



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

Joint meeting Sunday 8th October 2023, 2.30 – 6.30 pm at the Meeting Hall, Amersham Leisure Centre, Chiltern Ave, Amersham, Bucks, HP6 5AH. Amersham is easy to get to via J18 of the M25 or by tube/rail to Amersham station. Parking and refreshments are free. There will be a small charge of £5 cash on the door.

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

**Chairman: Simon Townson**

**3.00 – 3.10. Richard Griffiths.** ‘The World Congress of Herpetology, 5-9 August 2024, Borneo’

**3.10 – 3.35. Jim Foster** (Conservation Director, Amphibian and Reptile Conservation, UK). ‘Conservation Challenges and Solutions for Adders in Great Britain’

**3.35-4.00. James Pointer and Vicki Breakell** (Durrell Institute for Conservation and Ecology, University of Kent, and Wildwood Trust, Kent). ‘Behaviour of Adders in Captivity at Wildwood Trust using Camera Trapping’

\*Short break and refreshments/informal session (see below)

**Chairman: Colin Melsom**

**4.30 – 4.50. Gerardo Garcia** (Head of Ectotherms Department, Chester Zoo). ‘Bermuda Skinks: the Long Route to Trunk Island’

**4.50 – 5.10. Chloe Turner** (Durrell Institute for Conservation and Ecology, University of Kent). ‘Comparison of the Behaviour of Bermuda Skinks in Captivity and under Natural Conditions’

**5.10 – 5.35. Kat Mullin** (Cardiff University). ‘The Effects of Habitat Fragmentation on Amphibians in the Central Highlands of Madagascar’

\***Exhibition** of posters and items of herpetological interest. There will be limited space for up to 15 exhibits. Members who would like space should contact Simon Townson (07707751900 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))