



THE POULTON PROJECT **ARCHAEOLOGY COURSES**

TRAINING COURSES AT POULTON, CHESHIRE, 2012

Poulton is a multi-period rural site 3 miles south of Chester. It has been yielding evidence of 9,500 years of human activity. Mesolithic flints from 7500 BC, Late Bronze Age/Early Iron Age pottery and human cremations; Roman pottery, brooches, coins, building material, window and goblet glass; Saxon pottery; (13th /14th C) decorated floor tiles, buckles and coins and Civil War artifacts from the 1640's.

The excavation of a Medieval Chapel and its graveyard has uncovered 550 articulated inhumations; it is estimated that up to 1,800 may be present.

To the north of the graveyard lies a Wood Henge and a series of Bronze Age Burials (c.1500-900BC), or Ring-Ditches containing cremations. We now have a reconstruction of a Timber Circle on the exact site where one once would have stood.

A mass of Roman building material (roof-tiles, window-glass), large quantities of artifacts, and several Roman ditches strongly hints at a substantial structure and associated field-systems.

TIMETEAM FEATURED POULTON ON APRIL 1st 2007

The dates for the proposed 2012 season are March 26th. - April 27th. and June 25th.-August 31st.
Student fees are as follows:

£115 per week if booking one week only.
£100 per week if booking for two weeks.
£90 per week if booking for three weeks.
£80 per week if booking for four weeks.

Please note that no accommodation is offered, but there is a campsite and "Chester Backpackers" available nearby. Details can be found on our website.

The courses are designed as an introduction to Excavation Techniques, Drawing plans and sections, Context Recording, Photography, Finds Processing, Surveying Techniques and Geophysical Prospecting.

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The Project will supply all tools and equipment, mess tents, toilets and basic facilities for cooking, and making tea and coffee etc whilst on site.

Students will be required to bring their own waterproofs; digging clothes, work boots and packed lunch.

The Poulton Project is a **Registered Charity Number 1094552.**

We will require a deposit of £25 for each week you wish to attend.

