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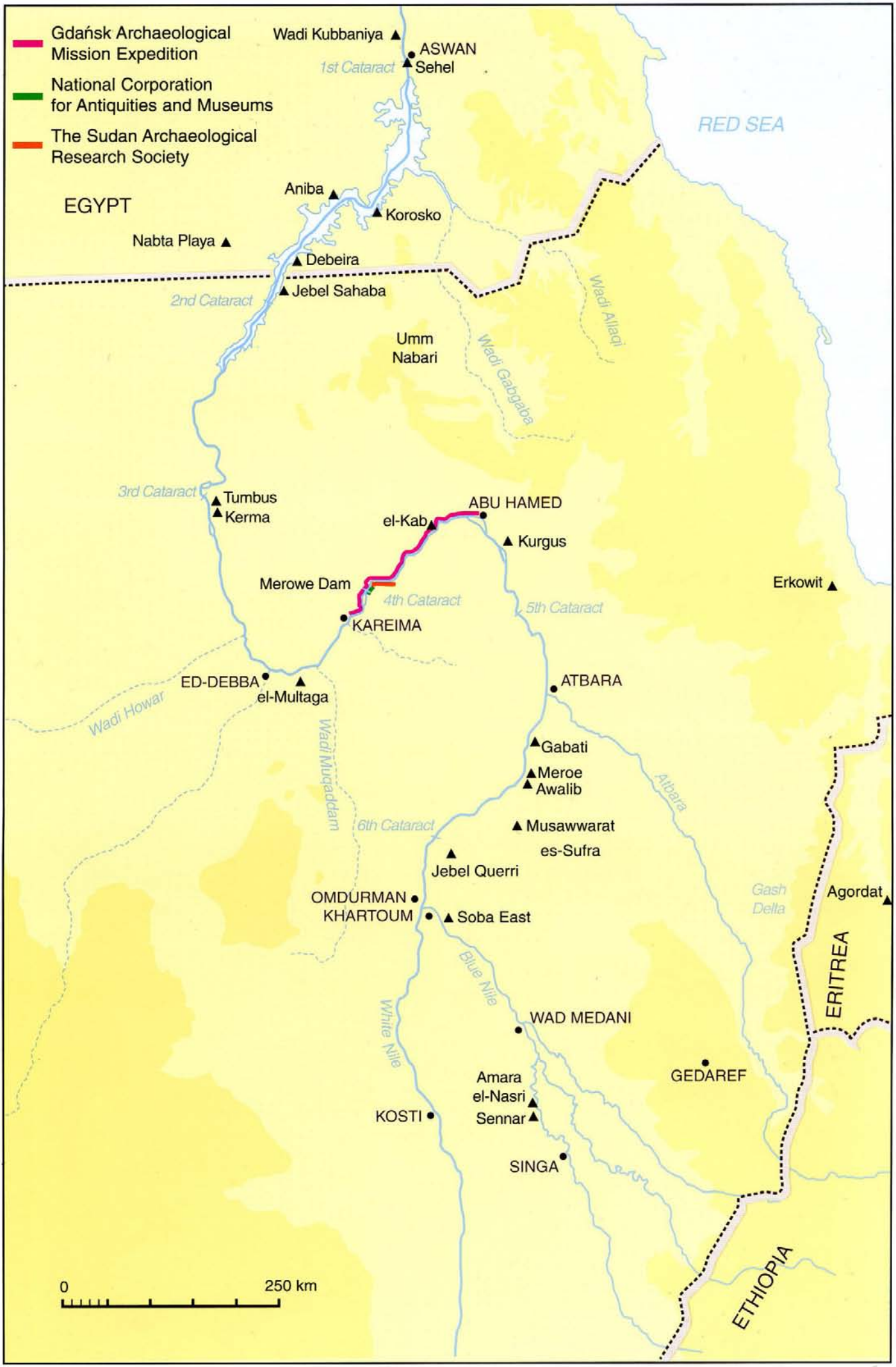


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## Introduction

*Vivian Davies*

The Society's two major events of the year, the results of which are published here - the Kirwan Memorial Lecture delivered in October, 2002, and the colloquium on recent fieldwork held in May, 2003 - were extremely well attended. The colloquium incorporated a special session, led by Dr. Salah Mohamed Ahmed, NCAM Director of Excavations, on the Merowe Dam salvage project. The response has been encouraging. Since the colloquium, several organisations have applied for concessions, joining the existing four missions of Gdańsk, NCAM, the French Unit and SARS. Many more are still needed. Interested parties should contact Dr Salah at NCAM tel./fax. 249 11 786784 or the International Society for Nubian Studies c/o [dwelsby@thebritishmuseum.ac.uk](mailto:dwelsby@thebritishmuseum.ac.uk).





# Miscellaneous

## List of Archaeological Mission Activities in Sudan between 1934 and 1984

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Systematic archaeological surveys and excavations in Sudan started at the beginning of the last century. However, official procedures to facilitate these archaeological operations

were first formulated in 1934 when A. J. Arkell was appointed as the first Commissioner for Archaeology.

