

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF THE SOCIETY FOR MEDIEVAL ARCHAEOLOGY FOR THE YEAR 2001–2002

The Society for Medieval Archaeology was founded in 1957 to further 'the study of unwritten evidences of British history since the Roman period by the publication of a journal and in any way that may be approved from time to time by the Council'. The Officers and Council of the Society are listed after the Accounts. The Society is a Registered Charity, no. 216619.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Society was held on Monday 3rd December 2001 in the Lecture Theatre of the Museum of London. The President, Prof. Christopher Dyer completed his term of office and he was thanked for his very considerable work on behalf of the Society by the incoming President, Dr Richard Hall. Two Honorary Vice-Presidents were appointed, Prof. James Graham-Campbell and Prof. David Hinton, who have both been long associated with the Society. The retiring members of Council were Dr Helen Geake, David Sherlock and Heather James. Helen Geake was co-opted by Council to assist in publicity and membership. The following were elected to Council: Mr Phil Andrews, Dr Nancy Edwards and Dr Kate Giles. The out-going President expressed his thanks to all the retiring members of Council. Prof. John Hines, Dr Andrew Reynolds and Dr Mark Gardiner were re-elected as Hon. Editor, Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer respectively. The AGM was followed by the Annual Lecture given by Prof. Dyer, 'Is the Archaeology of Small Towns Worth Pursuing?'.

RESEARCH GRANTS

The following research grants were awarded:

Research Fund

Tom Gledhill for research on iron-working in Upper Teesdale	£1000
Sarah Semple and Howard Williams for radiocarbon dates for Roundway Barrow	£1250

Fletcher Fund

Amanda Foster for travel to study soapstone artefacts	£250
Andrew Lowerre for research on early Norman castles	£250
Margaret Murphy towards the cost of survey at Roscommon Castle	£350
Victoria Thompson towards attendance at a conference in the USA	£190

EDITORIAL

Volume 45 of *Medieval Archaeology* was published on time and issued to members in December 2001. It is one of the longest volumes issued in recent years reflecting the quantity of high-quality material offered to the Society for publication.

CONFERENCE

The Society organized a four-day conference in Cardiff in July 2000 on the subject of Viking-period settlement in Britain and Ireland, which was attended by 120 people from around the world. A publication of selected and revised papers from the conference is in preparation.

Professor Christopher Dyer
President