Reading Geological Society Programme 2025

Lectures

Monday 6 January 2025
AGM and Members Evening including a talk by Jim House on "A Brief Introduction to the Geology of Venus"

Monday 3 February 2025
The caves and karst of North Greenland - physical records of cryptic geological intervals
Prof. Paul Smith
Oxford University Museum of Natural History

Monday 3 March 2025
From lava to law enforcement: tales from the Restless Reykjanes, Iceland
Presidential Address
Prof. Alison MacLeod
University of Reading

Monday 7 April 2025
Mesolithic Archaeology and environment history in the Kennet Valley
Prof. Martin Bell
University of Reading

Monday 12 May 2025
Uncovering the Dinosaur Highway
Dr Emma Nicholls
Oxford University Museum of Natural History

Monday 2 June 2025
The Late Devonian Mass Extinction- the terrestrial story
Prof. John Marshall
School of Ocean and Earth Science, University of Southampton

Monday 7 July 2025
Summer Ramble – Finchampstead Ridges – 6:45pm
Ailsa Davies
RGS

Monday 4 August 2025
Summer Ramble – Crazies Hill, Wargrave – 6:15pm
Mike Jones and Sarah Cook
RGS

Monday 1 September 2025
Alpine peaks and salt intrusions - geological windows into deep Earth's mantle
Prof Jonathan Turner
University of Birmingham

Monday 6 October 2025
Antarctica
Mark Easton

Monday 3 November 2025
Volcanoes in the spotlight; exciting examples from La Palma, Stromboli and the ancient rock record
Prof Dougal Jerram

Monday 1 December 2025
Cretaceous amber — frozen in time
Dr Ricardo Perez-de la Fuente
Oxford University Museum of Natural History

Field meetings

Wednesday 22 January 2025
National Museum of Wales, Cardiff - Geology Collection Museum Visit
Led by Cindy Howells, Daniel Cox and Lucy McCobb
NMW, Cardiff

Sunday 9 February 2025
The Ferricrete of Berkshire
Leader: Lesley Dunlop
BGG

Sunday 23 March 2025
Gravestones of Oxford
Leaders: Nina Morgan and Philip Powell
OGT

Sunday 13 April 2025
Sunken Lanes of Sussex
Leader: Prof John Boardman

6 - 9 May 2025
Long Field Meeting to Kent
Leaders: Simon Drake, Geoff Downer and Ken Cole

Wednesday 11 June 2025
Unconformities, bedding & fossils of Ogmore and Southerndown, South Wales
Leader: Prof Paul Wright

Thursday 10 July 2025
Harrow Weald Common
Leader: Diana Clements, Liz Chui and Alan Wheeler
HHGS

Wednesday 30 July 2025
CLOSED – The Dinosaur Trackways at Dewar's Farm, Ardley and the Great Oolite at Kirtlington
Leaders: Morning led by Duncan Murdoch & Emma Nicholls (OUMNH)
Afternoon led by Ross Garden

19 - 23 September 2025 - Weekend
Long Field Meeting to Cornwall
Leader: Dr. Jonathan Turner

Sunday 12 October 2025
Sedimentology and diagenesis of the Arden Sandstone (Triassic), Warwickshire
Leader: Stuart Burley (Warwickshire Geological Conservation Group)

Wednesday 19 November 2025
Field Meeting to the Corallian at Dry Sandford Pit, Cothill, Oxfordshire
Leader: Ross Garden

Thursday 4 December 2025
Field Meeting to the Geology Section of Bristol Museum, Bristol
Leader: Deborah Hutchinson (Bristol Museum)