



The Scottish Society for Northern Studies & The Scottish Place-Name Society

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‘A’m Grippit Dis Laand’¹

A Conference in Honour of Doreen Waugh (1944-2015)

Saturday 1st of October 2016

The University of Edinburgh
50 George Square, Edinburgh. EH8 9LD

09:30 Doors Open / Coffee

09:50 **Introduction**

Ian Fraser (The University of Edinburgh)

10:00 **Hermann Pálsson Memorial Lecture: ‘Cross-cultural links and bonds of friendship’**

Gillian Fellows-Jensen (University of Copenhagen)

11:00 **SESSION 1**

‘Caithness: Our Norse odyssey through a landscape strewn with place-names and archaeology’

Colleen Batey (University of Glasgow)

‘Studying place-names in Scandinavia and in the Northern Isles’

Berit Sandnes

‘Another look at the Onomastic Frontier Zone in Caithness’

Jake King (Ainmean-Àite na h-Alba)

12:15 Buffet Lunch

1.00 Music

¹ The words ‘A’m Grippit Dis Laand’ come from the poem ‘Da Nort’ by Mary Helen Odie, from Yell, Shetland, and are used by kind permission of the author.



1:30 **'The Cleikhimin Conundrum'**

Willie Waugh

2.00 **'Reading: Poems wi Doreen in mind'**

Christine De Luca (Edinburgh Makar)

2:15 **SESSION 2**

'Naming by learning - how Vygotskyan theories may help explain naming processes'

Peder Gammeltoft (University of Copenhagen)

'Viking Age shielings in Caithness and Orkney: A comparison'

Ryan Foster (University of Edinburgh)

'Trowe da Lookin Gless: A. D. Mathewson's Shetland'

Eileen Brook-Freeman (Shetland Amenity Trust)

3.35 Coffee

3.55 **SESSION 3**

'Names for brochs in Shetland, Orkney and the north and west of Scotland'

Brian Smith (Shetland Archives)

'"Lass, tak dee sock!" - on textile vocabulary and imagery in traditional Shetland dialect'

Gunnel Melchers (University of Stockholm)

'Mirds o Wirds'

Mary Blance (Shetland ForWirds)

5.30 **Summing up**

5.45 Finish

Conference fees: standard £20 full-time students £10

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