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## WEB PAGES

## Church archaeology on the Internet

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The Internet is still a relatively new means of communication, and despite its rapid gain in popularity and interest, coverage of church archaeology is, like many subjects that have a mix of professional and amateur input, somewhat patchy.

This is a new feature in the journal that we hope will be of interest, and some value. Presented here is a selection of sites, not intended to be a comprehensive coverage, but an interesting snapshot of sites and features, information about which has been made publicly available. What is clearly needed most is more publication in digital format: excavation reports, survey work, thematic classification, and even short, regional summaries of evaluation and minor intervention. The World Wide Web is in ideal medium for rapid publication and dissemination of results, and for attractive, educational presentation.

• A good starting point for recent archaeological work on churches is English Heritage's archaeology review page at http://www.eng-h.gov.uk/archrev/rev96-7/content.htm, which discusses archaeological recording in cathedrals and the recent discoveries in the Quaker cemetery at Kingstonon-Thames. *Current Archaeology*, http://www/compulink. co.uk/~archaeology/, also has a selection of recent work, for example Kevin Blockley's work at Canterbury Cathedral (http://www/compulink.co.uk/~archaeology/hilites/canter .htm); this site also has a downloadable index to over 1000 articles published in *Current Archaeology* since the magazine's launch in 1967.

• For high quality, peer-reviewed papers, try logging to *Internet Archaeology* at http://intarch.ac.uk/ which has a range of material, including Early Christian archaeology in Christopher Snyder's Gazetteer of Sub-Roman Britain, and Harold Mytum's dated typology of 18th–20th century grave markers in Britain at http://intarch.ac.uk/news/ newpap/mytumav.html.

• Reports of excavation work are, at present, scarce, but take a look at http://www.hillside.co.uk/arch/stmargarets/

for a report of excavations at St Margaret's Church Canterbury in 1985/6 including details of the Roman public baths found beneath the medieval layers. The location of the church in the DMV at Vöhingen in Denmark, and its subsequent excavation, are discussed briefly on Susanne Arnold's page at http://www.bawue. de/~wmwerner/voehing/e-kirchh.html. An interesting site, discussing the archaeology of the use and reuse of building stone in churches is at http://easyweb.easynet.co.uk/~ian. windsor/bs.htm. For other scientific analysis of church building fabric and burial evidence, try the archaeological ground-based remote sensing web site at http://www.ccc. nottingham.ac.uk/~ tazsecjb/gbrs.html.

• There are a number of well-written local information pages, although the geographical coverage is very patchy. For some samples, try http://cw.orangenet.co.uk/~gtmissenden-church/church.htm, for a virtual tour of Great Missenden (Bucks), and http://www.stpetersnottingham. org/history.htm for a description of St Peter's Nottingham and a history of the city. Brief details of the history of Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin may be found at http:// indigo.ie/~cccdub/history/histlink.html which incorporates details of current lectures and events.

• For those interested in campanology or the archaeology of bells, David Bagley provides extensive details of bells in Gloucestershire, Herefordshire and Worcestershire, as well as a specific page on Tewkesbury Abbey, at http://www. dpbagley.demon.co.uk/, or for those concerned with Kent, http://web.ukonline.co.uk/dickon.love/kentbells/index.htm

• For DAC archaeologists and those involved in the planning process, the CBA hosts a resource page at http:// www.britarch.ac.uk/dac/index.html, which provides some useful discussion topics, and for all archaeologists the Archaeology Data Service (ADS) has a superb web site containing the online versions of the *Guides to Good Practice*: check this site out at http://ads.ahds.ac.uk/ project/goodguides/g2gp.html.

• Look out shortly for the Southwell Diocese's major church history and archaeology web-based database, which aims to cover every church, extant, ruined and vanished in the county of Nottinghamshire. Details will be released and a demonstration was held at the national DACs conference at Nottingham University in September 1999.

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