

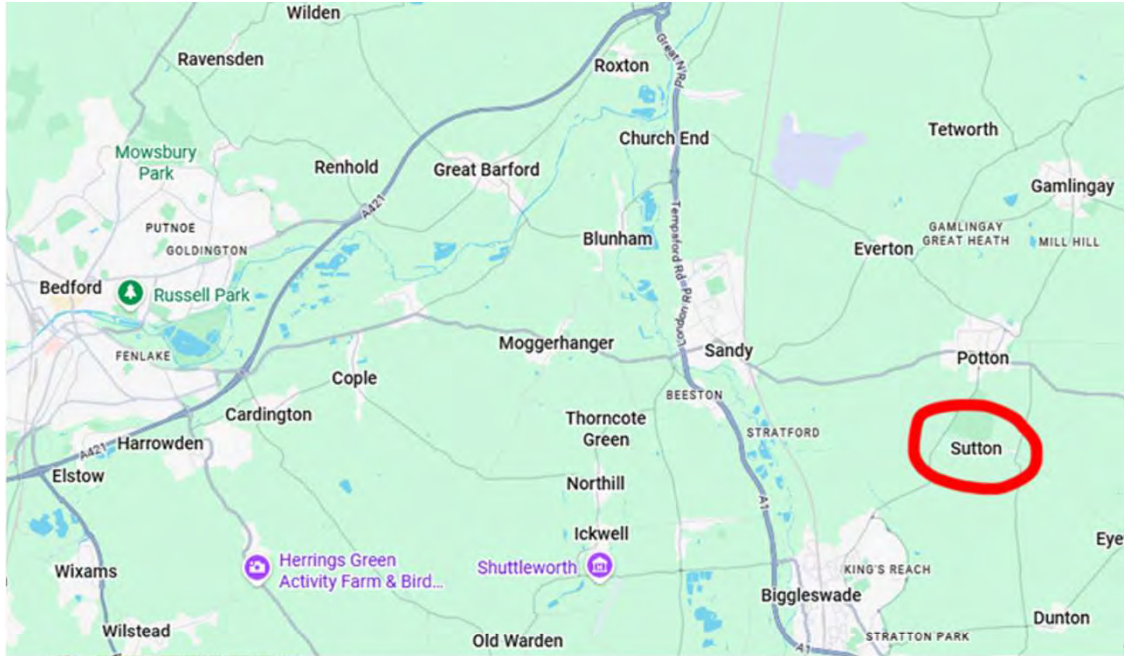
A medieval kiln at Sutton

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Why were we here?

Ancient Monuments Protection Act, 1882.

[45 & 46 Vict. Ch. 73.]

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS.

A.D. 1882.

Section.

1. Short title of Act.
2. Power to appoint Commissioners of Works guardians of ancient monuments.
3. Power of Commissioners to purchase ancient monuments.
4. Power to give, devise, or bequeath ancient monuments to Commissioners.
5. Inspectors of ancient monuments.
6. Penalty for injury to ancient monuments.
7. Recovery of penalties.
8. Description of Commissioners of Works, and law as to disposition in their favour.
9. Description of owners for purposes of Act.
10. Additions to Schedule by Order in Council.
11. Definitions.

SCHEDULE, containing List of Ancient Monuments to which Act applies.

[Public.-73.]

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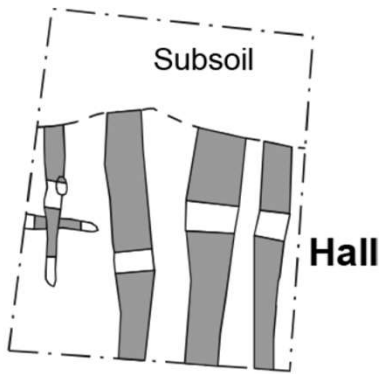
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What do
archaeologists
look for?





August
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December 2024: more of the same, but also...



