THE GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF GLASGOW

Newsletter - August 2026

Day Excursions 2026

For more information and to book go to: https://geologyglasgow.org.uk/events/category/excursions/

8th August - Ballachullish: Leader Joan Walsh

26th August - Glasgow Museums Resource Centre

Lecture Programme 2026-2027

These are the speakers currently planned to give our monthly talks. Speakers may change but the dates are fixed.

Note the AGM will be held in January by zoom, followed by Susie Maidment's zoom talk on Stegosaurs.

Full details of each month's talk will be included in the monthly newsletter and on the website.

Venue: Kelvin Hall lecture theatre (except 14 Jan). Talks start at 7pm and will be recorded but not live streamed (except January)

10 Sept Presentations by grant awardees. Theme: Li and precious metal prospecting in Scotland

8 Oct Brian Bell. Paleocene volcanics and sedimentation in western Scotland

12 Nov Luke Daly. Meteorites and cosmic geology

10 Dec Presentations by grant awardees: Igneous petrology and early rifting

14 Jan (AGM) Susannah Maidment (By Zoom) Natural History Museum, London. New research on Stegosaurs

11 Feb Victor Hunderboll. Geochronology and geochemistry in the Kintyre peninsula.

11 Mar Hannah Mathers. Deglaciation of Scotland

8 April TBC (TNG Medal Awardee)

New Members

The Society welcomes our new members:

- Alex Comerford
- Nick Fox
- Ronnie Gallagher
- Craig Geddes
- Charlotte Hall
- Samantha Maclachlan
- Tom McGoldrick
- Brad Neimann
- Jamie Royle
- Louise Simpson

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Dates for remainder of 2026

19th August, 16th September, 21st October, 18th November, 16th December

1:30 to 3:30 Kelvin Hall Activity Room. Free

Fossil Grove Open Afternoons



Next event

August 1st (extra event for Commonwealth Games Festival)

Regular events: Third Sundays of the month, April to October 12-4pm

August 16

September 20 - Doors Open Day

October 18

www.fossilgroveglasgow.org

Down to Earth

July episode of Extra here

August Extra edition here

Recent Papers on Scottish Geology

Wu, D., Chew, D., Kirkland, C.L., Gallagher, K., Glorie, S., Drost, K., Peverelli, V. and Guyett, P.C., 2026. Detecting Mesoproterozoic far-field Grenville tectonism in NE Laurentia using multi-method apatite thermochronology. *Earth and Planetary Science Letter*s, **690**, p.120183. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.epsl.2026.120183

[Samples analysed are from the Rhinns Complex exposed on Inishtruhull, Ireland but are contiguous with the Rhinns Complex on Islay and very relevant to the basement geology of the Grampian Terrane]

Davies, E. et al. 2026. Titanite and monazite constraints on the timing of metamorphism and penetrative deformation in the southern part of the Northern Highlands Terrane, Scotland. *Geological Society, London, Special Publications*, **563**, https://doi.org/10.1144/gslspecpub2026-13

[Ella's work was supported by a grant from the Society and she gave a talk on this project to us last year. She provides more facscinating insights into that most enigmatic of Precambrian orogenies - the Knoydartian]

Earth Heritage

The current issue, no 65 includes articles on:

- Burg rocks play important role in nature conservation
- Seven Sisters National Nature Reserve Declared
- Researching Hertfordshire Puddingstone
- People and nature thriving – a new strategy for the National Trust
- The Jurassic Coast at 25
- Seeing geology through artistic eyes
- Palaeontological illustration
- The Earth Heritage Network
- Cumbria's Millom Rock Park Rejuvenated

https://www.earthheritage.org.uk/



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