



**24<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

## **LGS Newsletter 167.9**

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 C. Entrance will be via the main door.

### **Liverpool Geological Society events**

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February**

**Lecture by Professor Yani Najman (Lancaster University)**

**Title: How do mountain belts form? The adventures of a Himalayan geologist.**

This talk will focus on how the Himalaya formed, and the impact of its formation on resources and hazards. The talk will provide an overview of the evolution of the mountain belt, and illustrate aspects of the mountain belt's formation with snapshots of Yani's research.



Yani Najman has worked in the Himalaya and Tibet for more than 30 years.

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February**

**The Hazel Clark Memorial Practical**

**Dr. Maggie Williams & Dr. Lis Rushworth, University of Liverpool**

**Title: Volcanic ash**



**Hazel Clark at The Roaches**

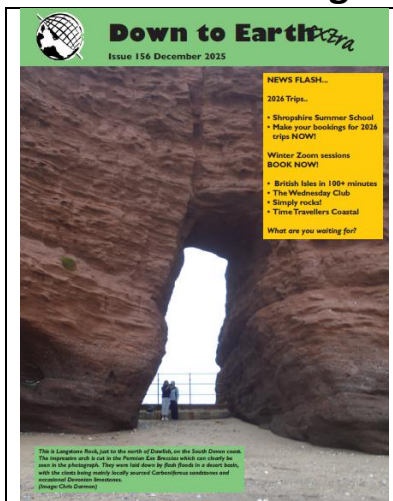
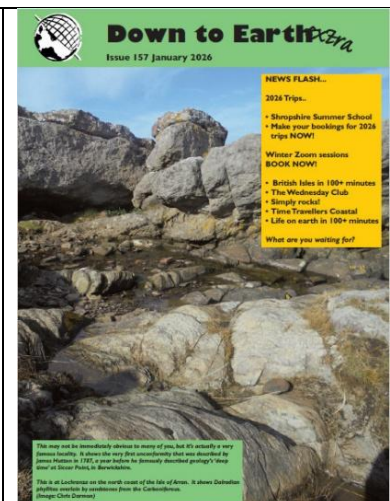
This practical is the first LGS event to be held in memory of Hazel Clark. The volcanic ash samples used in this practical are samples that were collected by Hazel.

For the practical you will be using zoom microscopes to investigate different volcanic ash samples in grain mounts. You should bring your own writing pens/ pencils/ rulers - and you may find it useful to bring a usb drive to save images that you capture.

The session will be held in the ENV5 lab in the CTL and will start at 7.00 p.m. Meet at 6.50 outside the ENV5 lab on the first floor in the Central Teaching Hub, University of Liverpool. Entrance will be via the main door.

**Please note: The maximum number for this session is 16. If you wish to reserve a place, please contact Maggie Williams (Hon. Secretary), by mobile: 07784 720 551, or email: [lgssecretary19@gmail.com](mailto:lgssecretary19@gmail.com)**

## Down to Earth Magazine (DTE)

	<p>Electronic copies of this magazine are available, which we have permission to email to LGS members. If you would like pdf copies of the most recent publications (DTE Extra numbers 157 &amp; 158) , please email Maggie Williams (Secretary) at <a href="mailto:lgssecretary19@gmail.com">lgssecretary19@gmail.com</a> and copies will be sent to you.</p>	
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## 53rd Herdman Symposium 2026 Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> February

	<p><b>The 53rd Herdman Symposium</b> 21st February 2026, University of Liverpool</p> <p><b>Prof. Sanjeev Gupta</b> <i>Imperial College London   Mars Rovers</i></p> <p><b>Dr. Amber Leeson</b> <i>Lancaster University   Remote sensing of glaciers</i></p> <p><b>Dr. Dave Hodgetts</b> <i>VR Geoscience   Digital outcrop models</i></p> <p><b>Prof. Kirstine Dale</b> <i>Met Office   AI in weather forecasting</i></p> <p><b>Dr. Elisabetta Mariani</b> <i>University of Liverpool   SEM microscopy</i></p> <p><b>Dr. Jim Whiteley</b> <i>AtkinsRéalis   Geophysics technology in industry</i></p>
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The symposium will be from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> in the Central Teaching Hub, University of Liverpool. LGS will be sponsoring this event and there will be subsidised attendance for LGS members.

### Ticket prices

£18.00 for general admissions

£11.00 for LGS members

£6.00 for University of Liverpool students and A Level students

£0.00 for parents, carers, and leaders of school groups.

A free buffet lunch will be provided to all attendees and is included with the ticket price

**Book tickets via this link:** <https://www.liverpoolguild.org/events/6608/6409/>

**Further details about the Herdman Conference are available at:**

<https://geohubliverpool.org.uk/herdman-symposium-2026/>