

NORTH WEST REGIONAL GROUP
OF THE GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY
NEWSLETTER
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Welcome Back to the 200th Year of the Geological Society. The 2007/8 programme of events and presentations has been compiled and we trust that it provides a blend of topics that you will find interesting.

Firstly, please use the Geological Society website regularly, all our events and updates are posted on the Regional Group's events section of the Geological Society website.



Please make a special note of the Dinner Dance which has been rearranged for 13 October, it is at the spectacular Manchester Town Hall. We know that this will be a special event where geologists from the region can relax and touch base with the vibrant community of geologists we have in North West England.



For details and bookings, contact Carol Westhead at TerraConsult
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This year, details of field trips will be separately posted on the Regional Groups' website and registration will be via a link on the website. It is our intention, where possible, to join up with other Groups in the Society and look for opportunities to visit sites further afield than the North West. The main field trips will be in May 2008 and we hope to have a day visit to County Antrim in Northern Ireland to see the Giants Causeway.

Our first meeting is a presentation by Dr Peter Morris of Manchester University who has been co-ordinating research on innovative field and analytical techniques relating to ground gas.

The Quiz Night format is back for just before Christmas and we hope that you and your colleagues can raise a team to enjoy a relaxing evening before the frantic Christmas Period.

Our joint meeting with the North West Geotechnical Group of the ICE this season is in February and Peter Witherington will update us on contaminated land issues and emerging policy which will be especially well timed if the expected update to CLAN comes out in December 2007

We trust you will find our programme interesting,

Andy Moore
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NORTH WEST REGIONAL GROUP OF THE GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY MEETINGS PROGRAMME 2007 – 2008

Date/Time	Speaker	Title	Venue
Saturday, 6.30pm 13 October 2007		Bicentenary Dinner Dance	The Great Hall, Manchester Town Hall For details and bookings, contact Carol Westhead at TerraConsult CWesthead@terraconsult.co.uk Tel. : 01925 291111.
Thursday 6.30pm 25 October 2007	Dr Peter Morris University of Manchester	Improved Ground Gas Risk Prediction by In-Situ Borehole Monitoring	Williamson Lecture Theatre Manchester University
Thursday, 6.30pm 8 November 2007	Phil Crowcroft ERM	Physical and psychological harm from land contamination - are we chasing shadows?	The Centre Lecture Theatre, Birchwood Park, Warrington Tea/Coffee/Biscuits served 6 to 6.30pm
Tuesday, 4 December 2007		AGM and Quiz Night	TBA
Thursday, 6.30pm 17 January 2008	Nigel Cossons Gifford	The Second Mersey Crossing	Williamson Lecture Theatre Manchester University
February 2008	N/A	Careers Evening	Manchester University
Wednesday, 6.30pm 20 February 2008	Peter Witherington RSK Group Ltd. and Chairman of the AGS Contaminated Land Working Group	Latest Developments in SGV's and Remediation Licensing	Joint meeting with the North West Geotechnical Group of the ICE The Renold Building, Manchester University Tea/Coffee/Biscuits served 6 to 6.30pm
Thursday, 6.30pm 20 March 2008	Garth Raybould/ Evan Passaris Atkins	Underground Gas Storage	TBA
Thursday 6.30pm 10 April 2008	Chris Eccles TerraConsult	Euro Code 7 – an Update	Williamson Lecture Theatre Manchester University
Thursday, 6.30pm 24 April 2008	Keith Seymour	Groundwater (Title to be confirmed)	The Park Royal Hotel, Stretton, South Warrington Tea/Coffee/Biscuits served 6 to 6.30pm
May 2008		Field Trip	Please refer to our page on the website for details.

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