

PROGRAMME FOR AUTUMN 2011 – SUMMER 2012

Celebrating 50 years of exciting geology – and in the City of Science!

August 2011

20 – 28th : Irish Heritage Week.

IGA members are organising geological events to mark this week. For events in your area check the website of Irish Heritage Week (<http://www.heritageweek.ie/>) or contact our Coordinator, Stephen Callaghan (stecallaghan@gmail.com).

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September 2011

Wed 14th: Lecture.

The History of the IGA. Dr Patrick Wyse Jackson. Apart from spotlighting the history of our Association, this will be an opportunity to interact with Patrick, who is writing a history of the IGA.

Venue: Museum Building, TCD, 6pm.

Thu 22nd: Adult Education Course.

Geology – An introduction to Earth Science. Start of weekly IGA-approved course delivered by Dr Tom de Brit at Marino College of Further Education (CDVEC), beside Clontarf Road DART Station. Enrolment from July at: <http://www.marinocollege.ie/>

Wed 28th: Lecture.

Applying geology for healthy Dublin living. Ray Scanlon (GSI).

Venue: GSI, Beggars Bush, at 6pm.

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October 2011

Sat 1st – Sun 2nd: Field Trip.

The Burren. Leader: Ronán Hennessy (Burren Geopark Geologist).

Friday 7th: Closing date for GSI-IGA Du Noyer Photo Competition.

Post entries to Du Noyer Competition, Cartography Unit, Geological Survey of Ireland, Beggars Bush, Dublin 4, or send digital entries to info@planetearth.ie

Wed 19th: Lecture.

Harnessing Earth's heat for Energy: the IRETherm Project. Dr Mark Muller (DIAS).

Venue: Museum Building, TCD, at 6pm.

Thu 20th : Lecture. Harnessing Earth's heat for Energy: the IRETherm Project. Dr Mark Muller (DIAS).

Venue: University College Cork. Contact Bettie Higgs (b.higgs@ucc.ie)

November 2011

Wed 2nd: Lecture. Can Ireland store carbon safely? Dr Brian Mc Connell (GSI).
Venue: GSI Lecture Theatre, Beggars Bush, at 6pm.

Thurs 3rd: Lecture. Can Ireland store carbon safely? Dr Brian Mc Connell (GSI).
Venue: NUI Galway. Contact john.murray@nuigalway.ie or Kathryn.moore@nuigalway.ie

Wed 23rd: Lecture. The granites and gneisses of the Polish Sudetes: A history told by lumps of rock and unfashionable isotopes. Dr Padhraig S Kennan.
Venue: Museum Building, TCD, at 6pm.

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December 2011

Wed 7th: Members' Night. Presentations/Overseas reports/Films.
Venue: School of Geological Sciences, UCD, at 8pm.

Du Noyer Photo competition results available on <http://www.gsi.ie/>

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January 2012

Wed 18th: New Year Lecture. Anatomy of a Giant – The Navan Orebody. Dr John Ashton, Tara Boliden.
Venue: Arts Block, Trinity College Dublin, at 8pm.

Wed 25th: IGA AGM plus DVD and Talk by Dr. Tom De Brit on the Yellowstone Super Volcano.
Venue: School of Geological Sciences, UCD, at 8pm.

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February 2012

Wed 8th: Lecture. Developments in understanding the timing, extent and characteristics of the last British-Irish Ice Sheet. Dr Steve McCarron (NUI Maynooth).
Venue: NUI Maynooth or Trinity College Dublin at 6pm.

Thursday 9th. Lecture: Developments in understanding the timing, extent and characteristics of the last British-Irish Ice Sheet. Steve McCarron (NUI Maynooth).
Venue: University College Cork at 8pm.

Saturday 11th : King Solomon's Mines: the search for copper deposits in Zambia. A full-day (Saturday) workshop in Dublin, **at the National History Museum, on Merrion Square, at 10.00 until 17.00**, presented by John Arthurs, Exploration Consultant. **Places are very limited, so book with Dan on line, or by phone early (details below).**

Fri 17th : Irish Geological Research Meeting in University College Cork. 8pm lecture is jointly sponsored by the IGA and the Cork Geological Association. More information on this lecture and registration (free of charge) for the full weekend meeting will be available online in due course.

Fri 17th : IGA Student Grant. Applications are invited at grant.iga@gmail.com before 30th March.

Late Feb: IGA Golden Jubilee - Event to mark publication of "History of IGA", display of commemorative image by Camille Souter, and launch of competition for IGA Student Grant (Application Form available on <http://www.geology.ie/>).
Venue/date tbc.

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March 2012

Sat 3rd : Field Trip. Bray Head Revisited. Leader: Dr Peter Haughton (UCD). The first IGA event, in February 1959, took place on Bray Head.

Wed 14th : Lecture. The evolution of the first Tetrapods – a conflict of evidence! Dr Ken Higgs (UCC).
Venue: Museum Building, TCD, at 6pm.

Fri 30th : IGA Student Grant. Applications must be emailed to grant.iga@gmail.com by this evening.

Sat 31st : Field trip. Bellewstown volcanics (and graptolite-bearing shales!). Dr Matthew Parkes (National Museum of Ireland).

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April 2012

Wed 4th (Provisional) : Lecture. Geology of the Bushveld Complex, South Africa. Tom Molyneux (Exploration consultant).
Venue: Trinity College Dublin at 6pm.

Fri 13th/Sun 15th : Field Trip. Caledonian and Tertiary magmatism in Northeast Ireland: Newry, Mourne Mountains and Carlingford. Led by Dr Ian Meighan, Queen's University Belfast.

Wed 18th : Lecture. Gems: Their origin and marketing. John Darcy (Lapis, Dublin).
Venue: Trinity College Dublin at 6pm.

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May 2012

Wed 2nd : Lecture. Title tbc. Dr Conrad Childs, Fault Analysis Group – UCD.
Venue; Museum Building, Trinity College Dublin at 6pm.

Fri 11th /Sun 13th : Field Trip. The Quaternary of Clare Island. Prof Pete Coxon (TCD).

Wed 30th : Meeting. Members Night. School of Geological Sciences, UCD.

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June 2012

Sat 16th /Sun 17th (Provisional) : Field trip. The Limerick Volcanics. Leader: Dr Bettie Higgs (UCC).

And that's not all! In October 2012, we are planning a volcanic excursion to Tenerife in the Canary Islands – watch out for more details or tell Susan Pyne you are interested at susan.pyne@ucd.ie

NOTE: Both members and non-members are welcome to attend Lectures – all are welcome.

Members are invited to register for (or express an interest in) field trips by emailing excursions@geology.ie or contacting **Dan O'Shea (087 753 6871)**

The IGA will cover accommodation costs for a limited number of undergraduates who wish to attend field trips within Ireland. Apply at least one month in advance to Dan O'Shea at excursions@geology.ie

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