

ROYAL HISTORICAL SOCIETY
REPORT OF COUNCIL
SESSION 2010 – 2011

Officers and Council

- At the Anniversary Meeting on 26 November 2010 the Officers of the Society were re-elected.
- The Vice-Presidents retiring under By-law XVII were Mr R Fisher and Professor D M Palliser. Dr R Baldock, BA, PhD and Professor C Kidd, BA, DPhil were elected to replace them.
- The Officers retiring under By-law XV were Professor J P Parry, Honorary Treasurer and Professor M Cragoe, Honorary Director of Communications. Professor M J Hughes, BA, MSc, PhD and Dr E Griffin, BA, MA, PhD were elected, respectively, to replace them.
- A new Office was created under By-law XV of Honorary Academic Editor (BBIH). Professor S J C Taylor, MA, PhD was elected to this Office.
- The Members of Council retiring under By-law XX were Professor S Connolly, Professor T Hitchcock, and Professor N Miller. Professor D Feldman, MA, PhD, Professor A Musson, MA, MusB, LL.M, PhD and Dr A Thacker, MA, DPhil, FSA were elected in their place.
- The Society's administrative staff consists of Sue Carr, Executive Secretary and Melanie Ransom, Administrative Secretary.
- Kingston Smith LLP were re-appointed auditors for the year 2010-2011 under By-law XXXIX.
- Brewin Dolphin Securities were re-appointed to manage the Society's investment funds.

Activities of the Society during the year

The Annual Report contains individual reports of the activities of the seven Committees which support the work of Council: Research Policy, Education Policy (formerly Teaching Policy), General Purposes, Publications, Finance, Membership and Research Support. The remarks which now follow are a preface to these more detailed reports.

Throughout the year the Society has maintained its prominent role in defending and advancing the interests of the discipline and the profession.

As noted last year, the government's research funding strategy, announced in April 2009, protected science funding and seriously disadvantaged some high-scoring History Departments and their institutions. In 2009-10 we saw individual institutions' reactions to the difficult financial situation, including threats to posts in history and related disciplines. In 2010-11 these concerns were overtaken by fears for the whole HE Humanities sector, following the Browne report (October 2010) and the consequent fierce debate about funding and student fees. Neither the short- nor the long-term effects of

these drastic changes in the structure of funding on the study of History at universities and the university system as a whole can be clearly forecast. Of similar concern to Council and the Society is the increasing focus on 'strategic' research funding, and the cutbacks, by several different funders, of the small grants schemes vital to much independent, curiosity-driven historical research. The President, Vice-Presidents, Officers and Councillors have contributed to public and private debate on these issues, and are seeking to develop contacts with government to pursue these concerns.

While the Historical Association takes the lead on History in schools, this is another important concern of the Society (curriculum, content, teacher training, continuing professional development of teachers). The President, Professor Peter Mandler, Vice-President and Chair of the Education Policy Committee, and other members of Council met with representatives from several UK examination boards on 29 September 2010, to discuss recent developments in the A-Level History curricula and examinations. This was the latest in a series of annual meetings. On 22 November 2010, the President hosted a dinner with Michael Gove MP, Secretary of State for Education, and a number of distinguished historians. The A-Level syllabus was one topic of discussion. Mr Gove promised to attend a future event organised by the Society. Council also later discussed The Royal Society of Edinburgh Advice Paper: The Teaching of History in Scottish Schools, and its usefulness to the English debate.

The shape of HEFCE's future Research Excellence Framework (REF 2014) has become clearer, and the membership of panels and sub-panels has been announced. An ad-hoc subcommittee of Council led by the President and Ms Joanna Innes, Vice-President and Chair of the Research Policy Committee, worked very hard making nominations to these panels, many of which were accepted. The contribution of publications, research environment, and 'impact' to the overall REF assessment was settled but aspects of the assessment criteria and the working methods of the panels are still being worked out; consultation with HEIs closes on 5 October 2011, and the Society will make a detailed response.

The Society is maintaining its contacts with AHRC, and has responded to a number of developments and policy statements. The announcement of further devolution of BGP funding (in this case for research students' travel and research expenses) to HEIs, at a flat rate of £200 per student, arouses concern that unless institutions put in place policies to guard against it, this could disadvantage those History research students who need significant sums for overseas travel and research. Research Support Committee has noted a rise in applications to the Society for travel grants and is seeking to ensure that HEIs are meeting their obligations to their own students. AHRC announced a reduction, allocated by HEI and not by discipline or subject, in the previously-notified numbers of funded students for 2011. AHRC has also decided to phase out its smaller research grant schemes, in favour of larger grants and a focus on 'research leadership'. Inside and outside Council there has been considerable discussion of government's role in directing research activity, the Haldane principle, and the incorporation of themes such as 'the Big Society' into research council policy statements. In all these areas the Society's representatives have been active and vocal. The annual meetings formerly held between representatives of ESRC and a group of relevant History societies, led by the Economic History Society, have been revived and the first meeting is scheduled for November 2011.

The society maintains good relations with The National Archives through formal and informal meetings, especially between the President and the CEO of TNA, Mr Oliver Morley, although the Society is not formally represented on the Lord Chancellor's Advisory Council on National Records and Archives. Collaboration with TNA also

continues in the form of the Gerald Aylmer seminar, held this year on 25 February at the Institute of Historical Research, focusing on the understanding and use of medieval and early modern archives, with two panel discussions and an attendance of some fifty people. The IHR's support for the event was very welcome, and it is hoped that the organisation of the seminar will in future become a wider partnership.

The online Bibliography of British and Irish History, in partnership with the Institute of Historical Research and Brepols, has now been running on a subscription basis for over a year, with a very encouraging level of subscriptions. Professor Stephen Taylor was elected to the new honorary post of Academic Editor of the BBIH.

Following initiatives suggested last year, the Society has begun to record and podcast its lectures. Discussions of the Society's website, and the ways in which it can be made more useful and attractive to Fellows, are continuing. Dr Emma Griffin was elected Honorary Director of Communications, in succession to Professor Matthew Cragoe, and her first edited newsletter has appeared.

In accordance with normal practice, Council appointed two subcommittees to search for the next President of the Society, in succession to Professor Jones, who retires from office in November 2012, and the Honorary Secretary, in succession to Professor Harding, who retires in November 2011. The Presidential subcommittee comprised Dr Baldock (in the chair), the Honorary Secretary, the Honorary Treasurer, and Professor Fincham. After consultation and discussion they nominated Professor Peter Mandler, currently a Vice-President and formerly Honorary Secretary, and the nomination was unanimously approved by Council at its May meeting. The second subcommittee comprised Professor Bernard (in the chair), Professor Dixon, Dr Lewis and the President; after similar consultation and discussion, they nominated Dr Adam Smith, UCL, and the nomination was unanimously approved by Council.

Officers and members of Council made two visits this year on behalf of the Society, to the University of York on 29 October 2010 and to Lancaster University on 16-17 June 2011. At York, Council members held meetings with academic and research staff and postgraduate research students in the Department of History, and the visit concluded with a very well-attended and well-received lecture by Professor Catherine Hall, UCL. At Lancaster, Council members held a meeting with postgraduate research students of the History Department and the President chaired a plenary session at the symposium sponsored by the Society 'Edges of Europe: Frontiers in Context'.

