



Additions to Newsletter No. 169

With apologies, these details were finalised after the newsletter was printed.

AGM DATE

The normal date for the AGM and lecture in April would be the 3rd. However, as this is in Easter week, the 10th April has been booked. The talk by the President will be about the Medieval landscape.

CHRISTMAS / NEW YEAR SOCIAL EVENTS

A New Year dinner is being organised at The Burleigh Arms, Newmarket Road, Cambridge on **30th January**. Choices will be made from the normal menu on the night, for details see http://www.burleigharmscambridge.co.uk/s_foodanddrink.asp. Parking is available. All are welcome, with partners. Please let Heather Berry know by 18th January if you are intending to come: h.l.berry@cantab.net, or see her at a lecture meeting. What do people think about historical fancy dress ?

WIMPOLE: SILENT VOICES AND DESERTED HOMES HERITAGE LOTTERY FUND "ALL OUR STORIES" PROJECT

The meeting open to all members will be held on **Tuesday, 18th December at 7.30pm in the McDonald Institute, Downing Street, Cambridge**. Regrettably, parking on site may not be possible. The aim of that meeting is to report on the contacts made so far, to finalise the areas of activity and the responsible persons, and to encourage as many members to take part as possible. Enjoy the challenge !

AUTUMN FIELDWORK

In the test pits at Wimpole, one extraordinary find was a piece of carved bone, perhaps the base of a chess piece.

As part of one of our projects we have been able to make use of the metal detecting skills of some of our members. This has produced a fine collection of material: five strap ends of 9th to 14th century date; a very rare horse harness pendant of the 12th century and several items of Roman date, some of which appear to be military belt fittings.

These metal finds need to be drawn and we would be very pleased to hear from any member who has the skills or is willing to learn.

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