



BRITISH HERPETOLOGICAL SOCIETY AND THAMES & CHILTERN HERPETOLOGICAL GROUP

Joint meeting Sunday 18th October 2015, 2.30 – 7.00 pm at the Drake Hall, Amersham Community Centre, Chiltern Ave, Amersham, Bucks, HP6 5AH.

2.30 – 3.00 Arrival and coffee/refreshments

3.00-6.20 Invited Speakers:

Chairman: Simon Townson

3.00 – 3.40. **Tell Hicks:** ‘A herpetological trip to Madagascar’

3.40 – 4.20. **Paul Coleman** (Three County Tortoise Society): ‘The successful breeding of *Cuora* and other endangered turtle species at the International Centre for Turtle Conservation (IZS) in Allwetterzoo Muenster’

Short break and refreshments/informal session (see below)

Chairman: Colin Melsom

5.00 – 5.40. **Kate Marshall** (University of Cambridge): ‘Simultaneous camouflage and sexual communication in Aegean Wall Lizards’

5.40 – 6.20. **Wayne Edwards** (Durrell Institute for Conservation and Ecology, University of Kent): ‘Behaviour of Golden Mantella Frogs at Paignton Zoo: the Froggotron Facility’

6.20 -7.00. Further refreshments and an Open and Informal Session for members – Exhibition of captive bred animals and items/posters of herpetological interest (including science, books, art, photography). There will be limited space for up to 20 exhibits, plus the Thames & Chiltern herpetological shop for equipment/dry goods. Members who would like space should contact Simon Townson (01438 880039 eves or s.townson@imperial.ac.uk) or Colin Melsom (01494 865088) eves or colinmelsom@sky.com)

Amersham is easy to get to via J18 of the M25 or by tube/rail to Amersham station. Parking and entrance to the meeting are free.