



Association Clarence Bicknell  
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## The Clarence Bicknell Centenary 2018

2018 will mark the centenary of Clarence Bicknell (1842-1918), man of letters, artist, author, traveller, botanist, archaeologist, pastor, humanist and Esperantist. Born in London, Clarence was the 13<sup>th</sup> child of Elhanan Bicknell, magnate and art patron; after studying at Cambridge University he became an Anglican priest, and from 1879 lived in Bordighera as pastor to the local and international community; he died at his summer home nearby in Casterino on the Franco-Italian border on 17<sup>th</sup> July 1918.

Today the value of Clarence Bicknell's work in several different disciplines is increasingly appreciated by experts – his pioneer recording, cataloguing and publication of the prehistoric rock engravings of the Vallée des Merveilles, his drawings of the flowering plants of the Riviera, his creation of the Museo Bicknell in Bordighera, and his contribution to the international language Esperanto.

### Call for interest and papers

### Invitation to organise seminars, events and publications

The Clarence Bicknell Centenary initiative is launched in 2013, well in advance of the anniversary in 2018, to promote seminars, visits, publications and events in the next five years, leading to a more concentrated programme in the year 2018 which will be accessible to a wider public. We invite experts in each area of Clarence's activity to undertake new research, to publish new papers or to organise or participate in conferences.

#### 1) Events

Interested organisations with appropriate facilities for seminars or conferences are invited to submit proposals for such events on the theme of Clarence Bicknell or aspects of his life and work. It is hoped that organisers will be able to host one or more such events in the years leading up to 2018, so that a substantial calendar can be developed over each of the next five years.

Numerous organisations have in the past hosted events or seminars related to Clarence Bicknell or would be qualified to do so in the future:

Museo Bicknell, Istituto Internazionale di Studi Liguri, Bordighera  
Ufficio Attività Culturali Bordighera  
Istituto Internazionale di Studi Liguri, Genova  
Musée de Cuneo  
Musée des Merveilles, Tende  
Maison de la Patrimoine, La Brigue  
Association Patrimoine Traditions Brigasque  
AMONT – Association Montagne et Patrimoine, Centre des Etudes Vésubiennes  
Musée de Saorges  
Conseil Général des Alpes-Maritimes  
University of Nice  
Muséum National d'Histoire Naturelle, Paris  
Department of Archaeology and Anthropology, Cambridge University  
Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge

Federazione Esperantista Italiana  
Esperanto Association of Britain  
London Esperanto Club  
L'Association Nationale Espéranto France  
French Héritage  
Vieilles Maisons Françaises  
Association Montagne et Patrimoine, Centre des Etudes Vésubiennes (AMONT)  
Royal Botanical Gardens at Kew & Edinburgh;  
Royal Horticultural Society, London

It is hoped that each of these organisations, and others, will be able to contribute skills and resources to the development of a programme leading up to the Centenary.

## 2) Research and papers

Interested scholars, experts or others are invited to submit proposals for research into Clarence's work with the objective of presenting the results at the seminars mentioned above and including them in one or more publications in the years up to 2018. The Clarence Bicknell Association will make efforts to get such research a) published and promoted in three languages, French, Italian and English for international distribution and b) featured in suitable conferences as they occur.

## 3) Publications

Publishers and organisations with the appropriate means are invited to submit proposals for the publication of papers, articles or books concerning Clarence Bicknell in the period up to 2018. It is intended to select authors and editors to prepare a substantial book for publication in 2018 on the life and work of Clarence, with colour illustrations and text accessible to the general public; the publication of this book would be one of the key events of the Centenary. Marcus Bicknell will consider underwriting such a book by guaranteeing the difference between the income from sales and the cost of production.

In each of these three cases, please contact Marcus Bicknell with your suggestions and expectations initially by 31<sup>st</sup> May 2013. He and the Association will keep all parties informed of the response and the specific plans as they develop. Since there is growing interest in Clarence Bicknell in the United Kingdom, France and Italy, activities will be promoted and conducted in several countries, and as far as possible in English, French and Italian. However, the scope of the initiative is not limited to these countries, and participation is invited on a worldwide basis.

The Clarence Bicknell Centenary will be organised by the newly-formed Clarence Bicknell Association, in conjunction with Marcus Bicknell, Clarence's great grand nephew. Participation in the Association is invited (see membership application form below or see website [www.clarencebicknell.com](http://www.clarencebicknell.com), launch Feb 2013).

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The web page <http://www.marcusbicknell.co.uk/clarence> is active in January 2013 but will be transferred in February to [www.clarencebicknell.com](http://www.clarencebicknell.com)

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**Membership application form** (please return by post or email)

To the Secretary,  
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Date:

Email [info@clarencebicknell.com](mailto:info@clarencebicknell.com)

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Please enrol me/us as a Member / Patron of The Clarence Bicknell Association

Title	Mr / Mrs / Ms
First name	Family Name
Organisation/company	
Address 1	
Address 2	
Town	Post Code
County / State	Country
E-mail	Phone (optional)
Your area of specialist interest (please delete those which are inapplicable)	Archaeology / Botany / Writing / Drawing and painting Arts and Crafts / Esperanto / Charitable works / Bordighera Casterino / Vallée des Merveilles / Mercantour  Others (please describe)
Would you like to take an active role in the Association ?	In which area of activity or specialist knowledge ?

Please circle the membership level you would like and the currency in which you are paying::

	Fee per annum		Fee for Life	
	Member	€5 euros	£20 pounds	€500 euros
Patron	€100 euros	£80 pounds	€1,500 euros	£1,200 pounds
Not for profit organisation	€150 euros	£120 pounds	Not applicable	Not applicable
Commercial company	€250 euros	£200 pounds	Not applicable	Not applicable

Please indicate your means of payment. You will receive a receipt in any case.

PayPal or credit card via PayPal to <a href="mailto:marcus@bicknell.com">marcus@bicknell.com</a> 	Euro €Cheque payable to L'Association Clarence Bicknell 	Pound £ cheque payable to The Clarence Bicknell Association 	Bank transfer. Please send bank details in €euros / £ pounds <p style="text-align: center;"><b>TRANSFER</b></p>
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