



Joint Societies Commemoration Meeting - Trevor Ford OBE (1925 – 2017)

A two-day event 02 – 03 June 2018 to celebrate the life and work of Trevor Ford, whose wide-ranging interests in geology, caving and the mining history of the Peak District covered some of the more momentous earth-sciences topics of the last half-century; this event is supported by a number of the societies in the North and Midlands of England with which Trevor was closely associated



Saturday 02 June: The Dome, Buxton (University of Derby Campus). 09.30 – 17.00 hrs. Attendance free-of-charge

Sunday 03 June: A choice of three field excursions in the Peak District (see below). Attendance free-of-charge

PROGRAMME SATURDAY 02 June 2018

09.30 – 10.15	Registration and refreshments
10.15 – 10.30	Welcome (Dr Sian Davies-Vollum, University of Derby) & Introduction (Dr Andy Howard, President, Yorkshire Geol. Soc.)
10.30 – 11.40	Trevor's Life and Interests: short tributes from family, friends and colleagues, covering many facets of his life
11.40 – 12.05	The significance of the Charnwood discovery of Precambrian fossils- "The Ediacaran Biota" (Dr Phil Wilby, BGS)
12.05 – 12.30	White Watson's Tablets - a story of innovation in the understanding of geology as revealed by Trevor Ford – Nina Morgan
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch: attendees make own arrangements or consume own sandwiches in Dome area
13.30 – 13.50	The Impact of Trevor Ford as Research Supervisor: review of numerous research projects initiated and supervised by TDF
13.50 – 14.10	The Blue John - a Life Time Interest of Trevor Ford – Dr Noel Worley
14.10 – 14.35	Mineralization and Dolomitization in the Peak District – Dr Cathy Hollis et al. (University of Manchester & MGA)
14.35 – 15.00	Hydrogeology of the Peak District – Prof. John Gunn (University of Birmingham & British Cave Research Association)
15.00 – 15.30	Refreshments (free of charge to attendees)
15.30 – 16.00	Exploration of new caves and mines in the Castleton area (Dr Richard Shaw, Peak District Mines Historical Society)
16.00 – 16.30	Early reminiscences of Dr Trevor Ford - caves and mining history in the Peak District (Dr Jim Rieuwerts, PDMHS)
16.30 – 17.00	Conclusions (Dr Andy Howard, YGS) and arrangements and registration for field excursions on Sunday 03 June

PROGRAMME SUNDAY 03 June 2018

1. "Mineralization and sedimentology of the Matlock-Wirksworth area of Derbyshire" (leaders Dr Cathy Hollis & Catherine Breislin, Univ. of Manchester); meet at 10.30 am at National Stone Centre, Wirksworth. Lunch will be taken at around 13.00 – 13.30 at the National Stone Centre (bring own sandwiches or use cafeteria facilities). Afternoon will be spent in the Brassington area (up to around 15.30 hrs), with optional walk up to Harborough Rocks (finish c. 16.30 hrs). Some uphill walking, generally on well-established tracks; bring stout footwear. No need for prior registration but helpful if intending attendees will register interest at the end of the Saturday programme when joining instructions will be confirmed.
2. Ecton Copper Mines (organised North Staffs Geological Association); numbers limited to 10 attendees and payment of fee required to the Educational Trust owners. It is essential there is prior registration of interest. Contact:
3. Surface walk around Magpie Mine Heritage Site, Sheldon, near Bakewell (a morning and an afternoon visit can be arranged subject to demand). Organised by Peak District Mines Historical Society; no need for prior registration but note joining instructions will be confirmed in the final session of the Saturday meeting.