

Our Fellowship

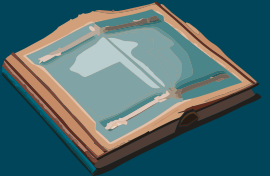
The Society has over 2,600 members (called Fellows) worldwide from a diverse range of backgrounds and ages who are interested in and inspired by the study of Scotland's past.



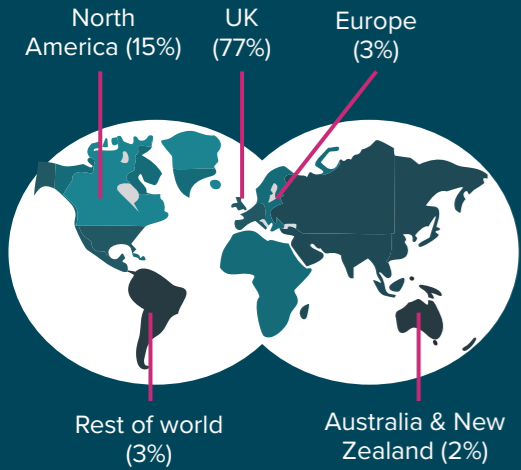
Delegates from the SIRFA symposium at the Dwarfie Stane, Hoy © SCARF

10
people reached 50 years continuous Fellowship in 2022

136
new Fellows elected

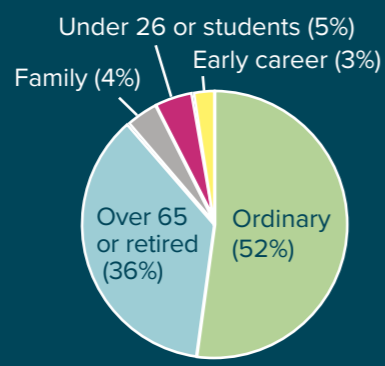


FELLOWS LIVE ALL OVER THE WORLD



Australia, Austria, Bolivia, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Republic of Ireland, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom & USA.

FELLOWS JOIN AT ALL STAGES OF LIFE AND CAREER



About Us

The Society is the oldest antiquarian society in Scotland, founded in 1780, to provide an independent forum for the study, conservation and enjoyment of Scotland's past. The Society continues to help translate Scotland's rich heritage for wider contemporary audiences, highlighting the importance of past and new research. This is achieved through publishing high-quality books and peer-reviewed papers, by supporting independent research with awards and grants, by running public lectures and conference programmes featuring leading experts, and by providing a home for two sector-leading projects, Dig It! and ScARF.

The Society, an independent charitable organisation, employs a small team of staff based in Edinburgh and is governed by a voluntary Board of Trustees known as Council.

VISION: Scotland's past is for everyone to research, share, enjoy and protect, at home and abroad.

MISSION STATEMENT: The Society of Antiquaries of Scotland is a heritage charity with global membership providing expertise, support and resources to enhance and promote the understanding and enjoyment of Scotland's past. It empowers and facilitates research and innovation, advocating as an independent voice for heritage, and sharing knowledge of the past to everyone.

OUR VALUES of collaboration, opportunity, transparency, research excellence and equality are central to everything that we do as a charity.

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Society of Antiquaries of Scotland



Annual Impact Report

June 2022 - May 2023

The Society of Antiquaries of Scotland has enriched the understanding of Scotland's rich history, shaping our present and guiding our future, thanks to the unwavering support of its Fellows, funders, and event sponsors.

This short report illustrates just some of the Society's achievements over the past year.



OUR IMPACT AND ACHIEVEMENTS:

June 2022 - May 2023

PUBLICATIONS

550+
Fellows attended



20+
online meetings featuring short talks

EVENTS & COMMUNICATION

10
public lectures and conferences were attended by **678** people in person and **1,376** people online

12,500+
followers on X

5,000+
Facebook followers

69,000+
reach

11
Society lectures and events uploaded to YouTube on topics such as Hunter-Gatherer Ireland, Scottish necromancy, the Celts, and Mary of Guelders

90,700+
YouTube channel views

220+
free or low cost public events promoted

400,000+
combined circulation of print publications containing Dig It! press releases

30+
new articles published online

5
e-books released online

4,000+
e-book downloads



5
New Scottish Archaeological Internet Report (SAIR) published including 100th SAIR overall

c.115,000
downloads of SAIR papers



25
articles submitted to the Proceedings of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland (PSAS) 152

674,000+
downloads of PSAS papers

1,070
the number of times the most read article was viewed - "Ava": a Beaker-associated woman from a cist at Achavanich, Highland, and the story of her (re-)discovery and subsequent study'



GRANTS & AWARDS

New Strategic Plan 2022-27 launched

11
projects were awarded grant funding



£25,000+
funding awarded

Research locations included: Rome, Galloway, Wigtownshire, Scottish Borders, East Lothian, Stirlingshire, Skye, Shetland, Highlands and Aberdeen

Subject time periods spanned Palaeolithic to Victorian era



SCOTTISH ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESEARCH FRAMEWORK (SCARF)

2
new research frameworks launched: Perth & Kinross and the Antonine Wall



10
years of ScARF celebrated

5
major events attracted c.300 participants

Events included: Highland Archaeology Festival Conservation Workshop, 10th Anniversary Event, Scottish Islands Regional Framework for Archaeology Symposium, Dendrochronology Workshop, and South East Scotland Archaeological Research Framework Symposium

18
students and early career researchers received bursaries to help attend conferences and symposia

300,000+
impressions on social media

368
new pages added to the ScARF website and over 110,000 website views

" In my experience of ScARF events, I have always left content, with a fresh understanding of the different elements of the archaeological world and inspired to engage... with the online resources available via ScARF website, which provides the most up to date information. "

DIG IT!

15
events developed with partner organisations supporting equality, diversity and inclusion

Scotland Digs 2022: Climate Action Archaeology campaign was **Highly Commended** at the Council for British Archaeology's Archaeological Achievement Awards 2022

15,500,000+
Scotland Digs 2022: Climate Action Archaeology campaign hashtag impressions



80,000+
social media engagements



103,000+
website users

177,000+
page views