THEORETICAL ARCHAEOLOGY GROUP
1990 CONFERENCE, LAMPETER
PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

Monday Afternoon

The reception desk will be open from 1400 onwards.

Historical Archaeology Seminar
(DEPARTMENT OF ARCHAEOLOGY)
1530 onwards.

Feminist Archaeology Women's Meeting
(POOH'S CORNER, STUDENTS UNION BUILDING)
1700 onwards. Refreshments available.

Tuesday Morning Sessions

All Quiet on the Western Front? Towards an Historical Sociology of German Archaeology - Henrich Harke (Reading).
(ART'S HALL)
0900-0920 Ulrich Veit: Kossinna and Childe.
0920-0940 Henning Hausman: Archaeology and the Nazis.
0940-0950 Questions.
0950-1010 Sabine Wolfram: The Kossinna syndrome: the role of theory in post-war German archaeology.
1010-1030 Eva-Maria Mertens & Sibylle Kastner: Women in German archaeology.
1030-1040 Questions.
1040-1110 Coffee.
1110-1130 Ulrike Sommer: The teaching of archaeology in Germany.
1130-1150 Christian Hirte: Archaeology and the German public.
1150-1210 Angelika Träger: Politics and ideology in East German archaeology.
1210 Questions and discussion.

(GEOGRAPHY TEACHING LABORATORY)
0930-0950 Kathleen M. Allen: Geographic Information systems and modelling the past.
0950-1010 Eleazer D. Hunt: Upgrading site-catchment analysis with the use of geographic information systems (GIS): Investigating the settlement patterns of horticulturalists.
1010-1020 Questions.
1020-1050 Coffee.
1050-1110 Ezra B.W. Zubrow: Cognition and process: the archaeological implications of GIS.
1110-1130 Clive Ruggles: A fair exchange: the mutual benefits of archaeological theory building within GIS.
1130 Questions and discussion.

Classical Archaeology - Ray Laurence (Newcastle Classics Department).
(CANTERBURY 4)
Chair: Barry C. Burnham.
0920-0940 Sue Alcock: Old tombs for new times.
0940-1000 Janet DeLaine: On the limitations of architectural typologies.
1000-1020 Ray Laurence: Investigating the urban environment: the archaeology of streets.
1020-1030 Questions.
1030-1100 Coffee.
1100-1120 Greg Woolf: Fear of flying and the ancient economy.
1120-1140 John Bintliff: Farm, village and city in the rise and fall of Classical Greece.
1140-1200 Mark Gillings: Computerising the classical landscape.
1200 Questions and discussion.
Tuesday Afternoon Sessions


(ARTS HALL)
- 1420-1440 Suzanne Kuechler: Object transmission and the production of social memory.
- 1500-1520 Michael Rowlands: Making the present, revealing the past - the force of traditions in African national identities.
- 1520-1540 Timothy Yates: The politics of representation.
- 1540-1550 Questions.
- 1550-1620 Tea.
- 1620-1640 Christopher Tilley: Traditions of deviancy: history and the construction of the subject in the welfare state.
- 1640-1700 Elizabeth Tonkin: Whose text? Questions of interpretation and social reproduction by active subjects.
- 1700-1720 Michael Rowlands: Concluding remarks.
- 1720 Questions and discussion.

*Production, Consumption and Identity in Historical Archaeology* - Matthew Johnson and David Austin (Lampeter).

(GEOGRAPHY TEACHING LABORATORY)
- 1455-1485 Randall McGuire: Making and re-making class.
- 1510-1530 Roy Larid: Gender, social age, and personal adornment in northern Kenya.
- 1530-1540 Questions.
- 1540-1545 Tea.
- 1710-1730 Martin Hall: Fish and the fisherman: art, text and archaeology.
- 1730 Questions and discussion.

*Archaeology in Ireland 1990: Reading the Irish Landscape* - Marek Zvelebil, Michael Gibbons, Stanton Green (Sheffield).

(CANTERBURY 4)
- 1400-1420 Marek Zvelebil: The concept of landscape: a challenge for archaeology.
- 1420-1440 Mark G. Macklin: Prehistoric landscape change in Ireland: a geomorphological and palaeoecological perspective.
- 1440-1500 Stanton W. Green: Landscape theory and geographic information systems.
- 1520-1530 Questions.
- 1530-1550 Tea.
- 1610-1630 Matthew Stout: Cluster analysis of ringforts in the southwest midlands.
- 1630-1650 Terence Reeves-Smith: Demesne landscapes.
- 1650-1710 John Feehan: The landscape of Tir na N-Og: The role of imaginative perspective in environmental archaeology.
- 1710-1730 Sean Williams: To be announced.
- 1730 Questions and discussion.

