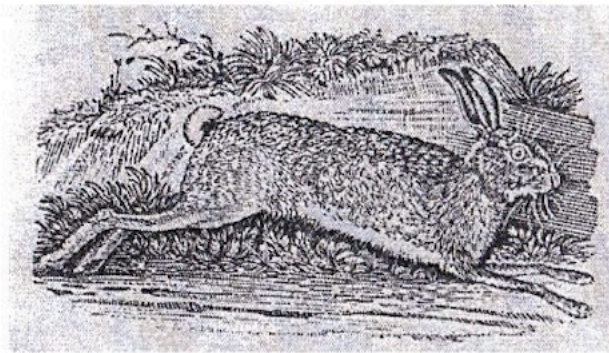


**The Guild of Taxidermists**

Established 1976

**Annual  
Conference 2007**  
The Hayes Conference  
Centre



**Swanwick, Alfreton,  
Derbyshire**

*Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March  
to  
Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March*

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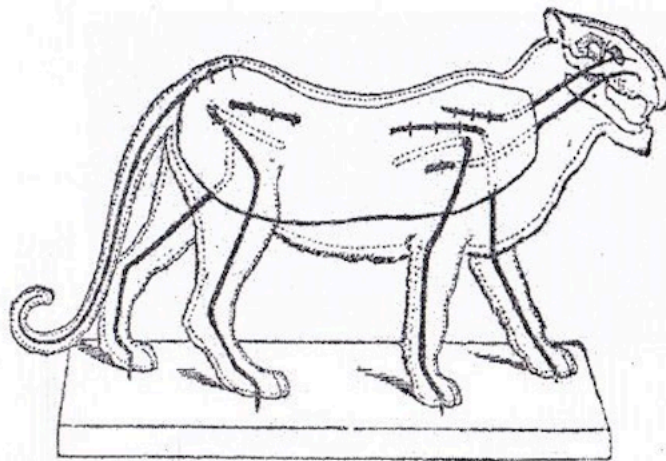
**From**  
**15:00** Arrival and registration of members and their exhibits.

**18:45** **DINNER**

**20:00** Informal slide show

**21:00** Social evening in bar.

**Note:** Throughout the conference there will be extra activities. Trade stands, glass eyes and displays. Members are invited to assist to raise Guild funds by bringing along taxidermy books, artefacts, casts and surplus materials and specimens for auction and raffle prizes.



The Guild of Taxidermists reserve the right to change the programme and refuse entry to any non member. The decision of the committee members present will be final.

\_\_\_\_\_ Saturday \_\_\_\_\_

**8:30 BREAKFAST**

**9:30 Welcome from Chairman**

James Dickinson

Demonstrations showing two techniques in bird taxidermy by Carl Church and Peter Summers will begin and continue through the weekend

**9:40 What the Guild has done for me**

Dave Spaul

**10:00 Taxidermy Art at National Museum  
Scotland, Edinburgh**

Andrea Roe

**10:15 The wanderings of a Scottish naturalist :**

**George Simm**

Merle Patchett

**10:30 TEA/COFFEE**

**11:00 History of Taxidermy**

Dr Pat Morris

**12:30 LUNCH**

Time for participating members to judge the competitions. Judging slips are available from the specimen registrar's desk

**14:30 Mounting a small mammal on a solid form**

Dave Hollingworth

**Setting up a carcass for alginate moulding**

Steve Toher

**15:30 TEA/COFFEE**

**16:00 Mounting a small mammal on a solid form**

Dave Hollingworth (continued)

**17:00 AGM**

(open to fully paid up members of the Guild)

**18:45 DINNER**

Followed by Results of Competitions and Credits, Raffles etc

\_\_\_\_\_ Sunday \_\_\_\_\_

**8:30 BREAKFAST**

**9:30 Moulding and casting; fish heads**  
Phil Leggett

**10:30 TEA/COFFEE**

**11:00 Woodland groundwork**  
David Astley

**11:30 Health & Safety update**  
Lawrence Dowson

**12:30 LUNCH**

**14:00 Body carving competition**

**14:30 Doctors Surgery**  
Mike Gadd and Carl Church

**15:00 Legal Update**  
Kim McDonald

**16:00 Close of Conference 2007**



# COMPETITIONS

## PROFESSIONAL

*Best Bird, Best Mammal, Best Fish/Reptile, Best  
Game Head*

## AMATEUR

*Best Bird, Best Mammal, Best Fish/Reptile, Best  
Game Head*

## THEME COMPETITION

*Best Artistic Interpretation of a Theme (i.e.  
Curiosity) - Sponsored by Snowdonia Taxidermy  
Supplies*

## THE WAGSTAFFE TROPHY

*Best Cased Exhibit*

## NORFOLK TROPHY

*Best Ground Work*

## BEST AMATEUR

## BEST IN SHOW

## Information

Please note: ALL specimens are to be registered by  
9.30am Saturday morning.

If you have work on display, please take the time to  
fill out one of the Judging Slips. Your opinions  
count. An hour has been set aside after Lunch on  
Saturday for judging for competitions. Please return  
the completed forms to the registrar's desk as soon  
as possible.

## Conference Organiser

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