



The British Cartographic Society
Map Curators' Group
Workshop 2009

From paper to screen:

Putting maps on the web

9-11 September 2009

National Library of Scotland Map Library
Causewayside Building, 33 Salisbury Place
Edinburgh EH9 1SL

Programme and booking information

The Map Curators' Group invites you to join us in Edinburgh, the home of great cartographers, for our 2009 Workshop programme about putting maps and index maps on the web, and other cartographic delights.

Wednesday 9 September 2009
National Library of Scotland Map Library

10 am – 4 pm Technical programme

Scheduled speakers:

Rod Adkins, OLDUKMaps.com

Practical online map delivery and functionality – the commercial perspective

John Davies, retired IT consultant and member of the Charles Close Society
Which map is this place on?

Bruce Gittings, Institute of Geography, University of Edinburgh
People, places and maps: reflections on online maps in a Scottish context

Peter Levi, Royal Tropical Institute (KIT), Information and Library Services,
Amsterdam, The Netherlands
The process of digitising 12,000 maps and making them accessible via the Internet

Petr Pridal, independent programmer and consultant, technical manager of
OldMapsOnline.org, Moravian Library, Brno, PhD candidate (Geodesy and
Cartography) at Czech Technical University, Prague
OldMapsOnline.org: software for old maps

Benjamin Pucknus, Map Curator, RCAHMS, The Aerial Reconnaissance Archives and
University of Würzburg, Germany
*Enhancing, georeferencing and mosaicing of historical military maps for internet
utilisation*

4pm – 6pm Annual Business Meeting of the Map Curators' Group

**6pm – 7.30pm Reception at NLS and viewing of a special exhibition of the
Bartholomew Archive now housed at the Library**

*Registration for the Wednesday programme includes morning coffee, a buffet lunch,
afternoon tea, and the reception.*

Thursday 10 September 2009

National Library of Scotland Map Library and other venues in Edinburgh

9.30am - 12.30pm Demonstration

Chris Fleet (National Library of Scotland) and Petr Pridal (Czech Technical University) will host a morning demonstration about putting maps on the web at the NLS Map Library. Morning coffee will be served. Lunch on your own.

2.00 – 3.30pm Technical visit

Delegates can choose one of our two planned visits:

The Aerial Reconnaissance Archive (TARA) at the Royal Commission for Ancient and Historical Monuments of Scotland (RCAHMS) or the *British Geological Survey's Edinburgh office*. Please indicate your preference on the booking form so we can manage numbers. Delegates will make their own way to the visit.

4.00-5.00pm Walking tour of Edinburgh's historic map and book printing sites

Helen Williams will guide the group from the NLS. Places are limited, so book early.

7.30 for 8pm Dinner

Meet your colleagues to chat and network over dinner at a French restaurant. Price includes food and gratuity.

Friday 11 September 2009 9.00am-4.00pm (depending on traffic)

A coach will pick up delegates in Edinburgh and carry us across the Firth of Forth to visit Perth, where the Royal Scottish Geographical Society will be our hosts. Chief Executive Mike Robinson will give a presentation, and we will have tours of their new headquarters and the Fair Maid's House, future home of the RSGS collection and exhibitions. There will be a lunch break and time for walkabout in town. Price for the trip includes travel only. Places are limited. Organisers reserve the right to withdraw the trip and refund fees if there is not sufficient take-up.

Saturday 12 September 2009 9.30am-4.00pm

The Charles Close Society for the Study of Ordnance Survey Maps plans a programme for Saturday. Please see <http://www.charlesclosesociety.org/forthcoming> for details and separate registration information.

All are welcome.

You do not have to be a member of the BCS or the MCG to attend!

Booking details:

Please complete the booking form and return it to BCS Administration at the address/fax/email given on the form. Note that bookings made after 31 July 2009 are more expensive, and no bookings will be accepted after 21 August. Please remember to indicate your preferences for the Thursday visit. Booking queries to admin@cartography.org.uk; Workshop content queries to acarlucci@btinternet.com or ann.m.sutherland@talk21.com. The booking form is available at www.cartography.org.uk

Accommodation:

Unlike previous Workshops, you'll need to book your own accommodation this year. NLS Map Library is at the junction of Causewayside and Salisbury Place, and there are several small hotels, b&b's and guest houses within a short walk of the Library. The easiest way to find them is to use the Google UK Maps page and search "hotels EH9" and "hotels EH16". Or, try the Edinburgh Tourism website at <http://www.edinburgh.org/accom/>, and look for addresses in the EH9 or EH16 postcodes. If you have trouble finding something, contact the organisers, who, of course, can make no guarantees or recommendations.

Visiting the Scottish capital:

If you've never been to Edinburgh—or even if you have—take advantage of the opportunity to see this beautiful city and the surrounding country. Come early or stay on, and try a bus or coach tour: <http://www.graylinescotland.com/index.asp> or <http://www.edinburghtour.com/>. For more information, see <http://www.edinburgh.org/>.