

Primate Society of Great Britain Spring Meeting 2012

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17th and 18th of April 2012



Howletts and Port Lympne Wild Animal Parks, Kent

Held in conjunction with the University of Kent, School of Anthropology and Conservation.

Organisers:

Mark Kingston Jones, Howletts and Port Lympne Wild Animal Parks

Dr. Tatyana Humle, School of Anthropology and Conservation, University of Kent

Guest Speakers on Primate Rehabilitation and Reintroduction:

Dr Benjamin Beck: Director of Conservation - Great Apes Trust Iowa.

Steve Unwin: Veterinary Director – PASA, Veterinary Officer – Chester Zoo, member of the Orangutan Veterinary Advisory Group.

Made Wedana: Country Director - The Aspinall Foundation, Indonesia.

Our parks currently hold one of the biggest primate collections in the UK, with 31 different species, including the largest captive population of Western lowland gorillas in the world, currently numbering over 70 individuals. The Aspinall Foundation also runs two gorilla reintroduction programs in Central Africa (Congo and Gabon) and primate conservation and rehabilitation projects in Java and Madagascar.

This meeting will take place over two half day sessions on the afternoon of the 17th and morning of the 18th of April. This will allow for optional tours of both parks on the morning of the 17th at Port Lympne and the afternoon of the 18th at Howletts.

Evening Safari and Dinner

All delegates are invited to a private evening safari, followed by the conference dinner in the Port Lympne Mansion on the evening of the 17th. Tickets are £10 per person and include the safari and a 2-course meal (cash bar available at 20% discount).

Pre-conference workshop:

On Monday the 16th of April, we will be hosting an afternoon dedicated to primate rehabilitation and reintroduction. A series of short talks from a panel of experts in their fields will be followed by an open discussion to generate debate and identify areas of future research.

Call for Abstracts:

We welcome proffered papers on any area of interest to members of the PSGB. Please contact ccw@aspinallfoundation.org for an abstract submission form for poster and oral presentations or download the form from the website.

Registration fees (TBC):

Student Member: £25

Student non-member: £40

Full /Associate Member: £35

Non-member: £50

Registration costs include attendance at the conference sessions and tours of both facilities, plus tea and coffee breaks and lunches on both days. Special hotel rates have been arranged for two night stays.

We are able to accept payment either online by credit or debit card, or by post with a personal cheque. Online payment: You will soon be able to register and pay securely online with a credit or debit card. You will not be charged any fee for using this secure, online payment service.

For further information please visit www.psgb.org/Meetings/Spring2012 or contact Christine on ccw@aspinallfoundation.org.