Swords from lakes? So 2018; this week, gun barrels from Asian lakes and wells… Otherwise one-legged French generals in Russia, two Krupps guns, 3 submarines, a whole bunch of swords in Scottish collections and a film about a Confederate sabre.

**Ancient arms**

Searching for the evolution of warfare in prehistory

Feature on the Staffordshire Hoard, ten years on

What the new Lewis chessman fetched

**Beasts of assorted varieties…**

Ice age deer tooth necklace
https://aeon.co/ideas/what-a-deer-tooth-necklace-says-about-our-ice-age-ancestors

Racehorse Eclipse goes to Milton Keynes

**Grave stories**

CSI Old Stone Age
Update on two new boat burials in Sweden
https://www.sciencemag.org/a-man-a-horse-and-a-dog-were-found-in-a-rare-intact-boat-burial-unearthed-in-sweden

Tomb of Hungarian king may have been found
https://hungarytoday.hu/tomb-orseolo-hungarian-king-archaeologists/

A headline to cherish: “Remains of Napoleon's One-Legged General Found under Russian Dance Floor”

Through the arrow-slit . . .

Excavating Shrewsbury Castle

Restoring Delhi’s Red Fort

Cannons to the left, cannon to the right

Early fireworks
https://www.livescience.com/65870-fireworks-immortality-search.html

Medieval guns and gunpowder
http://www.medievalists.net/2019/07/invention-guns-gunpowder/

Interesting piece on Henry Maudslay who began his career in Woolwich Arsenal
https://www.chemistryworld.com/opinion/maudslays-micrometer/3010650.article

Rhode Island’s artillery company, its traditions and collections

Fascinating story of Krupps WWI howitzer in Canada which is off to a new home
And a WWI Krupps in Eltham, NZ, goes for conservation

Asian round-up

Fascinating piece on recovery of Japanese gun-barrel from a riverbed

…and gun barrels found in a well in India near Kanpur

Ancient tower tomb looted by Ottomans - the evidence

Back to the front

Late medieval armour

Over-rated battles…A historian decides…
https://www.dailyrecord.co.uk/news/local-news/battle-bannockburn-listed-among-most-18004690

Café Basiliscoe

Roman olive oil

Who did the cooking in the Viking long house?
http://scienecnordic.com/viking-men-were-buried-cooking-gear
Miscellany

What they found in Edinburgh

Confederate soldiers diaries and the slaves of Gettysburg

Princesses and Amazons

Royal women and power
https://aeon.co/ideas/what-big-history-says-about-how-royal-women-exercise-power

Searching for Lady Jane Grey’s home
https://www.leicestermirror.co.uk/news/local-news/archaeologists-uncover-original-home-lady-3017878

Women in the Revolutionary army

Into the 20th century

Investigating prisoner-of-war camp in Yorkshire

WW2 flying boat found in Lough Fermanagh
https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-48857521

Search for missing WWII planes off Broome, sunk in Australia’s second-worst mainland attack

Hughenden’s secret WW2
Vesuvius not the only explosive thing in Pompeii’s past…

**Nautical news**

Recruiting for the medieval navy

Feature on the *Atocha*
https://keywest.floridaweekly.com/articles/the-nuestra-senora-de-atocha-2/

WWII Submarine S-28 gravesite officially identified off Oahu

But two Dutch submarines are missing…
https://www.atlasobscura.com/articles/two-shipwrecks-vanished-near-malaysia

**Museum news and exhibitions**

**News**

Difficulties of international exhibition in the present political climate

Visiting the Arms and Armor Department at the Met…
https://www.newyorker.com/magazine/2019/07/22/mare-maron-chooses-his-weapon

**New museums**

New gallery in Brussels
New addition to Museum Island, Berlin

New Roman museum planned in York
https://www.yorkshirepost.co.uk/business/first-look-at-vision-for-roman-museum-planned-in-york-1-9853551

New museum developments in Budapest

Museum developments

Learn about a Scottish castle on a new app

BM now joins the LGBTQ museum tours movement

Conservation corner

16th century Sheldon tapestries conserved

(Night-)watching the conservators
https://www.theguardian.com/artanddesign/2019/jul/05/restoration-rembrandt-night-watch-begins-rijksmuseum-amsterdam

Exhibition about conservation at the Kremlin - includes arms

Objects

Swords from North East Scotland
https://www.nts.org.uk/stories/en-garde
Exhibitions

Culture under attack at the IWM
https://www.theguardian.com/artanddesign/2019/jul/03/imperial-war-museum-what-remains-exhibition-war-cultural-destruction

Tea at Compton Verney

Highland Warriors in Ottawa
https://www.warmuseum.ca/highlandwarriors/

Dutch maritime painting in New Bedford

Kimonos in Cincinnati

Books

Sue Brunning: *The Sword in Early Medieval Northern Europe - Experience, Identity, Representation*

Simon Forty: *D-Day UK*
https://www.english-heritageshop.org.uk/books-media/d-day-uk-

Jonathan Coad: *Support for the Fleet* (reduced price but still eye-watering)
https://www.english-heritageshop.org.uk/books-media/support-for-the-fleet

Innes McCartney: *Scapa 1919: The Archaeology of a Scuttled Fleet*
https://ospreypublishing.com/scapa-1919
Online book

Schiedam Prize
https://research.historicengland.org.uk/Report.aspx?i=15812&fbclid=IwAR0UDuu7L1jpgL5Idog-Q5tZ9WcfsH2gb7uTXB2ZoyW-Wsj03MKuBLsjiT4

Popular culture

Sword of Trust
https://www.imdb.com/title/tt8484012/?ref_=nv_sr_1?ref_=nv_sr_1

Kursk: The Last Mission - possibly not the cheeriest of summer films

Tribute to Game of Thrones in needlework in Belfast

Events

Diary Dates
1 Aug 2019 Arms and Armour Society meeting
https://www.thearmsandarmoursociety.org.uk/events/

Summer events
https://www.historicenvironment.scot/visit-a-place/whats-on/
https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/whats-on/knights-jousts-events/
https://middelaldercentret.dk/?lang=en

Conferences

September 2019 Kyoto ICOMAM 2019 Conference, Kyoto (Japan)
http://icom-kyoto-2019.org/data/images/ICOM2019_leaflet.pdf?fbclid=IwAR1yUuzU74CjPT8F-Qdx4KsoD_htE1_BHGYouQhJSu4YRKPyN4D4N8ckh3o
16-17 November 2019 Portsmouth
The Nautical Archaeology Society and the Ordnance Society
Wooden Walls and Stone Bastions
https://ordnancesociety.org.uk/events-2/

Websites and downloads

1066 etc: Byzantine guerrillas, Lindisfarne & Mongol warfare

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