

Politics Before Democracy: Britain and its World, c.1830-1914

School of History, University of East Anglia, 3-5 April 2014

Thursday 3 April

12.00-13.15 Lunch and Registration

13.15-13.30 Welcome

13.30-15.00 **Panel 1: The Nineteenth-Century World** (Chair: Geoff Hicks)

Angus Hawkins (Oxford): ‘“Habits of Heart and Mind”: Victorian Political Culture’

Sarah Richardson (Warwick): ‘“Mapping and meting out the wide space of debatable ground”: Defining women’s role in public affairs before the suffrage” ’

Anthony Howe (UEA): ‘Politics and Letters in mid-Victorian England’

15.00-15:30 Coffee, tea and biscuits

15.30-17:00 **Panel 2: The Early Nineteenth Century** (Chair: David Brown)

Tom Goldsmith (UEA): ‘Policy in a Straitjacket: British foreign policy during the Duke of Wellington's Government, 1828-30’

David Craig (Durham): ‘Identifying ‘Liberalism’ in Britain, c. 1820-c. 1860’

Jennifer Davey (UEA): ‘A Theatre for Powerless Actors? Almack’s, the female patronesses and political culture in the early nineteenth century’

19.30 Dinner

Friday 4 April

09.00-09.30 Coffee and tea

09.30-11.00 **Panel 3: Politics before the Great War** (Chair: Tony Howe)

Michael Humphries (KCL): ‘John Stuart Mill and the genesis of ‘Liberal Militarism’ in Edwardian Britain’

Simon Kerry (UEA): ‘Lord Lansdowne at the War Office, 1895-1900: Civil-Military relations’

Thomas Otte (UEA): ‘Sir Edward Grey and Liberalism’

11.00-11.30 Coffee, tea and biscuits

11.30-12.30 **Panel 4: Britain beyond Europe** (Chair: Thomas Otte)

Richard Huzzey (Liverpool): ‘Manifest Dominion: Britain and the Crises of the Americas in the 1860s’

Robert Saunders (QML): ‘“Dante’s Lamp”: British Politics and American Democracy in the Age of Reconstruction’

12.30-13.30 Lunch

13.30-14.50 **Panel 5: Parliament and Representation** (Chair: Sarah Richardson)
Philip Salmon and Kathryn Rix (History of Parliament): 'Representing Victorian Britain: the 'House of Commons, 1832-1868' project'
Martin Spychal (IHR/History of Parliament): '“The county-mongering clause”: *The Times*, the division of counties and the 1832 Reform Act'
Rebekah Moore (IHR/History of Parliament): 'Temporary Houses of Parliament and the problems of space, 1844-52'

14.50-15.20 Coffee, tea and biscuits

15.20-16.40 **Panel 6: Overseas Perspectives** (Chair: Andrew Lambert)
Alex Middleton (Oxford): 'The politics of comparative colonialism, 1830-1870'
Nazim Can Cicektakan (Essex): 'Discourse and Foreign Policy: The Case of Anglo-Ottoman Relations, 1860-1878'
Geoff Hicks (UEA): 'Patriotism and paranoia? Europe in mid-Victorian politics'

16.40-17.00 Coffee, tea and biscuits

17.00-18.30 **Panel 7: Politics from below** (Chair: Emma Griffin)
Matthew Roberts (Sheffield Hallam): 'How British were the Chartists?'
James Owen (History of Parliament): 'The culture of labour politics in England, 1868-1888'
Alun Howkins (Hon Professor, UEA): 'Socialism in the provinces: the Kings Lynn Socialist Movement 1897-1916'

19.30 Dinner

Saturday 5 April

09.15-09.45 Coffee, tea and biscuits

09.45-11.15 **Panel 8: British Power** (Chair: Jennifer Davey)
Matthew Brand (UEA): 'Lord Palmerston, Sir Henry Bulwer and the Carlist Pretender, 1846-1849'
Matthew Stubbings (Waterloo, Canada): 'British Conservatism and the Indian Revolt, 1856-1858'
Andrew Lambert (KCL): '“I will not have war with France.” The 14th Earl of Derby, Sea Power and Deterrence 1858-1859'

11.15-11.35 Coffee, tea and biscuits

11.35-13.00 **Panel 9: The Many Faces of Politics** (Chair: Angus Hawkins)
Simon Morgan (Leeds Metropolitan): 'Popular Politicians and Celebrity Culture, 1815-1867'
Henry Miller (Manchester): 'The public face of politics: popular portraiture and politicians, 1830-1880'
David Brown (Southampton): '“Speaking the truth”?: the newspaper press and nineteenth-century British politics'