

THEORETICAL APPROACHES IN ARCHAEOLOGY

University of Sheffield

December 17-19 1979

MONDAY, DECEMBER 17

2.00 onward Registration in the foyer of Biology Lecture Theatre 2.

Session I: Explaining Away Hunter-Gatherer Variability.

Chairman: Clive Gamble.

3.00 Clive Gamble: Introduction.

3.15 Robin Torrence: "Ecosystem structure and hunter-gatherer behavior."

3.30 Rob Foley: "Explaining the origins of man."

3.45 Sarah Colley: "Succession and social development among hunter-gatherers."

4.00 TEA

4.30 Marek Zvelebil: "Food crisis in prehistory: the boreal alternative."

4.45 Geoff Bailey: "Resource exploitation in post-glacial communities."

5.00 Mike Pitts: "Accounting for variability in post-glacial lithic assemblages."

5.15 Discussant: Paul Mellars.

5.30 General Discussion.

6.30 Reception at Sorby Hall.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18

Session II: Land Use and Land Boundaries.

Chairman: Andrew Fleming.

9.30 Robin Dennell: "Middle-ground theory rules: OK?"

9.45 Vicki Crosby: "Land, labour and population."

10.00 Nic Ralph: "Ethno-agroarchaeology."

10.15 Francis Pryor: "The archaeology of the agrarian surface."

10.30 COFFEE

11.00 Andrew Fleming: "Why fields?"

11.15 Richard Bradley: "Celtic fields and Celtic society."

11.30 Discussant: Andrew Sherratt.

11.45 General Discussion.

12.30 LUNCH

Session III: Structuralist Archaeology.

Chairman: Ian Hodder.

2.00 Ian Hodder: Introduction.

2.15 Danny Miller: "Formal and structural analysis."

2.30 Henrietta Moore: "Alternative approaches to settlement and refuse."

2.45 Linda Donley: "Conceptions of space and society on the E. African coast."

3.00 Ian Hodder: "Refuse, dirt and burial: a case study."

- 3.15 TEA
- 3.45 Chris Tilley: "Structural analysis in archaeology: an example from S. Scandinavia."
- 4.00 Mary Braithwaite: "The interpretation of pottery design: an ethnographic example."
- 4.15 Jim Doran: "Modelling the Maya collapse with goal driven processes on a computer."
- 4.30 Discussant: Judith Okely.
- 4.45 General Discussion.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19

Session IV: Long-Run Processes of Socio-Economic Change.

Chairman: John Gledhill.

- 9.30 John Gledhill: Introduction.
- 9.45 Barbara Bender: "Intensification in hunter-gatherer societies."
- 10.00 Paul Richards: "Spatial mobility and social change."
- 10.15 Peter Garlake: "Later Iron Age society in Africa."
- 10.30 Lois Day: "Ritual remains and social hierarchisation in the British Neolithic."

10.45 COFFEE

- 11.15 Roger Cribb: "Tribes, states and evolutionary typologies."
- 11.30 Clive Mira-Smith: "Sicily and the Roman world-empire."
- 11.45 Mike Rowlands: "Steward's 'cyclical conquests' revisited."
- 12.00 Discussant: David Harris.
- 12.30 General Discussion.
- 1.00 LUNCH

Session V: Trade and Complex Societies.

Chairman: Richard Hodges.

- 2.00 Richard Hodges: Introduction.
- 2.15 John Collis: "Primitive currency patterns."
- 2.30 Charles Redman: "Trade and intra-urban spatial patterns."
- 2.45 Klavs Randsborg: "Trade or raid."
- 3.00 S.J. van der Leeuw: "Aspects of information processes."
- 3.15 Discussant: Colin Renfrew.
- 3.30 General Discussion.
- 4.00 Conference Closes.
- 4.00 - 4.30 TEA