



History and Art of South Georgia

10 – 11 July 2026, British Antarctic Survey, Madingley Road, Cambridge CB3 0ET

PROGRAMME

Friday July 10 – A History of King Edward Cove: whales, ships and soldiers		
Venue – BAS Aurora Collaboration Space		
Time	Topic	Speaker
09 :15 – 40 min	Registration	
09 :55 – 5 min	Welcome	Philippa Foster Back
10 :00 – 30 min	South Georgia Place Names – an island history in shorthand	Adrian Fox
10 :30 – 40 min	Grytviken Whaling Station & C. A. Larsen	Linda Widmark
11 :10 - 30 min	COFFEE	
11 :40 – 40 mins	Operation Paraquat & Military Occupation (1982 – 2001)	Mark Brandon
12 :20 – 40 mins	HMS Endurance A171 (ex-Anita Dan) 1956 - 1991	Adrian Hughes
13 :00 - 50 mins	LUNCH	
13 :50 – 40 mins	HMS Endurance II A171 & HMS Protector A173	Nick Lambert
14 :30 – 15 mins	South Georgia Heritage Trust Report	Alison Neil or Luke Smith
14 :45 – 15 mins	Government of South Georgia & the South Sandwich Islands Report	Laura Sinclair Willis
15 :00 – 30 mins	TEA	
15 :30 – 60 mins	Annual Members Meeting & Morag Husband Campbell Medal Award	Philippa Foster Back
16 :30 – 5 mins	Wrap Up	Philippa Foster Back
16:35	Close	
Venue – Homerton College		
18 :30 – 60 mins	Drinks Reception (Combination Room)	
19 :30 – 3 hrs	Event Dinner (Fellows Dining Room)	

Saturday July 11 – Art of South Georgia: past and present**Venue – BAS Aurora Collaboration Space**

Time	Topic	Speaker
09:30 – 30 min	Registration	
10:00 – 40 min	Of Whales, Women and Scrimshaw	Hanne Garmel
10:40 – 40 min	Nils Erling Olsen: South Georgia whaler, engineer and artist	Bjørn Basberg
11:20 – 30 min	COFFEE	
11:50 – 40 min	Wildlife Painting in the Field	Bruce Pearson
12:30 – 30 min	Sculpture at South Georgia - Commensalis	Michael Visocchi
13:00 – 50 min	LUNCH	
13:50 – 50 min	Landscapes of South Georgia – the big picture	Barbara Rae
14:40 – 30 min	Antarctic Science and Artist - Dick Laws	Ieuan Hopkins
15:10 – 30 min	TEA	
15:40 – 30 mins	RRS John Biscoe (1956 – 2000)	Chris Elliott
16:10 – 20 mins	Concluding Remarks & Future Events	Philippa Foster Back
16:30	Close	