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Editorial

The quest for an ever more professional-looking *Northern Archaeology* goes on. This is our first issue to be set in double column layout – what we hope will be our normal format in the future. This has been made possible largely through the efforts and good offices of Clive Bonsall of the Department of Archaeology of Edinburgh University, and co-author of the sole contribution to this number. We seem to have been writing in our editorials about production changes and experiments for several volumes past, but hope that we have now attained a production routine.

It was not our intention to produce another issue devoted solely to one article and one subject, but problems with other papers in the pipeline dictated otherwise. We make no apology, because the research of Clive Bonsall and his co-workers at Eskmeals on the Cumbrian coast is one of the most important Mesolithic projects currently being undertaken in Europe. Members will know, too, that this period has been neglected more than most in north Britain; hence our keenness to publish John Davies' paper recently, and now the work of the Eskmeals Project.

We should give up making predictions about future issues, but the intention is that part 2 of this volume will follow not too long after this number. Finally, may we say again that we are pleased to consider material for publication, especially any contributions from NAG members.

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