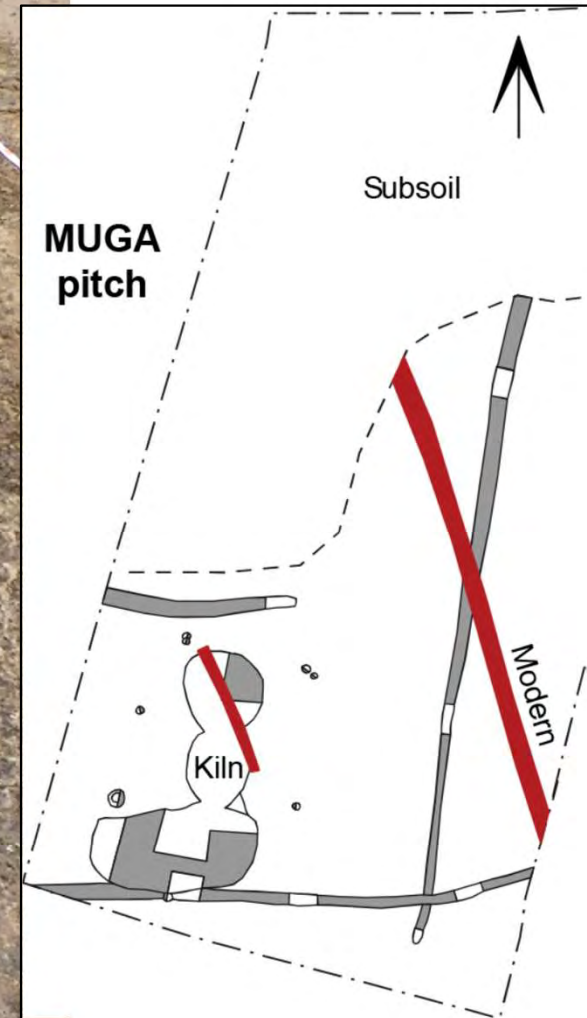






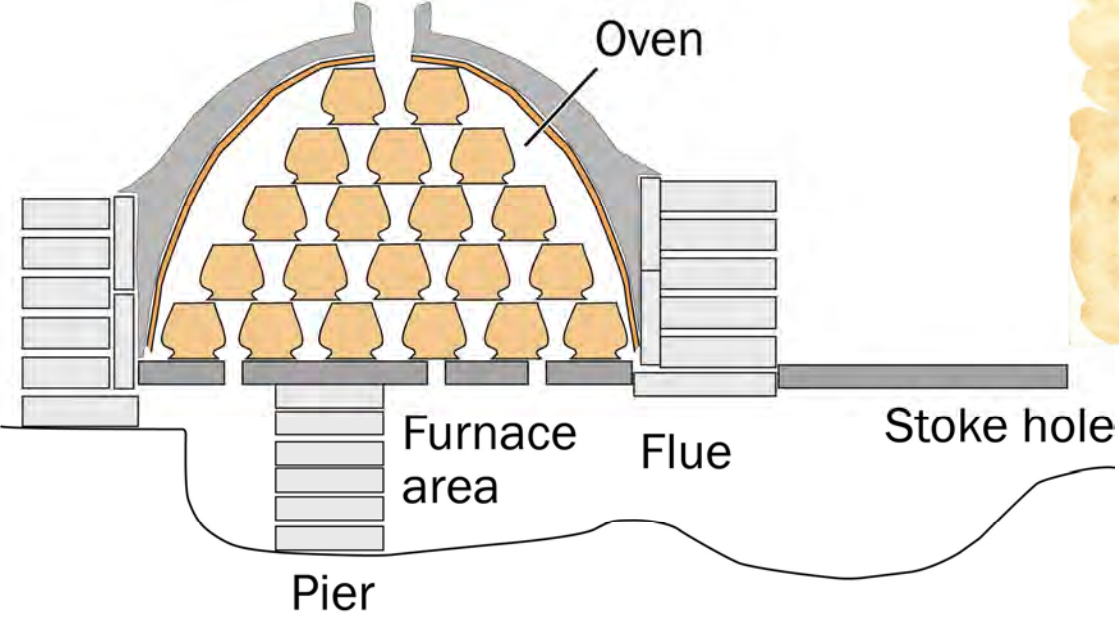








