

On the trail of the Vikings: from snails to tales

The Universities of Birmingham, Leicester and Nottingham are proud to announce the third Midlands Viking Symposium, an event designed to bring together academics and non-academics interested in Viking Studies working in the Midlands. Talks will be given by specialists from a variety of disciplines whose work contributes to research in Viking Studies in Scandinavia, the British Isles, and further afield. This research covers topics in population genetics, literature, numismatics, sculpture, history, and archaeology.

Speakers include:

Professor Judith Jesch (University of Nottingham): 'On the Reindeer Road with a Frodi's-Meal-Haired Woman: Skaldic Verse in Scandinavian Britain'

Professor Mark Jobling (University of Leicester): 'Fishing in the gene pool for Vikings'

Dr Joanna Story (University of Leicester): 'Carving a niche in Anglo-Saxon England: Viking Age sculpture in the East Midlands'

Matt Edwards (University of Birmingham): 'On the borders of Viking rule? Staffordshire and the Danelaw'

Dr David Clark (University of Leicester): 'The Viking Age and the Sagas'

Dr Gareth Williams (British Museum): 'Rummaging in the Dragon's Bed: Studying and interpreting Viking hoards'

Dr Angus Davison (University of Nottingham): 'The Vikings and their snails'

Please send your completed registration forms by 5th April 2006 to:

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Cost

£30 per person. This includes registration, all handouts, lunch, coffee and tea. Payment should be by cheque only and should be made payable to *The University of Leicester*.

Registration form

Midlands Viking Symposium 2007

I/We would like to attend the Midlands Viking Symposium :

Name(s).....

Address:.....

Email:.....

I/We enclose a payment/cheque for:

I/We need a special diet (give numbers as appropriate):

Vegan [] Vegetarian []

Other (please specify):
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Please tick below if you would like to hear more about medieval studies (courses, day schools, lectures, publications etc.) at the Universities of Birmingham, Leicester and Nottingham []

The Venue

The Midlands Viking Symposium 2007 will take place in New Hall, Manor road, Leicester LE2 2LH. New Hall, as its name suggests, is the University's newest (2006) hall of residence, with state-of-the-art conference facilities. It is situated in leafy Oadby, south of the city centre.

Please see

www.le.ac.uk/conference/page_location.html
(Oadby sites) for maps.

Reaching us:

By train:

Leicester station is served by Midland Mainline and Central Trains.

Black cabs are available outside the station, alternatively there is a taxi office adjacent to the train station they are called ABC Taxis 0116 255 5111. Please ensure that you ask to be taken to the 'halls of residence' and NOT the 'University of Leicester'.

The Arriva Bus service runs to Oadby; there are bus stops outside the station (take 31/31A destined for Oadby Grange). When on the bus, stand up when you reach the large roundabout at the racecourse. When leaving the bus turn left to the end of the road and then turn right, you are now on Stoughton Drive South. Manor Road is on the left off Stoughton Drive South.

Directions to the Residences

Please note that the Residences and City are at separate locations. Please ascertain from your conference organiser where your conference is taking place.

From M1/M69

- Exit off Junction 21 M1/M69 roundabout on to A5460
- Filter left on to A563 Leicester South and East (Lubbesthorpe Way)
- Continue straight on A563 Outer Ring Road (Soar Valley Way)
- After 3.5 miles take 2nd exit off Roundabout on to A6 South (Leicester Road)
- Follow signs for University Halls and filter left on to Stoughton Drive South
- For Manor Road continue on Stoughton Drive South and take the 3rd right

From A6 South

- Follow A6 (Leicester Road) towards Leicester
- At Leicester Racecourse roundabout take the 3rd exit towards A6 Market Harborough
- Follow signs for University Halls and filter left on to Stoughton Drive South
- For Manor Road continue on Stoughton Drive South and take the 3rd right

From A6 North

- Continue on A6 (Loughborough Road) towards Leicester
- Follow Central Ring Road A594 towards Market Harborough/Leicester Train Station
- Pick up A6 towards Market Harborough
- After 2.5 miles take 2nd exit off roundabout
- Follow signs for University Halls and filter left on to Stoughton Drive South
- For Manor Road continue on Stoughton Drive South and take the 3rd right

From A47 North

- Follow A47 (Uppingham Road) towards Leicester
- Turn left on to Spencerfield Lane (becoming Evington Lane)
- At traffic lights turn left towards A6030 Leicester South (Stoughton Drive)
- Take 1st exit at 1st roundabout
- Take 2nd exit at 2nd roundabout on to Stoughton Drive South and continue
- For Manor Road take 2nd left

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Saturday, 28th April, 10 a.m.



A Day School introducing the latest research in Viking Studies for anyone with an interest in the history and culture of the Vikings.