Wednesday Morning Sessions

*Feminist Theory and Gender Studies* - Susie West (Norfolk Arch. Unit).

(ARTS HALL)
Commences 0930: workshop structure.
Architecture and Order- Colin Richards and Mike Parker-Pearson (Glasgow / Sheffield).
(GEOGRAPHY TEACHING LABORATORY)
0930-0950 Colin Richards: The sign of five: action and order in Balinese life.
0950-1010 Mike Parker-Pearson: Food, fertility and front doors in the British Iron Age.
1010-1030 Paul Lane: The temporal structuring of settlement among the Dogon: an ethnarchaeological study.
1030-1040 Questions.
1040-1110 Coffee.
1110-1130 Ian Hodder: The Neolithic house in Europe.
1130-1150 Pam Graves: Space, speech and image as media of religious and social perception.
1150-1210 Todd Whitelaw: 'Of no fixed abode': the functional, social and symbolic organisation of space in hunter-gatherer communities.
1210 Questions and discussion.

The Social Role of the Urban Archaeologist - Hal Dalwood and Charles Mundy (Hereford and Worcester C.C.).
(CANTERBURY 4)
Chair: Charles Mundy.
Discussant: Dominic Perrin.
0930-0950 Charles Mundy: Archaeology - It's not what you do, it's the way that you do it.
0950-1010 Nigel Baker: In search of a context: archaeology and town planning.
1010-1020 Questions.
1020-1050 Coffee.
1050-1110 John Punter: Urban development, urban design, and archaeology.
1110-1130 Peter Milner: Archaeology through art.
1130-1150 Donald Hyslop: Oral history and archaeology.
1150 Questions and discussion.

Wednesday Afternoon Sessions

(ARTS HALL)
1410-1430 Ian Hodder: Emotional responses and archaeology.
1430-1450 Jeremy Meredith: Aesthetics in archaeology.
1450-1510 Ian Bapty: The agony and the ecstasy: the emotions of writing the past.
1510-1520 Simon Kaner: Video presentation.
1520-1540 Bill Sillar: Understanding humour in archaeology.
1540-1610 Tea.
1610 Onwards Team Presentation/Debate - John Carman & David Uzzell: To shock or not to shock?
With critical comment from Ian Hodder and Mike Shanks.

Constructing landscape/Constructing the subject - Julian Thomas & Chris Philo (Lampeter).
(GEOGRAPHY TEACHING LABORATORY)
1400-1420 Chris Philo and Julian Thomas: Space, landscape and the subject in geography and archaeology.
1420-1440 Mike Heffernan: Geography and archaeology: the historical connections between two disciplines.
1440-1500 Barbara Bender: Ways into landscape.
1500-1520 Peter Bishop: Constable: symbolism, psychology, self, landscape.
1520-1530 Questions.
1530-1600 Tea.
1600-1620 Christopher Tilley: Constructing a ritual landscape.
1620-1640 Susan Ford: Gender, culture and the suburban garden.
1640-1700 John Barrett: The archaeology of place.
1700-1720 Nigel Thrift: Where are we now? After postmodemism.
1720 Questions and discussion.
Museums and Archaeological Interpretation - Alison Sheridan (N. Mus. Scotland).
(CANTERBURY 4)
1400-1415 Alison Sheridan: Introduction.
1415-1445 Victoria Pirie: At the cutting edge.
1445-1450 Questions.
1450-1520 Caroline Wickham-Jones: Squat grunting savages? Museums and archaeology.
1520-1525 Questions.
1525-1555 Tea.
1555-1625 Eva Bredsdorff: Changing interpretation and presentation in the National Museum of Den-
mark.
1625-1630 Questions.
1630-1700 Neil Curtis: An objective subject or subjective object: finding a role for archaeology in muse-
ums.
1700 Questions and discussion.

Thursday Morning Sessions

Science strikes back: After Detailed Analysis... - James Rackham (London).
([ARTS HALL])
0930-0950 James Rackham: Introduction: who has no philosophical basis?.
0950-1010 Andrew Jones: Environmental Archaeological research in 1990.
1010-1030 Phil Bethel and Carl Heron: Is there a philosophy for archaeological science?
1030-1040 Questions.
1040-1110 Coffee.
1110-1130 Simon Butler: Post-Processual Palynology.
1130-1150 Terry O'Connor: On babies and bathwater: in defense of environmental science.
1150 Questions and discussion.