The Society continues to work closely with the IHR and its Director, Professor Miles Taylor, on a number of issues, most notably the Bibliography of British and Irish History. Termly meetings of representatives of the Society, the IHR, the HA, and History UK have been held at the IHR. The Honorary Secretary participated in the interviews for Postgraduate Fellowships at the IHR in June, including the Society's Centenary and Marshall Fellowships. A joint reception was held following the Prothero Lecture on 29 June 2011.

Council and the Officers record their gratitude to the Society's administrative staff: the Executive Secretary, Sue Carr and the Administrative Secretary, Melanie Ransom. We thank them for their expert and dedicated work on the Society's many activities.

RESEARCH POLICY COMMITTEE, 2010-11

It is not obvious how most effectively to intervene in public policy discussions in the

current rather ideological policy climate, in which moreover bodies in receipt of public money tend to be ‘captured’ by a government agenda, to which they feel compelled to defer, limiting their ability to reflect back to policymakers the views of their own constituencies. The Committee continues to discuss this, as well as how it can best work together with other bodies such as History HE UK and the Historical Association in this connection, and in what terms it is best to contest the many problematic elements of public discourse. It has noted with interest the establishment in the United States of a National Commission on the Humanities and Social Sciences, charged with identifying ‘the top ten actions that Congress, state governments, universities, foundations, educators, individual benefactors, and others should take now to maintain national excellence in Humanities and social scientific scholarship and education, and to achieve long-term national goals for our intellectual and economic well-being; for a stronger, more vibrant civil society; and for the success of cultural diplomacy in the 21st century?’ (<http://www.humanitiescommission.org>). It will monitor the proceedings of this Commission, to see whether it might provide a useful reference point.

The Committee was pleased to learn that, following an initiative from Dr Tristram Hunt MP, the All-Party Group on Archives is extending its remit to become the Group on Archives and History.

A meeting held at the British Academy on the subject of the Haldane Principle was attended by Professor Peter Mandler on behalf of the Society.

The Committee continues to monitor the activities of the AHRC and ESRC, informed by comments from Fellows and Council and the Society’s representatives on its panels and committees. The President submitted comments on the future of the AHRC’s Block Grant scheme for funding doctoral research on behalf of the Society. The President has also critically discussed with the AHRC the effects of devolving funding for research expenses to universities. The fact that this is done on a per capita basis means that funding is not necessarily effectively channelled to students for whose research it is crucial, particularly those whose research necessitates trips abroad. University policy is also a matter of concern: it is crucial that universities carefully consider the arrangements they have in place for distributing these funds. The Committee will attempt to monitor this, and make further representations to the AHRC if necessary.

AHRC policies for funding academic research, within the envelope set by the Department of Business, Innovation and Skills, have also been critically discussed. The Committee is concerned about the planned increase in the share of funding to be devoted to thematic research strands, and about plans to reshape research leave with an emphasis on training future research leaders. It seems that increasingly the AHRC regards it as the role of other bodies, such as Leverhulme, to fund individual, curiosity-driven research. Although it is clear that the intention is to define the prioritised themes broadly, they are not all encompassing; furthermore there is tension between their very breadth and the proclaimed aim of fostering cutting edge research that will advance the discipline in selected areas. Even supposing it were right to target research funding, it is questionable whether a small number of decision-makers within the AHRC has the competence to identify appropriate targets.

The Committee continues to follow REF arrangements carefully. After consultation with the membership, the Committee submitted an extended list of nominations for the Humanities and History panels; most of those ultimately appointed appeared on the panel’s list (of course, many of these were no doubt also nominated by other subject associations). The Chair of the History Panel, Chris Wickham, held a special meeting with the Society’s Council to discuss the consultation papers circulated in connection

with the REF (these can be seen on the REF website at <http://www.hefce.ac.uk/research/ref/pubs/>). Members were invited to send in comments to inform discussion at this meeting.

The Committee has also continued to develop its relationship with the British Library, which faces 15% cuts. A meeting was held in October attended by the President and others, at which relations between the Library and HE institutions, and also the Library's archival collection strategy, were especially discussed.

The Committee has continued to nurture its relationship with TNA, and is pleased that the acting CEO has indicated his interest in continuing to meet informally with subject representatives. TNA this year faces a 25% budget cut; savings it made last year will help it to accommodate this. The TNA's supervisory role in relation to local government archives is a particularly important one in a period when local archives are also under significant pressure as a result of budget cuts.

The Committee has also considered the Society's relationship with the new Archives and Records Association (replacing the former National Council on Archives). The Committee agreed to consult Councillor Dr David Thomas (of TNA) about the implications for archivists of the bill for reform of the Law of Defamation (consultation on the draft bill closed in July 2011).

According to practice first established last year, a joint meeting with Education Policy Committee was held in July. At this, the general issue of how best to contribute to public policy debate, and the AHRC's research-funding policy, were discussed.

EDUCATION POLICY COMMITTEE 2010-11

The Education Policy Committee considers all aspects of history in education from schools to postgraduate level, although naturally it relies very much on other organisations to take the lead in areas where they have specific expertise, for example, the Historical Association for schools and History UK (HE) for universities. To this end the Committee co-opts representatives from the HA, History UK and also from the Higher Education Academy's History Subject Centre, so that it might serve as a meeting-point for the various bodies that share an interest in this area. The Society is grateful to Dr Andrew Foster, Dr Jason Peacey and Dr Sarah Richardson for acting in this capacity.

This year was one of unprecedented upheaval in all aspects of education, with the government's announcements of a new system of higher education funding (which very largely replaces the system of direct grants for teaching with an income stream from student fees), a review of the national curriculum and a reconsideration of the entire regulatory framework for both schools and universities. The Committee worked hard to keep up with the pace of events.

On the place of history in the schools, the Committee was grateful for the expert advice of Dr Michael Maddison HMI, Ofsted's specialist adviser for history, who spoke at two of our meetings this year, including our annual joint meeting with the Research Policy Committee. His cool and clear appraisal of the state of history in the schools, 'History for All', was published in March 2011, and while it is not alarmist about the prospects for history – GCSE and A-Level numbers remain stable – it identifies important points of weakness (in primaries, at KS3, in academies). The Committee can also recommend the Royal Society of Edinburgh's January 2011 advice paper, 'The Teaching of History in Scottish Schools', for some interestingly parallel remarks. The Committee's lines of

communication to the examination boards – organized through our annual meeting with chief history examiners – provided additional valuable information on patterns of uptake at GCSE and A-Level. It was decided not to contribute to the first phase of the government's national curriculum review, which was limited to very general principles, but the Committee now feels well prepared to contribute to the second phase in 2012 where the content of national curriculum subjects, including history, will be considered. The meeting that the President organised in November 2010 with the Secretary of State for Education, Michael Gove, also provided an opportunity for an early airing of historians' views.

The impact of the new system of higher education funding will not be clear until admissions for the 2012-13 academic year are further advanced. The Committee worked with the President to monitor closely pre-emptive moves that might be taken by university administrations, and proposals to end the teaching of history at the University of Cumbria and London Metropolitan University were followed closely and with great concern. A particular worry is that opportunities for less able students to study history both at school and at university are shrinking most rapidly.

