

**Meeting Venue:** Oasis Academy Lord's Hill, Romsey Road,  
SOUTHAMPTON SO16 8FA  
Vehicle entrance on Redbridge Lane (SatNav: SO16 0NX)

Website: [www.oasisacademylordshill.org](http://www.oasisacademylordshill.org)

Doors open at 1.30 pm. The lectures will be split into two sessions with  
FREE refreshments served in the break.

Lectures commence promptly at 2pm and meetings conclude around 4.30pm.

**How to find us by car:**

1. Leave the M27 at Junction 3.
2. Take M271 southbound to Southampton.
3. At Junction 1 exit towards A3057/Lordshill/Nursling.
4. At the roundabout take the third exit on to Brownhill Way.
5. Continue straight ahead at the traffic lights.
6. At the roundabout take the first exit on to Romsey Road.
7. Take the first turning on your left into Redbridge Lane.
8. Take the second turning on your left into the Oasis Academy car park.

**By Bus:** Solent Blue Line - Bluestar 4 – 1 bus every 30 mins.

Southampton-Shirley-Lordshill-North Baddesley-Romsey

Bus stops directly outside Oasis Academy on Romsey Road.

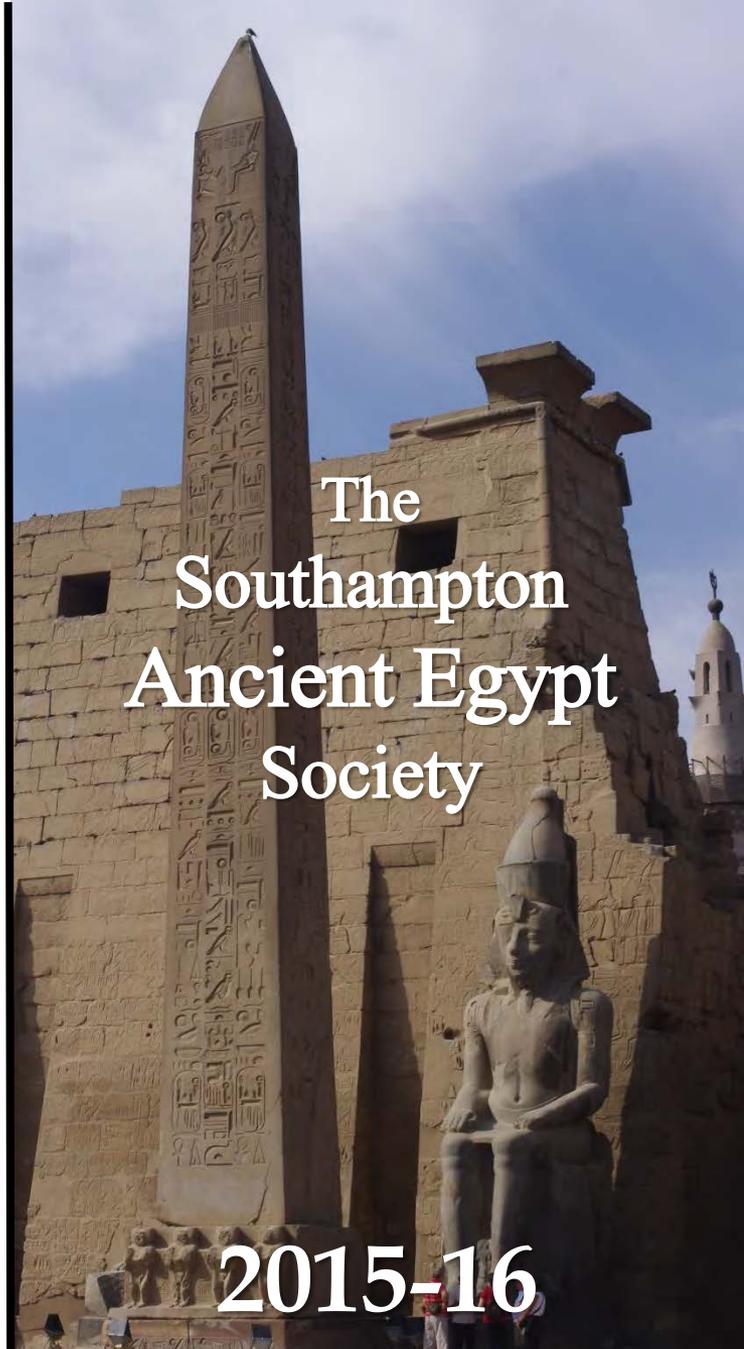
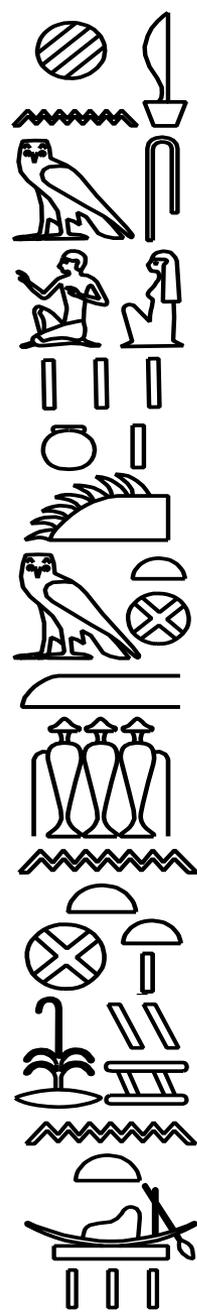
See website: <http://www.bluestarbus.co.uk>

