



DEFENCE ELECTRONICS HISTORY SOCIETY

RUSSELL BURNS LECTURE

Wednesday 9th May 2012

“Wizards and Luddites: Science, Churchill and the Second World War”

Venue: Defence Capability Centre, Defence Academy of the United Kingdom, Shrivenham, Wiltshire SN6 8AL

Professor Russell Burns, internationally renowned as a key researcher into the history of radio, radar and television, has died after a long and courageous struggle with cancer. With the gracious permission of his widow, the Defence Electronics History Society is honouring his work by the establishment of ‘**The Russell Burns Lectures**’ in the spring of each year, to be delivered by distinguished academics in the field of military history and electronics.

We are delighted that Professor David Edgerton, Hans Rausing Professor of the History of Science, Technology and Medicine at Imperial College, London has agreed to become the inaugural Russell Burns Lecturer.

Professor David Edgerton has a world-wide reputation for his ground-breaking research and his landmark books, ‘*Warfare State*’ and ‘*Britain’s War Machine*’, on Britain as a military nation, have stimulated significant controversy and debate. **Professor Edgerton** has a particular interest in the science and technology of war and its British champions and opponents and, as he is known both for new approaches to his subjects and for forthright delivery, we look forward to a stimulating and lively lecture and discussion afterwards.



On arrival at Shrivenham, please proceed to the **Main Gate, where ID will be checked. Drivers will be given Car Passes and directed to a car park near the lecture venue – Defence Capability Centre.**

Please allow time for this – at busy periods it may take up to 25 minutes.

Registration, will commence at 12.00, with the lecture starting at **14.00 hrs**, followed by afternoon refreshments, and the meeting will end at around 16.45. Tea and coffee will be served between 12.00 and 14.00 and do feel free to bring your own lunch and have a chance to talk to colleagues. There will also be a ‘what is it’ table to bring items you hope to be identified, or bring a photo.

Please send completed forms as soon as possible and not later than Tuesday 2nd May, together with cheques payable to ‘**DEHS**’. **Fee:** (DEHS, RAF ADRM, AOC, IET HoT TPN, VMARS, & Newcomen Society members) **£6**, non-members **£7**, to: **Simon Blumlein, 13 Heathfield Road, Petersfield, Hampshire GU31 4DG**

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