TAG 89
The Eleventh Annual Conference
University of Newcastle upon Tyne
December 18th - 20th 1989
Programme and Abstracts
Edited by John Chapman

MONDAY 18th DECEMBER
AFTERNOON (1) Plenary session: archaeological futures: directions in theory and practice [Physics/Curtis Auditorium]

EVENING
6.00 - 7.30 Women's Discussion Group
7.30 Reception, dinner and entertainment hosted by the Lord Mayor of Newcastle, Civic Centre.

TUESDAY 19th DECEMBER
MORNING (2) Science fiction : scientism, technism and archaeology [Curtis Auditorium]
(3) Classical archaeology [Haymarket Lecture Theatre]
(4) New perspectives on prehistoric migrations [Physics I Lecture Theatre]
(5) General Session I [Physics I Lecture Theatre]
(6) Archaeology, media and society [Physics II Lecture Theatre]

AFTERNOON (7) Approaches to the archaeology of death [Curtis Auditorium]
(8) The archaeology of the self : subjectivity after humanism [Physics I]
(9) Ethno-archaeological analogy [Physics 2]
(10) Landscape archaeology [Haymarket Lecture Theatre]

EVENING
6.00 TAG open meeting
8.00 TAG party, Students' Union Building Level 2

WEDNESDAY 20th DECEMBER
MORNING (11) The social archaeology of houses [Curtis Auditorium]
(12) Heritage in public : attitudes to the use of the past [Physics I]
(13) Feminist theory and gender studies [Haymarket lecture Theatre]
(14) Geoarchaeology: theory and practice in European prehistory [Physics II]

AFTERNOON (15) Making sense of space [Curtis Auditorium]
(16) Present politics and contemporary archaeology [Physics I]
(17) Taphonomy : implications for hypothesis-testing [Haymarket lecture Theatre]
(18) General session II [Physics II]
MONDAY AFTERNOON - PLENARY SESSION

2.00 - 2.05 Introduction & Welcome to TAG
2.05 - 2.15 Introduction to Session
2.15 - 2.40 Michael Shanks 'Identity, the past and an archaeological poetics'
2.40 - 3.05 Chris Tilley 'Science, subjectivity and archaeological discourse'
3.05 - 3.30 Colin Renfrew Archaeology as a scientific discipline
3.30 - 3.50 Tea / Coffee
3.50 - 5.00 Break up into discussion groups. Group discussions
5.00 - 6.00 Re-assemble for plenary discussion.

WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP Venue : Veggies Restaurant, St. Mary's Place. (see TAG Eating Out Map)
6.00 - 7.30 Discussion led by Susie West

THE LORD MAYOR'S CIVIC RECEPTION

TAG delegates are requested to assemble in the corridor outside the Banqueting Hall of the Civic Centre at 7.30, where they will be greeted by the Lord Mayor. A cash bar will be open from this time. Guests may take their places at 8.00 for the dinner. Northumbrian entertainment, with dancing, will be provided in the later part of the evening.

TUESDAY MORNING SESSIONS

SCIENCE FICTION : SCIENTISM, TECHNISM AND ARCHAEOLOGY (ROOM )

0900 - 0910 Introduction
0910 - 0930 Sander van der Leeuw 'Archaeology between scientism and essentialism'
0930 - 0950 Pippa Smith 'An independent scientist says.....'
0950 - 1010 Mark Edmonds 'I've got a heuristic device and I'm going to use it'
1010 - 1030 Keith Ray 'Science and anomaly : burnt mounds in British prehistory'
1030 - 1050 Discussion
1050 - 1120 Coffee / Tea
1120 - 1140 Julian Thomas 'Silent running : the ills of environmental archaeology'
1140 - 1200 John Moreland 'Perception, environment and structural history'
1200 - 1220 John Barrett 'Archaeology in the age of uncertainty'
1220 - 1300 Discussion