Among the first effects of government reform of the regulatory system has been the closure of the History Subject Centre. The Committee is working closely with History UK and others to consider how some of the Subject Centre's most important functions might be carried on by others. One focus of the joint meeting with the Research Policy Committee was a discussion of how the Society might best contribute to some of the policy-forming roles that the Subject Centre undertook. The impact of other regulatory changes – questions of the future of the Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education, the closure of the Qualifications and Curriculum and Development Agency, and the reconfiguration of the HE funding bodies – remain obscure at the time of writing. But it is clear that learned societies will be called upon by government for more aid and advice in future, and be needed more to speak up in a disinterested way for scholarship and learning, and the Committee anticipates as crowded an agenda next year as this.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE, 2010-11

The remit of this Committee ranges across many activities of the Society. It receives suggestions from Fellows and Council for speakers and makes recommendations to Council on the Card of Session, taking into account the need for a balanced programme in terms of chronological and geographical spread. In addition to the regular sessions held at UCL and outside London, it is also responsible for the Prothero Lecture, the Colin Matthew Lecture and the Gerald Aylmer Seminar.

The programme of lectures and visits for 2011 was confirmed, including visits to Lancaster University in June and the University of Glamorgan in November. Proposals for 2012 have been discussed and speakers invited. Regional symposia and visits to Sheffield and Southampton will take place in 2012. The Committee continues to review the purpose and success of both lectures and visits, and to consider ways of increasing their reach, for example through podcasting and repeat lectures. The Committee was pleased to receive several proposals for regional symposia, and would like to encourage more departments to make such proposals. The 2011 Gerald Aylmer Seminar was held in February on 'Training and research skills in the use of early (medieval and early modern) archives' (reported above) and discussions with TNA and the IHR for the 2012 seminar are under way.

The Committee is also responsible for the appointment of assessors for the Society's

prizes, and receives their reports and proposals for award winners. It regularly reviews the terms and conditions of the awards. It is grateful to members of Council for their hard work in reading entries and selecting the prize winners.

Meetings of the Society

Six papers were given in London this year.

At the ordinary meetings of the Society the following papers were read:

‘The Media Revolution in Early Modern England: An Artist’s Perspective’, Professor Dror Wahrman (30 June 2010: Prothero Lecture)

‘The Demise of the Asylum in Late Twentieth Century Britain: A Personal History’ Professor Barbara Taylor (24 September 2010)

At the Anniversary Meeting on 26 November 2010, the President, Professor Colin Jones delivered his second address on ‘French Crossings II: Tales of Two Cities’.

‘Negotiating the medieval and the modern’, Professor Janet Coleman (4 February 2011)

‘After 1848: The European Revolution in Government’, Professor Christopher Clark (6 May 2011)

The Colin Matthew Memorial Lecture for the Public Understanding of History was given on Wednesday 11 November 2010 by Professor Amanda Vickery ‘Fashion, Time and Place in Georgian England’. These lectures continue to be given in memory of the late Professor Colin Matthew, a former Literary Director and Vice-President of the Society.

Prizes

The Society’s annual prizes were awarded as follows:

The Alexander Prize for 2010 attracted thirteen entries and was awarded to Richard Huzzey for his article ‘Free trade, free labour, and slave sugar in Victorian Britain’ in *Historical Journal*, 53, 2 (2010).

The judges’ citation read:

This is a sophisticated and impressively researched essay, which draws on a wide range of sources to re-examine the controversy over the sugar duties in the early Victorian period and what the debate reveals about attitudes towards slavery. The main focus of Huzzey’s attention is the relationship between religion – above all, evangelicalism – and political economy. This has hardly been a neglected theme in writing on nineteenth-century British history in recent years. What is really impressive about this essay, therefore, is not simply its understanding of the controversy or its ability to locate it within the current historiography, but rather the way in which it succeeds in taking the historical debate forward. Huzzey’s key argument is that the sugar duties debate needs to be understood as ‘a reckoning between two contradictory traditions within the movement for abolition and emancipation’. He has produced a remarkably mature and persuasive essay, which makes an important contribution to our knowledge of both free trade and abolitionism in the nineteenth century and will be a key point of reference in future debate.

The judges nominated a proxime accessit:

Erika Hanna, 'Dublin's north inner city, preservationism and Irish modernity in the 1960s', in *Historical Journal*, 53, 4 (2010).

The David Berry Prize for an article on Scottish history for 2010 attracted seven entries and was awarded to Alasdair Raffe for his article 'Presbyterians and Episcopalians: The Formation of Confessional Cultures in Scotland, c. 1660-1715', in *English Historical Review*, 125 (2010).

The judges' citation read:

'Presbyterians and Episcopalians: The Formation of Confessional Cultures in Scotland, 1660-1715' persuasively argues that the late seventeenth and early eighteenth centuries saw Scottish religious life coalesce around two increasingly divergent (and oppositional) confessional cultures. Rejecting the standard view that few fundamental theological differences divided Scottish Episcopalians and Presbyterians, the author deploys a wealth of material drawn from pamphlet debates, sermons and Scottish archival sources to identify widening disagreements over a range of issues that included predestination, conversion and liturgical worship. Further compounded by growing disparities in Presbyterian and Episcopalian approaches to church government, these debates served to consolidate opposing confessional cultures that in turn underpinned distinctive political identities. Clearly written and abundantly supported with evidence, the article makes a substantial and welcome addition to recent literature on religious adherence in a crucial period of Scottish history.

The Whitfield Book Prize for a first book on British history attracted forty-four entries.

The Prize for 2010 was awarded to:

Arnold Hunt, *The Art of Hearing: English Preachers and their Audiences, 1590-1640* (Cambridge University Press, 2010).

The judges' citation read:

This year's Whitfield Prize attracted all in all a pretty strong field of entries spanning the eleventh to the twentieth centuries. From these, the judges were unanimous in awarding the prize to Arnold Hunt. This book addresses a well-worn subject – the impact of protestant preaching in the latter stages of the Reformation – but does so with entirely new perspectives and intriguing findings. Hunt is interested in the sermon as performance, and demonstrates that printed texts are only an approximate and polished version of what would have been heard from the pulpit. He also explores the reception of sermons among the congregation, a crucial component of the dissemination of the new faith, hitherto largely ignored by historians, which he analyses through a careful study of sermon notes taken by hearers. It transpires that what preachers laboured to emphasise was not always that on which parishioners fastened. Three case-studies (in Chapter Five) expose the crudity of our current understanding of the expectations of protestant congregations, and here he sets a new post-Haighian agenda. The final chapter also convincingly demonstrates the importance of the theology of Predestination at popular level, against historians who have claimed that it was a rarified subject beyond the ken of most people. The book offers a series of sophisticated, linked arguments which will have a real impact on the field. It is also meticulously researched and written in clear, authoritative English.

The Gladstone Book Prize for a first book on non-British history attracted sixteen entries.

The Prize for 2010 was awarded to:

Natalie A Zacek, *Settler Society in the English Leeward Islands, c. 1670-1776* (Cambridge University Press, 2010).

