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Tuesday 23 June

11.00-12.00 Registration

12.00-1.00 Lunch

1.00-2.00 Keynote lecture I  
Chair: Colin Kidd (Glasgow), ‘Burns, Theology and the Ayrshire Enlightenment’

2.00-3.00 Session 1  
Panel A: Nineteenth-Century Culture  
Chair: Nathalie Rosset (Dundee), ‘Some Approaches to Knowledge in early 19th Century Scotland: From Politeness to Subjection’
William Morris Welch (Troy), ‘Whistler’s Brother’

Panel B: Gender, Society and Politics  
Chair: Nahla Hassan (Stirling), ‘English Women in the 19th and early 20th Centuries: Calls for Reform’
Anne Baldwin (Huddersfield), ‘Women and Power: A View from Northern English Counties’

Panel C: Mid-Twentieth-Century Issues  
Chair: Adam Ross (Sheffield), ‘The Attlee Government, the 1948 Steel Bill and the House of Lords’
Caterina Benincasa (Huddersfield), ‘“It’s 1951 not 951” How did Leeds and York Represent their Identity of Place in the Festival of Britain Celebrations?’

3.00-3.30 Tea

3.30-5.30 Session 2  
Panel D: Health and Death  
Chair: Julie Rugg (York), ‘Mapping Change in Rural Burial Practices: 1850-present’
Jane Seymour (UCL), ‘George Newman, Preventive Medicine and Morality in Inter-War Britain’
Leanne Dunlop (Strathclyde), ‘Revisiting Optimist and Pessimist Interpretations of Inter-War Health: Glasgow’s Experience, c.1920-39’
Amy Bell (Huron University College), ‘Murder and the Microscope: the Dobkin Case of 1942’

Panel E: Twentieth-Century Foreign Affairs  
Chair: James Renton (Edge Hill), ‘Zionism and the British Empire, 1917-1939’
Jenna Phillips (Cambridge), ‘British Policy during the Korean War: January-April 1951’

Panel F: 19th and 20th Century Politics
Marcus Morris (Lancaster), ‘Discourse of Class: the Political Appeals of late-19th Century British Socialists’
Paul Ward (Huddersfield), ‘Contriving to be Huw T.: Wales, Socialism and Biography in the mid-20th Century’
Matthew Roberts (Sheffield Hallam), ‘Constructing the Unionist Ascendancy: An Analysis of By-elections, 1885-1906’
Jim Tomlinson (Dundee), ‘Responding to Globalization: Churchill and the Dundee Election of 1908’

5.30 Interval

6.00-7.30 Public Lecture: Miles Taylor (IHR), ‘The Rise and Fall of the New Political History, 1983-2008’
Trades Hall, Glasgow

7.30-8.30 Reception
Trades Hall, Glasgow

Wednesday 24 June

9.00-10.00 Keynote lecture II  
Chair: Katrina Honeyman (Leeds), ‘The Exploitation of Little Children? The Uses and Abuses of Child Labour in English Industrialisation’

10.00-10.30 Coffee

10.30-12.00 Session 3
Panel G: Eighteenth-Century Radicals  
Chair: Anthony Page (Tasmania), ‘Unitarians, Abolitionism and Enlightenment in late 18th Century England’
Martin Fitzpatrick (Aberystwyth), ‘Editing the Wodrow-Kenrick Correspondence (c.1750-1810)’
Emma Macleod (Stirling), ‘Thomas Paine and Jeffersonian America’

Panel H: World Wars I and II  
Chair: Oliver Wilkinson (Lancaster), ‘British Prisoners of War Camps in Germany and the Experience of Captivity during the First World War: An Ephemera Exploration’
Juliette Pattinson (Strathclyde), ‘Hussies, Freaks and Lady Soldiers: The First Aid Nursing Yeomanry’
Emma Reilly (Strathclyde), ‘From Civilian to Soldier: The Lived Experiences of British Army Recruits during the Second World War’

Panel I: Industrial Politics and the State in the Twentieth Century  
Chair:
Jim Phillips (Glasgow), ‘The Moral Economy and Industrial relations: New Perspectives on the 1984-5 Miners’ Strike’
Andrew Perchard (Strathclyde), ‘Light Metal and Britain’s Warfare State: Government-Business Relations in 20th Century Britain’

12.00-1.00 Lunch

1.00-2.00 Keynote lecture III Chair:

2.00-3.30 Session 4
Panel J: Foreign Affairs in the Long Nineteenth Century Chair:
Edward McNeilly (Cambridge), ‘The Conservatives and France, 1827-46’
Geoff Hicks (UEA), ‘Do Cabinets of Rivals Make Good Foreign Policy? The Disraeli Example’
Benjamin Gillon (Glasgow), ‘The Peripheral Consequences of Imperial Diplomacy: Lord Minto and the Impact of the Anglo-Russian Convention on Indian Defence, 1907-1910’

Panel K: Recent Politics Chair:
Campbell Wilson (Glasgow), ‘Possibility and Need: The UK Wave Energy Programme, 1975-82’
David Stewart (Central Lancashire), ‘Preserving the ‘Contentious Alliance’?: The 1985/86 trade union political fund ballots’

Panel L: Cricket Chair:
Dennis O’Keefe (Huddersfield), ‘Clergy and Cricket in Calderdale, 1877-c.1920’
Duncan Stone (Huddersfield), ‘Regional Cricket Identities: The Construction of Class Narratives and their Relationship to Contemporary Supporters’

3.30-4.00 Tea

4.00-5.00 Keynote Lecture IV Chair:
George Peden (Stirling), ‘Sir Horace Wilson and the Appeasement of Germany’.

5.00-6.00 Session 5
Panel M: Emigration Chair:
Sofia Ericksson (Macquerie), ‘A Right to Share the Bargain?: Emigration in British Travel Writing on Australia, 1870-1939’
Jean P. Smith (California), ‘“From this War the Empire Will Emerge Closer Knit”: Child Evacuees And Migration to South Africa, 1939-50’

Panel N: Nineteenth-Century Religion Chair:
Jan Pearson (Northampton), ‘“Nearer my God to Thee”: Religion and Superstition onboard 19th Century Troopships’
Eleanor Harris (Stirling), ““A Real Saint”: Daniel Sandford, Bishop of Edinburgh, 1806-30”

Panel O: Labour and Europe  
Chair: Stephen Meredith (Central Lancashire), ‘A Prelude to Secession?: European Debates and Divisions on the Parliamentary Right of the British Labour Party, 1962-72’  
Aoife Collins (UCD), ‘Tony Benn, the Cabinet Office and the Renegotiation Of Britain’s Terms of Entry into the European Community, 1974-75’

6.00-6.30  After Meeting  
Modern British History Network: Future Plans  Chair:

6.30  Conclusion