



BRITISH HERPETOLOGICAL SOCIETY AND THAMES & CHILTERN HERPETOLOGICAL GROUP

Joint meeting Sunday 2nd October 2022, 2.30 – 6.30 pm at the Meeting Hall, Amersham Leisure Centre, Chiltern Ave, Amersham, Bucks, HP6 5AH. Amersham is easy to get to via J18 of the M25 or by tube/rail to Amersham station. Parking and refreshments are free. There will be a small charge of £5 cash on the door.

2.30 – 3.00 Arrival and coffee/refreshments

Chairman: Simon Townson

3.00 – 3.30. **Rachel Gardner** (Marwell Wildlife Conservation Associate, Marwell Wildlife, Hampshire). ‘Sand Lizard *Lacerta agilis* Captive Breeding and Reintroduction; Optimisation of Protocols’

3.30 – 4.00. **Thomas S. Fry** (Durrell Institute for Conservation and Ecology, University of Kent). ‘Long-Term Population Ecology of Great Crested Newts (*Triturus cristatus*) on the University of Kent Campus’

*Short break and refreshments/informal session (see below)

Chairman: Colin Melsom

4.30 – 5.00. **Thomas Major** (University of Bangor). ‘Secretive Settlers; Behaviour and Genetics of the Introduced Aesculapian Snake in North Wales’

5.00 – 5.30. **Ellie Dobbs** (Durrell Institute for Conservation and Ecology, University of Kent). ‘An Analysis of the Distribution of the Native and Non-Native Snake Species on the Maltese Islands’

***Exhibition** of posters and items of herpetological interest. There will be limited space for up to 15 exhibits. Members who would like space should contact Simon Townson (07707751900 or s.townson@imperial.ac.uk), or Colin Melsom (07852 949405 or colinmelsom@sky.com)