



SCOTTISH SOCIETY FOR NORTHERN STUDIES

Researching the Nordic, Celtic & Scottish Cultures

SSNS Residential Conference: CAITHNESS Arrival Wednesday 11th – Departure Saturday 14th April, 2018

We will be based in Thurso and take excursions from there, and there will be an opportunity for a reception and evening visit to the collections of the Caithness Horizons Museum with the Curator Joanna Howdle guiding the visit.

We have a number of confirmed speakers at this stage on a variety of aspects of life and heritage in Caithness:

- Maya Hoole (HES) on the Bronze Age beaker grave and facial reconstruction work at Achavanich,
- Kenny Brophy (Glasgow University) on the Stone Rows of Caithness
- Andrew Conlon (Glasgow) on AO Curle and his Antiquarian wanderings
- John Borland (RCAHMS/HES) on the Pictish and Early Medieval stones of the region
- Colleen Batey will provide a review of the Norse and Late Norse evidence
- Andrea Blendl (UHI) the runestones in Caithness and the Northern Earldom
- Linda Ross (UHI) on the impact of Dounreay

In addition, other speakers have been approached to present on life on Stroma, the flagstone industry and the mill at John O'Groats.

Further details will be circulated within the next few weeks, but meanwhile

keep the dates free in your diary!!