

Taking our first steps out in the field again...

We welcome you back to fieldwork with a small number of day trips during this Autumn. Trips are limited to small numbers, and everyone will be required to adhere to social distancing measures. Please make your booking as soon as possible.

Tuesday, September 29

Forest of Dean, Glos.

Join us for a day in the Forest of Dean. This is an area of beautiful scenery and superb geology. It's mainly Carboniferous and Devonian geology, with many sites of interest.

Meeting point: Lydney railway station at 10.00 Cost £10.00

Saturday, October 10

Mountsorrel Heritage Centre, Leicestershire

Tarmac operate one of the country's largest granite quarries at Mountsorrel on the edge of Charnwood Forest. However this isn't a Precambrian rock and it isn't strictly speaking granite! We begin here and then go on to other Charnwood sites.

Meeting: Mountsorrel Heritage centre at 10.30 Cost £10.00

Sunday, October 25

The Malvern Hills

Come and join us for a day as we take a look at the varied Malvernian rocks of the Precambrian. This will be a day spent getting up close and personal with these rocks.

Meeting: Malvern Hills Geocentre The Wytch at 10.00 Cost £10.00

Tuesday, October 27

Rocks and scenery around Ledbury

For this day we'll be taking in some of the Silurian strata around Ledbury as well as casting our eye over the landscape in search of the clues that indicate the course of meltwaters from the Quaternary.

Meeting: Ledbury railway station at 10.30 Cost £10.00

Why not join us on a residential?

The venues we have chosen offer safe and Covid secure accommodation and we will not be using a minibus on any of these trips. Instead we have chosen places where the geology is either close by or can be accessed easily by car or public transport.

September 27-31 (4-nights) £525.00 (£650.00 single)

The Wye Valley & Forest of Dean

Based in the small Welsh town of Cheston this trip will allow us to explore the local Devonian and Carboniferous geology. There are great local spots such as Symonds Yat and also a former iron mine at Clearwell Caves, and a working colliery.

October 23-28 (5-nights) £650.00 (£750.00 single)

The Malvern Hills

The Malvern Hills give us some of the best landscape in England, rising as they do around 300 metres from the Midland Plain. Great geology is literally a short walk away from our base in this Victorian spa town.

Contact us NOW at: downtoearth@geosupplies.co.uk for all these trips or ring us on: 0114 245 5746

Zoom into a virtual Autumn with one of our distance learning courses...

Building on the success of our Virtual Summer School that saw almost 40 people taking part in an exciting week, we're offering 'more of the same' this Autumn!

You can choose from:

Where there's muck - the economic geology of the British Isles

This is Part 1 of a course that will continue into the new year. This Autumn there's 8-weeks that will look at topics including Metal mining in Southwest of England, Iron mining around Britain, a failed Wolfram mine in the Lake District and mining in the Peak District.

Time Traveller's Britain Special Edition - the best of British!

In this course we've chosen 10 of our best geological areas to tell their story. Including: the Lake District, beneath London, East Anglia, the Isle of Raasay, the English Riviera and the Lizard.

World Geology - the pick of the geology from far and wide!

In this course we bring you 10 well chosen areas from around the world and present their geology in a vivid and dynamic way. Including: Iceland, New Zealand, the Rockies, the Grand Canyon and fossil discoveries from China.

Have these courses your way! You can have them electronically, by email or Moodle or you can have printed sheets sent by mail.

Everyone is invited to a weekly live Zoom meeting for a presentation. Courses begin week beginning September 21st.

Each of these courses costs £40.00 per person electronically, or £60.00 if you'd like printed materials. If you are studying jointly as a couple the cost is just £20.00 extra.

To enrol go to: www.geosupplies.co.uk or ring us on 0114 245 5746

Join us at a Virtual Day School this Autumn

We're replacing our usual Autumn programme of Day Schools that we run around the country with virtual events that we are holding in your home! They take place on Wednesdays throughout the Autumn and are suitable for all! Each will cover the chosen topic in a lively and interesting way and will give you the opportunity to study further at home. Your day begins around 10.00 and ends around 4.00 with live Zoom meetings.

September 23

The Geology of the British Isles in a Day

October 14

Metamorphism and metamorphic rocks

November 4

The ups and downs of the fossil record

November 25

How the Earth works - plate tectonics

December 16

Pioneers of geology - Christmas special

Virtual Day Schools cost £20.00 each or you can enrol on all 5 for just £80.00. If you'd like printed papers for each they are £5.00 extra. For further details go to: www.geosupplies.co.uk (Booking can be done through our online shop)