

# NASNEWS



## Newsheet of the Northamptonshire Archaeological Society

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### THE A.G.M.

As reported in the last NASNEWS, the A.G.M. is to be held on October 27th, at 7.30 in the University Centre on Barrack Road. Any nominations for membership of the committee should be sent to the secretary before October 20th. After the A.G.M, Brian Dix has kindly agreed to give a lecture on Garden Archaeology.

### EVENING LECTURES

During the coming winter, the Society will be organising evening lectures with the Upper Nene Archaeological Society. The next U.N.A.S. lecture will be given by Dr. Richard Morris, the Director of the C.B.A. and is titled Archaeology for All? - a set of case studies of recent contributions to historical thinking from the private sector. It will take place on Friday, 28th of October at 7.45pm in the Countryside Centre on Guildhall Road.

### CHAIRMANS REPORT

The Society has held several meetings during the last year, both lectures and visits to sites of archaeological interest. In an attempt to raise its' public profile and encourage new membership, the Society has produced a publicity leaflet. This will be distributed in libraries, museums and historic sites throughout the county.

Unfortunately, the journal of the Society is not ready for distribution at the A.G.M. Until the middle of this year, there had been a complete dearth of material for publication, however just as the deadline approached we received a sudden flood of articles. These include reports on Borough Hill and Hunsbury Hillforts as well as sites at Upton, Barnwell Castle, Yardley Hastings, Brigstock Manor, Oundle and Northampton.

The finances of the Society remain reasonably healthy. The production cost of the journal has been reduced and sales to libraries and institutions continue to significantly supplement the income from individual subscription. However, to ensure its longterm survival, the Society needs more members.

In collaboration with Northamptonshire Heritage the Society has set up The Northamptonshire Archaeological Network. This is a group of volunteers whose function is to help to monitor a variety of building and other developments that Northamptonshire Heritage is unable to visit. If anything of archaeological importance has come to light, this will then be reported back to the Planning Department so that appropriate action can be taken. It also provides a route by which information, such as the unexpected exposure of important finds, can be passed added to the County Sites and Monuments Record. We have received a good response and currently 21 members of the Society have volunteered to help with the scheme.

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