



Welcome to Issue 35 of the Geological Society Library's bi-monthly newsletter.

In this issue we have news about the latest maps and journals, the Janet Watson archive and what we're doing for the Open House London festival this Saturday.

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We hope you find this newsletter useful and informative. Do get in touch and let us know what you think.

Best wishes,

The Library Team

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100 years of female Fellows - Janet Watson archive



The Library's exhibition to mark the 100th anniversary of the election of female Fellows has been extended until the end of the year. *The First Women* highlights just a few of the firsts achieved by women in both the science and the Geological Society, illustrated with material from the Society's archives.

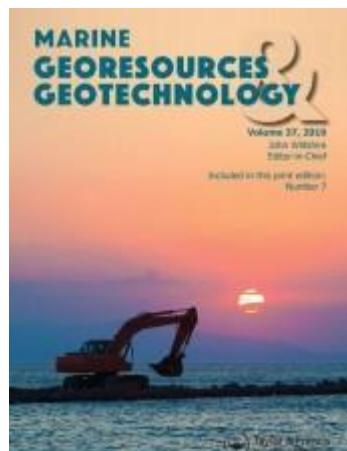
One of those featured is Janet Watson (1923-1985), Professor of Geology at Imperial College and first female President of the Society. The Society's archive includes the papers relating to her life and work, principally notebooks and maps covering her geological research in the Scottish Highlands and Islands from the 1940s-1980s.

The exhibition can be viewed in the Lower Library and Lyell Room at Burlington House, Piccadilly, London, W1J 0BG. Please contact us before making a special trip.

If you would like to consult the archive collections please [make an appointment with the Archivist](#).

Image: [Self-portrait of Janet Watson in the field] during her undergraduate research on the migmatites of west Sutherland, [1946]. LDGSL/1078/B/2

[See what is held in the Janet Watson archive](#)
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[100 Years of Female Fellows](#)



New print journal - *Marine georesources & geotechnology*

Thanks to a donation we are now receiving *Marine georesources & geotechnology*, with issues available from Volume 37 (2019) onwards.

Marine georesources & geotechnology publishes research applied to the scientific and engineering aspects, and the management and utilisation, of seafloor sediments and rocks. The journal is intended for researchers and engineers, in both academia and industry, who seek solutions to problems in marine mineral resources and civil engineering.

The Library currently subscribes to over 600 journals from around the world, including [100+ e-journals](#). Print journals can be borrowed (in person and by post) and we can also provide PDFs of articles for £5+VAT.

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From the Map Room - Sudan and Nigeria

A 1:250,000 sheet of Sudan has recently been donated to the Map Room by the Walter Geology Library at the University of Texas in Austin. The sheet, from the mid-20th century series of geological maps of Sudan by the Geological Survey of Sudan, covers Derudeb, adjacent to the border with Eritrea. This is a rare series of maps - we only currently have one other sheet in the set - so we are grateful for this gift.

Also included were several other maps of Africa including many in the Nigerian 1:250,000 series. If you would like more information or to consult any of these maps, please [contact the Map Librarian](#).

[Find out more about the Map Room](#)



Open House Day - hunt for ammonites this Saturday!

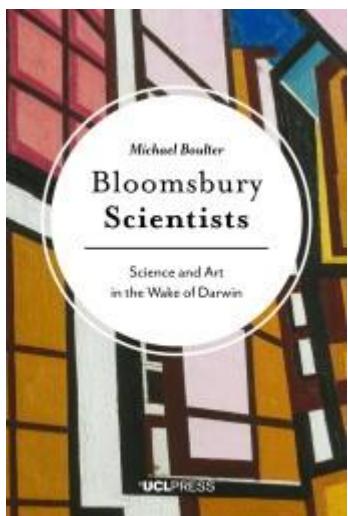
The Geological Society will be opening its doors to the general public on Saturday 21 September for the annual Open House London celebrations. Visit us to see the Society's impressive Grade II* listed building, including the Library, Council Room, Lyell Room, and our famous William Smith map. There will also be fossil workshops run by the Geologists' Association.

In addition, this year we will have a special Ammonite Hunt. Ammonites will be hidden around the building - follow the map to track them down and spell out the names of two famous fossil hunters!

The Society will be open from 10am-5pm. There is no need to book - just turn up!

[GSL Open House](#)

OPEN HOUSE DAY



Open Access e-books - recent additions

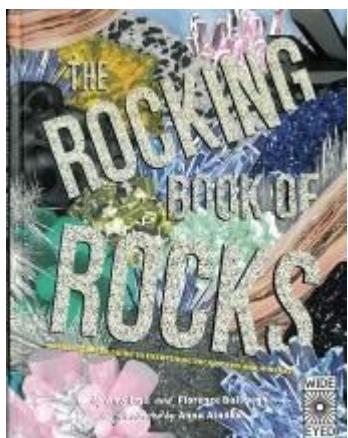
The Library maintains a carefully selected collection of Open Access e-books which are free to read online and we think will be useful to GSL Fellows.

Recent titles include:

- [Bloomsbury scientists: science and art in the wake of Darwin](#)
- [Handbook of mathematical geosciences](#)
- [TephroArchaeology in the North Pacific](#)
- [Volcanic unrest: from science to society](#)

Fellows can also access [50+ e-books](#) using Athens logins. If you have not yet signed-up for an Athens account please download and email us the [registration form](#).

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New in the Bookshop - *The Rocking Book of Rocks*

The latest addition to the Library Bookshop is [The Rocking Book of Rocks](#), written by Geological Society staff members Amy Ball (Education Officer) and Florence Bullough (Head of Policy and Engagement).

Discover space rocks, gemstones, metals, volcanoes, world wonders and more in this stunning book. Aimed at children aged 8-12 (but a pleasure to read for all ages) this book is a great introduction to rocks and minerals, beautifully illustrated by Anna Alanko.

The Library Bookshop holds a number of books and gifts for young geology enthusiasts including *Eyewitness Guides* and fossil excavation kits. Visit us in the Library at Burlington House to see our full range.

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