



**BRITISH HERPETOLOGICAL SOCIETY AND THAMES &  
CHILTERN HERPETOLOGICAL GROUP**

**Joint meeting Sunday 24th September 2017, 2.30 – 7.00 pm at the  
Drake Hall, Amersham Community Centre, Chiltern Ave,  
Amersham, Bucks, HP6 5AH.**

**2.30 – 3.00 Arrival and coffee/refreshments**

**3.00-6.20 Invited Speakers:**

**Chairman: Simon Townson**

3.00 – 3.40. **Iri Gill** (Zoological Society of London): ‘Gharial  
Conservation in Nepal; Past, Present and Future’

3.40 – 4.20. **Rick Hodges** (Kent Reptile and Amphibian Group):  
‘Getting to Know Adders Personally – Case Studies on Adder Behaviour’

Short break and refreshments/informal session (see below)

**Chairman: Colin Melsom**

5.00 – 5.40. **Izabela M. Barata** (Durrell Institute for Conservation and  
Ecology, University of Kent): ‘Frogs in Plants: the Natural History of a  
Bromeliad-Dwelling Frog in Brazil’

5.40 – 6.20. **Calvin Allen** (Berkshire College of Agriculture): ‘Breeding  
Reptiles and Amphibians at BCA’

**6.20 -7.00. Further refreshments and an Open and Informal Session  
for members – Exhibition of captive bred animals and items/posters  
of herpetological interest (including science, books, art,  
photography). There will be limited space for up to 20 exhibits, plus  
the Thames & Chiltern herpetological shop for equipment/dry goods.  
Members who would like space should contact Simon Townson (0770  
775 1900 or [s.townson@imperial.ac.uk](mailto:s.townson@imperial.ac.uk)), or Colin Melsom (07852  
949405 or [colinmelsom@sky.com](mailto:colinmelsom@sky.com))**

Amersham is easy to get to via J18 of the M25 or by tube/rail to  
Amersham station. Parking and entrance to the meeting are free.