

# EVENTS 2025

## JANUARY

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Weds 8 Jan, 8pm on Zoom	Lecture by Prof Ru Smith, University of Malaya. <i>"3D X-Ray Vision: An exceptionally preserved Jurassic Vampire Squid and Where it Lived"</i>
Sat 11 Jan, 10.30am	Trip to Thorndon Country Park (North), led by Ian and Ros Mercer of Essex Rock and Mineral Society. <a href="#">Thorndon Pebble Walk – Essex Rock and Mineral Society</a>
Tues 14 Jan, 2-4pm	Earth Discovery Session at Brunel University Topic: <b>Silica - Quartz in all its forms</b> All welcome (16+) to this free, accessible public event. HHGS members' display plus Bring your own rock samples to "Show and Tell"!
Sat 25 Jan	Field visit to the Evolution Garden at the Natural History Museum (followed by a Building Stones walk in the afternoon)

## FEBRUARY

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Weds 12 Feb, 8pm on Zoom	Lecture by Prof Jon Noad, University of Adelaide. <i>"The Wonders of Sedimentology"</i>
	UXBRIDGE ROCK SHOW at Uxbridge Library Cancelled due to library move and space reduction
Tues 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Pebble Count at Brunel University Limited space, priority given to SG Project members

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## MARCH

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Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> March	<i>Field Trip to Caesar's Camp, Farnham</i>
Weds 12 Mar, 8pm on Zoom	<u>VOLCANOES Lecture Series</u> Lecture by Dr Blaise Mafuko (University of Goma, Democratic Republic of Congo). <i>"Living with a Volcano"</i>
Fri 21 March	Geoconservation Day at Harefield Great Pit SSSI Arranged by the London Geodiversity Partnership

## APRIL

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Sun 6 – Wed 9 April	<i>Residential Field Trip to Suffolk</i>
Weds 9 April, 8pm on Zoom	<u>VOLCANOES Lecture Series</u> Lecture by Dr Liz Gaunt (Experimental Volcanology Lab, UCL). <i>"Volcano Monitoring and new inputs for eruption forecasting models"</i>
Thur 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Rockwatch Pebble Day on Harrow Weald Common (book via Rockwatch website)
Tues 22 April (1. morning) (2. afternoon)	Headstone Manor 1) <u>Earth Discovery Session</u> Topic: <b>Chalk and Flint</b> 2) Tuesday Talk: <u>Pebbles on Harrow Weald Common</u>
Sat 26 April	<i>POSTPONED (Field Trip to Lesnes Abbey and Woods)</i>

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## MAY

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Weds 14 May, 8pm on Zoom	<u>ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (members only)</u> Followed by Lecture by Prof David Bridgland (Durham University). <i>"The Stanmore Pebble Gravel in the context of similar high-level deposits"</i>
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> May	POSTPONED to August 5 <sup>th</sup> (Brunel FDS tbc – Igneous Rocks)

## JUNE

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Saturday 7 June	<b>CANCELLED:</b> Eastcote House Gardens Summer Picnic Display stall
Weds 11 June, 8pm on Zoom	<u>VOLCANOES Lecture Series</u> Lecture by Prof Siwan Davies (University of Swansea). <i>"Unravelling the past from hidden volcanic ash"</i>

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## JULY

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Weds 9 July, 8pm on Zoom	<u>CHANGE to programme</u> Lecture by Michael Heap (Chairman, CED Stone). <i>"Walks through Geological Time"</i>
Thurs 10 July	Walk the Harrow Weald Common Geotrail, led by Diana Clements (joint trip with Reading GS)

## AUGUST

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Tues 5 August	Earth Discovery Session at Brunel, 2-4pm. Topic: <b>Igneous Rocks</b> Open to all! Register by email
Weds 13 Aug	<u>Members Summer Walk / lunch</u> Details to be circulated to members

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## SEPTEMBER

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Weds 10 Sept, 8pm on Zoom	Lecture by Dr Kevin Wong (Deep Carbon Lab, University of Bologna). " <i>Deep Carbon</i> " (working title)"
Mon 15	Harrow Rock Show Special Viewing attended by Mayor Anjana Patel
Tues 16 September,	<b>Harrow Rock Show! at Headstone Manor Museum</b> , during museum opening hours, 16 September 2025 – 4 January 2026

## OCTOBER

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All month, Museum opening times	<b><u>Headstone Manor Museum: Harrow Rock Show!</u></b> Major exhibition, 16 September 2025 – 4 January 2026
Weds 8 Oct, 8pm on Zoom	<u>Postponed from July</u> <b><u>Volcanoes Lecture</u></b> by Prof Richard Robertson (University of the West Indies Seismic Research Centre). <i>"Risky mountains in Paradise – Volcanism in the Caribbean"</i>
Sat 18 Oct	<u>Field Trip: Oxford Museum of Natural History</u> to see fossils found during HS2 works
28 <sup>th</sup> -31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Hands-on Rocks at the Harrow Rock Show, Headstone Manor, family activities for half-term

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1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Geologists Association <b><u>Festival of Geology</u></b> at Burlington House, Piccadilly
Weds 12 Nov, 8pm on Zoom	Lecture by Eve Horsfall (Portsmouth University). <i>" Past environments of the Isle of Wight "</i>
Tues 25 Nov	<u>Rocks &amp; Minerals Discovery Session</u> at Headstone Manor Granary, 10.30am-1.30pm FREE! Accessible! 18+ all welcome. Bring rocks to show, see rocks from our members' collections
Tues 25 Nov	<u>Tuesday Talk: Rocks and Minerals in the History of Harrow - Headstone Manor Museum</u> Granary, 2-3pm. £4 bookable via Headstone Manor website

## DECEMBER

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Weds 10 Dec, 8pm on Zoom	<u>VOLCANOES Lecture Series</u> Lecture by Prof Christopher Kilburn, University College London. <i>"Campi Flegrei – Italy's Supervolcano"</i>