An updraught kiln



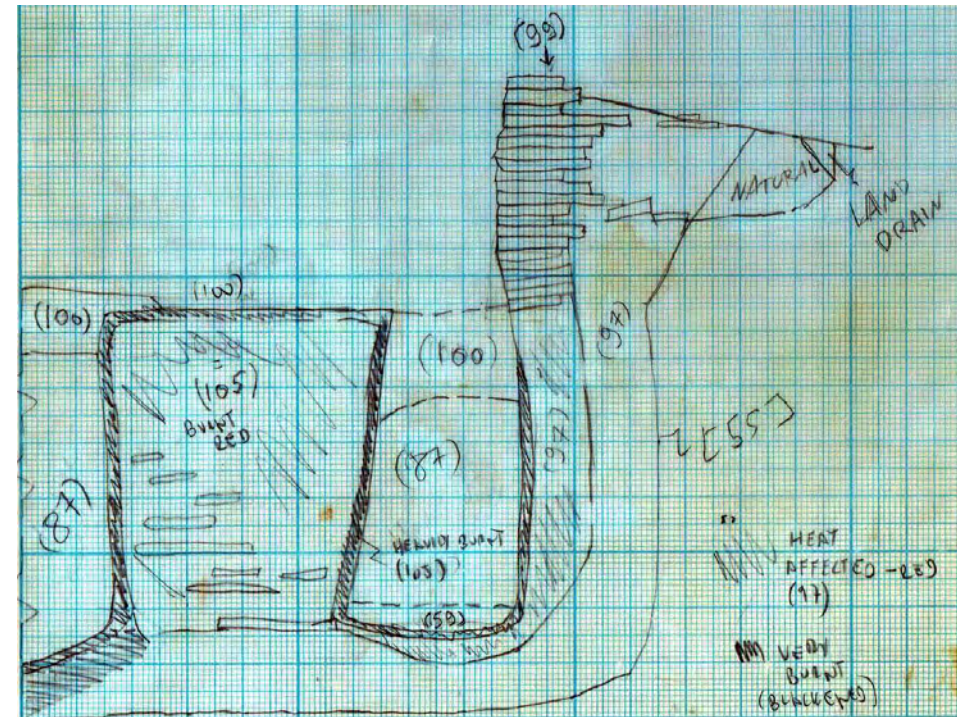
