

THE SOCIETY FOR POST-MEDIEVAL ARCHAEOLOGY LTD

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM for 2018 will be held at 5.30pm on Monday 17 December, at the University of Liverpool in London, 33 Finsbury Square, London EC2A 1AG.

The AGM will be followed by a wine reception at 6pm and the Geoff Egan Memorial Lecture, which starts at 7.00pm. Reserve your place at the lecture at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/agm-and-geoff-egan-memorial-lecture-2018-tickets-50482898709>

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of AGM held at the Society of Antiquaries of London, 15 December 2017
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4. Hon. Secretary's Report
5. Hon. Treasurer's Report and receipt of accounts
6. Membership Secretary's report
7. Hon. Editors' Report
8. Newsletter Editor's Report
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10. Grants and Prizes Coordinator's Report
11. Election of Officers and Members of Council

The **President** (Jacqui Pearce) will retire and is eligible for re-election.

The **Vice-President** (Prof Harold Mytum) will retire and is eligible for re-election.

The **Secretary** (Dr Emma Dwyer) will retire and is eligible for re-election.

The **Treasurer** (Kerry Massheder-Rigby) will retire and is eligible for re-election.

The **Membership Secretary** (Dr Courtenay-Elle Crichton-Turley) has been co-opted to the role. Council proposes the election of Dr Crichton-Turley.

The **Joint Editors** (Dr Katherine Fennelly and Dr James Dixon) will retire and are eligible for re-election.

The **Monograph Series Editor** (Dr Ruth Young) will retire and is eligible for re-election.

The **Newsletter Editor** (Dr Vicky Crewe) will retire and is not seeking re-election. Council proposes the election of Lara Band.

The **Website Officer** (Stuart Campbell) will retire and is not seeking re-election. Council proposes the election of Eloise Kane.

The **Grants and Prizes Coordinator** (Dr Hilary Orange) will retire and is eligible for re-election.

Ordinary members of Council: Craig Cessford, Dr Dan Rhodes and Dr Courtenay-Elle Crichton-Turley will retire as Ordinary Council members at the end of their three-year terms. Council will propose the election of Christopher Booth, Brian Kerr, Dr Erki Russow and Dr Alice Samson as Ordinary members of Council.

12. Election of Company Accountants. The Treasurer will propose re-election of Cheney & Co.
13. Any other Business.

1. **Apologies for absence**
2. **Minutes of AGM for 2017 held at 5:30pm on Friday 15 December 2017, at the Society of Antiquaries of London.**

2.1. Apologies for absence were received from S. Campbell, N. Mehler, D. Caldwell

2.2. Minutes of the AGM held at 5:30pm on Friday 16th December 2016, at the Society of Antiquaries of London, were approved.

2.3. There were no **matters arising** from the minutes

2.4. Hon. Secretary's Report

The Council recommendations for new Ordinary members were approved at the December 2016 AGM: Sergio Escribano-Ruiz, Katherine Fennelly, Russell Palmer, Ruth Young and Natascha Mehler were elected as Ordinary Members and Hilary Orange was elected to the new post of Grants and Prizes Coordinator.

The following comprised Council for the reporting period:

President: Professor Harold Mytum

Vice-President: Dr David Caldwell

Secretary: Dr Emma Dwyer

Treasurer: Kerry Massheder-Rigby

Membership Secretary: Dr Hugh Willmott

Editor: Dr Alasdair Brooks

Monograph Series Editor: Professor Audrey Horning

Newsletter Editor: Dr Vicky Crewe

Website Officer: Stuart Campbell

Grants and Prizes Coordinator: Dr Hilary Orange (from 12 December 2016)

Ordinary members of Council: Rachel Askew, Nick Brannon, Craig Cessford, Daniel Rhodes, Courtenay-Elle Crichton-Turley, Sergio Escribano-Ruiz (from 12 December 2016), Katherine Fennelly (from 12 December 2016), Sarah May (to 12 December 2016), Natascha Mehler, Hilary Orange (to 12 December 2016), Russell Palmer (from 12 December 2016), Beverley Straube, Ruth Young (from 12 December 2016).

Society events

The Society held a successful workshop on 16 September 2016 at the University of Salford, on the theme of *Framing the Post-Medieval: Approaches to Regional & National Research Frameworks*. Attendees heard papers about recent and in-progress work to examine research themes and agendas in the UK, as the Society looks towards the development of a research agenda for post-medieval archaeology.