The judges' citation read:

The dominant tendency among the historiography of Britain's West Indian colonies has been to depict the plantation societies of the Caribbean in dark, deeply negative hues. The sugar planters who settled in that region have been variously characterised as grasping capitalists, moral degenerates and cultural philistines, whose get-rich-quick mentality militated against the creation of stable societies committed to the preservation of a common English identity. In her sparkling study of the Leeward Islands (Antigua, Montserrat, Nevis and St. Kitts) from their independence from Barbados in 1670 to the outbreak of the American Revolution, Natalie Zacek challenges the notion that the English colonies of the West Indies were in any way failed societies. While she in no way downplays the centrality of black slavery to the economy of the Leewards, Zacek is primarily interested in exploring the complex dynamics of settler society and in doing so engages with a wide range of themes, including topography, migration, slavery, religion, ethnicity, gender and the family. The picture that emerges is of colonists who, while ready and able to adapt to an unfamiliar and sometimes hostile environment, were equally determined to uphold English social and cultural ideals. Subtle, reflective and elegantly written, this enlightening analysis not only rescues the Leewards from the margins of colonial studies, but is an important contribution to the wider discussion about the character of British colonial settlement in America.

The Society's Rees Davies Essay Prize for the best article based on a conference paper delivered by a recipient of a Royal Historical Society travel grant attracted seven entries.

The Prize for 2010 was awarded to:

Elizabeth Hunter for her article "'The Black Lines of Damnation': Melancholia and Reprobation in Reformation England'.

The judges' citation read:

This elegant paper negotiates the literature of Calvinist counsel and treatises on melancholy to tease out the varying positions on the relationship between despair, predestination, and melancholia. In doing so it contributes to our understanding both of godly pastoral counsel and of the confessional conflicts of the later sixteenth and early seventeenth centuries.

In order to recognise the high quality of work now being produced at undergraduate level in the form of third-year dissertations, the Society continued, in association with *History Today* magazine, to award an annual prize for the best undergraduate dissertation. Departments are asked to nominate annually their best dissertation and a joint committee comprised of representatives from the Society and *History Today* select, in the autumn, the national prize-winner from among these nominations. The prize also recognizes the Society's close relations with *History Today* and the important role the magazine has played in disseminating scholarly research to a wider audience. Thirty submissions were

received.

The Prize for 2010 was awarded to:

Alexander Baggallay (University of Edinburgh) for his essay 'Myths of Mau Mau expanded: the role of rehabilitation in detention camps during the state emergency in Kenya, 1954-60'.

A runner up was nominated:

David Kenrick (University of Liverpool) for his essay 'Identity and the politics of survival: White Rhodesia, 1965-1980'.

An article by the prize-winner presenting his research will appear in *History Today* in 2011.

The German History Society, in association with the Royal Historical Society, awards a prize to the winner of an essay competition. The essay, on any aspect of German history, including the history of German-speaking people both within and beyond Europe, was open to any postgraduate student either currently registered for a degree or having submitted their thesis within the last twelve months, at a university in either the United Kingdom or the Republic of Ireland.

The Prize for the winning essay in 2010 was awarded to:

Natalie Kwan (St Antony's College, Oxford), for her essay 'Woodcuts and witches: Ulrich Molitor's *De lamiis et pythonicis mulieribus*, 1489-1669'.

The Frampton and Beazley Prizes for A-Level performances in 2010 were awarded to the following nominations from the examining bodies:

Frampton Prize:

Edexcel: Claire Smith (Wallington County Grammar School)

OCR: Anna Glendenning (Prince Henry's Grammar School, West Yorkshire)

Beazley Prize:

SQA: Zara Reid (The Glasgow Academy)

CCEA: Amy Taylor (Coleraine High School)

The Director of the Institute of Historical Research announced the winner of the Pollard Prize 2011 awarded annually to the best postgraduate student paper presented in a seminar at the IHR. The Pollard Prize for 2011 was awarded to Siobhan Talbott (University of Manchester) for her paper "'If you were hier you could gaine what you please, for thereis many English and severall Scots that you might deall with": British Commercial Interests on the French Atlantic Coast, c. 1560-1713' given to the Economic and Social History of the Premodern World, 1500 – 1800 seminar. The article will appear in *Historical Research* in 2012.

Publications

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE, 2010-11

At the beginning of 2011 Dr Ian Archer resigned as Academic Editor of the Bibliography of British and Irish History (BBIH), having guided the project successfully for over a decade and overseen the transition to our new publisher. Professor Stephen Taylor was elected to the new position of Honorary Academic Editor (BBIH). The new publication arrangements with Brepols continue to bed down well and there continues to be a good take up of subscriptions, particularly among British higher education institutions. Progress has been made in negotiations about a reduced rate subscription for Fellows and Members of the Society, which will become available in the course of 2012. We have again exceeded our annual target for new records, adding over 15,000 to the Bibliography during the year 2010–11; the total number of records in the database now stands at over 500,000. Dr Jason McElligott has taken over as the section editor for the modern Irish material.

The updating of the Society's website has coincided with an overhaul of the lists of local record society publications (formerly known as *Texts and Calendars*). The updates were previously made available through the Bibliography, but the lists are now being maintained separately by the Executive Secretary, ensuring that this resource remains free to end users.

The Publications Committee remains responsible for the ongoing programme. Professor Arthur Burns represents the Society's interests on the *Studies in History* Editorial Board, while Dr Ian Archer edits *Transactions*, and they share responsibility for Camden volumes.

Transactions, Sixth Series, Volume 20 was published during the session, and *Transactions*, Sixth Series, Volume 21 went to press.

In the Camden, Fifth Series, *The Life of John Rastrick, 1650-1727*, ed. Andrew Cambers (vol. 36) and *British Envoys to Germany 1816-1866, Vol. IV: 1851-1866* eds. Markus Mösslang, Chris Manias and Torsten Riotte (vol. 37) were published during the session.

The Making of the East London Mosque, 1910-1951, ed. Humayun Ansari (vol. 38), *The Papers of the Hothams: Governors of Hull during the Civil War*, ed. Andrew Hopper (vol. 39) and *A Monastic Community in Local Society: the Beauchief Cartulary*, eds., David Luscombe, David Hey and Lisa Liddy (vol. 40) went to press for publication in 2011-12.

The *Studies in History* Editorial Board continued to meet throughout the year. The Second Series continues to produce exciting volumes. Dr Jon Lawrence retired from and Professor Barry Doyle joined the Editorial Board. The following volumes were published, or went to press, during the session:

- *The Scottish Middle March, 1573 to 1625*, Anna Groundwater
- *Samuel Rawson Gardiner and the Idea of History*, Mark Nixon
- *Time and the French Revolution: the Republican Calendar, 1789 – Year XI*, Matthew Shaw
- *Poverty, gender and life-cycle under the English Poor Law, 1760-1834*, Samantha Williams
- *Liberalism and Local Government in Early Victorian London*, Ben Weinstein

- *English Catholic Exiles in Late Sixteenth-Century Paris*, Katy Gibbons
- *Religion, Atheism and Enlightenment in Pre-Revolutionary Europe*, Mark Curran
- *Conquest and land in Ireland: the transplantation to Connacht, 1649-1690*, John Cunningham

As in previous subscription years, volumes in the *Studies in History* Series were offered to the membership at a favourably discounted price. Many Fellows, Associates and Members accepted the offer for volumes published during the year, and the advance orders for further copies of the volumes to be published in the year 2011-2012 were encouraging.

The Society acknowledges its gratitude for the continuing subventions from the Economic History Society and the Past and Present Society to the *Studies in History* series.

Finance

FINANCE COMMITTEE 2010-11

The Finance Committee approves the Society's accounts each financial year and its estimates for the following year. This year, as before, the accounts were professionally audited by Kingston Smith LLP. They are presented later in *Transactions*, together with the Trustees' Annual Report.

