

Thames Valley Network



THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

Study Day



Polar Exploration – from Past to Present

Including scientific, political and climate change effects

Benson Parish Hall, Sunnyside, Benson, Wallingford, OX10 6LZ
Tuesday, 4th September 2018

We are very fortunate in having three exceptional speakers:

Alex Hibbert is the world record-holding polar traveller who has skied further on an unsupported Arctic journey than anyone in history. He is also an author* and photographer. see www.alexhibbert.com

Lt. Commander John Ash (RN retired) is from the Scott Polar Research Institute in Cambridge and will talk about the Royal Navy's role in Arctic waters including a virtual tour of a nuclear submarine. He will also address the concepts of Arctic exploration and the consequences of climate change.

Richard Shackleton is a relative of the famous explorer and will give us a personal insight into his ancestor's exploits in the Antarctic.

Provisional Programme

10.00 am Registration and coffee

10.30 **Sir Earnest Shackleton** – the unlikely hero. Speaker: Richard Shackleton

BREAK

11.45 **The Arctic, Submarines and Security: Science and Risk of a Warming Environment**
Speaker: John Ash

LUNCH

2.00 pm **Exploring Arctic Frontiers in a Changed Climate.** John Ash concludes his presentation with a lecture on concepts of Arctic exploration and the consequences of climate change.

BREAK

2.45 **The Long Haul** – Alex Hibbert (*Afterwards Alex is happy to sign copies of his books *The Long Haul* and *Maybe* which are available direct from his website.)

4.00 CLOSE

The Study Day Fee is £15.00. (£17 for non TVN members) This includes coffee / tea & biscuits on arrival and a buffet lunch. Please advise if you have any dietary allergies or require vegetarian or vegan options.

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