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CLASSICAL ARCHAEOLOGY

0930 - 1000 Robin Osborne ‘Orientalism in eighth and seventh century Greece’
1000 - 1030 Michael Vickers ‘The impoverishment of the past’
1030 - 1100 Timothy Taylor ‘The four gender roles of the Scythians: the place of Amazons and transvestite shamans in archaeological epistemology’
1100 - 1130 Tea / coffee
1130 - 1200 Karen Griffiths ‘The marketing of Roman pottery in second century Northamptonshire and the Milton Keynes area’
1200 - 1230 David Gill ‘Fine wares and site interpretation: the contribution of intensive field-surveys in Greece’
1230 - 1300 Hugh Bowden ‘The chronology of Greek painted pottery: some observations’

NEW PERSPECTIVES ON PREHISTORIC MIGRATIONS

0900 - 0910 K. Kristiansen ‘Introduction - new perspectives on prehistoric migrations’
0910 - 0930 T. Champion ‘Migration in the historiographical context’
0930 - 0950 T. Kristiansen ‘the Single-Grave culture in Jutland - an example of prehistoric migration’
0950 - 1010 H. Härke ‘Germans heading for the beaches - and old perspective on protohistoric migrations’
1010 - 1030 J-P. Warnier ‘Grassfields People’s history (Cameroon). A methodological exercise from linguistic, archaeological and other types of evidence’
1030 - 1110 Discussion
1110 - 1130 Tea/Coffee

GENERAL SESSION I

1130 - 1150 J. Bell ‘On the search for universals in archaeological explanation’
1150 - 1210 P. Novaković ‘A contribution to the study of the language of archaeology’
1210 - 1230 U. Sommer ‘Dirt theory, or archaeological sites seen as trash heaps: the analysis of intrasite artifact distributions’
1230 - 1300 Discussion

ARCHAEOLOGY, MEDIA AND SOCIETY

0930 - 0940 Alex West ‘Archaeology, media and society: towards a common bond’
0940 - 1000 Mike Corbishley ‘Watch with teacher: the past on video’
1000 - 1020 Fred Baker ‘Archaeology and television: consuming “Chronicle”’
1020 - 1040 David Fine ‘Cain and Able: archaeology and ecology in the airspace’
1040 - 1100 Ray Sutcliffe ‘Visualising the invisible’
1100 - 1130 Coffee / tea
1130 - 1230 Discussion
TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSIONS

APPROACHES TO THE ARCHAEOLOGY OF DEATH

1400 - 1410 Neil Lang ‘Introduction’
1410 - 1440 Arthur Saxe ‘Natural selection, the fruit fly effect and archaeological testing of ethnographic propositions
1440 - 1510 Lynne Goldstein ‘Is secondary burial a mortuary practice?’
1510 - 1540 James Brown ‘The problem with the rich child burial’
1540 - 1555 Discussion
1555 - 1610 Coffee / tea
1610 - 1640 Mike Parker-Pearson ‘The symbolic and structural study of funerary material - an ethno-archaeological review’
1640 - 1710 Michael Shanks ‘Death and a general economy of excess: aspects from Archaic Greece
1710 - 1740 Peter Ucko ‘Variation in ethnographic funerary practice: a retrospect
1740 - 1800 Discussion

THE ARCHAEOLOGY OF THE SELF

1400 - 1410 J. D. Hill & T. Yates ‘Introduction’
1410 - 1435 J. Thomas ‘Megaliths as a technology of the Self’
1440 - 1515 I. Bapty ‘From history to structure: the discovery of subjectivity in the Irish Neolithic’
1515 - 1525 Discussion
1525 - 1550 J. D. Hill ‘When is a human not a human? When it’s a horse’
1600 - 1620 Tea / Coffee
1620 - 1645 S. Kaner ‘Unmasking the anatomy of the self: faces from Post-glacial Japan’
1650 - 1715 T. Yates ‘Becoming a sexed body in the Bronze Age’

ARCHAEOLOGY AND ETHNOGRAPHIC ANALOGY

1400 - 1420 Robert Layton ‘Opening comments on causal and analogue explanations in archaeology’
1420 - 1450 Stig Welinder ‘Ecological and symbolic approaches to the study of the 19th. century landscape of Dalecarlia, Sweden
1450 - 1520 John Chapman ‘Drawing on analogies of social power’
1520 - 1540 Tea / coffee
1540 - 1610 Stephen Mithen ‘Ethnographic analogy and prehistoric hunting’
1610 - 1640 Miriam Stark ‘Transforming the Kalinga Immosso: an ethno-archaeological study of change in ceramic morphology & style’
1640 - 1700 Matt Edgeworth ‘Analogy as practical reasoning’
1700 - 1800 Discussant: Martin Jones

