



10th August 2025

LGS Newsletter 167.1

Welcome to the 167th Session of the Liverpool Geological Society

Draft information about indoor meetings for the 167th session is now available on the LGS website at:

<https://liverpoolgeologicalsociety.org/indoor-meetings>

Liverpool Geological Society events

All talks for the 2025-26 session will start at 7.30pm and take place at the Central Teaching Hub of the University of Liverpool in Lecture Theatre D. Entrance will be via the main door to the Central Teaching Hub.

Indoor meetings will begin on Tuesday 7th October when Prof Peter Burgess (Liverpool Geological Society President) will give his Presidential Address: 'Artificial Intelligence in Geoscience: How it works and why it often doesn't'



Further details about this event will be sent out approximately one week before the event.

LGS Members' Evening

There will be a 'Members' Evening' on **Tuesday 6th January 2026**. This evening is your chance to have your 'Five (or fifteen) minutes of fame'. If you would like to give a short talk (15 minutes maximum) on a topic that interests you, please let Chris Hunt (Honorary Assistant Secretary – Programme) know by emailing:

chris1972scfc@outlook.com

Liverpool Geological Society Prizes 2025

The Society awarded four prizes for the academic year 2024-2025. The prize winners are listed below:

Liverpool John Moores University

Overall excellence in BSc (Hons) Geography: Eilis Chadwick.

University of Liverpool

Overall excellence BSc (Hons) Geology: Alexander Histed.

Overall excellence BSc (Hons) Geophysics: *No nomination this year.*

Overall excellence BSc (Hons) Geology & Physical Geography: Julian Weaver.

Liverpool Hope University

Overall excellence BSc (Hons) Geography: Ella Edwards.

Edge Hill University

Overall excellence BSc (Hons) Geology with Physical Geography: Maisie Jane Haddock.

LGS Publication: *The North West Geologist*

Maggie & Peter Williams (the NWG Editors) welcome original articles (up to approximately 3,000 words in length) on topics related to geological and geomorphological topics. These should be sent to

nwg.editor@gmail.com with the author's full name, title and address and email address. Articles should be sent as Word files. Notes for authors are given in **NWG 22**.

The copy deadline is 31st March for October publication, but has been extended because up to 8th August very few articles have been submitted.

Bob Bell's books

As you know, Bob Bell was an enthusiastic member of the LGS for many years until he died in March 2024. I have been contacted by Ruth Bell (Bob's daughter) to let me know that Bob's collection of books is available to go to a good home. If you would like any of Bob's books, please let me know and I will send you the list of the books that are available together with Ruth's email address so that you can contact her directly.

Maggie Williams (Secretary) lgssecretary19@gmail.com

Two gentle reminders from the Treasurer

1. Subscriptions for the 2025 - 2026 session

Subscriptions are due on the 1st of October 2025.

Subscription rates are: £15 for full members and £5 for student members (full time students).

All enquiries about membership of the Society should be sent to the Honorary Treasurer at g.t.b_lgs@hotmail.co.uk

(Please note that Gary's email address has an underscore between b and lgs)

Those wishing to take advantage of a Standing Order Mandate to pay their subscriptions and save worrying each year about paying their subscriptions should also contact the Honorary Treasurer, who will provide you with our bank details. You can complete the Standing Order Mandate online or by visiting your bank.

2. Gift Aid - boost your donation by 25p of Gift Aid for every £1 you donate!

Liverpool Geological Society reclaims **Gift Aid** from the tax you pay for the current tax year. Your address is needed to identify you as a current UK taxpayer. A Gift Aid Form is available from the Honorary Treasurer and at LGS meetings. Completed Gift Aid forms should be returned to Mr Gary T Billington, Honorary Treasurer, Liverpool Geological Society, 4 Lewisham Road, Liverpool L11 1EF

Email: g.t.b_lgs@hotmail.co.uk

Down to Earth Magazine (DTE)

	<p>Hard copies of this publication are not being produced, but electronic copies are available, which we have permission to email to LGS members.</p> <p>If you would like a pdf copies of the most recent publications (DTE Number 131, DTE Extra numbers 149, 150, 151 & 152), please email Maggie Williams (Secretary) at lgssecretary19@gmail.com and copies will be sent to you.</p>	
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Geologists' Association (GA)

This year's **Geologists' Association (GA) Annual Conference** will be held at Keele University over the weekend of **Friday 3rd to Sunday 5th October 2025**.