Arkell has been considered as the founder of the Sudan Antiquities Service (S.A.S) in its present form. He organized S.A.S scientifically and administratively. Survey and excavation licenses were first issued during his directory of S.A.S according to information contained in the S.A.S official files and records examined in 1984. The present writer has had ample time to study and document all licenses from 1934-1984. These files and records are now completely destroyed in some cases. The attached list can be considered one of the main sources for this information but can be augmented by additional data included in some publications. This list, although incomplete, may be of some value for some scholars of Sudan's archaeology.

Site of Excavation	Date of License	Head of the Mission	Name of the Mission	No.
Fasher 'about 10 miles east of el-Fasher "survey"'	1934	Anthony J. Arkell	Sudan Antiquities Service (S.A.S.)	1
Wadi Siru "surface collection"	1941	Anthony J. Arkell	S.A.S	2
Omdurman Bridge	1941	Anthony J. Arkell	S.A.S	3
Khor Abu Anga	1944	Anthony J. Arkell	S.A.S	4
Khartoum Hospital	1944	Anthony J. Arkell	S.A.S	5
Left Bank of the Atbara between Sasareib and Khashm el-Girba	6-1944	Anthony J. Arkell	S.A.S	6
Wadi Afu	1946	Anthony J. Arkell	S.A.S	7
Abka	1948	Anthony J. Arkell	Gordon Memorial College	8
Esh-Shaheinab	1949	Anthony J. Arkell	S.A.S	9
El-Qos "burial excavation"	1949	Anthony J. Arkell	S.A.S	10
Soba East	1950	Prof. Peter L. Shinnie	S.A.S	11
Ghazali	1953	Prof. Peter L. Shinnie and H. Neville Chittick	S.A.S	12
Ushara	1953	Kenneth Marshal and Abd el Rahman Adam	S.A.S	13
Khor "Buhen South"	1-12-1953	Prof. Jean Vercoutter	French Mission	14
Sai Island	1-12-1954	Prof. Jean Vercoutter	The French Archaeological Mission	16
Amara West		Prof. H. W. Fairman	The Egypt Exploration Society of London	17
Buhen area	1-9-1957	Prof. Walter B. Emery	The Egypt Exploration Society of London	18
Wad ban Naqa	1958	Prof. Jean Vercoutter	S.A.S	19
Argin	1-9-1960	Prof. Martin Almagro	The Spanish Committee for Cooperation with Unesco	20
Akasha	1-10-1960	Prof. Jean Vercoutter	The French Archaeological Expedition	21
Musawwarat es-Sufra	1960	Dr Fritz Hintze	Humboldt University of East Berlin	22
Serra	1960	Prof. Torgny Säve-Söderbergh	The Scandinavian Joint Expedition	23
Debeira West	1-2-1961	Prof. Torgny Säve-Söderbergh	The Scandinavian Joint Expedition	24
Serra East	1-9-1961	Prof. Keith C. Seele	The Oriental Institute of Chicago	25
Gemai in the north (latitude 21° 45') to Firka in the south (latitude 20° 55')	1-10-1961	Dr. Ralph S. Solecki	Columbia University	26
Explore and search for rock pictures and inscriptions, Egyptian border to Kosha West	1-11-1961	Prof. Fritz Hintze	German Academy of Science of Berlin	27
Kasr Ico	1-12-1961	Prof. Francisco Presedo Velo	The Spanish Committee For Cooperation with UNESCO	28
Abkanarti	1-3-1962	Prof. Francisco Presedo Velo	The Spanish Committee For Cooperation with UNESCO	29

