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David Parker— University of Leeds Academic Dress

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Stephen Wolgast — Burgon Society Research: Who Reads the 'Transactions' Online and Where They Are

28 September Archive Visit

VIKING BUILDING, CAXTON ROAD, Bedford

Hosted by Martin Lewis

Fellows, members and guests explored the Society's collection of academic dress and Martin Lewis spoke about his designs for officers' robes for a Nigerian university.

13 October Congregation

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Valentina S. Grub (by submission — A Brief History of Academic Dress in the Middle East and the Maghreb)

David C. Quy (by submission — An Overview of the History of Academic Dress of the University of Exeter since its Foundation by Royal Charter in 1955)

Byron W. Rangiwai (by submission — Kākahu and Gown: The Incorporation of Kākahu into Academical Dress in Aotearoa New Zealand with an Example of a Kākahu Worn at a City University of New York Graduation Ceremony in 2006—An Interview with Sarah Smith)

Alexander K. Yen (by submission — Lumen ex Oriente: Academic Dress of the University of Hong Kong, 1911–1941)

Christopher Bottley (honoris causa — Director of William Northam & Co., Robemakers)

Programme included the following:

Jayne Ball — Designing New Academic Dress

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