



Millennium Awards and Projects

Millennium Money

We are pleased to announce that Appleby Archaeology Group has been awarded £754 by the Heritage Lottery Fund. This will allow us to purchase a much-needed slide projector and table for use by our speakers. The ones we have used up until now have either been faulty or on short loan and it will make a big difference to have our own. The money has come from the Millennium Festival Awards for All Committee.

Local Heritage Initiative

Ten members of the group took part in a meeting last month to discuss ideas for a local heritage project. A list of ideas were put forward and a number of issues were raised for discussion.

Three options were chosen to be persuaded in more detail:

1) The Lady Well, Appleby

This site, close to the remains of Appleby Friary, is currently under threat from development. It was felt we would like to see the site preserved in some way as part of the town's historic landscape. A small group met at the well earlier this month to look over the site and a committee has been formed. More details to follow.

2) Brackenber Moor, Appleby

The area has a number of archaeological features and it was decided we would carry out a survey of the moor to record these. The project will also provide us with the opportunity to gain some practical experience and test our research skills.

3) Landscape Archaeology Project

The idea of a landscape survey received a lot of support. It was decided we would like to carry out some form of survey in order to study how our local landscape has developed over time. This could take the form of a detailed survey of a specific area, or a more general study, perhaps using questionnaires. Any new discoveries will be added to the local Sites and Monuments Record. A second meeting is being held to develop the idea and hear feedback on the other two projects.

The next meeting is at the Appleby Grammar School at 7.00pm on Tuesday 16TH MAY

DIY Archaeology Workshops

A number of introductory workshops are being held in June and July in order to explore some basic techniques for studying the past. These are free to members of Appleby Archaeology Group and will be useful to those wishing to take part in our own projects or for doing research of your own.

To book please complete the slip at the bottom of the enclosed leaflet.

These workshops are supported by Cumbria Rural Leadership Millennium Awards.



Cairn Holy Chambered Tomb

Members study the past during last Summer's field trip to Whithorn

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ROMAN EVENTS

Romans on the Wall

Hadrian's Wall is to be regarrisoned by a number of re-enactment groups over the bank holiday weekend. On Sunday 28th May activities are planned at many of the forts on the wall, culminating in a Grand Display at Chesters Roman Fort on Monday 29th.

The contact number for Chesters is (01434) 681379.

Northern Britain: Frontier of Rome

A study day is being organized by the Center for North West Regional Studies at Lancaster University on Saturday 1st July. The day consists of a series of lectures by David Shotter on

various aspects of the Roman frontier and is followed by a study trip to Hadrian's Wall on Saturday 8th July.

For details contact the Center on (01524) 593770.

Romans in West Cumbria

Our own field trip will follow the Roman route west from Ambleside, visiting the dramatic Hardknott Roman Fort and Ravenglass Roman Bath House, one of the most complete Roman remains in Britain. If time permits we will visit Senhouse Roman Museum at Maryport.

Date: Saturday 22nd July

We will meet at 9.30am in the Chapel street carpark, Appleby. Please bring a packed lunch and money for the museum. Cost of the minibus is £6.50 per person. Please book using the form below.

CAERLAVEROCK AND DUMFRIESHIRE

Our second field trip takes us to Medieval Dumfriesshire and the impressive Caerlaverock Castle or 'Fort of the Larks'. The castle has a unique triangular plan and stands within a moat in a National Nature Reserve. We will also be visiting the Ruthwell Cross, one of the finest carved crosses in Scotland, and other sites of interest.

Date: Saturday 2nd September

Meet at the Chapel Street carpark, Appleby at 9.30am. Please bring a packed lunch. The cost of £9.50 per person covers the cost of the minibus and entrance to the castle.

Talks at the Appleby Grammar School begin again in October.

Field Trip Booking Form

SUMMER 2000

I would like to book places on the **Roman West Cumbria** field trip at £6.50 each.
I would like to book places on the **Caerlaverock Castle** field trip at £9.50 each.

I enclose a cheque for £..... made payable to Appleby Archaeology Group.

NAME

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Return to the address below (or photocopy this page).
Please note that cancellations must be notified 7 days in advance of the event



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