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Gemai in the north to Firka in the south on the east bank and between Faras in the north and Firka in the south on the west bank	1-10-1962	Dr Fred Wendorf	New Mexico Museum, Columbia University, Joint Expedition	30
Epigraphic survey of the temples of Semna and Kumma in the west Wadi Halfa District	1-9-1962	Dr Ricardo Caminos	Brown University	31
Dabenarti and Askut	1-10-1962	Dr Clement Meighan	University of California	32
Aksha and Mirgissa	1-1-1963	Prof. Jean Vercoutter	The French Committee For Archaeological Excavation, Cultural Interrelation Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Paris	33
Old Dongola	1-11-1964	Prof. Kazimierz Michałowski	University of Warsaw, The Polish Center of Mediterranean Archaeology	34
Gemai –Murshid – Halfa District	14-12-1964	Gustaff Doner	University of Helsinki	35
Archaeological survey from Gemai to Dal	1964	Anthony J. Mills	S.A.S	36
Gemai in the north and Firka in the south on the east bank of the Nile for purposes of prehistoric research	1-1-1965	Dr Fred Wendorf	Southern Methodist University	37
The cemeteries of Kor	20-1-1965	Harry S. Smith	The Egypt Exploration Society of London	38
Sedeinga	1-11-1965	Mrs Michela Schiff Giorgini	The Mission Schiff Giorgini - University of Pisa	39
Argo island	1-12-1965	Prof. Charles Bonnet	University of Geneva	40
Khor Abu Anga in Omdurman District	19-2-1966	Dr Ray H. Carlson	University of Colorado	41
Ed-Debba and Korti along the <i>wadis</i> and Nile terraces in the area	10-11-1966	Dr Joel H. Shiner	Southern Methodist University	42
Semna South	1-9-1966	Dr Louis V. Zabkar	Oriental Institute of Chicago	43
The ancient site of Meroe	1-12-1966	Prof. Peter L. Shinnie	University of Khartoum Expedition	44
Sonqi	6-3-1967	Prof. Sergi Donadoni	University of Rome	45
Soleb	1-10-1967	Mrs Michela Schiff Giorgini	University of Pisa	46
The area of Tangur and Susinarti	15-2-1968	Prof. Erich Dinkler	The German Archaeological Institute Berlin G.F.R.	47
Kulubnarti	1-12-1968	Dr William Y. Adams	University of Kentucky	48
Geili	1-2-1971	Prof. Salradon M. Puglisi	University of Rome Institute of Palaeontology	49
Exploration and excavation between Khor Wadi Sidna and Khor el-Dishenab	1-8-1972	Dr Ahmed Mohamed el-Hakim	University of Khartoum	50
The area of Jebel Marra and Western slope	1-9-1972	Prof. Dr Helmut Ziegert	University of Hamburg	51
Esh-Shawal	1-1-1973	Prof. J. Desmond Clark	University of California	52
Jebel Barkal	1-2-1973	Prof. Sergio Donadoni	University of Rome	53
Kadero	1-2-1973	Dr Lech Krzyzaniak	University of Warsaw, The Polish Center of Mediterranean Archaeology	54
Archaeological survey south of Dal	1973	Dr Francis Geus	S.A.S and the French Archaeological Unit	55
Survey on the Rahad cultivation scheme	1974	Dr Andre Vila	S.A.S and the French Archaeological Unit	56
Archaeological survey Wadi Howar	1-10-1975	Abas Siid Ahmed	University of Khartoum	57
Archaeological survey between el-Khandag and Fogrinkoti on both sides of the Nile	1-10-1976	Dr Nicolas B. Millet	The Royal Ontario Museum	58
El-Kadada	4-4-1976	Dr Francis Geus	S.A.S and the French Archaeological Unit	59
Southern Province	8-12-1977	Dr David W. Phillipson	British Institute in Eastern Africa	60
Abri and Amara	1-1-1978	Prof. Martin Almagro	The Foundation Duran Vall-Liosera (Spain)	61
El-Zakyab - Kadero II	5-3-1978	Dr Randi Haaland	University of Bergen	62
Esh-Shaheinab	6-2-1979	Dr Randi Haaland	University of Bergen	63
Red Sea coast between Port Sudan and Halaib	1-2-1980	Prof. Nikilta Eliseel	University of Lyon II and University of Khartoum	64





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Um Drieiwa	1-2-1980	Dr Randi Haaland	University of Bergen	65
Kassala	22-1-1980	Dr Rodolfo Fattovich	The Oriental Institute of Naples	66
Hagiya Arbain- Wadi Howar	1-10-1980	Dr Rudolph Kuper	University of Köln	67
Abu Huggar- Central Region	2-1981	Prof. Helmut Ziegert	University of Hamburg	68
El-Gereif East	5-2-1981	Dr Francis Geus	S.A.S and the French Archaeological Unit	69
Upper Nile Province- Southern Region	14-4-1981	Dr Else Johansen Kleppe	University of Bergen	70
Wadi El-Milk	20-1-1982	Prof. Fred Wendorf	Southern Methodist University	71
Ushara, Shendi District	9-2-1982	Dr Francis Geus	S.A.S and French Archaeological Unit	72
Eastern Region	1-11-1982	Dr T. R. Hays	University of North Texas and University of Khartoum	73
Soba East	24-11-1982	Dr Derek A. Welsby	British Institute in Eastern Africa	74
Esh-Shawal - Kosti	1-1-1983	Dr Randi Haaland	University of Bergen	75
Islamic African Center "Green belt"	9-3-1983	Dr Francis Geus	S.A.S and the French Archaeological Unit	76
Ahamda	6-12-1983	Dr Francis Geus	S.A.S and the French Archaeological Unit	77
Ancient Site of Meroe	21-12-1983	Prof. Peter L. Shinnie	University of Khartoum and Calgary University	78
North Kordofan	1-1-1984	Dr Ahmed Ali el-Hakim	National Council of Research	79
Atbara – Wadi Hudi	1-1-1984	Dr Randi Haaland	University of Bergen	80
Singa District	17-2-1984	Dr Lech Krzyzaniak	University of Warsaw	81