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- This Bulletin is emailed to HOGG members and associates to provide up-to-date news of current and forthcoming events of interest to historians of geology. Members are reminded to inform HOGG if their email address changes.
- Please send news of events etc. for the next Bulletin, to Co-ordinator, Andrew Hopkins at bulletin.hogg@gmail.com by 25th October.
- Associates are invited to benefit from HOGG membership: £15 Ordinary or £5 Young member. See: <https://historyofgeologygroup.co.uk/join-us/> or for enquiries email: pfiches@hotmail.com.

1. Notifications

HOGG ONLINE HISTORY OF GEOLOGY

The HOGG webpage has a number of useful links and is a good starting point for anyone interested in following up a history of geology topic: <https://www.geolsoc.org.uk/Groups-and-Networks/Specialist-Groups/History-of-Geology-Group/Online-Resources>

HOGG RECORDED MEETINGS ON GOOGLE DRIVE

HOGG members now have access to view previous meetings (streamed or download) via a dedicated HOGG Google Drive account. The latest upload is the recent HOGG online lunchtime talk *Geological drugs and prophylactics* with Chris Duffin. This and other presentations can be viewed online - either by streaming or download - via the HOGG Google Drive links emailed to all members.

HOGG TWITTER ACCOUNT

HOGG has a Twitter account which is regularly updated with news, anniversaries and other information of interest to the history of geology community. The Twitter handle is [@HOGGroup](https://twitter.com/HOGGroup) but it also be accessed if you don't have a Twitter account at: <https://twitter.com/hoggroup>

HOGG COMMITTEE

Several long-serving members of the HOGG Committee are due to stand down at the November AGM so some vacancies will arise. HOGG members are invited to join the work of the Committee. Register interest with the Secretary martina.tully.hogg@gmail.com and we will organize nomination etc. accordingly. All are encouraged, no matter what your level of experience.

2. Forthcoming Events

HOGG MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES

All HOGG meetings and conferences will be held virtually during 2021.

For HOGG members, admission to all online meetings is free. Associates and guests are welcome to attend meetings for a small admission charge. Registration is via Eventbrite where an outline of each event can be found. An exclusive HOGG member link for each online meeting is emailed out to members. The associates and guests registration link for each event is listed below.

Thurs 14th October 2021 (Lunchtime: 13.00 to 14.00) *The history of petroleum exploration: how a handful of principles interacted with evolving technologies* with Tony Spencer. Associates and guests can register at: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/155511211219>

Fri 19th November 2021 (Lunchtime: 13.00 to 14.30) HOGG AGM followed by: *The 'Discovery' of the Silurian: following in the footsteps of Murchison* with Duncan Hawley. A registration link will be available in due course.

OTHER MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES

Fri 1st October 2021 (18:00) *Pills and Politics: a new look at George Bellas Greenough and his Geological Map of 1820* with Prof. Hugh Torrens. See: <https://geologistsassociation.org.uk/calendars>

Tues to Thurs 19th to 21st October The Geological Society's William Smith Virtual Meeting 2021: *Geological Mapping - of our world and others*. Themes include *The history of geological mapping and lessons learned*. See: <https://www.geolsoc.org.uk/wsmith21>

Weds 20th October (19:00) *Eileen Hendricks, pioneering stratigrapher of Cornwall* with Dr. Jenny Bennett. Geological Society Discussion Group meeting. Venue University Women's Club, 2 Audley Square, London. See: <https://www.geolsoc.org.uk/DG-Eileen-Hendricks-pioneering-stratigrapher-of-Cornwall>

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

September 16th to 20th 2022 The 47th Symposium of The International Commission on the History of Geological Sciences (INHIGEO) will be held in Les Eyzies in SW France. The main scientific themes will be:

- History of Quaternary geology, prehistory and geology of caves;
- History of Miocene geology, since the region includes the Burdigalian and Aquitanian stratotypes;
- Other sessions of the conference will cover all subjects related to the history of geosciences.

Pre- and post-conference field excursions are also planned.

The deadline for expressions of interest has now passed but details should appear on the INHIGEO website in due course: <http://www.inhigeo.com/>

3. Recent publications

a. By HOGG Members

- Renee Clary, Gary Rosenberg and Dallas Evans (eds) 2021 The Evolution of Paleontological Art. *Geological Society of America Memoir* 218 <https://doi.org/10.1130/MWR218> - includes chapters by several HOGG members.
- Philip Stone, 2020. Robert Jameson's transition from Neptunism to Plutonism as reflected in his lectures at Edinburgh University, 1820–33. *Scottish Journal of Geology*, 56 (1). 85-99 <https://doi.org/10.1144/sjg2019-031>. A manuscript copy is available at: <http://nora.nerc.ac.uk/id/eprint/528920/>

b. Other publications of interest

- Kimberley Cartier, 2021, Teaching geoscience history in context, *Eos*, 102, <https://doi.org/10.1029/2021EO155621>
- Maddy Nyblade and Jenn McDonald, 2021, Recognizing geology's colonial history for better policy today, *Eos*, 102, <https://doi.org/10.1029/2021EO162069>
- The Abstracts booklet from the 46th INHIGEO Symposium held in Poland in July is still available to download online: <https://inhigeosymposium.pl/u/abstracts>
- Ardnau Brignon 2021, The “ichthyolites” (Actinopterygii) from the Jean-Baptiste Beurard (1745–1835) collection: historical interest and rediscovery of the type series of *Armigatus brevisimus* (Blainville, 1818) from the Cenomanian of Lebano, *Bulletin of the Geological Society of France*, 192 (1): 34 <https://doi.org/10.1051/bsgf/2021025> (in French, but can be translated e.g. with Google translate).

4. Also of Interest

- The 2020 book *Strata: William Smith's Geological Maps*, which featured contributions from several HOGG members, has won the 2021 Alice Award, a \$25,000 prize “given annually to a richly illustrated book that makes a valuable contribution to its field and demonstrates high standards of production”.
- The episode of the short BBC series “Canals: The Making of a Nation” which focused on the work of William Smith and included contributions by Hogg members Hugh Torrens and Jill Darnell was repeated recently. First broadcast in 2015, it is currently available to watch on BBC iplayer until the end of September.
- The death was announced recently of Angela Milner, renowned dinosaur palaeontologist at the Natural History Museum. Obituaries can be found at: <https://www.theguardian.com/science/2021/aug/26/angela-milner-obituary> and <https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/angela-milner-obituary-8kzjgg3fw>