

Living with the Roman Army

A Day Conference on Saturday, 24 September 2011,

Cross Street Chapel, Cross Street, Manchester

The Roman Army in Britain is often seen as a huge reservoir of men, well armed, well trained and well paid, ready to take on any threats to empire. In reality they spent a lot of time at their forts and their presence alone shaped the experience of the civilians and dependants living around these sites. This conference will look at various aspects of this experience to gain a better understanding of what it was like to live with the Roman army.

10.30 Coffee and welcome

11.00 Welcome and introduction - *Birgitta Hoffmann*

The picture up close

11.10 Life around the fortresses – canabae, vicus and the civilians
- *Birgitta Hoffmann, Roman Gask Project*

11.40 Life around the fortlets - *Matt Symonds, Current Archaeology*

12.10 Living with a fort – the example of Manchester
Norman Redhead, Greater Manchester Archaeology Unit

12.45-13.45 Lunch

The wider picture

13.45 Roman and Native in Central Scotland.
- *David Woolliscroft, Roman Gask Project*

14.15 Boom and Bust? - The impact of the Roman Army on the rural economy of the North West - *Mike Nevell, University of Salford*

14.45 Toil and Trouble: Magic in Roman Britain - *Adam Parker*

15.15 Discussion and Closing

15.30 Coffee

16.00 Walk through Roman Manchester - *Norman Redhead*

Yes, I would like to bookplaces for the Conference - Living with the Roman Army @ £30 each.

I enclose a cheque for (Please make out cheques to 'Birgitta Hoffmann')

[]I want to take part in the walking tour of Roman Manchester (limited to 25)

Name:.....

Address:.....

Postcode:

Contact Tel: (in case of urgent messages):.....

Please return to: Birgitta Hoffmann, MANCENT/Hadrianic Society, 55 Broadwalk, Wilmslow, SK9 5PL