

# Society for the History of Astronomy



## SHA Autumn Conference and A.G.M. 2018 Saturday 27 October

John Lee Theatre, Birmingham & Midland Institute  
Margaret Street, Birmingham B3 3BS

Time	Speaker	Subject
09.30 to 10.00		<b>REGISTRATION</b> Refreshments will be available in the Gallery Room
10.00	Bob Bower, Chairman, SHA	<b>Welcome to the BMI</b>
10.00 to 10.30	<b>SHA COUNCIL</b>	<b>2018 Annual General meeting</b> <i>All members and guests welcome</i>
10.30 to 11.30	<b>Andrew Stephens</b>	<i>Observing the Andromeda Galaxy, Dec 1612 to date-a warps and all story!</i>
11.30 to 12.30	<b>Rob Peeling</b>	<i>William Henry Smyth, his life, placing his astronomical work in the wider context of his participation in British intellectual life in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century.</i>
12.30 to 13.30		<b>LUNCH BREAK</b> Delegates are asked to make their own arrangements. There is an excellent cafeteria upstairs; pub nearby
13.30	Bob Bower, Chairman SHA	<b>Welcome back</b>
13.30 to 14.30	<b>Eddie Carpenter and John Chuter</b>  <b>Bob Bower</b>	<i>Sir Robert Stawell Ball</i>  <i>The Artistic skills of Lord Rosse</i> <i>His hitherto unpublished drawings</i>
14.30 to 15.30	<b>Graham McLoughlin</b>	<i>The 1927 Solar Eclipse</i>
15.30 to 16.00		<b>AFTERNOON REFRESHMENTS</b> <i>Tea or coffee and biscuits will be provided</i>
16.00 to 17.00	<b>Dr Allan Chapman</b> <b>FRAS</b>	<i>The Wonderful Century; From Atoms to Island Universes.</i> <i>Astronomy in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century</i> <i>Dr Allan Chapman is our Honorary President</i>
17.00	Bob Bower	<b>CONCLUSIONS &amp; DISPERSAL</b> Safe Journey home

Since 2010 the AGM has had a regular time and venue; the Autumn Conference on the last Saturday in October, at the BMI. As usual, members are invited to raise any issues concerning the Society during the AGM. The Agenda, and Minutes of the 2017 AGM, will be published in advance. The above programme offers an interesting mixed bag that should appeal to all.

**Booking in advance**, at £10 per person for members, £15 per person for non-members, to subsidise room hire and catering, helps enormously to facilitate arrangements –

**To pre-register** please contact Gerard Gilligan [meetings@shastro.org.uk](mailto:meetings@shastro.org.uk)