

**Society for Name Studies in Britain and Ireland
31st Spring Conference, 11-13 April 2025
Stirling Court Hotel, University of Stirling
Programme**

Friday 11 April

DINNER 1800-1915

Evening Lecture: 1930-2100

Prof. Richard Oram, University of Stirling:

'From Mountain to Moss and Forest: People, land and Environment in Stirling and the Forth Valley'

Saturday 12 April

Saturday Morning Session 1: (930-1100)

Abigail Lloyd:

'A mound by any other name? Accounting for difference in place-names within the Mercian borders'

Conchubhar Ó Crualaoich:

'Some placename evidence for settlers from Wales among the Anglo-Norman colonisers in Ireland'.

Jake King:

'The names of the islands in Loch Lomond'

COFFEE/TEA 1100-1130

Saturday Morning Session 2: 1130-1300

Peter Kitson:

'On *n*-stem adjectives, south-western river-names, and the Ravenna Cosmography

John Baker:

'Assembly place-names: some Spelthorny issues'

Roibeard Ó Maolalaigh:

'The etymology of the place-name *Stirling* revisited'

LUNCH 1300-1400

Saturday Afternoon Session 1: 1400-1530

Sofia Evemalm-Graham:

'Death and place-names on Iona'

Aengus Ó Fionnagáin:

'The Schools Folklore Collection and minor placenames in Ireland'

Phil Baarda:

'The Drama of Place: a creative response to place-names and identity'

COFFEE/TEA 1530-15.50

Saturday Afternoon Session 2: 1550-1720

Peder Gammeltoft:

‘Bridging Past and Present: AI-Driven named entity recognition on Medieval onomastics’

Keith Briggs:

‘Some lexical evidence from Suffolk place-names’

Pat McKay:

Report: ‘The Ulster Place-Name Society: the Future’

Paul Tempan:

Report: ‘Belfast Street-name project’

BOOK LAUNCH and Wine Reception 17.30-18.15

The Survey of Scottish Place-Names IX:

Simon Taylor and Eila Williamson with Carole Hough,

The Place-Names of Berwickshire vol. 1: The Tweedside Parishes

DINNER: Hotel at 1830-1930

Sunday, 13 April

Sunday Morning Session 1: 900-1030

Chris Lewis:

From Lorn to Lewes: the transferred name *Cuilfail*’

Justin Ó Gliasáin:

‘Scottish Influence on Placenames in Inishowen and Raphoe, County Donegal’

Thomas Owen Clancy:

‘Dark Waters and Bright: Place-Names of the Coalfield Communities

COFFEE/TEA 1030-1100

Sunday Morning Session 2: 1100-1200

Bill Patterson:

‘Edlbotle and other place-names in Dirleton parish, East Lothian’

Peter McNiven:

‘Place-names of the Stirling area and Menteith’

LUNCH: 1200-1300

EXCURSION to Dunblane and Doune 1315-1730

DINNER: 1930-2030