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**Meeting fees:**

Adult Members.....	£3.00
Under 18s members.....	£1.00
Adult non-members.....	£6.00
Student non-members (valid SU card).....	£5.50
Under 18s non-members.....	£2.00
Oasis Academy Students.....	£1.00

While the SAES makes every effort to ensure these events take place as advertised occasional changes to our programme do occur due to unforeseen circumstances. In the event of this happening the SAES endeavours to inform members, guests and visitors in advance of the affected meeting. Before travelling, please check the website for possible programme changes or contact the Secretary on 07729 627901



**The Southampton Ancient Egypt Society (SAES)** was founded in 1998 to provide an opportunity for local enthusiasts to share their Egyptological interests in a friendly and informal social setting. Our discerning membership and a growing reputation amongst other UK societies have ensured that we continue to secure lectures from top class speakers.

Our meetings usually take place on the third Saturday of the month (excluding August) at the **Oasis Academy, Lordshill**, in a comfortable, modern and welcoming environment, with disabled access and ample on-site parking. (For directions see the back of this leaflet) We also arrange trips to museums, special exhibitions and other places of Egyptological interest, and occasional informal short evening classes. Whatever your age or level of interest, why not come along and see what **SAES** has to offer? If you have any questions regarding our annual programme of meetings, membership or any other aspect of the **SAES** please contact the **Secretary**:

Tel: 07729 627901 or email: [info@southamptonancientegyptsociety.co.uk](mailto:info@southamptonancientegyptsociety.co.uk)

## Lecture Programme 2015-16

**19 September 2015: AGM followed by :**

**Joanna Kyffin: 'Reading Ancient Egyptian Magical Spells as Poetry'.**

Egyptian magical spells are often overlooked by scholars as arcane, even nonsensical. Reading them as poetic compositions, and analysing the language and rhetoric used in spells, shows that they comprise some of the most interesting texts of Ancient Egypt. This talk introduces some of the approaches to the study of magical spells, unpicking their cultural and religious references.

**17 October 2015: Reg Clark: 'Tomb Security from the Predynastic to the Pyramid Age'**

Tomb security in ancient Egypt is the subject of some lurid speculation and fantasy in the popular media. This talk traces developments in tomb security in royal and private tombs up until the end of Seneferu's reign, comparing the need for protection with the consequences of architectural and religious considerations.

**21 November 2015: Marsia Bealby 'Game Theory & the Study of Ancient Egyptian Interconnections'**

What can Game Theory offer to the study of Ancient Egyptian interconnections? This talk will demonstrate how Game Theory can be applied to the examination of archaeological finds and written sources. Two case studies will be discussed in detail: the Egyptian - Aegean relations (1900-1400 BC) and the Amarna Letters.