The Society's expenditure was broadly in line with estimates. Income was considerably greater than anticipated, however, largely due to a greater than expected income from the joint publishing agreement with Cambridge University Press (due to on-going sales of the new digital archive).

The Society has run a surplus for a number of years, which has allowed it to build up a cash reserve in its COIF account and Barclays current account. The Finance Committee recognises that the coming years are likely to be more challenging financially than recent years, particularly as income from the digitisation component of the publishing agreement with Cambridge University Press will decline sharply. It is for this reason that the Society anticipates continuing to hold a substantial cash reserve in the expectation that it will be drawn down in future years to cover in-year deficits.

The value of the Society's investments rose to £2.54 million in June 2011 from £2.16 million in June 2010. The total return was well ahead of the return for the APCIMS Balanced (Total Return) index against which performance is benchmarked. The portfolio continues to be managed by Brewin Dolphin Securities for the longer term and is now practically fully invested. Dividend income declined slightly in 2010-11, in part because of a slight shift away from the very defensive investment strategy that had been pursued in recent years, although it still covered almost all the society's 'draw-down'.

Mr Adam Broadbent kindly agreed to become an external member of the Finance Committee, joining Dr Nick Draper, and we are grateful to them for their help and advice throughout the year.

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- Dr S W Davies
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- The Estate of Vera London
- Professor F F R Fernandez-Armesto
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- Mr L J McLoughlin
- Mr S A Murray
- Professor Dame J L Nelson
- Professor H Ono
- Professor D M Palliser
- Past & Present Society
- Reverend N R Paxton
- Sir George Prothero
- Lieutenant Colonel Dr H E Raugh
- Dr L Rausing
- Miss E M Robinson
- Professor Lord Smith of Clifton
- Professor D P Smyth
- Dr A F Sutton
- Dr G P Tapsell
- Dr E R Turton
- Mr T V Ward

Membership

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE, 2010-11

The Committee reviews all applications for Fellowship and Membership received by the Society, and makes recommendations to Council. The Committee is keen to encourage applications for Fellowship on the basis of scholarly achievement in history, whose definition is not limited to traditional forms of publication, but also includes, for example, the curatorship of exhibitions and publication in newer media. The Committee is glad to receive applications to join the Society in either the Fellowship or Membership category,

and emphasises that it favours a broad view of what constitutes history when assessing candidates.

The Committee would also like to draw the attention of supervisors and postgraduate students to the new category of Postgraduate Member. The first intake of Postgraduate Members started their Membership in the July 2010 - June 2011 subscription year. Postgraduate Members apply in the same way as regular Members but if they are current research postgraduates (UK or overseas) they are entitled to their first two years' subscription at £10 (with all the same benefits of regular Membership), after which they automatically revert to normal Member status. The discounted first two years still applies even if the students finish their degree during that time. The Society does require proof of postgraduate research student status, but only at the time of election.

The following were elected to the Fellowship:

Kevin J Alban, MA, MTh, PhD
Henrice Altink, BA, MA, MA, PhD
Gerben Bakker, MSc, PhD
Ian Barnes, BA, MA, PhD
Laura D Beers, AB, MA, PhD
Gill Bennett, MA
Andrea Benvenuti, MA, DPhil
Kate Bradley, BA, MA, PhD
Harald E Braun, MA, DPhil
Alex Bremner, BA, MArch, PhD
Thom Brooks, BA, MA, MA, PhD
Alan P Caddick-Adams, BA, PhD
Jane Cartwright, BA, PhD
Alison Cathcart, BA, PhD
Stephen J Catterall, BA, MA, DPhil
Andrew M Chandler, BA, PhD
William H Clements, LLB
John P D Cooper, BA, MA, DPhil
Edward Coss, PhD
Peter J A Crooks, BA, PhD
James W Daniel, BA, MA
Robin H Darwall-Smith, BA, MA, DPhil
Christopher Davies, BA, MA
Peter Dorey, BA, MA, PhD
Nicholas A Draper, BA, MBA, MA, PhD
Heiko Feldner, MA, PGCE
Graeme A Garrard, BA, MA, DPhil
Brian Girvin, BA, MA, PhD
William Godsey, MA, PhD
Caroline Goodson, PhD
Claire Gorrara, BA, MSt, DPhil
Matthew Grant, BA, MA, PhD
James M Gratton, BA, MEd, PhD
Janet Greenlees, BA, MA, DPhil
Allan Greer, BA, MA, PhD
Carl J Griffin, BSc, PhD
Richard P Hallion, BA, PhD
Matthew Hammond, BA, MA, PhD
David Hein, BA, MA, PhD

David Hendy, MA, PhD
David M Hopkin, BA, MA, PhD
Jonathan House, AB, MA, MMAS
Mark M Hull, PhD, JD
Joanna Huntington, BA, MA, PhD
Anthony J G Insall, BA, PhD
John A Irving, BMus, PhD
Ben Jackson, BA, MA, DPhil
David H Jenkins, MA, MA, MA, PhD
Matthew T Jenkinson, BA, MSt, DPhil
Paul R Jennings, BA, MPhil, PhD
Peter H G Joseph, BSc, MSc, MSc
Sarah Knott, DPhil
William W J Knox, MA, PhD
Mary R Laven, BA, MA, MA, PhD
Rebekah Lee, BA, MPhil, DPhil
Timothy Leunig, BA, MPhil, DPhil
Donald M Lewis, BA, DPhil
Andreas Loewe, BA, MA, MPhil, PhD
Scott H Mandelbrote, MA
Steve Marsh, BA, PhD
Ted McCormick, BA, MA, MPhil, PhD
Charles McKean, BA, Hon D.Litt
Leslie J McLoughlin, BA, BA, MA
David Milne, BA, MA, PhD
Joseph P Moran, BA, MA, PhD
Peter J Morden, BA, BD, MPhil, PhD
Simon J Morgan, BA, MA, DPhil
Axel E W Muller, MA
Lucy Noakes, BA, DPhil
Ralph O'Connor, BA, MA, MPhil, PhD
Sinead O'Sullivan, BA, MA, DPhil
Richard G Parry, LLB, PhD
Sarah J K Pearce, BD, DPhil
John R Peaty, BA, MA, PhD
Andrew C Perchard, BA, MPhil, PhD
Dilwyn Porter, BA, PhD
Maria Power, BA, MA, PhD
John M J Reay
Duncan E M Redford, BA, MA, PhD
Rebecca A C Rist, PhD
Michael B Roberts, BA, MA
Richard G Rodger, MA, PhD
Jan Rueger, MA, PhD
Paul A Scott, BA, MA, PhD
Jill A Shefrin, BA, MLS
Ales Skrivan, PhD
Philip J Smith, BA, MA, PhD
Stephanie Spencer, BA, MA, PhD
Andrew D Stewart, BA, PhD
Ingrid J Sykes, PhD
Richard Talbot, MPhil
Annie Tindley, MA, MSc, PhD
Isabelle S L Tombs, PhD

Marius Turda, BA, MA, PhD
Colin Tyler, BA, MA, DPhil, MA
Diane Urquhart, BA, MA, PhD
Nicola Verdon, BA, MA, PhD
Malcolm Walsby, BA, PhD
Thomas Weber, MSt, DPhil
Helen Weinstein, BA
Anna Whitelock, BSc, MPhil, PhD
Emma L Wild-Wood, BD, MTh, PhD
Louise J Wilkinson, BA, MA, PhD
Paul Williamson, BA, MPhil, LittD
Gwenyth A Yarker, BA, MA

The following were announced in the Queen's Honours Lists during the year:

Professor Rosemary Crampton – Fellow – D.B.E. for services to Scholarship.
Dr Simon Thurley – Fellow – C.B.E. for services to Conservation.
Dr Allen Warren – Fellow – O.B.E. for services to Higher Education.
Professor Thomas James - Fellow - M.B.E. for services to Higher Education.

