




Society for the History of Astronomy



SHA Annual General Meeting & Autumn Conference
Saturday 21st October 2023. Doors open 09:30
Large Lyttelton Lecture Theatre, Birmingham & Midland Institute
Margaret Street, Birmingham B3 3BS

Time	Speaker	Subject	Note
09.30 to 10.00		REGISTRATION & Second hand Book sales open. Freebee desk available. SHA Library open for Members	Tea & coffee and biscuits will be provided In lecture room.
10.00	Mr Gerard Gilligan Chairperson, SHA SHA Council members. SHA Annual Awards	Welcome to the BMI & SHA Conference 2022 - 2023 Annual General Meeting	Review of the Year and Council officer reports
10.30 to 11.15	Mr Jesse Garrison FRAS University College London.	<i>“The British Expedition to Northern Europe for the Total Solar Eclipse of 1851”</i>	Jesse is currently a PhD student at UCL.
11.15 to 12.15	Mr Graham McLoughlin FRAS Preston & District AS & SHA Member.	<i>“Life & Work of Dr Arthur Beer (1900 – 1980) Vistas in Astronomy”</i>	Beer was founding editor of “Vistas in Astronomy” from 1955.
12.15 to 13.30		LUNCH BREAK https://bmi.org.uk/wp- content/uploads/2018/03/catering-menu.pdf	The BMI has an excellent café which has been opened for to-day's meeting.
13.30	Chairperson, SHA	Welcome back	
13.30 to c14.30	Mr Kevin L. Johnson FRAS SHA Survey Coordinator	<i>“The SHA’s Survey of Astronomy in the UK” – Plus demonstrations how to access information.</i>	Kevin welcomes new material from SHA members.
c14.30 to 15.30	Mike Frost FRAS, FIET SHA Member; Director of BAA Historical Section.	<i>“Eclipse and Revelation”</i>	Mike is a well known historian & support of SHA.
15.30 to 16.00		AFTERNOON REFRESHMENTS	Available in lecture room. Tea/Coffee and cakes.
16.00 to 17.00	Dr Wolfgang Steinicke FRAS	<i>William Herschel’s ‘star gages’ and the Structure of the Milky Way.</i>	Director of History of Astronomy Section – Association of Star Friends.
17.00 Approx	Chairperson, SHA	CONCLUSIONS & DISPERSAL	Safe Journey home

For this meeting we will be using current Covid-19 safety advice from both venue & using current government guidelines Hand cleaning spots, face coverings and safe distance protocols will be in place, and optional for you to use if you wish.

All times and speakers are subject to Change.

The above programme offers an interesting mixed bag that should appeal to all.
Please Book in advance, at £15 per person for members, £20 per person for non-members,
to subsidise room hire and catering, helps enormously to facilitate arrangements .

to pre-register use booking form attached or contact meetings@shastro.org.uk

If you would like to give a talk at the next conference, Spring 2024 do please contact the
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