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Summer is Coming to the Frontier!

WHAT'S ON THE HORIZON?

ECRs IRL: LET'S MEET UP THIS SUMMER



There are some big conferences, with exciting research on the frontiers by our members, coming up this summer! If you're attending, we'd love a chance to meet you. As the ECR network approaches our first anniversary, it would be great to celebrate - as well as think about the future

Your newsletter authors, Marta and Catherine, will be at EAA and Limes. Let's put names to faces! Let us know if you'll be attending and we'll coordinate a chance to meet. Don't forget to attend the ECR network session at EAA!

Let's get together!



HERITAGE COMMUNITY FAIR Hadrian's Wall in our time - safeguarding for the future

The felling of the Sycamore Gap tree has exposed the fragility and irreplaceable character of our heritage. But it also offers a chance to reflect on what else is under threat on and along



BREEZE & DOBSON AWARD

Did someone you know (including you) write something really exciting about the Hadrian's Wall frontier as part of their undergraduate or postgraduate work?

This year, the Breeze & Dobson

Hadrian's Wall. What do we value and do not want to lose? How can we act to protect it? And how in particular is climate change accelerating the loss of the fragile heritage of our Roman frontiers?

Organised by the Roman Society and doctoral students from the University of Edinburgh, with WallCAP, and held in the Armstrong Building (Keeton Lomas Lecture Theatre), Newcastle University.

Award will recognize excellent research related to Hadrian's Wall and the Roman frontier conducted within higher education between 1 June 2022 and 30 June 2024. Nominations and self-nominations are due 30 June, 2024.

[Award Information](#)

[Nomination Form](#)

Saturday 11 May, 10.30-13.00.

[Free Registration](#)



Conference alert- 15th June in Verulamium

Do you regularly nerd about the sherds? The Study Group for Roman Pottery has a conference for you! With membership starting at 15£ (and 20£ for overseas SherdNerds), the group is an invaluable resource to talk Roman pottery, wherever on the frontier you might be. They also have a journal regularly looking for contributions. To propose a short paper for the conference, which will be held on the 15th June at Verulamium Museum, in St.Albans, UK, click below!

[Email the organisers](#)



[Onwards and upwards!](#)

We already have 130 members, but we know there is more of you! We challenge you to forward this newsletter to one fellow Roman frontiers Lover: can we reach 150 members by June?

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RESEARCHER OF THE MONTH - AMY BAKER

Hello! I'm a student at Newcastle University doing a collaborative PhD with Historic Environment Scotland. I'm looking at the what, where and how of craft production on the Antonine Wall, in the hope that this leads to some insight into the 'who' – the juiciest and trickiest part of any research into frontier communities. I'm looking at all the crafts: metalworking, stonemasonry, woodworking, leatherworking, textiles, pottery, bone – if there's evidence for it (tools, waste, structures), I'll take it. I firmly believe that the way to push craft analysis forward is to move away from the material-based separation of activities to focus instead on the interactions between them. I'm also a big fan of an underdog frontier wall (Antonine > Hadrian's). Talk to me about making stuff!

Reach Amy at a.baker8@ncl.ac.uk

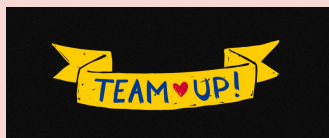


WHO ARE OUR READERS?

We want YOU to be researcher of the month!

In this newsletter, we highlight places, projects, and people of the Roman Frontiers ECR Network. Tell us about yourself, and you might just feature in the April news! By showcasing your work here, you might hear from other ECRs with similar interests.

Tell us about your work!



Join Our Team

The ECR network team is looking for new members.

We can only continue and expand our work with your help and support. Could you be our new teammate?

Joining would mean meeting online once every two months, or hopping on our Whatsapp chat, and honing your skills in comms, web-mastering and much more.

Express your interest



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