Council was advised of and recorded with regret the deaths of 10 Fellows, 19 Retired Fellows, 3 Corresponding Fellows and 2 Associates.

These included:

Professor M Altschul – Retired Fellow
Mr A S Baxendale – Associate
Professor R W Beachey – Retired Fellow
Professor R A Chapman – Retired Fellow
Professor B Coward – Retired Fellow
Mr R S Craig – Fellow
Professor O Crisp – Retired Fellow
Reverend Dr R W D Fenn – Fellow
Dr J B Fitzpatrick – Fellow
Dr R L Frazier – Retired Fellow
Mr R K Gilkes – Retired Fellow
Professor J A S Grenville – Retired Fellow
Mr P Heath – Retired Fellow
Dr F Hull – Fellow
Professor K Ingham – Retired Fellow
Mr D L Jones – Fellow
Professor T R Judt – Fellow
Professor B G Kohl – Retired Fellow
Professor D Kosary – Corresponding Fellow
Mr J B Lewis – Associate
Dr W A Maguire – Retired Fellow
Professor J F McMillan – Fellow
Professor S Nagy – Corresponding Fellow
Canon T J Prichard – Retired Fellow
Professor A J R Russell-Wood – Retired Fellow
Mr H F Starkey – Retired Fellow
Dr A T Q Stewart – Retired Fellow
Professor D M Tanner – Fellow
Mrs D K G Thompson – Retired Fellow

Professor F M Turner – Fellow
Professor W V Wallace – Retired Fellow
Professor Wang Jufei – Corresponding Fellow
Dr A W A White – Retired Fellow
Professor W N Yates – Fellow

Over the year ending on 30 June 2011, 105 Fellows and 102 Members were elected, and the total membership of the Society on that date was 3,042 (including 1,909 Fellows, 683 Retired Fellows, 15 Honorary Vice-Presidents, 81 Corresponding and Honorary Fellows, 45 Associates and 309 Members).

The Society exchanged publications with 15 societies, British and foreign.

Representatives of the Society

- The representation of the Society upon other various bodies was as follows:
 - Dr Julia Crick on the Joint Committee of the Society and the British Academy established to prepare an edition of Anglo-Saxon charters;
 - Professor Claire Cross on the Council of the British Association for Local History; and on the British Sub-Commission of the Commission Internationale d' Histoire Ecclesiastique Comparée;
 - Professor Mark Ormrod on the Archives and Records Association Consultative Forum;
 - Professor Richard Rathbone on the Court of Governors of the University of Wales, Swansea;
 - Professor Colin Jones on the board of the Panizzi Foundation and the Advisory Council of the Committee for the Export of Objects of Cultural Interest;
 - Professor Chris Whatley on the Court of the University of Stirling

Grants

RESEARCH SUPPORT COMMITTEE, 2010-11

The Committee met five times in the course of the year to distribute research funds to early career historians (primarily research students but also recent PhDs not yet in full-time employment) through a process of peer review. In total, the Committee made 134 awards to researchers at over forty UK institutions, of which 11 grants were to support research within the UK, 34 to support research outside the UK, 46 to support attendance at conferences to deliver papers, 43 to allow conference organisers to subsidise attendance of early career researchers at their event, one (the Martin Lynn Scholarship) to support research within Africa. The broad range of topics funded by the Committee attests both to the vibrancy of the discipline in sub-fields that extend from medieval European religious history to contemporary South African history. Successful applicants' end-of-award reports confirm that RHS funding significantly enhances postgraduate students' opportunities to conduct substantial archival research projects and to hone their ensuing dissertation chapters and first publications through participation in national and international workshops and conferences. The calibre of applicants continues to be high, with significantly more qualified applicants than the Committee is able to fund - a circumstance that recent and impending reductions of research funding at both university and Research Council-level will likely exacerbate in the coming year. Further, to ensure

that its limited funds are allocated to the most appropriate candidates, the Committee devoted considerable time this year to clarifying and streamlining its application process and criteria.

The Royal Historical Society Centenary Fellowship was awarded in the academic year 2010-2011 to Robert Priest (New College, Oxford) for work on 'The Production, Reception and Legacy of Ernest Renan's *Vie de Jésus* in France', and to Jan Machielsen (Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford) for work on 'Demons & Letters; The Life and Works of Martin Delrio (1551-1608)'.

The Society's P J Marshall Fellowship was awarded in the academic year 2010-2011 to Alexander Russell (Jesus College, Oxford) for work on 'England and the general councils (1409-1562)'.

- Grants during the year were made to the following:

Travel to Conferences (Training Bursaries):

- Nicholas Barnett, Liverpool John Moores University
Cold War Cultures: Transnational and Interdisciplinary Perspectives, University of Texas, 30th September – 3rd October 2010
- Adam Burns, University of Edinburgh
The 4th Annual Conference for Historians of the Twentieth-Century United States, University of Oxford, 7th-9th July 2011
- James Cameron, University of Cambridge
Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Annual Meeting, Virginia, US, 23rd-25th June 2011
- Thomas Carter, University of Oxford
Reformation Studies Colloquium, Biennial Conference, St Andrews, 7th-9th September 2010
- Rory Cox, Aberystwyth University
The History PhD: Past, Present and Future, Institute of Historical Research, 28th January 2011
- Alex Fairfax-Cholmeley, Queen Mary, University of London
Consortium on the Revolutionary Era, 1750-1850, Tallahassee, Florida, 3rd-5th March 2011
- Nicholas Grant, University of Leeds
New Perspectives on African American History and Culture, University of North Carolina, 19th-20th February 2011
- Alix Green, University of Hertfordshire
The History PhD: Past, Present and Future, Institute of Historical Research, 28th January 2011
- Katherine Harvey, King's College London
International Medieval Congress 2011, Leeds, 11th-14th July 2011
- Simon Hill, Liverpool John Moores University
British Scholar, Conference 2011, University of Texas, 31st March – 2nd April 2011
- William Jewell, Liverpool John Moores University
6th European Society for Environmental History: Encounters of Sea and Land, Turku, Finland, 28th June – 2nd July 2011
- Fiona Kao, University of Cambridge
The 1st St Andrews Graduate Conference for Biblical and Early Christian Studies, St Andrews, 15th-16th June 2011
- Lionel Laborie, University of East Anglia
57th Annual Meeting of the Society for French Historical Studies, Charleston, 10th-12th

February 2011

○Jan Lanicek, University of Southampton

American Responses to the Holocaust: Transatlantic Perspectives, Middelburg and Antwerp, 15th-17th June 2011

○Daniel Lee, University of Oxford

The Association for Jewish Studies: 42nd Annual Conference, Boston, USA, 19th-21st December 2010

○Marie-Louise Leonard, University of Glasgow

Annual Meeting of the Renaissance Society of America, Montreal, 24th-26th March 2011