The 2016 Geoff Egan Memorial Lecture was held at the Society of Antiquaries of London on Monday 12 December 2016. David Barker, former President of the Society, spoke on 'Business as Usual: the Great War and the ceramics trade'. The 2017 Geoff Egan Memorial Lecture will take place at the same venue on Friday 15 December, and will be given by David Higgins on 'Goods for the Colonies: British Tobacco Pipes Made for the Atlantic Trade, c1600–1850'.

2017 saw our second Post-Medieval Archaeology Congress, held at the University of Hull on 31 March – 2 April. More than 80 delegates presented and discussed the best current research in post-medieval/historical archaeology, and celebrated with receptions at Holy Trinity Church (Hull Minster since May 2017) and Hull's Guildhall. The open paper format continues at next year's Post-Medieval Archaeology Congress at the University of Bristol and SS Great Britain in Bristol, 23–25 March 2018, and further information about the congress and Call for Papers and Posters (currently open until 18 December 2017) is available here: <http://www.spma.org.uk/events/pmac2018/>

Outside of this reporting period, the Society joined with its German counterparts Deutsche Gesellschaft für Archäologie des Mittelalters und der Neuzeit (DGAMN; German Society of Medieval and Post-Medieval Archaeology) in September 2017. Members and friends of both societies presented papers on the latest work in Britain and Germany.

5. Hon. Treasurer's Report and receipt of accounts

In 2016–2017 the Society made a slight profit due to receiving delayed membership subscriptions from Taylor & Francis. Our primary expenditure was on journal costs and grants/prizes and our primary income

was from membership subscriptions and royalties. We continue to use membership subscriptions to publish a high quality journal, provide a range of grants and prizes and a regular programme of events.

It must be noted that during 2016–2017 the Society continued to have decreased memberships owing to the transfer from Maney and some Taylor & Francis administration issues. The Society also had decreased subventions for journal articles and we failed to receive a payment from one. Council are exploring ways to increase sponsorship and are investigating legacy funding possibilities.

The Society continues to generate additional income at no cost to members through Gift Aid. If you are a UK taxpayer please consider filling in a Gift Aid form (available at the AGM or on our website <http://www.spma.org.uk/membership/>). Gift Aid allows the Society to claim the equivalent of 20% of your membership subscription from HMRC at no cost to you.

The full accounts will be available on the Society's website and at the AGM.

6. Membership Secretary's report

The number of fully-paid-up members in November 2017 stood at 281, with an additional 52 lapsed members (those who have not paid their subscription or informed Taylor & Francis that they wish to cancel their membership). Members should ensure that they fill out a new Direct Debit form in order to ensure that they continue to receive copies of journal (and online access to the same), as well as members' benefits including access to the Society's grants scheme, including discounts on monographs and conference attendance fees. Please contact the Membership Secretary if you experience any difficulties in signing up for a new Direct Debit.

The Society continued to promote SPMA events and membership at conferences, including the Contemporary & Historical Archaeology in Theory (CHAT) conference in Kirkwall, Orkney in October 2016 and at the University of Amsterdam in November 2017, and the Society for Historical Archaeology (SHA) meeting in Fort Worth, Texas in January 2017. SPMA had a stall at the SHA's meeting in New Orleans in January 2018.

7. Hon. Editors' Report

The editorial team for this period comprised Alasdair Brooks as Editor, with James Dixon, Laura McAtackney, Katherine Fenelley, Jemma Bezzant, Penny Crook, Kate Mees, Greig Parker, Pora Petursdottir, and Karen Swope as Assistant Editors. Dr Bezzant stepped down during the period covered by this report, and Dr Petursdottir joined as her replacement. Eleanor Casella continued to serve as Reviews Editor. Stephanie Ostrich of MOLA continued as compiler of PMFBI.

Editor Alasdair Brooks announced his decision to step down as editor at the end of 2017 after five years in post, and three as sole lead Editor.

After ongoing problems with the online submission system Editorial Manager (introduced at the end of 2014), the editorial team (with the support of Council) decided to drop the system and return to manual processing of submissions. Taylor and Francis were accommodating of this decision. Delivery of issues 50:2 and 50:3 was delayed following a misunderstanding over book review copyright. 50:2 was reprinted; due to a production error many of the colour figures were produced in greyscale; in some cases colour and greyscale were mixed in the same contribution. Taylor and Francis absorbed the cost of both reprinting and redelivery.