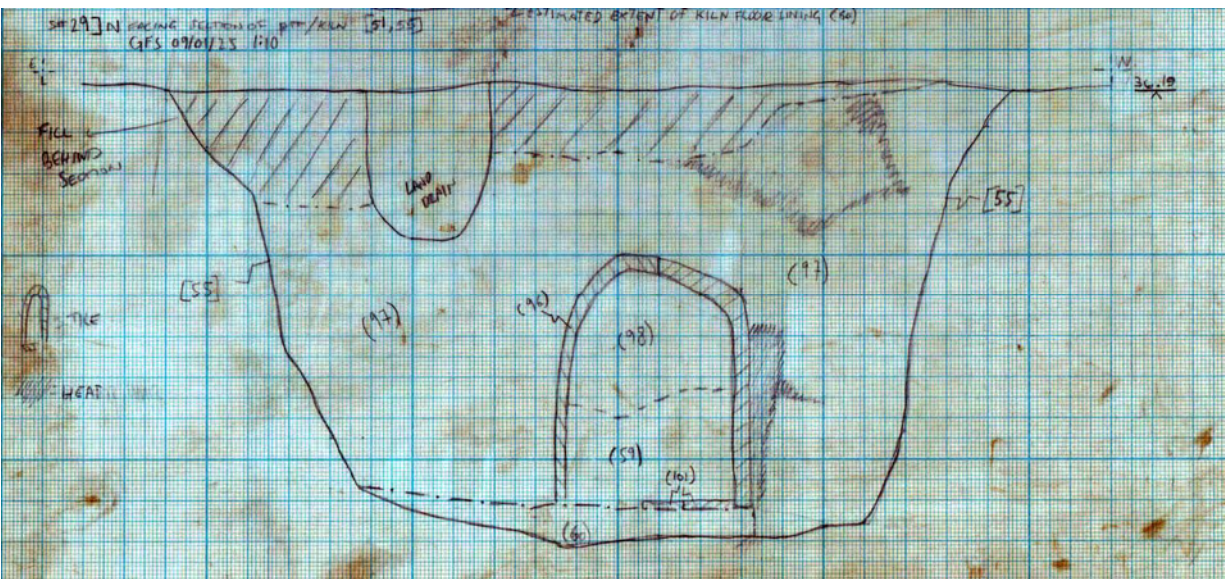
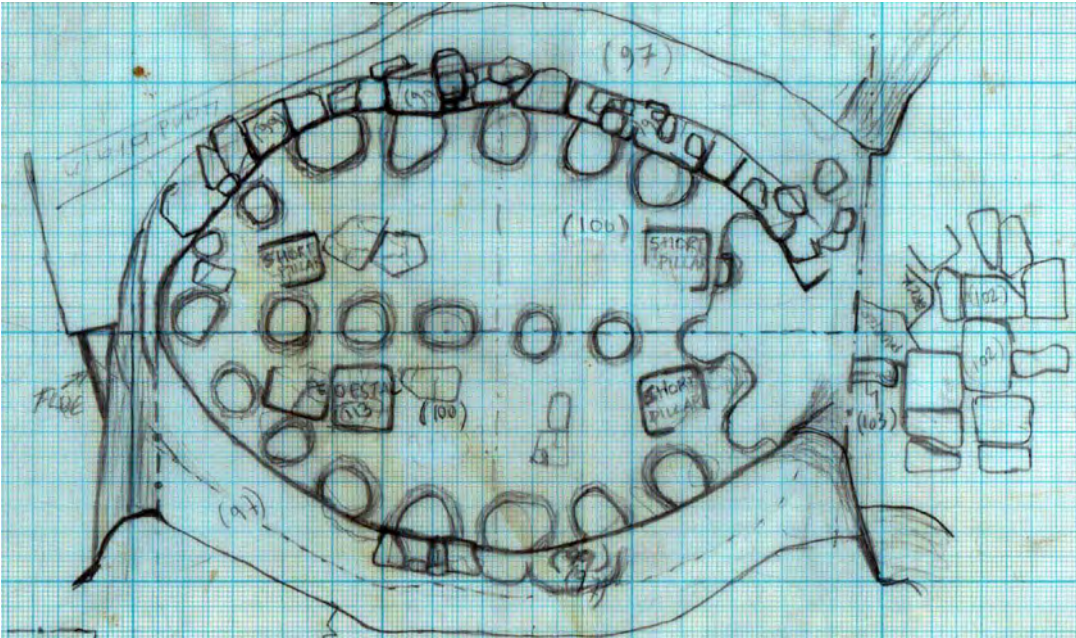