The overall theme of the conference is: "The Geology and Natural Resources of North Staffordshire". The conference programme will include: a late afternoon guided geological walk around the University campus followed by an informal evening social (Friday); a wide range of talks and displays followed by an evening Conference Dinner (Saturday) and a choice of four field excursions (Sunday). The venues for the field excursions will be: (i) Apedale Heritage Centre and Country Park (former coal mine); (ii) Brown End Quarry (geological SSSI) and Froghall; (iii) Mow Cop and Biddulph Grange Garden (Bateman Geological Gallery, National Trust) (iv) Ecton Mine and Apes Tor (geological SSSI).


Booking information as well as a programme for the conference are published on the GA web site at:

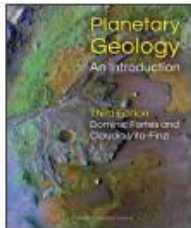
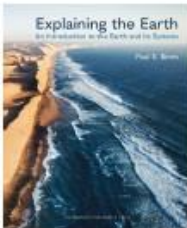
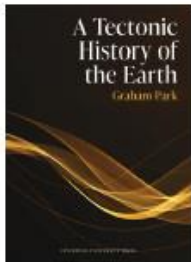

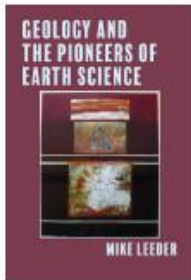
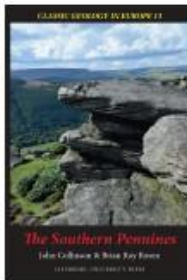
<https://geologistsassociation.org.uk/conferences/>

Liverpool University Press (LUP)

LUP have recently published several new books in their Earth & Climate Sciences list which may be of interest to members. More information about these publications can be found on the Liverpool University Press website: <https://www.liverpooluniversitypress.co.uk/topic/subjects/earth-climate-sciences>

EARTH & CLIMATE SCIENCES BOOKS FROM LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY PRESS



	Planetary Geology <i>An Introduction, Third Edition</i> Dominic Fortes & Claudio Vita-Finzi A fully updated account of processes shaping planets in our Solar System and elsewhere in the cosmos.		Explaining the Earth <i>An Introduction to the Earth and its Systems</i> Paul E. Binns Knowledge of the Earth sciences is an essential background for those wishing to understand current concerns about the Earth and its environments. This book provides an overview of these sciences.
	A Tectonic History of the Earth Graham Park A comprehensive exploration of the dynamic geological forces that have shaped our planet over the past 4,500 million years.		River Planet <i>Rivers from Deep Time to the Modern Crisis</i> Martin Gibling A comprehensive introduction to the epic geological history of the world's rivers, from the first drop of rain on the Earth to the modern environmental crisis.
	Geology and the Pioneers of Earth Science Mike Leeder Momentous changes, particularly in the 1960's, transformed 'geology' into 'earth science'. These developments and the scientists behind them have been neglected until now and are the subject of this book.		The Southern Pennines John Collinson & Brian Roy Rosen This guide is a starting point for exploring the geology of the Pennines. While the guide is aimed primarily at undergraduate level, it is written and illustrated to also appeal to visitors to the area.

For 20% off RRP on books, order directly from our website
www.liverpooluniversitypress.co.uk

Manchester Geological Association (MGA)

A list of upcoming MGA indoor meetings is available at: <https://manchestergeology.org.uk/>

Wirral Heritage Open Days 2025

A brochure describing the free Wirral Heritage Open Days events planned for 12th to 21st September 2025 is available at: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1qWH4mQIy-FfzOW262hQ85WNAUhucGIPZ/view>

Yorkshire Geological Society (YGS)

A list of upcoming YGS events (webinars and indoor meetings) is available at:
<https://www.yorksgeolsoc.org.uk/events>