Papers in the journal continued to reflect the expanding global and chronological scope of our discipline alongside our core focus on Great Britain and Ireland. Issue 50:2 contained submissions on sites in Scotland, England, India, Sweden, and Qatar. Issue 51:1 contained submissions on England, the 'English Atlantic', Italy, France, Qatar, and Serbia. Issue 51:2 will contain submissions on Scotland, Ireland, England, Sweden, and Flanders. There is a healthy level of submissions, and the editorial team does not anticipate any problems filling volume 52.

8. Newsletter Editor's Report

The period between August and October saw the production of Issue 83 of the newsletter. Fieldwork supported by the SPMA Research Grant was covered, including Madeline Bourque Kearin's summary of research on the Royal Edinburgh Asylum. A review of the joint SPMA-DGAMN conference in Bremerhaven

included a brief note on the society's student travel grant winner. Information about the forthcoming 2018 Congress was included. As always, we welcome submissions from SPMA members (and non-members) on new projects and findings, new publications of relevance to the Society, and reports on conferences or other relevant events. Submission deadlines for contributions fall on 28 February for the spring issue and 15 August for the autumn issue.

9. Website Officer's Report

The Society continues to keep its website up to date, as a resource for both members and non-members. The Society is always looking for new images to keep the look of the website fresh – please contact the Website Officer if you have relevant images that the Society could use on its homepage.

We continue to communicate news and events through social media – our Facebook and Twitter feeds are increasingly popular and a monthly email is now sent via Mailchimp to members and interested others with news about our events and publications. If you are not receiving the emails and would like to, please sign up by following this link: <http://eepurl.com/btyb3n>

10. Grants and Prizes Coordinator's Report

The Society continued to award prizes for the best undergraduate and postgraduate dissertations from UK universities, as well as research grants, the Community Engagement Award, and a Student Travel Award established in the name of Paul Courtney, which enables students to travel to conferences in countries in Europe other than their country of residence.

During the reporting year the following grants and prizes were awarded:

Research Grants were awarded to:

- Idoia Grau Sologestoa, University of Sheffield. *Investigating changes in animal husbandry between the late- and the post-medieval periods in the Basque Country through the analysis of faunal remains.*
- Irini Malliaros, University of Bournemouth. *The search for origins: ICP analysis of pottery from a 16th century wreck.*
- Attila Dézsi, University of Hamburg. *Historical Archaeology at sites of protest: Critical and Community Archaeology at the "Free Republic of Wendland.*
- Rachel Askew, University of Central Lancashire (UCLan). *The Newark Civil War Project.*

The Community Engagement Award was given to Trent and Peak Archaeology, to facilitate a family-oriented activity and handling table in a library, taking post-medieval Nottingham's archaeology to the public: £478.

The 2017 Paul Courtney Student Travel Award was given to Anton Larsson, University of Gothenburg, Sweden, for travel to the Hull Congress: £200.

The 2016 Undergraduate Dissertation Prize was awarded to:

Kate Wilson, University of Cambridge (£250) *Seeing through the stone: an analysis of gender relations in Bokoni, South Africa*

The 2016 Postgraduate Dissertation Prize was awarded to:

Caitlin Kitchener, University of York (£250) *The radical landscapes of Peterloo - an archaeological analysis of the construction of radical political space*

Further information about our grants and prizes are available on the Society's website:

<http://www.spma.org.uk/prizes-and-grants/>

11. Election of Officers and Members of Council

The President (Professor Harold Mytum) retired and was not eligible for re-election. Council proposed the election of Jacqui Pearce.

The Vice-President (Dr David Caldwell) retired and was not eligible for re-election. Council proposed the election of Professor Harold Mytum.

The Secretary (Dr Emma Dwyer) was eligible for re-election.

The Treasurer (Kerry Massheder-Rigby) was eligible for re-election.

The Membership Secretary (Dr Hugh Willmott) was eligible for re-election.
The Editor (Dr Alasdair Brooks) retired and did not seek re-election. Council proposed the election of Dr Katherine Fennelly and Dr James Dixon as Joint Editors of the journal.
The Monograph Series Editor (Professor Audrey Horning) retired and did not seek re-election. Council proposed the election of Dr Ruth Young.
The Newsletter Editor (Dr Vicky Crewe) was eligible for re-election.
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The Grants and Prizes Coordinator (Dr Hilary Orange) was eligible for re-election.

