Meetings of the Society 1997–8

Held in the Lecture Theatre of the Royal Museum of Scotland

Monday 8 December 1997, Professor Michael Lynch, MA, PhD, FRHistS, FRSE, FRSA, President, in the Chair.

The summary Minutes of the Anniversary Meeting were read and approved. The President announced that, due to illness, the Lecture by Dr Katherine Forsyth on the Ogham Inscriptions of Scotland could not be delivered. He expressed the Society's gratitude to Dr Michael Spearman and Dr Sally Foster who, at an hour's notice, had agreed to lecture to Fellows.

The following communications were read:

'The Dupplin Cross and its inscription, some recent work' by Dr Michael Spearman and

'The St Andrews Sarcophagus: an update' by Dr Sally Foster.

Monday 12 January 1998, Professor Michael Lynch, MA, PhD, FRHistS, FRSE, FRSA, President, in the Chair.

This being the annual Joint Lecture with the Friends of the National Museums of Scotland, the President welcomed all present to the Meeting. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The following communication was read:

'Tracking down Scottish export pottery in south-east Asia' by Graeme D R Cruickshank, MA, AMA, FSA Scot.

A vote of thanks was given by Sir Mark Russell, Chairman of the Friends of the National Museums.

Monday 9 February 1998, Professor Michael Lynch, MA, PhD, FRHistS, FRSE, FRSA, President, in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The following communication was read:

'Riding into history: Scotland's common ridings' by Kenneth Bogle, MA, PhD.

Monday 9 March 1998, Mr J B Stevenson, BA, FSA, MIFA, Vice-President, in the Chair.

This being the joint lecture with the Prehistoric Society, the Vice-President welcomed Fellows and members of both Societies to the joint meeting. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The following communication was read:

'A new investigation into the Clava Cairns' by Professor Richard Bradley.

A vote of thanks was then delivered by Dr Alison Sheridan on behalf of the Prehistoric Society.

Monday 13 April 1998, Mr Hugh Cheape, MA, Vice-President in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The following communication was read:

'Bodies, faces and teeth: insights into archaeological dentistry' by Dr Iain MacLeod, BDS, PhD, FDSRCS, DDRRCR.

Monday 11 May 1998, Professor Michael Lynch, MA, PhD, FRHistS, FRSE, FRSA, President, in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The following communication was read:

'The first Glasgow "Town House", 1737–1760' by Hugh Cheape, Vice-President.

Monday & June, 1998, Professor Michael Lynch, MA, PhD, FRHistS, FRSE, FRSA, President, in the Chair.

This being the annual Public Lecture, the President welcomed Fellows, their guests and members of the public to the Meeting.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The following communication was read:

'The Romantic interior: Sir Walter Scott and Abbotsford' by Professor Clive Wainwright.

Monday 12 October 1998, Professor Michael Lynch, MA, PhD, FRHistS, FRSE, FRSA, President, in the Chair.

The President welcomed Fellows to this, the opening Lecture of the Session.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The following communication was read:

'Pict's Knowe, a multiphased monument in Dumfriesshire: the archaeology of place', by Julian Thomas, BTech, MA, PhD.

Monday 9 November 1998, Mr J B Stevenson, BA, FSA, MIFA, Vice-President, in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved. The Director then intimated to Fellows the arrangements for the Fellows' preview of the Museum of Scotland; due to great demand, and necessary safety and security arrangements, regretfully, it would not be possible for all Fellows who had applied to receive tickets. The following communication was read:

'An archaeological overview of Finlaggan, Islay, from earliest times to the present day' by David H Caldwell, MA, PhD, FSA Scot, National Museums of Scotland.