Revealing the past

10 October 2019
Royal Irish Academy, 19 Dawson Street, Dublin 2

A biennial seminar presenting a selection of recent discoveries from archaeological excavation and related research in Ireland funded by the National Monuments Service, and from C14 dating research funded by Queen's University Belfast, through grants administered by the Royal Irish Academy’s Standing Committee for Archaeology.

Tickets €10/€5 including lunch. Booking essential via ria.ie/events

10:00  Tea/Coffee and Registration
10:25  Introduction
       Mr Ian Doyle, Chair, Royal Irish Academy
       Standing Committee for Archaeology
10:30  Ireland’s ice-age world revealed: new discoveries from Ballynaminta Cave, Co. Waterford
       Dr Richard Jennings, Liverpool John Moores University, UK and Mr Cóilín Ó Drisceoil, Kilkenny Archaeology
11:00  Down by the river: looking for early Mesolithic people at Hermitage, Co. Limerick
       Dr Tracy Collins, Aegis Archaeology Limited
       and Hermitage Archaeological Research Project
11:30  Prehistoric ritual practices revealed at the Newgrange Farm excavation, 2018
       Dr Geraldine Stout, National Monuments Service
12:00  Discussion
12:30  Lunch (provided)
13:30  Embracing the dead on Baltinglass Hill: a newly discovered palisade enclosure
       Dr Alan Hawkes, Consultant Archaeologist
14:00  A medieval meeting place by the Boyne: excavation of a possible ferta at Dowth, Co. Meath
       Dr Clíodhna Ní Lionáin, Project Archaeologist,
       Devenish Lands at Dowth and Dr Stephen Davis, University College Dublin
       Discussion
14:30  A good vintage: early medieval grape pips from Kilkenny
       Dr Susan Lyons, Environmental Archaeological Consultant and Mr Cóilín Ó Drisceoil,
       Kilkenny Archaeology
14:45  A clean slate: the science of writing on slate in late medieval Ireland
       Professor Elizabeth FitzPatrick, School of Geography and Archaeology, NUI Galway
       and Professor Hugh Byrne, FOCAS Research Institute, TU Dublin
       Feeding the poor: revealing relief food from dental calculus analyses in victims of the Great Irish Famine
       Dr Jonny Geber, School of History, Classics and Archaeology, University of Edinburgh
       Discussion
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16:00  Close

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