STAFF AND STUDENTS

Rob Imrie has been re-appointed Visiting Professor in the Department of Geography, University of Strathclyde for the period October 2003 to September 2005.


Peter French acted as external examiner at Brunel University for an MPhil thesis entitled "Coastal Management in South East England".

OUTSIDE ENGAGEMENTS

David Simon attended the Editorial Working Group meeting of the Review of African Political Economy, held in Sheffield on Friday 4 April.

Judith Hill presented a paper 'Henry Wellcome and anthropological collecting' on 31 March. It was part of a research seminar organised by the Centre for Heritage Research, University of Leeds in conjunction with the exhibition 'Africa and beyond: highlights from the University of Leeds' anthropology collection' at the University Gallery, Leeds.

Danielle Schreve attended the launch of the new Institute of Archaeology and Antiquity at the University of Birmingham on 12th March.

Danielle Schreve was elected Awards Officer for the Quaternary Research Association for a further three years from April 2003 at the Annual General Meeting in Glasgow on 28th March.

Danielle Schreve was interviewed by Edwina Currie about extinctions and conservation issues on 'Late Night Currie' on BBC Radio 5 Live on 12th April.

Danielle Schreve gave a presentation on her research to staff of the Royal Society on 14th April.

Danielle Schreve has been invited to join the Editorial Board of the French journal *Quaternaire* from April 2003.

PUBLICATIONS

Imrie, R., 2003, Housing quality and the provision of accessible homes, Housing Studies, 18, 3, 395-416.


Schreve, D.C. 2003. Unlocking the Ice Age: mammals as indicators of complex climatic change. DEKLIM-EEM project abstracts volume, Heidelberg.


Tim Unwin's book El vino y el viña. Geografia histÑrica de la viticultura y el comercio del vino published in 2001 by Tusquets Editores, has been awarded the research prize of the AsociacicNn Internacional de Historia y CivilizaciNn de la Vid y el Vino for 2002.

Reviews


CONFERENCES-FIELDWORK-OVERSEAS
**Philip Crang** attended the Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers in New Orleans, co-chairing the North American Editorial Board meeting of the journal *Cultural Geographies*.

**Ed Derbyshire** spent the period 28 March to 22 April as a Senior Visiting Scientist at the Institute of Geology and Geophysics of the Chinese Academy of Sciences in Beijing, constituting the first month of a three-month invited programme of scientific collaboration and writing. He attended the International Symposium on "Climate Change at the National Satellite Meteorological Centre in Beijing 31 March - 3 April, contributing a poster presentation (in collaboration with Lewis A. Owen, Robert C. Finkel, Ma Haizhou, Joel Q. Spencer, Patrick L. Barnard, and Marc W. Caffee) on "The glacial advance and retreat cycle in the northeast Tibetan Plateau over the past ~50,000 years, based on cosmogenic and OSL dating".

**Luciana Martins** presented the paper 'A Bay to be dreamed of: British visions of Rio de Janeiro' at the Society for Latin American Studies Annual Conference, University of Manchester, 12 April.

**Danielle Schreve** presented a poster entitled 'Unlocking the Ice Age: mammals as indicators of complex climatic change' at the Second Workshop of the DEKLIM-EEM Project at the Academy of Sciences, Heidelberg, Germany (24th-28th March). The workshop was followed by a field excursion to travertine localities in the Neckar valley and to a cave bear cave in the Swabian Alps.

**Danielle Schreve** attended the Palaeolithic and Mesolithic meeting at the British Museum on 10th-11th April.

**Danielle Schreve**, with Harry Langford (APU) and Steve Boreham (University of Cambridge) visited Bradley Fen, near Whittlesey, on 16th April to undertake sampling of Middle and Late Pleistocene sediments.

**Danielle Schreve** led excavations and trial trenching at the Hoxnian Interglacial site of Marks Tey, near Colchester on 22nd-25th April. The new investigations revealed, for the first time, a shallow lake margin extending almost 150m from the edge of the main basin. Fossiliferous sediments were collected and a small number of Palaeolithic artefacts were found in situ.


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**GRANTS**

The ESRC funded Commodity Culture and South Asian Transnationality project, led by **Philip Crang**, has received a grading of ‘outstanding’ from the ESRC’s Policy and Evaluation Division, subsequent to the submission of the end of award report.
Catherine Nash has been awarded a three year ESRC Research Fellowship (£146,980) for a research programme entitled 'Genealogy and genetics: cultural geographies of relatedness' due to begin in January 2004. She has also been awarded ESRC Seminar Series funding (£10,235) (with Dr Noel Castree, University of Manchester and Prof. Kay Anderson) for a seminar programme entitled 'Social Natures; Natural Relatives'.

OTHER NEWS

Congratulations to Peter French and Helen Oxendale who got married in the College Chapel on Saturday 12th April. Peter was supported by best man Klaus Dodds and the Wedding was followed by a reception in the Picture Gallery and an evening reception in the Crosslands Suite. The newly weds spent a couple of nights at the Savill Court Hotel followed by a honeymoon in Cornwall.

Congratulations to Harriot Beazley and Eric Lauret who had a baby girl Lilou Clara Henriette Lauret on Friday 25 April, weighing 3kg 700g (8lb 2oz).