○Sarah Lynch, University of Leeds

46th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, 12th-15th May 2011

○Ruselle Meade, University of Manchester

The Fourth Asian Translation Traditions Conference, Hong Kong, 15th-17th December 2010

○Matthew Mesley, University of East Anglia

Haskins Society Conference, Boston, USA, 4th-7th November 2010

○Stephen Miles, University of Glasgow

9th International Conference on History: From Ancient to Modern, Athens, Greece, 1st-4th August 2011

○Richard Mills, University of East Anglia

The North American Society for Sports History, Annual Conference 2011, Texas, US, 27th-30th May 2011

○Rhys Morgan, Cardiff University

English and Welsh Diaspora: Regional Cultures, Disparate Voices, Remembered Lives, Loughborough University, 13th-16th April 2011

○Stuart Morrison, University of Stirling

Encounters of Sea and Land: 6th Conference of the European Society for Environmental History, Turku, Finland, 28th June – 1st July 2011

○Christian O'Connell, University of Gloucestershire

Jazz and Race, Past and Present, Open University, Milton Keynes, 11th-12th November 2010

○Daniel Peart, UCL

Society for Historians of the Early American Republic (SHEAR), Philadelphia, USA, 14th-17th July 2011

○Tamson Pietsch

The History PhD: Past, Present and Future, Institute of Historical Research, 28th January 2011

○Stefan Ramsden, University of Hull

35th Annual Social Science History Association Conference: 'Power and Politics', Chicago, 18th-21st November 2010

○Lowri Rees, Aberystwyth University

The North American Association for the Study of Welsh Culture and History International Conference on Welsh Studies, Washington D.C., 22nd-24th July 2010

○Fern Riddell, King's College London

Politics, Performance and Popular Culture in Nineteenth-Century Britain, Lancaster, 7th-9th July 2011

○Daniel Roach, University of Exeter

46th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, 12th-15th May 2011

○Euryn Roberts, Bangor University

30th Annual Harvard Celtic Colloquium, Harvard University, 7th-10th October 2010

○Tashia Scott, Oxford Brookes University

The Canadian Association for the History of Nursing Congress 2011, New Brunswick, Canada, 28th-30th May 2011

○Carolanne Selway, King's College London

Australia & New Zealand Association of Medieval & Early Modern Studies Eighth Biennial Conference, Dunedin, 2nd-5th February 2011

○William Smiley, University of Cambridge

Byzantine and Ottoman Civilizations in World History, Istanbul, Turkey, 21st-24th October 2010

○Jean Smith, University of California, Santa Barbara

The History PhD: Past, Present and Future, Institute of Historical Research, 28th January 2011

○Marjolein Stern, University of Nottingham

7th International Symposium on Runes and Runic Inscriptions: Runes in Context, Oslo, 9th-13th August 2010

○Emma Sutton, UCL

The American Philosophical Association (Eastern Division) Annual Meeting, Boston, 27th-30th December 2010

○Tom Symmons, Queen Mary, University of London

International Association of Media and Film History Conference 2011, Copenhagen, Denmark, 6th-9th July 2011

○Nimrod Tal, University of Oxford

Civil War, Global Conflict, Charleston, 3rd-5th March 2011

○Tina Tamman, University of Glasgow

The History PhD: Past, Present and Future, Institute of Historical Research, 28th January 2011

○Deborah Toner, University of Warwick

Food and Drink: Their Social, Political and Cultural Histories, Preston, 15th-17th June 2011

○Daniel Travers, University of Huddersfield

2nd Island Dynamics Conference, Valletta, Malta, 11th-15th May 2011

○Patrick Wadden, University of Oxford

The 29th International Conference of the Charles Homer Haskins Society, Boston, USA, 5th-7th November 2010

○Emma Wells, University of Durham

New Approaches to Medieval Religious Cultures: Concepts, Perceptions and Practices of Piety and Charity, London, 16th December 2010

○Sara Wolfson, University of Durham

The 57th Annual Meeting of the Renaissance Society of America, Montreal, 24th-26th March 2011

○Akhila Yechury, University of Cambridge

Association for Asian Studies and International Convention of Asian Scholars Special Joint Conference, Honolulu, 31st March – 3rd April 2011

Research Expenses Within the United Kingdom:

○Jonathan Atherton, Newman University College

Archives in London, 7th-21st March 2011

○Andras Becker, University of Southampton

Archives in London, January – February 2011

○Eva Blomqvist, King's College London

Archives in Yorkshire, Manchester and Aberdeen, March – May 2011

○Miriam Cady, University of Leicester

Archives in Northern Ireland, 7th-16th February 2011

○Carolyn Donohue, University of York

Archives in London, July – August 2011

○Stephen Etheridge, University of Huddersfield

Archives in London, 9th-12th March 2011
○Aaron Hope, UCL
Archives in Lincoln, Winchester, Oxford and Cambridge, June 2011
○Fiona Kao, University of Cambridge
Latin Summer School, Durham, 14th-26th August 2011
○Eleni Liapi, University of York
Archives in London, July 2011
○Linsey Robb, University of Strathclyde
Archives in Reading, May 2011
○Andrew Senter, University of Essex
Archives in Essex and London, April – October 2011

Research Expenses Outside the United Kingdom:

○Michael Aeby, University of Sheffield
Archives and interviews in Cape Town, South Africa, May – June 2011
○Dawn Berry, University of Oxford
Archives in Ottawa, New York and Washington D.C., 8th-29th August 2010
○Olga Bertelsen, University of Nottingham
Archives in Kharkiv and Kiev, Ukraine, June – August 2011
○James Boyd, Cardiff University
Archives in Germany, 19th January – 26th February 2011
○Matthew Carnell, University of Sheffield
Archives in Washington D.C. and Yale, 19th July – 9th August 2010
○Benjamin Coombs, University of Kent
Archives in Ottawa, Canada, May – June 2011
○Caroline Cornish, Royal Holloway, University of London
Archives in West Bengal and Uttar Pradesh, India, September 2011
○Rabia Dada, University of Leeds
Archives in Karachi, Lahore and Islamabad, 15th October – 30th November 2010
○Thomas Davies, University of Leeds
Archives in California, May – July 2011
○Christopher Dennis, Cardiff University
Archives in France, 17th-21st April 2011
○Julie Ferguson, University of Oxford
Archives in Amsterdam, 13th-22nd September 2010
○Oliver Godsmark, University of Leeds
Archives in New Delhi and Mumbai, India, July – October 2011
○Aaron Graham, University of Oxford
Archives in California, 6th December 2010 – 11th January 2011
○Mark Hay, King's College London
Archives in the Netherlands, 3rd-30th January 2011
○Asa McKercher, University of Cambridge
Archives in Maryland, Massachusetts, Texas and Kansas, USA, July – September 2011
○Monica Merlin, University of Oxford
Archives in China, March – September 2011
○Christopher Minty, University of Stirling
Archives in Michigan, USA, July – September 2011
○Christopher Moffat, University of Cambridge
Archives and interviews in New Delhi, Patiala and Chandigarh, India, October 2011 – May 2012
○John Mueller, University of Cambridge
Archives in Germany and Switzerland, January – October 2011
○Emilie Murphy, University of Nottingham