**12 December 2015: David Goldsmith 'The Beauty of the Egyptian Harp: Forgotten Melodies'** Harps are largely unstudied in Ancient Egyptian history. The lecture will look at the history of the harp, the purposes for which it might have been used and will be illustrated with some examples of harps – a surprising number of which still exist in various forms today. **Followed by Christmas Social with board game competition.**

**16 January 2016: Sonia Zakrzewski: 'Identity, Disability & Personhood in Egyptian Bioarchaeology'**

Bodies are more than just skeletons or mummies. Bodies are or *were* people. This talk debates the role of bioarchaeology in exploring interrelationships between peoples and places. By examining biological expressions of identity and personhood in terms of ethnicity and disability, it attempts to demonstrate the interplay of multiple strands of identity within ancient Egyptian society.

**20 February 2016: Hilary Wilson 'Who was Who in Tutankhamun's Court?'**

After the chaos of the Amarna Period, Tutankhamun heralded the restoration of order and stability. But who was responsible for the policies enacted in the name of the boy-king? This talk introduces the principal officials and advisers in Tutankhamun's court, examining their origins and their contributions to the success of the Egyptian state.

**19 March 2016: Carl Graves 'Nubia: What Lies Beneath'**

Since 1964 Lower Nubia has lain submerged beneath the waters of Lake Nasser leaving much undiscovered and many questions unanswered. Who were the Nubians and how did they interact with the Egyptians? What was the nature of Egyptian imperialism in the south? This talk will provide some possible answers using material from The Egypt Exploration Society archive to better understand Egypt's role in Nubia...and vice versa!

**16 April 2016: Andrew Shortland 'Radiocarbon and the Chronologies of Ancient Egypt'**

The lecture considers how the Egyptian chronology has been traditionally constructed and what type of errors might have resulted from this. It then goes on to discuss the use of new scientific and statistical dating techniques that have for the first time given independent scientific verification for the chronologies.

**21 May 2016: Kris Strutt : 'Reflections on the Nile: some results from the Theban Harbours & Waterscapes Survey'**

Textual and archaeological resources show that the Nile has migrated across the floodplain over the last 4000 years, steadily changing its relationship with temple and harbour sites on both banks. Using geophysical and topographic survey methods and borehole surveys our project investigates the changing pattern of waterways and related building complexes, assessing how the landscape functioned through time.

**18 June 2016: Glenn Worthington 'Piercing the Sky: the obelisks of Egypt'**

The obelisk is an icon of Ancient Egypt. The first part of this talk examines the role of obelisks in Egyptian culture, their purpose and meaning and how they were erected. Then we will look at what happened after the Pharaonic period when the stories of the relocation of some obelisks are more extraordinary than those of their origins in Egypt.

**16 July 2016: Study Day with Aidan Dodson: 'The Temples of Thebes'**

The ancient site of Thebes – modern Luxor – has been called the largest open-air museum in the world. Its dozens of temples include perhaps the largest religious structure in the world, the temple of Karnak. This study day offers a tour around the wonderful art and architecture of these astounding sanctuaries which preserve vital evidence about the history of ancient Egypt.

# The Southampton Ancient Egypt Society

## Membership Application

Please use **BLOCK CAPITALS** when completing this application and tick one option in each section as applicable.

For the year ...../.....

I wish to join the SAES

I wish to renew my membership of the SAES

### Annual Subscriptions

Adult Membership £18.00

Under 18s Membership (Age.....) £ 9.00

### Optional Donation

I would like to make a voluntary donation to the SAES of: £.....

Title: MR, MRS, MS, Other.....

Forename:.....

Surname:.....

Address:.....

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Please send this application with the appropriate subscription payment to:

**The Secretary SAES, 10 Cobbett Way, Botley, SOUTHAMPTON, SO30 2ET**

Please make cheques payable to: The Southampton Ancient Egypt Society

The information supplied in this application will be stored by the SAES Secretary in a Members Database. The data will be used only in relation to activities & events organised by the SAES & in accordance with the Data Protection Act the Committee of the SAES undertake not to disclose such membership details to any third party. Any SAES member has the right to inspect their details as recorded in the SAES Members Database on application to the SAES Secretary.