2016 new trustee election statements

Prof David Austin

David began his interest in archaeology when an undergraduate at Southampton University reading for a degree in English. He instantly fell in love with the discipline, especially its field aspects, and went on to a postgraduate career at Durham University. While in the north-east, he began his lifelong connection with the study of historic landscapes, their settlements and buildings. He conducted a number of rescue excavations, while working as freelance archaeologist, as well as the beginnings of a major project on the guardianship monument of Barnard Castle in Teesdale which was published as Acts of Perception. In 1976 David took up an appointment as lecturer in what was then St Davids University College Lampeter. He finally retired from there as Professor in 2015 having set up the Department of Archaeology and serving as Head of the Faculty of Social Sciences. Over his career he has been engaged in the support of many societies and institutions associated with archaeology, including the CBA itself, serving as chair of its Higher Education Committee for a while as well as membership of other committees. Research has been conducted in the north-east and south-west of England, in Wales and in south-eastern France. Currently he is working on a designed landscape project with the National Botanic Garden of Wales, a house restoration project in the Black Mountains with the Landmark Trust and a major project of research and heritage regeneration at Strata Florida, a former Cistercian Abbey in Ceredigion, West Wales.

Sue Rodgers

Sue is a community archaeologist currently working with Mercian Archaeological Services CIC as an outreach and education officer. She has worked in various heritage roles throughout her career from a museum’s Collections and Exhibitions Officer to managing a team of Community Archaeologists for Nottinghamshire County Council. She has been a leader of a Young Archaeologists’ Club branch since 2001 and takes archaeological workshops into schools throughout the county and beyond. She also delivers reminiscence sessions to groups and care homes. Her wide knowledge of community heritage gives her an insight into the many issues faced by archaeology today and enables her to have an overview of these problems and work towards solving them. Her particular interest is providing the youth of today with the tools and knowledge to care for and enjoy our diverse heritage and to encourage everyone to appreciate the historic landscape all around us.

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