



Finds Group

The Finds group has 946 members. The committee meets quarterly and we have a regular newsletter. This year the Finds group has been involved with the successful completion of the survey of finds reports which looked at a sample of finds reports on OASIS to see how they met with current standards and developed criteria for assessing the quality of a report for non – specialists. We will be promoting this report over the coming year and promoting its findings and recommendations throughout the sector.

We have updated our website presence to include biographies of the current committee members. A number of committee members attended the CIfA conference in Newcastle, where we advertised our presence with our new banner. We had a successful CPD event on ‘interpreting finds’ to coincide with our AGM in which a number of speakers gave examples of recent work, highlighting the benefit of cross collaboration between find and field specialists. This attracted 13 new members of the finds group who are not currently members of CIfA, meeting our recruitment target.

We are planning this year to repeat the survey of finds practice we last carried out in 2008 to give an overview of how finds work is being carried out and to continue to promote its importance at all levels of archaeological endeavour.