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2019 will be the fiftieth anniversary of *Britannia* and that is likely to stimulate further change as well as marking the occasion in an appropriate way which the Committee will start to consider soon.

Having looked to the future, we should not forget the past and sadly the passing of two leading Roman authorities who made massive contributions, but in very different ways. Professor John Wacher (12 August 1927–26 February 2012) was undoubtedly one of the foremost Roman archaeologists of our time, becoming Professor of Archaeology in 1992 at the University of Leicester, a remarkable achievement considering he had no formal academic training in classics or history. In fact, he spent the early years of his professional career as an industrial chemist, but in 1955, after developing his excavation skills under Sheppard Frere at Canterbury and Verulamium, he began life as a freelance archaeologist. Excavation took him to Southampton, the Iron Age fort at Breedon Hill, a Roman site at Brough-on-Humber, Roman

Leicester and Catterick, among others. In 1960, he was appointed to the University of Leicester as an Assistant Lecturer and this allowed him to choose the sites he directed — most notable being Cirencester, where he excavated for five years investigating the town defences, the early fort, the forum and basilica, the amphitheatre, and shops and houses. To many readers, however, his name is synonymous with the study of Roman towns, having published several works on the subject, but especially *The Towns of Roman Britain* (1975, revised in 1995) and the complementary volume, written with his former research student Barry Burnham, *The Small Towns of Roman Britain* (1990). Other works on Roman Britain included *The Coming of Rome* (1978) and *Roman Britain* (1979), while more widely there was *The Roman Empire* (1987) and the editing of the two-volume *Roman World* (1987). He served on a number of committees within the University, the Society of Antiquaries of London, and our own Roman Society. On his retirement from the University of Leicester he relocated to Carbis Bay, Cornwall, where he offered gardening services to his local pub in return for free pints and in a return to his boyhood interest in butterflies he co-authored *A Cornwall Butterfly Atlas* (2003).

Peter Connolly (8 May 1935–2 May 2012) was an expert in Greek and Roman military equipment and an illustrator of archaeological reconstruction of the highest calibre. Peter undoubtedly had the rare ability to popularise history, and I am sure many of us have used his books and illustrations for various reasons. Peter studied at the Brighton College of Arts and Crafts and he went on to use those skills both to illustrate and write numerous books about the ancient world, including The Roman Army (1975) — his first and perhaps his best known book — Pompeii (1979), Greece and Rome at War (1981), The Greek Armies (1977), and The Roman Fort (1991). He was also a great experimental archaeologist, hammering out reconstructions in his workshop to show how things functioned and were produced. The products were often used in his lectures to enliven them with dramatic demonstrations, such as the use of sword and spear. As a researcher he was a regular contributor to academic periodicals, such as the Journal of Roman Military Equipment and Roman Frontier Studies, and he will be well remembered for his work and research on the Roman saddle. He became a member of the Society of Antiquaries in 1984 and a year later was awarded an honorary research fellowship at the Institute of Archaeology, University College London. Both John and Peter have helped me personally at times during my career and they will both be sorely missed.

Just before submitting this brief Editorial, we also learnt of the passing of Brian Dobson (13) September 1931–19 July 2012), one of the great scholars of the Roman army and Hadrian's Wall. He initially read Modern History at Hatfield College, Durham University, where he fell under the spell of Eric Birley, taking the Roman Britain special subject, and subsequently gained his PhD on the primipilares (the senior centurions) of the Roman army. After National Service he spent 1955-59 in Birmingham as a Research Fellow before returning to Durham in 1960 to take up the post of adult education Lecturer in Archaeology in the Department of Extra Mural Studies, a post in which he remained until retirement in 1990. His early publications on the Roman army included his revision of von Domaszeski's classic work on the officers of the Roman army, Die Rangordnung des römische Heeres, the basic account of the structure of the officer class of the Roman army (1968), while his doctorate was published, in German, under the title Die Primipilares in 1978. A collection of his Roman army papers was published in Roman Officers and Frontiers in 1993. For many he will perhaps be best known for his collaboration with David Breeze on their seminal volume on Hadrian's Wall, first published in 1976 and still in print in its fourth edition; this was the first historical account — as opposed to description — of the Wall. In 1980, the University of Durham acknowledged Brian's contribution to scholarship through the award of a personal Readership in Archaeology, a rare accolade for a lecturer in adult education. Remaining loyal to his northern roots, he served as President of the Archaeological and Architectural Society of Durham and Northumberland (1983–87) and the Society of Antiquaries of Newcastle upon Tyne (1993–95), as well as being a trustee of several local museums including the Vindolanda Trust from 1996 to 2011. He will be sadly missed by those whom he brought into archaeology and whose development he helped.

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