**Oor Mickle Simmer Collogue: Aberdeen Summer Conference**

The Society is pleased to announce its residential conference in Aberdeen on 26-28 June. The event is to be held at the [Royal Northern & University Club](https://www.rnuc.org.uk/) (9 Albyn Place, AB10 1YE), and it will also include a day trip to Elgin!

Further information on the conference is to follow in the next few weeks.

The full conference programme is as follows (times in BST):

**Wednesday 26 June**

10.30-11.00: Registration  
11.00-11.15: Welcome remarks

11-15-12.45: Session 1

* **Professor Marjory Harper** – *Navigating New Worlds: Emigration from the Northern Isles, 1770-2000*
* **Professor Robert McColl Millar** – *Founder Populations? Internal and External Forces at Play in the*  
  *Dialects of Scots*

12.45-14.00: *Lunch*

14.00-15.30: Session 2

* **Dr Jackson Armstrong**– ‘*All thingis covntit’: Government and Accounting in Fifteenth-Century Burghs*
* **Dr Hannah Burrows** – *Emotional Language in Medieval Law*

15.30-16.00: *Coffee/tea*

16.00-17.30: Plenary Lecture

* **Professor Gordon Noble**– *The Development of Kingship in Pictland, AD 300-900*

17.30-19.00:

* Walking tour of Aberdeen with **Catherine Simpson** (Historic Environment Record, Aberdeenshire officer)

**Thursday 27 June**

10.30-12.45: Session 1

* **Dr Shane McLeod**– *The Siege of Alt Clut: Implications*
* **Dr Stephen Harrison**– *Forgotten Vikings? Reassessing the Role of Women in Early Scandinavian Migration to Britain and Ireland*
* **Professor Clare Downham**– *The Kingdom of the Isles and Munster c. 950-1150*

12.45-14.00: *Lunch*

14.00-17:00: Session 2a

* Creative writing workshop with **Dr Ragnhild Ljosland** (based on Aberdeen witchcraft trial)

17.00-17.30: *Coffee/tea*

17.30-18:30: Session 2b

* **Dr Irene Watt –** Traditional music (talk and performance)

19:00: *Conference dinner*

**Friday 28 June**

Day trip to Elgin, including Elgin museum, Glen Moray Distillery, and a tour of regional Pictish stones with**Dr Lynda McGuigan**.

**Registration**

All inclusive rate: 26-28 June – includes conference dinner and day trip to Elgin:

SSNS members: £150, early bird rate (book by April 30th)

SSNS members: £175, standard rate

Non-SSNS members: £175

Students in full time education: £125

Conference day rate: Includes lunch and refreshments (excludes conference dinner and excursion to Elgin)

Wednesday 26 June: £30

Thursday 27 June: £30

**Accommodation**

The Royal Northern University Club has the following accommodation available on a first come first served basis during and either side of the conference:  
4 x Singles  
1 x King  
1 x Double  
Please see [Accommodation — The Royal Northern & University Club Aberdeen (rnuc.org.uk)](https://www.rnuc.org.uk/accommodation) for more information.  
RNUC are offering these rooms at a ten percent discount for conference delegates. To book the accommodation, please contact RNUC directly at 01224 583 292, or [secretary@rnuc.org.uk](mailto:secretary@rnuc.org.uk)

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