

**Call for Papers**

**Histories of Cross-Border Sport in Scotland and England**

**Robert Burns Centre, Dumfries**

**Saturday, 17 October 2015**

The British Society of Sports History, Scottish Network, is pleased to invite you to ‘Histories of Cross-Border Sport in Scotland and England’, our annual one-day symposium, this year at the Robert Burns Centre in Dumfries.

Suggested paper topics might include (but are not limited to):

* The South of Scotland, the North of England, and civic, ‘regional’, and ‘national’ identities
* Sport, gender, and work in the region
* Cross-Border sporting events, competitions, and leagues
* Sport, environment, and agriculture
* Biographies of sportspeople and sporting ‘heroes’

Papers from emerging scholars, community historians, as well as museum and heritage practitioners, would be particularly welcome.

Our keynote address will be given by **Professor Tony Collins**, International Centre for Sports History and Culture, De Montfort University, who will be discussing: **‘Rugby in the Borders and at the Borders’**.

Abstracts should be no longer than 200 words, and should be sent to BSSH Scotland (bssh.scotland@hotmail.co.uk) by Monday, 31 August 2015, along with any other queries.