Theoretical Approaches to Prehistoric Landscapes (TAG Organising Committee).
(GEOGRAPHY TEACHING LABORATORY)
0930-0950 Richard Bradley: Turning the world: rock carvings and the archaeology of death.
0950-1010 Martin Kuna: Structuring of prehistoric landscape.
1010-1020 Questions.
1020-1050 Coffee.
1110-1130 Evzen Neustupny: Settlement areas and prehistoric farmers in Central Europe.
1130-1150 Muiris O'Sullivan: The interpretation of a prehistoric art tradition.
1150 Questions and discussion.

Island Archaeology - Mark Patton (Jersey Museums Service) & Keri Brown (UMIST).
(CANTERBURY 4)
0940-1000 Mark Patton: From biogeography to sociogeography: approaches to island archaeology.
1000-1020 Manolis Melas: Island archaeology in context.
1020-1030 Questions.
1030-1100 Coffee.
1100-1120 Caroline Malone: Processes of early colonisation in the central Mediterranean.
1120-1140 Simon Stoddart: Contrasting political strategies in the islands of the central Mediterranean.
1140-1200 Steve Held: Islands in space: quantification and simulation in theoretical island archaeology.
1200 Questions and discussion.

Thursday Afternoon Sessions

Landscape Archaeology as a Social Issue - David Austin & Matthew Johnson (Lampeter)
(ARTS HALL)
1400-1420 David Austin: Landscape archaeology as a social issue.
1420-1440 Martin Gojda: Future approaches in Czech early medieval landscape study.
1440-1500 Matthew Johnson: Understanding enclosure.
1500-1510 Questions.
1510-1540 Tea.
1540-1610 Justin Barrett and John Brett: 'The justice of old'.
1610-1630 Jan Klápsí: Studies of the structure of the medieval settlement of Bohemia.
1630-1650 Richard Morris: The secular cathedral community.
1650 Questions and discussion.

**Tradition** - J.D. Hill (Cambridge) and Mary-Anne Owoc (Sheffield).
(Geography Teaching Laboratory)
1400-1420 Andrew Fleming: Introduction.
1420-1440 Mary-Anne Owoc: Tradition, authority and knowledge: constructional continuity and change in Bronze Age funerary architecture.
1440-1510 J.D. Hill: Why aren't all Iron Age ritual deposits the same? Variability in ritual traditions.
1510-1520 Questions.
1520-1550 Tea.
1550-1610 Trevor Kirk: Menhirs and mounds: tradition and reinterpretation in the Breton neolithic.
1610-1630 Shaun Hides: An archaeology of tradition.
1630 Questions and discussion.

**General Session** (TAG Organising Committee).
(Canterbury 4)
1400-1420 Chris Gosden: Social theory and the long-term.
1420-1450 Questions.
1430-1450 Doug Hawes: Post-Processualism: "we know what it is but we don't know where it comes from".
1450-1500 Questions.
1500-1520 Katherine I. Wright: Grain grinding, women and surplus production.
1520-1530 Questions.
1530-1600 Tea.
1600-1620 Mark Pluciennik & Bob Sydes: Between the lines: conservation, excavation and exploration.
1620-1630 Questions.
1630-1650 Andrew Petersen: Cultural bias and Islamic archaeology.
1650-1700 Questions.
1700-1720 Geoffrey Carter: Theoretical buildings in Essex.
1720 Questions and discussion.

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**SESSION AND PAPER ABSTRACTS**

**ALL QUIET ON THE WESTERN FRONT?**
**TOWARDS AN HISTORICAL SOCIOLOGY OF GERMAN ARCHAEOLOGY**

Heinrich Härke (Reading)

The German archaeological tradition occupies a crucial, but also ambiguous position in the development of European archaeology. Before the 1930s, German archaeologists made significant contributions to archaeological theory and method. By way of contrast, post-war West German archaeology is usually regarded, by British and American prehistorians, as being technically excellent, but totally devoid of theory. East German archaeology, on the other hand, has often been thought, by western archaeologists, to be dominated by a politically imposed and enforced Marxist theory. Whilst these perceptions are partly the result of a lack of communication with German colleagues and a lack of understanding of their perspectives and scholarly traditions, they are close enough to the truth to require critical attention. Such a discussion is made all the more necessary by the political changes of the last 18 months. The unification of Germany poses urgent questions concerning the future development of German archaeology, and how this future may be influenced by its varied past.

This session intends to explore the roots of the present situation: the exploitation of archaeology for political purposes in the Third Reich (associated with the name of Kossinna) and in East Germany (based on the dogma of historical materialism). It aims to trace the institutionalisation of the theoretical void in West German archaeology after 1945 and the role university courses played in it, to outline the lack of a German