Ordinary members of Council: Dr Rachel Askew, Nick Brannon and Dr Beverly Straube retired as Ordinary Council members at the end of their three-year terms. In addition, Dr Ruth Young retired to stand as Monograph Series Editor and Dr Katherine Fennelly retired to stand as Joint Editor. Council proposed the election of Dr Alasdair Brooks, Professor Roger Leech and Hanna Steyne Chamberlin.

The proposals were passed nem. con.

12. Election of Company Accountants.

The Treasurer proposed the re-election of Cheney & Co. The proposal was passed nem. con.

13. Any other Business.

There was no other business, members proceeded to the drinks reception and Geoff Egan Memorial Lecture.

3. Matters arising from the Minutes

4. Hon. Secretary's Report

The Council recommendations for new Ordinary members were approved at the December 2017 AGM: Dr Alasdair Brooks, Professor Roger Leech and Hanna Steyne Chamberlin were elected as Ordinary Members, Jacqui Pearce was elected President, Prof Harold Mytum was elected Vice-President, Dr Katherine Fennelly and Dr James Dixon were elected Joint Editors of the journal.

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Treasurer: Kerry Massheder-Rigby

Membership Secretary: Dr Hugh Willmott (stood down April 2018, Dr Courtenay-Elle Crichton-Turley co-opted)

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5. Hon. Treasurer's Report and receipt of accounts

In 2017–18 the primary expenditure was on journal costs (publishing, translations, image editing) however this is balanced by membership subscriptions and more favourable contract terms with our publisher T&F. Typically, we make a small profit from our annual conference however in 2018 there was a loss (primarily due to venue costs). This has been discussed in council meetings and steps taken to reduce this in future. Council also agreed to fund a monograph to continue our high quality research outputs. Although financially our monographs return little in terms of royalties, they remain an important method of continuing our legacy of the study and promotion of historical archaeology.

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Issue 51:2 contained David Barker's 2016 Geoff Egan Memorial Lecture *'Business as usual': the impact of the Great War on the British ceramics industry*, as well as papers from the Netherlands, Sweden, Ireland and Scotland, and a report on a mid- to late-18th century coffee house assemblage from Cambridge.

Issue 51:3 contained our annual round-up of post-medieval archaeology taking place in Britain and Ireland, book reviews, and a new feature – profiles of current research being undertaken across the globe (edited by Sarah Newstead and Eric Tourigny) with contributions from Finland, Spain, and the island of Borneo.

Issue 52:1 comprised a collection of papers (edited by Audrey Horning and Stephen Mrozowski) on political economy as a vehicle for comparative research in historical archaeology, with contributions from Britain, Iceland, Ireland, Iran, Peru, and Sweden.

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2017 Research Grant, September round

- Karime Castillo, UCLA Cotsen Institute of Archaeology. Glass Production in New Spain: Technology Transfer and Adaptation.
- Samantha Garwood and Courtenay-Elle Crichton-Turley, University of Sheffield. The application of 3D scanning technology on mould-blown lion mask stem goblets.

2018 Research Grant, March round

- Eric Tourigny, University of Newcastle, *Do all pets go to heaven? An archaeological survey of Britain's pet cemeteries.*
- Victor Serrano, University of Leicester, *The Archaeology of Mona Island Guano Miners.*
- Gylfi Helgason and Adolf Fridriksson, Institute of Archaeology, Iceland, *The Significance of the Landscape Context of Icelandic Holy Wells in the Western Region, AD 1550-Present.*

There is no report for the Community Engagement Award as the deadline was moved from 1 March to 15 September.

Dissertation prizes were awarded to:
2017 Undergraduate Dissertation Prize

- Kevin Claxton, University of York, 'The Archaeology of an English Civil War Battlefield' (£250)

Student travel awards were awarded to:

- Emily Glass, University of Bristol, for the costs of attendance at the conference, *Practices, Materiality, Places and Temporality: New Approaches in Albanian Studies* in Tirana, Albania.
- Magdalena Przymorska-Sztuczka, Nicolaus Copernicus University, Poland for travel expenses for attendance at the Society Congress in Bristol.

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