Amphibian and Reptile Conservation & British Herpetological Society Joint Scientific Meeting 2014





Amphibian and Reptile Biology and Conservation

Sunday 7th December 2014, 0930-1700

Lecture Hall, Bournemouth Natural Science Society, 39 Christchurch Road, Bournemouth, Dorset, BH1 3NS.

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

- 0930-1000 Arrival, registration and coffee
- 1000-1005 Welcome: Prof. Richard Griffiths, BHS President
- **1005-1035** Habitat use by reptiles on grazed and ungrazed lowland heath Chris Reading and Gabriela Jofré
- **1035-1100** The Jersey agile frog project Tim Liddiard, Jersey Environment Department
- **1100-1125** Investigating the variation in life-history strategies of marine turtles Phil Bradshaw, University of Exeter
- 1125-1200 Coffee
- **1205-1230** Grass snakes in Jersey; going, going... almost gone Rob Ward, DICE, University of Kent
- 1230-1255 Simultaneous camouflage and sexual communication in Aegean wall lizards – Kate Marshall, University of Exeter
- 1255-1320 Using species distribution modelling to assess status Georgia French, ARC / University of Brighton
- 1320-1445 Lunch
- **1450-1515** The Shooting Industry, is it damaging to UK native reptiles? George Berthon, University of Exeter and GWCT
- **1515-1540** *Newts in Rum: Investigating a host-pathogen system* Charlotte Wood, Institute of Zoology
- 1540-1615 Living in paradise: evolutionary patterns in Seychelles caecilians– Simon Maddock, University College London & the Natural History Museum
- 1615-1700 Coffee and departure

EXHIBITORS / VENDORS WELCOME, BY PRIOR ARRANGEMENT ONLY PLEASE Please see next page for Registration details...

REGISTRATION

Registration, including lunch and refreshments, is now open! The costs for 2014 are:

- £24 to BHS & ARG members, ARC Friends, students and concessions
- £39 to all others

Payment is non-refundable after 14th November.

HOW TO REGISTER

For 2014, Scientific Meeting registration is on-line.

Please visit <u>www.arc-trust.org/sci-meet-2014</u> – making sure you have the names and e-mails of all those you are registering, as well as credit or debit card details for payment.

SOCIAL EVENING (CURRY)

As usual there will be a chance for curry and drinks on the evening of Saturday 6th December at a local restaurant. We won't, however, be taking payment for curries on-line. Details of arrangements for the curry, including venue, prices and payment arrangements will be sent to registered attendees only by 14th November. Please e-mail john.wilkinson@arc-trust.org if you are interested in the curry in the meantime, or have any other questions. Curry seats are limited usually to about 30 people.

Early booking for the meeting is advised as spaces are limited. To present a poster or display contact John Wilkinson on 01202 – 391319 or e-mail as above.

We look forward to seeing old and new faces at what promises to be an interesting and enjoyable meeting!

THE VENUE AND NEARBY B&Bs

The Bournemouth Natural Science Society venue (<u>www.bnss.org.uk</u>) is on a major bus route, and most places are within 20 minutes' walk anyway. There is limited parking at the venue and free parking on neighbouring streets.

B&Bs and hotels within 5-10 minutes' walk from the BNSS venue

- Travelodge, 43 Christchurch Road, from £36 per room http://www.travelodge.co.uk/
- The Carrington House Hotel, 31 Knyveton Road, 0871 474 2755, from around £55 <u>http://www.britanniahotels.com/hotels/bournemouth-carrington-house/</u>
- Waves In, 14 Knole Road, 01202 467903, from £26, http://www.wavesin.co.uk/
- The Strand Hotel, 19 Westby Road, 01202 397717, from £32, http://www.thestrandhotel.co/
- Ocean Breeze Guest House, 5 Westby Road, 01202 394791, from £35, http://www.oceanbreezeboscombe.com/
- Sandy Bay Guest House, 3 Westby Road, 01202 309245, from £30, http://www.sandybayguesthouse.co.uk/

If you want to consider a wider selection of accommodation across the whole of Bournemouth, please see Bournemouth Tourism at <u>http://www.bournemouth.co.uk/</u> or phone 01202 – 451734.

Advance notice: we are considering for 2015 holding a joint meeting with the Herpetological Society of Ireland, probably in Dublin! Attendees at this year's Scientific Meeting will get chance to comment.... For more details – register for the 2014 meeting now!!!

ARC & BHS websites: ARC: <u>www.arc-trust.org</u> The BHS: <u>www.thebhs.org</u> (Other ARC websites: <u>www.narrs.org.uk</u>, <u>www.alienencounters.org.uk</u>)