



**JOINT CLASSICAL  
ASSOCIATION AND CLASSICAL  
ASSOCIATION OF SCOTLAND  
ANNUAL CONFERENCE**



**THE UNIVERSITY  
OF EDINBURGH**

**THURSDAY 4 APRIL -  
SUNDAY 7 APRIL  
2002**

## **CA/CAS 2002 CONFERENCE INFORMATION**

All who love the Classics are welcome to the joint conference of The Classical Association and The Classical Association of Scotland at the University of Edinburgh, in celebration of the centenary of the inauguration of The Classical Association of Scotland in Edinburgh in 1902.

The University, founded in 1583 by the Town Council, combines buildings both old and new on the south side of Edinburgh. Old College, a magnificent neoclassical quadrangle, with interiors to match, housed the teaching of Greek and Humanity (Latin) until it was moved to the David Hume Tower, in George Square, in 1963. The university buildings on the square, the David Hume Tower and the William Robertson Building, offer commodious and pleasant lecture rooms. There is ample room for book displays in the coffee and tea areas in both buildings.

The panels of talks will be held there on Friday and Saturday, and the Presidential Address will be given in the Playfair Library Hall, Old College.

### **Panels**

Each CA Conference provides a unique opportunity for Classicists, both national and international, at every stage in their careers, from graduate students to active or retired members of staff of schools or universities, to display their current research to a wider audience made up by you, specialists and generalists alike! The panels of our many speakers whose papers enrich the CA/CAS 2002 programme range in topic from single authors and historical, literary and sociological themes to representational art and its influence (and future), the Classics in Scotland and the teaching of Classical subjects to students with basic language skills or none at all.

Apart from our advertised panels on

- Ancient Geography
- Death and Dying

- Ancient Novel
- Christian Discourse
- Cicero
- Classics in Scotland and Scottish Classicists

others on

- Ancient Medicine
- And Never the Twain Shall Meet? How

Translations and Language Learning Can

Work Together

- Artemis/Diana
- Classics Ancient & Modern
- Greek Epic, Religion & Tragedy
- Hellenism and Judaism
- Late Roman Gaul

and Vergil are included.

- Plato
- Sophistries and Sophistics
- Whither Classical Art?

- Methodological Approaches to the Classics

- Ovid
- Propaganda in Greek History
- Rape? Moving towards a History
- Roman Historiography
- Roman Republic
- Silver Latin

The first plenary session, ‘James Byres and the Etruscans: an 18th century Scottish antiquary in Rome’ by David Ridgway, Reader in Classics at the University of Edinburgh, sets the scene for our Conference, and the second, the Presidential Address by Philip Howard, will be held in the Playfair Library Hall in Old College, South Bridge.

### **Accommodation**

Accommodation for the Conference will be provided by the Conference Centre, EdinburghFirst, in the Pollock Halls and John MacIntyre Centre, which will also be the venue for the Sunday talks. They lie some 20 minutes walk away from George Square, in the shadow of Arthur’s Seat and the Salisbury Crags. Bus transport will be provided to and from George Square on Friday and Saturday. The Conference Centre is within easy reach of the city centre by bus or foot.

The accommodation in the Pollock Halls consists of single rooms, with either private (£42 a night for bed and breakfast) or shared bathroom facilities (£27 a night, B & B). There are a few rooms of both grades with full facilities for the disabled, and some double rooms, if required (prices for the latter and availability of both on request from the Classics Department – 0131 650 3580/82). The upper floors of the halls with the rooms with shared bathroom facilities are accessible by lift.

Separate bookings for B & B accommodation both before and after the Conference may be made independently at the same rates through Natasha Osborne, EdinburghFirst, 18 Holyrood Park Road, Edinburgh EH16 5AY, Scotland, UK, tel. 0131 651 2006, Fax 0131 662 9479, E-mail: [Natasha.Osborne@ed.ac.uk](mailto:Natasha.Osborne@ed.ac.uk)

There is a limited amount of parking for residents at the Conference Centre. Parking near the George Square Buildings is metered on both Friday and Saturday (except for the disabled).

No smoking is allowed in either the University buildings or the Pollock Halls.

### **Excursions**

Edinburgh, Scotland's capital city, and once more the home of a Scottish parliament, combines many worlds, of art and architecture, history and politics, in its striking setting between Arthur's Seat and the Port of Leith on the Firth of Forth. From the Castle, on its volcanic rock, the Royal Mile leads down to the Palace of Holyrood House and the Parliament Building (under construction); the Georgian New Town extends beyond Princes Street to the north; the University buildings lie to the South. The vigour of the Old Town, with its origins in the middle ages, is matched by the neoclassical elegance of the New.

We hope the planned excursions, outwith and within Edinburgh alike, will offer a similar choice of contrasts!

**1) Rough Castle** was the home of *cohors VI Nerviorum*, an auxiliary unit originally raised among the Nervii of Gallia Belgica (modern Belgium), a tribe that offered stout resistance to Caesar during his Gallic campaigns. Although the Antonine Wall was built in AD 142/3, the cohort was not transferred to Rough Castle until the second occupation period (*ca.* AD 158-164), as is confirmed by a building inscription and an altar dedicated to Victory. The latter informs us that one Flavius Betto then commanded the unit, a centurion seconded from *legio XX valeria Victrix* based at Chester.

As the fort sits upon a flat plateau, the visitor is afforded a splendid view of the profile of the Antonine ditch and rampart against the western skyline. The Wall itself formed the northern side of the fort, while turf ramparts topped with a wooden palisade and fronted by two well-preserved V-shaped ditches protected the other three sides. The fort had a fortified gate with causeways in each side. Larger than the fort itself and attached to its east side lay the annexe, which once housed the garrison's bathhouse.

