday life, sagas and runes.
Centre for Nordic Studies, Kirkwall
http://www.nordic.uhi.ac.uk

*NEW* 23-27 July
VIKING CULTURE
Week-long summer programme of lectures and field trips including Unst and Scalloway
looking at Viking voyages, society, landscape, everyday life, sagas and runes.
Saxa vord, Unst and NAFC Marine Cente, Scalloway
http://www.nordic.uhi.ac.uk

8. DEGREE COURSES

BISHOP GROSSETESTE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LINCOLN
Masters Programme in Community Archaeology
http://www.bishopg.ac.uk/postgraduate

UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN
SCHOOL OF GEOSCIENCES
Undergraduate and postgraduate courses in archaeology: all may be done by Flexible
Learning.
http://www.abdn.ac.uk/archaeology/

UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH
SCHOOL OF HISTORY, CLASSICS AND ARCHAEOLOGY
Undergraduate and postgraduate courses in archaeology
http://www.shca.ed.ac.uk/archaeology

UNIVERSITY OF GLASGOW
DEPARTMENT OF ARCHAEOLOGY
Undergraduate and postgraduate courses in archaeology
http://www.gla.ac.uk/departments/archaeology/

UNIVERSITY OF THE HIGHLANDS AND ISLANDS (UHI)
Undergraduate and postgraduate courses in archaeology and geophysics (subject to
validation)
http://www.uhi.ac.uk/en/courses/arts-humanities-and-social-sciences
tel: Orkney College 01856 569000

FOR MORE COURSES
see British Archaeological Jobs and Resources (BAJR)
http://www.bajr.org/BAJREducation/default.asp

9. NEW PUBLICATIONS

*NEW* RCAHMS
PUBLICATIONS 2012-2013
Catalogue of new publications for 2012-2013 by RCAHMS

RCAHMS
THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL LANDSCAPE OF BUTE
Published in 2010, the print run has sold out, but the book is now available as a free
download.
http://www.rcahms.gov.uk/rcahms-publications/the-archaeological-landscape-of-bute

Martin Rorke, Dennis Gallagher, Charles McKean, Patricia Dennison and Gordon Ewart
HISTORIC GALASHIELS: ARCHAEOLOGY AND DEVELOPMENT
Latest in the series of Burgh Surveys published by Historic Scotland.
Available from Central Books, 0845 4589910, or
http://www.britarch.ac.uk/books/burghsurveys
10. **E-NEWSLETTERS**

**ARCH NEWSLETTER**
Archaeology for Communities in the Highlands (ARCH)

**ARCHAEO NEWS**
Summaries of news articles about the latest prehistoric discoveries worldwide.

*NEW* **HARP E-BULLETIN**
Heritage and Archaeological Research Practice. A bi-monthly e-bulletin detailing workshops, field schools and events run by HARP in both the UK and abroad
Subscribe free via [http://www.harparchaeology.co.uk/contact-us](http://www.harparchaeology.co.uk/contact-us)

**RURAL ARCHAEOLOGY BULLETIN**
An occasional, downloadable newsletter from Archaeology Scotland with the latest events, policies and other news affecting archaeology and rural land management.
Rural Archaeology Bulletin No. 39, March 2012
[http://www.archaeologyscotland.org.uk/?q=node/4](http://www.archaeologyscotland.org.uk/?q=node/4)

11. **USEFUL WEBSITES**

**BRITISH ARCHAEOLOGICAL JOBS AND RESOURCES (BAJR)**
A wide range of information on archaeological affairs, including jobs, courses and reading material.

