

MY FRIDAY MORNING

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Morning everyone, my name is Rob Dunning and I am a Project Officer with GGAT Projects. I have recently completed several field evaluations. Evaluations involve the excavation of trial trenches in advance of construction works with the aim of determining if any archaeological remains are present. The fieldwork is complete and I am currently printing and binding hard copies of the reports so our clients can discharge their various planning conditions. Specifically, we excavated trenches at Merthyr College and Caerphilly Castle. At Merthyr we discovered the remains of a casting house of the Ynys Fach Ironworks, along with stone sleepers associated with its tramway system. The Caerphilly excavations were on a much smaller scale, but we found Roman pottery and a possible flagstone surface, likely associated with the Roman auxiliary fort.