



DIGITAL NASNEWS

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To fill the gap between our paper newsletters we are providing a DIGITAL NASNEWS for our website. We will also be providing this information through our new Facebook page.

NAS on Facebook

We now have a Facebook page where we can add up to date information, particularly of events that fall between our paper Newsletters. Please check it out:

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Northamptonshire-Archaeological-Society/150763944988956>

If you join as a friend you will receive email notification of any new notices.

Below we provide notices of some of the many forthcoming events for the Heritage Open Days. Check the Borough Council website for all Northampton events:

http://www.northampton.gov.uk/site/scripts/documents_info.php?categoryID=1106&documentID=100,

and the national website for local and national events: <http://www.heritageopendays.org.uk/>

Heritage Open Days

Heritage Fair at the Holy Sepulchre Church Rooms, Sheep Street, Northampton

Saturday, 10th September, 10.30-4.00pm

A hands-on history event with displays from local history groups, illustrated lectures, and introductions to research etc. NAS will have a table at the Heritage Fair offering: back copies of the society journal, containing reports on archaeological excavations in the county, available at bargain prices. Membership forms available: join on the day and take away two back copies of the journal. Copies of Dennis Jackson's autobiography available at a reduced price.

The buried Roman town at Chester Farm, Irchester

Northamptonshire County Council is supporting Heritage Open Days this year by offering guided tours of the site of the buried Roman town at Chester Farm, Irchester.

Chester Farm is the site of one of only three walled Roman towns in the county and the only one that has not been built over. The site is also important for evidence of occupation from Mesolithic times through to modern day. In the landscape can be seen evidence of medieval ridge and furrow, 17th & 18th-century parkland and the 19th-century ironstone tramway.

If you would like the chance to see part of the site, including a small scale excavation being undertaken on the Roman town, you must book a place in advance. Tours will be held on Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th September at 10 am, 11.30 am, 1.30pm and 3.00pm. Unfortunately, the route is not suitable for wheelchair users, and stout shoes are essential!

Book by ringing 01604 762129 or by emailing archivist@northamptonshire.gov.uk

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