

A Duxford Archaeology Experience

On the final day of the [British Festival of Archaeology](#) 14 members from the [Council for British Archaeology East](#) and [Jigsaw Cambridgeshire](#) came along to the [Imperial War Museum, Duxford](#) to take part in the return of our popular **free** course about the **archaeology of airfields and building recording techniques**.

The morning was spent learning how to conduct a building survey, followed by an afternoon session where our participants got to test their new recording skills and explore airfield buildings nearby.

Our intrepid archaeologists braved a torrential downpour to put their new skills to the test recording the extremely well preserved airfield site at Duxford and along the way we learned what **Nissen's, Orlit's and BCF's** are.

The volunteers were then given the opportunity to discuss their findings and ask any questions they might have about filling in the forms, or how this information is then transferred to the public-access [County Council Historic Environment Record](#).

These volunteers are now using the forms to record airfield buildings local to them, in the hope that we will be able to get a better idea of how many survive and their current condition.

A huge thank you to the staff at the Imperial War Museum and staff from the Council from British Archaeology and Jigsaw Cambridgeshire as we couldn't have delivered the events without the invaluable assistance of these people.

You can see the images from the day in our gallery below.

And if you would like to come to a future training day, or host one of these great sessions at your museum, please email martin@8theast.org

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