Archives in Moscow, 1st September – 8th November 2010
 ○Timothy Rogan, University of Cambridge
 Archives in New York and Washington, D.C., USA, August – November 2011
 ○Aidan Russell, University of Oxford
 Archives in Paris, Brussels and Bordeaux, 16th August – 16th September 2010
 ○David Sandifer, University of Cambridge
 Archives in California, 28th September – 23rd October 2010
 ○Pamela Schievenin, Queen Mary, University of London
 Archives in Rome, 28th April -31st July 2011
 ○Christian Schneider, University of Durham
 Archives in Italy, 6th January – 26th February 2011, Archives in Madrid, 29th March – 14th May 2011
 ○Louise Seaward, University of Leeds
 Archives in Paris, September 2010 – September 2011
 ○Amal Tarhuni, London School of Economics
 Archives in Michigan, Georgia, California, Tripoli, Damascus, Cairo, London and Cambridge, February – December 2011
 ○Andrew Tillman, University of Cambridge
 Archives in Venezuela, 15th January – 15th May 2011
 ○Peter Whitewood, University of Leeds
 Archives in Moscow, February – May 2011
 ○Rebecca Williams, University of Warwick
 Archives in New Delhi and Punjab, 15th October 2010 – 29th April 2011
 ○Christopher Wilson, University of Exeter
 Archives in Rome, December 2010
 ○Rachel Wilson, Queen’s University Belfast
 Archives in Dublin, Ireland, June – July 2011
 ○Lisa Wotherspoon, University of Aberdeen
 Old Irish Summer School, Limerick, Republic of Ireland, 20th June – 1st July 2011
 ○William Young, University of Glasgow
 Archives in Berlin, Germany, August – September 2011

Conference Organisation (Workshop):

○Christopher Abel
 “The Theme of Independence in Latin American History”
 UCL, 27th-28th October 2011
 ○Olly Ayers
 “South-East Hub for History Postgraduate Conference: ‘Why Study the Past?’”
 University of Kent, 15th June 2011
 ○Emily Baughan
 “Empires and Humanitarianism”
 University of Bristol, 20th May 2011
 ○Anke Bernau
 “Gender and Punishment”
 University of Manchester, 11th-13th January 2012
 ○Lucy Bland
 “‘Looking Back – Looking Forward’: The Twentieth Annual Women’s History Network Conference”
 The Women’s Library, 9th-11th September 2011
 ○Caroline Bowden
 “Identities, organisations and exile: Towards a History of Women Religious of Britain and Ireland”
 Queen Mary, University of London, 24th-25th June 2011

- Christina Brindley
“Third History Lab North West Postgraduate Workshop”
Manchester Metropolitan University, 1st June 2011
- Alison Carrol
“Society for the Study of French History Annual Conference”
University of Cambridge, 13th-15th July 2011
- Imogen Clarke
“British Society for the History of Science Postgraduate Conference”
University of Manchester, 4th-6th January 2011
- Krista Cowman
“Women in British Politics 1890-2000”
University of Lincoln, 6th-7th May 2011
- Surekha Davies
“The Global Dimensions of European Knowledge, 1450-1700”
Birkbeck, University of London, 24th-25th June 2011
- Simon Ditchfield
“Conversion Narratives in the Early Modern World”
University of York, 9th-11th June 2011
- Jill Francis
“Gardens and Gardening in Early Modern Britain”
Birmingham & Midland Institute, 18th June 2011
- Julie Gottlieb
““The Aftermath of Suffrage”: What happened after the vote was won?”
University of Sheffield, 24th-25th June 2011
- Aaron Graham
“A British Military Revolution, 1500-1700?”
University of Oxford, 7th May 2011
- Kate Hammond
“Law, Violence and Social Bonds, c.900-1250”
University of St Andrews, 17th-19th June 2011
- Karen Heath
“Historians of the Twentieth Century United States, Fourth Annual Conference”
University of Oxford, 7th-9th July 2011
- Kate Hill
“Travel in the C19th: Narratives, Histories and Collections”
University of Lincoln, 14th-15th July 2011
- David Hitchcock
“‘Idle and Disorderly Persons’: The representations and realities of the mobile poor in Early Modern England”
University of Warwick, 12th March 2011
- Laura Ishiguro
“Imperial Relations: Families in the British Empire”
Institute of Historical Research, 5th-6th September 2011
- Sushma Jansari
“West meets East: Contact and Interaction between India and the Mediterranean World from the Hellenistic period to late Antiquity”
UCL, 20th June 2011
- Simon John
“Deviance and Orthodoxy”
Swansea University, 23rd-24th June 2011
- Bronach Kane
“The Experience of Neighbourliness in Europe, c.1000-1600”
Queen Mary, University of London, 17th-18th May 2012
- Kevin Killeen

“The Bible in the C17th: The AV Quatercentenary (1611-2011)”
University of York, 7th-9th July 2011
○Alan Kissane

“New Perspectives on Medieval Lincolnshire”
University of Lincoln, 2nd-3rd September 2011
○Catriona Macdonald

“Real and Imagined Communities: Reshaping Historical Landscapes”
University of Strathclyde, 3rd-4th June 2011
○Giulio Marchisio

“Evolution, Revolution or Devolution? Reflections on the Italian Right, 1861-2011”
Durham University, 4th-5th November 2011
○Matthew Mesley

“Contextualizing Miracles in the Christian West, 1100-1500: New Historical Approaches”
University of Cambridge, 16th April 2011
○Linne Mooney

“Out of Bounds: Mobility, Movement and Use of Manuscripts and Printed Books, 1350-1550”
University of York, 3rd-7th July 2011
○Julie Mumby

“Revealing Records III”
King’s College London, 27th May 2011
○Jade Munslow Ong

“Why Allegory Now?”
University of Manchester, 1st April 2011
○Miles Pattenden

“Renaissance Italy and the Idea of Spain”
University of Oxford, 9th-10th January 2012
○Jonathan Phillips

“The Crusades, Byzantium and Islam”
German Historical Institute London, 8th-9th July 2011
○Valentina Pugliano

“Colonial Science and its Histories. The Workshop”
Institute of Historical Research, 14th January 2011
○Carole Rawcliffe

“Fifteenth-Century Conference 2011: Society in an Age of Plague”
University of East Anglia, 1st-3rd September 2011
○Matthew Stevens

“Medieval Urban Life: ‘Facts’ and ‘Fictions’”
Swansea University, 17th-18th June 2011
○Siobhan Talbott

“British Migration, 1560-1760”
University of Manchester, 23rd March 2012
○Andrea Thomson

“Scotland in Motion”
Glasgow, 6th-7th May 2011
○Bjorn Weiler

“Plantagenet Britain and its Neighbours, 1180-1330: C13th England 14”
Aberystwyth and Lampeter, 5th-8th September 2011
○Jane Whittle

“Tawney’s Agrarian Problem 100 Years On: Landlords and Tenants in Rural England c.1400-1750”
University of Exeter, 11th-12th July 2011
○Mark Williams

“Europe, Empire and Public Opinion: Debate and Consensus in Britain and Ireland, 1660-1763”

University of Oxford, 15th-16th July 2011

Martin Lynn Scholarship:

○Vincent Hiribarren, University of Leeds

Archives in Kaduna and Maiduguri and interviews in Ngala, Fotokol, Namasak and Diffa, June – August 2010

Royal Historical Society Postgraduate Speakers Series (RHSPSS):

○University of Northampton

○Universities of Durham and Newcastle

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