THEORETICAL ARCHAEOLOGY GROUP

PROGRAMME FOR MEETING, 9th to 11th DECEMBER 1977

(Note that the timing allows for 15 minute paper plus 10 discussion, or 10 minute paper plus 15 discussion. It is ESSENTIAL that the speakers keep within the allotted time. Egg timers will ring after 10 minutes).

FRIDAY EVENING, 9TH DECEMBER

8 to 10pm. Meet at the Crown and Sceptre, Burgess Road, Southampton. Informal accommodation will be arranged for all Sheffield speakers and all other Sheffield staff/research students whose names have reached Southampton. Departmental secretaries by Wednesday 7th December. In some cases, sleeping bags will be needed.

SATURDAY, 10TH DECEMBER

Meetings in Room Arts 1 Building

9.00 Opening Remarks

9.10 to 10.50 FORM, FUNCTION, AND ARTEFACTS

Pat Phillips
Robin Torrance
David Peacock
Peta Jones

Microwear and tool function
Inter-assemblage variability
Why build kilns?
The typology of stone settlements in southern Africa

10.50 to 11.10 COFFEE

11.10 to 13.15 INTERPRETIVE PROBLEMS

Chris Arnold
Arthur ApSimon
Robin Dennell
Graeme Barker
Tom Levy

Recognising invasion/migrations
Changing explanations for discontinuity
Sand deserts and theory testing
Thinking about zimbabwe
Theory testing in the Negev

13.15 to 14.15 LUNCH

14.15 to 15.30 QUESTIONS OF SOCIAL STRUCTURE

Tim and Sara Champion
David Hinton
John Cherry

Hallstatt graves and social structure
Aspects of wealth: records and finds
The state and ecological succession

15.30 to 15.50 TEA

15.50 to 18.20 SUBSISTENCE STRATEGIES AND POPULATION (A)

Alan Turner
Michael Wilkinson
Jennifer Bourdillon
Paul Mellars

Competitive predation
Theoretical problems in fishbone studies
Quantifying animal bones
The economics of uncertainty - the economics of resource exploitation
17.00 to 17.10  AIR

17.10 to 18.25  SUBSISTENCE STRATEGIES AND POPULATION (B)

Andrew Fleming  Boserup-bashing
Peter Winham  Subsistence strategy and agriculturalists
Keith Branigan  Population on over-population? approaches
to population estimates in pre- and
proto-history

19.30  BUFFET DINNER IN ARTS 1, ROOM 103

SUNDAY 11TH DECEMBER

9.15  Group reconvenes

9.25 to 10.40  TRADE AND EXCHANGE

Mark Brisbane  Redistribution in stateless and state
societies
Richard Hodges  Tasing Ware - a primitive valuable in
the age of missionaries
Alan Vince  The interpretation of pottery distributions

10.40 to 11.10  COFFEE

11.10 to 12.00  MAN AND COMMUNICATION

Steve Pierpoint  The psychology of conformity behaviour -
an archaeological problem
Clive Gamble  Talking to Neanderthal man: language and
communication in the palaeolithic (The
Medium is the Mousterian).

12.00 to 13.00  T.A.G. Business Meeting

13.00  Meetings end.