**CANMORE**
The window into the RCAHMS database of archaeological sites and monuments.
[http://www.rcahms.gov.uk/canmore.html](http://www.rcahms.gov.uk/canmore.html)

**COUNCIL FOR BRITISH ARCHAEOLOGY PUBLICATIONS**
[http://www.britarch.ac.uk/books](http://www.britarch.ac.uk/books)

**HIGHLAND HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT RECORD**
The Highland Council’s database of archaeological sites and finds.
[http://her.highland.gov.uk/](http://her.highland.gov.uk/)

**THE SOCIETY OF ANTIQUARIES OF SCOTLAND ON-LINE SHOP**

**THE SOCIETY OF ANTIQUARIES OF SCOTLAND PUBLICATIONS**
These include the entire contents of PSAS as well as current titles.

12. **NATIONAL AND REGIONAL ORGANISATIONS**

**ARCHAELOGY FOR COMMUNITIES IN THE HIGHLANDS (ARCH)**

**ARCHAELOGY SCOTLAND**
[http://www.archaeologyscotland.org.uk](http://www.archaeologyscotland.org.uk)

**COUNCIL FOR BRITISH ARCHAEOLOGY**
[http://www.britarch.ac.uk](http://www.britarch.ac.uk)

**HISTORIC SCOTLAND**
[http://www.historic-scotland.gov.uk](http://www.historic-scotland.gov.uk)
NATIONAL MUSEUMS SCOTLAND
http://www.nms.ac.uk

THE NATIONAL TRUST FOR SCOTLAND
http://www.nts.org.uk/Home

*NEW* THE NAUTICAL ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY
http://www.nauticalarchaeologicalsociety.org

THE PLACES OF WORSHIP IN SCOTLAND PROJECT
Promoting the recording of church sites and buildings of all places of worship in Scotland.
http://www.scottishchurches.org.uk

THE ROYAL COMMISSION ON THE ANCIENT AND HISTORIC MONUMENTS OF SCOTLAND (RCAHMS)
http://www.rcahms.gov.uk

SCOTTISH MAPS FORUM
NATIONAL LIBRARY OF SCOTLAND
Annual conference and free newsletter (Cairt)
For further information or to be added to the mailing list, email maps@nls.uk or phone 0131 623 3970

SCAPE — SCOTTISH COASTAL ARCHAEOLOGY AND THE PROBLEM OF EROSION
A charity that seeks to research, conserve and promote the archaeology of Scotland’s coasts.
http://www.scapetrust.org

sCAPE runs the SHOREWATCH project, involving communities in recording the eroding archaeology of Scotland’s coasts
http://www.shorewatch.co.uk

SCOTTISH ARCHAEOLOGICAL FORUM (SAF)
SAF is run by a committee of archaeologists and its prime function is to organise conferences and workshops which further the study of archaeology in Scotland.
http://www.scottisharchaeologicalforum.org.uk/

THE SOCIETY OF ANTIQUARIES OF SCOTLAND
http://www.socantscot.org

TREASURE TROVE
http://www.treasuretrovestotland.co.uk
All archaeological finds in Scotland, except for Victorian and 20th-century coins, must be reported to the Treasure Trove Unit at National Museums of Scotland.

YOUNG ARCHAEOLOGISTS’ CLUB
Coordinated by CBA, this UK-wide club is for young people aged 8 to 16 who are interested in archaeology. In Scotland there are branches in Aberdeen, Biggar, East Lothian, Falkirk, Inverness, Kilmartin, Perth and Stirling.
For information contact YAC, http://www.yac-uk.org

13. OTHER ORGANISATIONS

ARCHAEOLOGICAL CONTRACTORS AND CONSULTANTS
For a list, see http://www.archaeologyscotland.org/index.php?q=node/216

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETIES AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS
For a list, see http://www.archaeologyscotland.org/?q=node/212

LOCAL AUTHORITY ARCHAEOLOGISTS
For a list, see http://www.archaeologyscotland.org/?q=node/214

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Congratulations to the SCAPE Trust for winning the Current Archaeology 2012 Rescue dig of the year on the 2nd March.

NEW MEMBERS
Archaeology Scotland welcomes new members: see http://www.archaeologyscotland.org.uk/?q=node/57

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