Recording the kiln



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Heather

Rye



Barley



Tiles with dog paw-prints





Late Medieval Reduced Ware



Archaeomagnetic dating

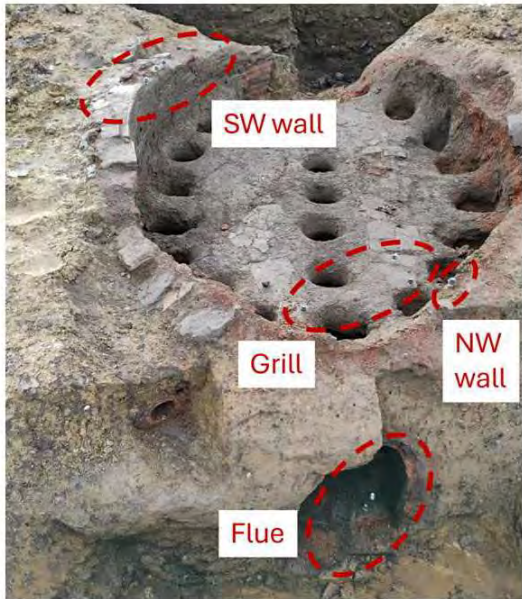


Figure 1. Locations of the samples taken from the kiln.

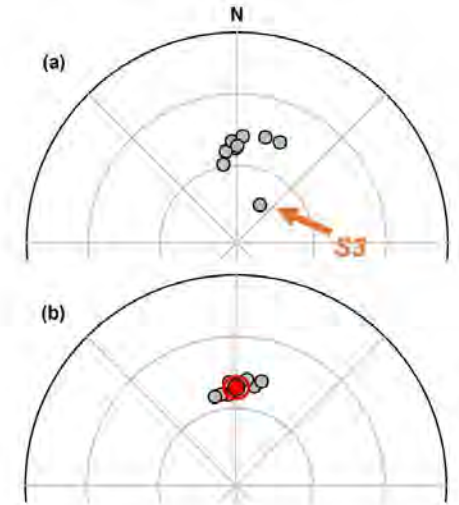
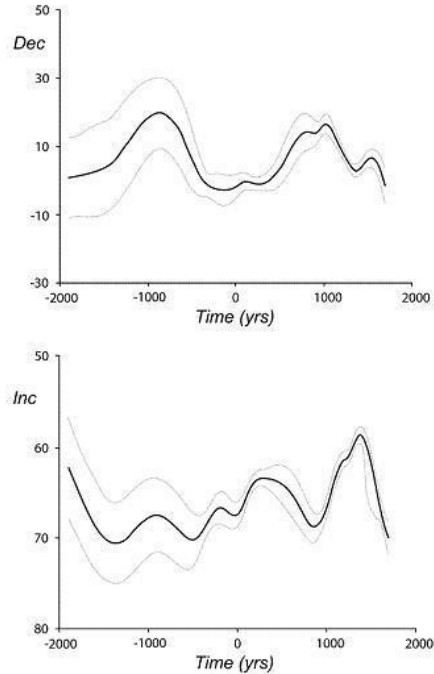


Figure 2. Equal area plots of (a) initial and (b) characteristic directions. The arrow indicates the anomalous direction shown by sample S3. The red symbol and circle indicate the mean archaeomagnetic direction and its corresponding 95% angular confidence limit.

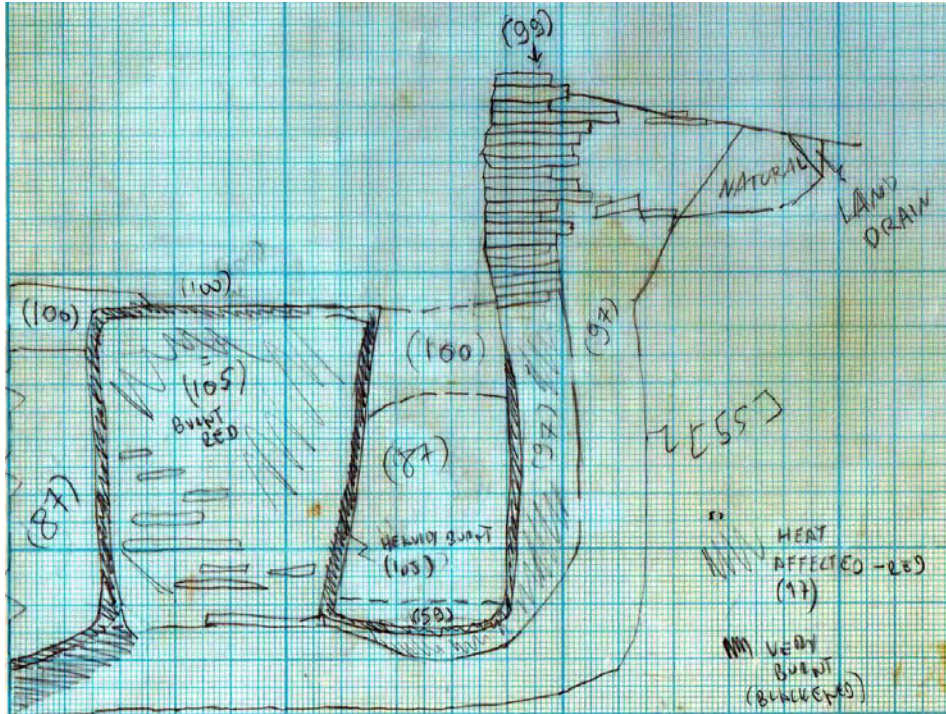
Structure	Kiln			
Location	Sutton V. A. Lower School			
Latitude	52.11°N			
Longitude	0.22°W			
Total number of samples	Number of accepted samples	Mean declination	Mean inclination	95% angular confidence limit
12	8	0.3°E	51.6°	4.5°
Archaeomagnetic date	1265 CE – 1415 CE			

Everton: 1084–1330 or
1497–1539

Site visits



Excavating the kiln
was the quick part...



Technical



Not so technical

Finds washing: the Bedford Higgins volunteers



Pottery:
30,520 sherds (630kg)

Tile:
2,493 pieces (483kg)



Reconstructing the kiln: Bedford's Young Archaeologists' Club



Making replica pots



The replica kiln



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