The excursion will be led by Dr Nic Fields, of the Department of Classics, Edinburgh.

**2) Hopetoun House, 'Scotland's finest stately home'**, lies a few miles outside Edinburgh, on the shores of the Firth of Forth. It was begun by William Bruce in 1699, extended and altered by William Adam in 1721, and finished by his sons, by 1767. The rooftop viewing platform of the house provides splendid views (weather permitting) of the extensive landscaped grounds and the two Forth Bridges. A bus, departing at 2.00 will take participants (a minimum of 20 is required) to the House and return them to Pollock Halls for 5.00 pm.

**3)** There will be a guided walking tour of **neoclassical Edinburgh**, led by Dr J. Rock, Consultant Art Historian. This will begin from Old College on South Bridge, take in the Royal High School, Burns Monument and the top of Calton Hill, and end at the Physicians' Hall in George Street (maximum number 25).

#### **4) The National Museums of Scotland**

These, comprising the nineteenth-century Royal Museum of Scotland and the adjacent Museum of Scotland, in its new building, contain splendid displays of every aspect of Scotland's history, from the time of the first separation of the continents to modern consumerism. Two general tours (with reference, too, to classicists) are provided of each Museum, and can be combined at a reduced price.

**A self guided tour of neoclassical Edinburgh** is included in the Conference pack, with information about other places of interest in the Old Town.

Free shuttle buses ply between The National Gallery of Scotland, The National Portrait Gallery, The Gallery of Modern Art and the Dean Gallery every hour.

A cut-price day pass for Saturday or Sunday (if you are extending your stay!) for the Edinburgh City Tour run by Lothian Regional Transport in its fleet of open-topped buses is also available (see booking form).

The National Library of Scotland will be organising a small display in the Entrance Hall of its George IV Bridge building on Friday and Saturday to coincide with our conference.

#### **Programme**

##### **Thursday 4 April 2002**

- 12.00 - 5.00 Registration, Pollock Halls of Residence
- 3.00 – 5.00 CA Council Meeting, Pollock Halls
- 5.45 – 6.30 Reception in Holland South Hall, Pollock
- 6.30 – 7.30 Dinner, self-service
- 8.00 – 9.00 Plenary Lecture in Holland South Hall
- 9.00 – 12.00 Bar, John MacIntyre Centre

## **Friday 5 April 2002**

- 7.00 – 8.30 Breakfast, Pollock Halls
- 9.00 – 5.00 Exhibition of manuscripts and early printed books relating to the classical tradition, with items from the recent generous donation of a large collection of books on classical and near-eastern archaeology by Prof. Homer L. Thomas of the University of Illinois (an Edinburgh PhD graduate) in the Edinburgh University Library, George Square.
- 9.00 – 5.30 Book displays in David Hume Tower Basement and William Robertson Building
- 9.20 – 11.00 Six parallel sessions of panels (4 papers in each) in DHT and WRB
- 11.00 – 11.30 Coffee in DHT basement and WRB corridor
- 11.30 – 1.10 Six parallel sessions of panels (4 papers in each)
- 1.10 – 2.30 Lunch in Teviot Row (5 minutes walk away)
- 2.30 – 3.45 Six parallel sessions of panels (3 papers in each) in DHT and WRB
- 3.45 – 4.15 Tea (DHT basement and WRB corridor)
- 4.15 – 5.05 Six parallel sessions of panels (2 papers in each)
- 5.05 – 5.45 AGM in G08, WRB
- 6.00 – 7.30 Dinner, self-service in Pollock Halls
- 8.00 – 11.30 Ceilidh, Holland South Hall, Pollock
- 8.00 – 1.00 Bar

## **Saturday 6 April 2002**

- 7.00 – 8.30 Breakfast, Pollock Halls
- 9.00 – 2.30 Book displays in DHT and WRB as above
- 9.20 – 11.00 Six parallel sessions (4 papers in each) DHT and WRB
- 11.00 – 11.30 Coffee (DHT basement and WRB corridor)
- 11.30 – 12.45 Six parallel sessions (3 papers in each) DHT and WRB
- 12.45 – 2.00 Lunch, Teviot Row
- 2.00 – 5.00 Excursions/ Free time
- 6.00 – 7.00 Presidential Address, Old College

7.30 for 8.00 – 10.30 Conference Dinner, Teviot Row, at which Prof. James Russell, University of British Columbia, and President of the Canadian Classical Association, will present official greetings and congratulations to The Classical Association of Scotland upon its centenary year.

10.30 - 1.00 Bar, Pollock Halls

## **Sunday 7 April 2002**

7.00 – 8.30 Breakfast

9.00- 10.15 Six parallel sessions (3 papers in each) in rooms in Pollock Halls

10.15 – 10.45 Coffee

10.45 – 11.35 Six parallel sessions (2 papers in each)

11.35 – 1.00 CA Council Meeting, Meeting Room

1.00 – 2.00 Lunch, if required.

## **Arrivals and Departures**

Edinburgh is well served by frequent train and air services. If arriving by air, we recommend that you take the airport bus to Waverley Station and then take a taxi from the Station or a bus from the North Bridge on to the Conference Centre. If arriving by road (please note that parking is both limited at the Conference Centre and expensive near the George Square Buildings) from the South, take the A68 (the Dalkeith Road) into the city and turn right at Holyrood Park Road, past the Commonwealth Pool, to turn right again into the Main Entrance to the Conference Centre; we would not presume to advise those coming from within Scotland by car as to their route!

Useful telephone numbers (area code for Edinburgh 0131)

EdinburghFirst Freephone 0800 028 7118

Edinburgh Airport 333 1000

Rail Enquiries 0345 484950

Central Radio Taxis 229 2468

Scottish Tourist Board 332 24