



SHA & BAA Historical Section



Joint Spring Conference 2015

Saturday 28 March

National Maritime Museum, Park Row, Greenwich, London SE10 9NF

Time	Speaker	Subject	Note
09.30 to 10.00		REGISTRATION	Refreshments will be provided
10.00	Mike Frost , Director, BAA Hist Sec. & Madeline Cox , Chairman, SHA.	Introduction and welcome to NMM	
10.05 to 10.45	Anthony Kinder , BA., MSc. BAA & SHA	<i>A survey of the historical membership of the BAA and of the SHA.</i>	Serving BAA and SHA Councils, Tony's research reveals much of interest on amateur astronomy across c.130 years.
10.45 to 11.25	Roger Jones SHA	<i>A unique record of British and Irish astronomy across the centuries: the SHA on-line survey by county</i>	One of SHA's longest serving Councillors, Roger was SHA Survey officer and co-ordinator 2003-2014, a post he now shares.
11.25 to 11.50	Prof. Jay Pasachoff	<i>Galileo Galilei and Simon Marius: Their 1609 and 1610 Discoveries about our Moon and Jupiter's Moons</i>	Jay is a renowned historian of astronomy and practicing astrophysicist.
11.50 to 13.20		LUNCH BREAK	Delegates to make their own arrangements.
13.20 to 13.25	Madeline Cox , Chairman SHA	Welcome back	
13.25 to 14.20	Bob Marriott Director of the BAA Instrument & Imaging Section	<i>William Dawes and William Rutter Dawes</i>	This talk features astronomy, voyages, exploration, cartography and ethnography.
14.20 to 15.20	Dr Stuart Clark	<i>Richard Carrington</i>	Astronomy and cosmology journalist Stuart is the acclaimed biographer of this controversial astronomer.
15.20 to 15.50		AFTERNOON REFRESHMENTS	Refreshments will be provided
15.50 to 16.50	Dr William 'Bill' Sheehan	The SHA's Alan Cox and David Dewhirst Memorial Lecture. <i>Mars: from the canals to Curiosity.</i>	An observer and historian of the Solar System, especially Mars, current projects include a new book on Mars (with Jim Bell) and on Pluto (with Dale Cruikshank).
16.50	Chairmen SHA & BAA	CONCLUSIONS & DISPERSAL	We are asked to be out by 5pm.

This strong programme should appeal to all. Pre-registration in advance is essential to our arrangement with NMM, and to arrange refreshments, then you can pay on arrival. Fee is £5 per person (£10 per guest) for SHA and for BAA members. SHA members should book or pre-register with Roger Hutchins roger.hutchins@btinternet.com. BAA Members should book or pre-register with the BAA office office@britastro.org Light interval refreshments will be provided but delegates are asked to make their own provision for lunch. There is an excellent café and a restaurant nearby in the Museum, and pubs within easy walking distance. There is very limited disabled parking available for blue badge holders only strictly by prior arrangement. Otherwise the now excellent tube/DLR links are the way to go.

Mike Frost (BAA) & Roger Hutchins (SHA)