



GA Festival of Geology 2018 FESTIVAL TRIPS 3-4 November

Saturday 3 November Festival of Geology at UCL

As part of the GA Festival we will be offering a free Building Stones Walk as well as free lectures. The walk will be led by **Ruth Siddall of University College** and will be a tour of the **Campus** and local streets.

Meet 11.00 am at the GA stand. No advance booking required

Sunday 4 November Festival trips

Non-GA Members and Beginners welcome but booking is essential. There is a charge of £5 per person per trip

For further details and to register for any of the trips below please contact fieldtrips@geologistsassociation.org.uk or telephone 020 7434 9298. Full details will be sent nearer the time to those who book up.

Alternatively, you can also register online via the GA website: <https://geologistsassociation.org.uk/festival>

1. Building Stones Walk from Hyde Park Corner station to Green Park Station led by Matt Loader



Last year Matt led us on a very informative walk around Sloane Square. This year he has chosen to take us from the underground station at Hyde Park Corner to Green Park Station. The area is noted for its war memorials, some with exotic stones which Matt will be able to tell us about. **Meet 10.45am** at the entrance to Hyde Park tube station (Piccadilly line). The walk will last around 2 hours allowing time for those who wish to go on walk 2 to get to Greenwich for 2pm. (Geotrail around Greenwich Park via Jubilee/DLR).

2. Geotrail around Greenwich Park

led by members of the London Geodiversity Partnership

Within Greenwich park four different geological strata are represented with two others underlying the area closer to the Thames. The geology will be discussed as well as aspects of how this area has been restless in the past although all seems quiet now. The influence of the geology on some of the features seen such as the steep slope, springs and fine views will be explained. The walk starts from the Thames Path near the Cutty Sark and goes through the Old Royal Naval College and past Queen's House to enter Greenwich Park at Jubilee Gate. The trip is about 5 km long, mostly on metalled paths but there are some steep slopes.

Meet 2.00 pm at the foot tunnel on the south side of the river in sight of the Cutty Sark. The nearest station is Cutty Sark for Maritime Greenwich, 20 mins from Central London by DLR. The Cutty Sark is a short walk from Greenwich and Maze Hill railway stations. Finish 4-4.30 pm. There are tea-shops close to the finish.



3. Newly-conserved Bagshot Sand exposure in Hadleigh Country Park, Essex

led by Ros and Ian Mercer



A trip to interpret the Tertiary geology of south Essex as seen in the landscape of Hadleigh Country Park, demonstrating large scale rotational landslips in the London Clay and overlying Tertiary sandstones. It includes a visit to the new section in the Bagshot Sands, prepared by the Essex Rock & Mineral Society and GeoEssex. Access will be on foot around Hadleigh Country Park – a walking distance of around 2 miles over undulating, sometimes quite steep, ground, with an optional extension to Hadleigh Castle either on foot or by car. Ros & Ian are becoming very familiar with the soft rock geology of Essex, once described as “gardening” but they know better!

Meet 11 am at The Hub, Hadleigh Country Park. Transfer to and from nearby Benfleet Station on the Southend C2C line will be arranged. Finish for main itinerary at 1.30pm with optional extension to Hadleigh Castle to finish at 3pm. Lunch and hot drinks available both at The Hub and at Hadleigh Castle Tearooms.