The Natural History Museum

53rd SYMPOSIUM OF VERTEBRATE PALAEONTOLOGY AND COMPARATIVE ANATOMY
&
14th SYMPOSIUM OF PALAEONTOLOGICAL PREPARATION AND CONSEVATION

SPPC Tuesday 6th September,
SVPCA Wednesday 7th – Friday 9th September 2005

Second Circular and Conference Booking Forms

Thank you for your response to the 1st Circular about these meetings. Enclosed are booking forms for registration and accommodation together with further details of arrangements.

Accommodation

Bed and breakfast is available at Beit Hall and Week's Hall situated on Imperial College campus, five to seven minutes walk from the Museum. Both halls are self-catering and do not offer evening meals. A full breakfast service will be available in the Senior Common Room to all residents. See the link below for details of the extensive guest services.

Accommodation must be booked directly with Imperial College using this link http://www.imperial.ac.uk/conferences/conference.asp?conf_id=PALEO_2005 to the special conference accommodation web page. You are advised to book early. The final booking date is 8th August 2005. Please do not send your bookings to the organising committee.

An extensive guide to the many pubs, cafes and restaurants in South Kensington for lunch and dinner, to suit all tastes and pockets, will be included in the Registration Pack.

Conference Registration and Dinner

Please return the Conference Registration Form, which includes booking for the Symposium Dinner, with a cheque payable to 'A.C. Milner (re SVPCA)' by post **not later than 1 August 2005.** Keep a copy for your records. Overseas visitors may reply electronically and pay on arrival in GB pounds sterling. Please also confirm your interest in attending one of the two field trips. Cost of field trips will be payable at the meeting.

Programme

Thank you to everyone who offered papers and posters. You have already been informed whether your presentation was accepted as a paper or poster. A complete set of abstracts will be available at the meeting. A draft contributors list for SVPCA is available on the SVPCA web site. The SPPC programme will include papers by Leslie Noe and Michaela Forthuber and members of the Palaeontology Conservation Unit together with tours and demonstrations in the Unit.

SVPCA Auction

The annual auction in aid of the Jones-Fenleigh Memorial Fund will be held on the Wednesday early evening the Museum's Courtyard Rooms. Please bring books, reprints, casts, memorabilia and more – and plenty of cash or your chequebook!

Timetable

Monday 5th September	Accommodation open at IC available	
Tuesday 6th September	SPPC Registration	
	SPPC Presentations	Demonstration Room, Department of Palaeontology
	SVPCA Registration	IC bars open in evening
Wednesday 7th September	SVPCA Registration	
	SVPCA Papers	Early evening reception and Auction
Thursday 8th September	SVPCA Papers	Early evening wine and poster reception
Friday 9th September	SVPCA Papers	Conference Dinner around *Diplodocus* in Main Hall
Saturday 10th September	Field trip to the London Clay, Isle of Sheppey led by Jerry Hooker or Field trip to Crystal Palace, and Down House (Charles Darwin's home) led by Paul Barrett and Sandra Chapman.	

3rd Circular

We expect to send out the third circular early in August, which will include details of the programme and field trips, directions and maps. As noted on the first circular, there are no car parking facilities either at the Museum or at Imperial College.

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