LANDSCAPE ARCHAEOLOGY

1400 - 1410 C. Smith ‘Introductory remarks’
1410 - 1440 P. Coones ‘What is Landscape Archaeology?’
1440 - 1510 R. Mercer ‘Landscape archaeology - objectives and attainment’
1510 - 1540 A. Fleming ‘That’s all very well in practice but how does it work in theory?’
1540 - 1630 Tea/coffee, leading into small-group discussions/ workshops
1630 - 1730 Discussant: P. Fowler

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WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSIONS

THE SOCIAL ARCHAEOLOGY OF HOUSES

0900 - 0935  Douglass Bailey  'The living house: possession, continuity and signification'
0935 - 1000  Anick Coudart  'Domestic architecture and small-scale sedentary societies'
1000 - 1025  Colin Richards  'East, West, Home’s best: cosmology and architecture in Late Neolithic Orkney'
1025 - 1040  General discussion
1040 - 1100  Coffee / tea
1100 - 1130  Chris Evans  'Model households? The house in lowland Iron Age communities'
1130 - 1155  Eleanor Scott  'Winged-corridor villas and the social construction of space'
1155 - 1220  Matthew Johnson  'The Englishman’s home and its study'
1220 - 1245  Ross Samson  'The rise and fall of post-Reformation Scottish tower-houses'
1245 - 1300  General discussion

HERITAGE IN PUBLIC : ATTITUDES TO THE USE OF THE PAST

0920 - 0935  Tim Darvill  'The rise of the consultant'
0935 - 0950  Melanie Whewell  'Ancient monument to heritage facility'
0950 - 1005  Caroline Symes  'Heritage and the visually impaired'
1005 - 1020  Oliver Maurice  'The past estate'
1020 - 1035  Nigel Mills  'Non-archaeological professional views of the past'
1035 - 1100  Coffee / tea
1100 - 1115  Priscilla Boniface  'Nice work? - interpretation of the industrial heritage'
1115 - 1130  Pat Southern  'Coaching the past: the view from the charabanc'
1130 - 1145  Henry Cleere  'The archaeological heritage: an international perspective'
1145 - 1245  Discussants - John Goddard, Andrea Taziker

FEMINIST THEORY AND GENDER STUDIES

0930 - 1000  Susie West  'Feminist theory and Clarke’s “Self-conscious discipline”'
1000 - 1030  Sarah Taylor  'Gender and state formation in East Asia'
1030 - 1130  Discussion led by Marie-Louise Sørensen, with Alexandria Alexandri
1130 - 1200  Tea/COffee
1200 - 1300  Discussion continues

GEOARCHAEOLOGY : THEORY AND PRACTICE IN EUROPEAN PREHISTORY

0915 - 0925  John Lewin  'Chairman's introduction'
0925 - 0955  M. G. Macklin & J. Lewin  'Late Quaternary river environments, glaciation and the Upper Palaeolithic occupation of the Vodiomatis basin, Epirus, NW Greece'
0955 - 1025  J. Woodward  'Environmental controls on rockshelter and cave mouth sedimentation: example from the Late U. Palaeolithic sites of Klithi & Megalakkos, Epirus, NW Greece'
1025 - 1055  D. G. Passmore & M. G. Macklin  'Geoarchaeological investigations of Holocene valley fill sediments in NE England'
1055 - 1115  Coffee / tea
1115 - 1145  A. J. Barham  'Sedimentological approaches to context formation on urban sites - application of the facies concept'
1145 - 1215  A. C. Stevenson  'Dehesa detection in pollen diagrams'
1215 - 1245  A. G. Brown  'Deforestation in early and middle prehistory: intent & opportunity'
1245 - 1300  J. Lewin  'Chairman’s concluding remarks'

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## WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSIONS

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