

# Meetings of the Society 2003–2004

## LECTURE MEETINGS

Held in the Lecture Theatre of the Royal Museum of Scotland

### *Monday 15th December 2003*

Miss Lisbeth Thoms, President in the Chair. This being the biennial joint meeting with the Prehistoric Society, the President welcomed Fellows and members of the Prehistoric Society to the meeting. The Abbreviated Anniversary Meeting minutes were read and approved. The following communication was read:

‘Ritual and Relics in Early Bronze Age Britain’  
by Dr Ann Woodward, MA, PhD, FSA, MIFA.

A vote of thanks was delivered by John Cruse, Vice-President of the Prehistoric Society.

### *Monday 12th January 2004*

Miss Lisbeth Thoms, President in the Chair. The President welcomed all present to the first meeting of 2004. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The following communication was read:

‘The recumbent stone circles of north-east Scotland: recent fieldwork by RCAHMS’  
by Adam Welfare, BA, FSAScot, RCAHMS.

### *Monday 9th February 2004*

Miss Lisbeth Thoms, 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:

“‘The collection was indeed a curious one’: Sir Walter Scott, Abbotsford and the National Museums of Scotland’  
by Trevor Cowie, MA, FSAScot and Hugh Cheape, MA, FSAScot.

The Chairman of the Friends of the NMS, Dr David Lamb chaired a question session and proposed the vote of thanks to the speakers.

### *Monday 8th March 2004*

Mrs Doreen Grove, Vice-President in the Chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The following communication was read:

‘Roman frontier and security policy on the northwestern frontier of the empire during the 3rd and 4th centuries’  
by Professor Dr Michael Erdrich, University of Nijmegen.

*Monday 12th April 2004*

Miss Lisbeth Thoms, President in the Chair. This being the Society's Lecture during the Science Festival, the President welcomed all present to the meeting. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The following communication was read:

'From Aberdeen to the Alps: the story of the Amesbury Archer'  
by Dr Andrew Fitzpatrick, BA, FSA, FSAScot, MIFA.

*Monday 10th May 2004*

Miss Lisbeth Thoms, President in the Chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The following communication was read:

'Decoding structure – an architectural approach to standing archaeology'  
by Professor Charles McKean, BA, FRSE, FRSA, Hon FRIAS, Hon FRIBA, Hon FRSGS, FSAScot.

This being the last lecture meeting for the outgoing Director, Mrs Fiona Ashmore, it was followed by a drinks reception in the Bute Room.

*Monday 14th June 2004*

Miss Lisbeth Thoms, President in the Chair. The new Director, Miss Andrea Smith, was introduced to the Fellows present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The following communication was read:

'Faience in Bronze Age Britain and Ireland: scotching a myth'  
by Dr Alison Sheridan, MA, FSA, FSAScot.

*Monday 11th October 2004*

Mrs Doreen Grove, Vice-President in the Chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The following communication was read:

'Hidden Depths: thirty years of archaeology in Scottish towns'  
by Miss Lisbeth Thoms, BSc, DipArch, FSAScot.