

Conference Secretary

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The Ussher Society

Geoscience in south-west England

43rd Annual Conference

Newquay, 3rd, 4th, 5th & 6th January 2005

First Circular - Call for Papers

The Ussher Society is pleased to announce its **43rd Annual Conference** at the **Kilbirnie Hotel, Newquay, Cornwall**. This 4-day conference for earth and environmental scientists comprises **field trips** (to be held on Monday 3rd and Thursday 6th January) and **two days of presentations**, incorporating a joint session with the South West Regional Group of the Geological Society.

The main presentation days will be **Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th of January** - oral or poster presentations are welcomed in all areas of geology, geomorphology, engineering geology and environmental geology, related to the South West. The Scott Simpson lecture will be presented by **Alex Halliday** on the topic of developments in isotope geochemistry, and a joint, half-day session with the SW Regional Group of the Geological Society will take place on the afternoon of Wednesday 5th January, based around the theme of "**Coastal zone engineering and management**".

A **field trip** has been organised for Monday 3rd January, led by **Dr Robin Shail** (Camborne School of Mines) and **Dr Brian Leveridge** (BGS Exeter) to examine the Variscan rocks spectacularly exposed in the cliffs around the Cornish coast near Newquay*. A **post-conference field trip** is planned for Thursday 6th January; this will be led by **Dr Richard Scrivener** (BGS Exeter) and will focus on the mining geology of west Cornwall*.

If you wish to make a contribution to the scientific programme, please send details of the paper/poster to the Conference Secretary by **19th November**. Expressions of interest should include Title, Author(s) and an Abstract of no more than 200 words. You may choose to use the form below, or include the same information in your correspondence.

Papers in areas related to the two themes outlined above are particularly welcome, but we also look forward to receiving papers covering a wide range of topics related to geoscience in south-west England. **All presenting authors have the opportunity, and are encouraged, to submit their paper for publication**, subject to peer review, in the Society's journal, "Geoscience in south-west England".

Please note that a **bursary fund** is available to cover/contribute to the cost of **full-time students wishing to attend the Meeting to present a paper or poster**. For details, please apply in the first instance to the Conference Secretary, Dr Louise Hollick- lhollick@bgs.ac.uk, or send postal enquiries to Louise at BGS Exeter (see above).

CONTRIBUTION TO SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME
The Ussher Society Annual Conference – Kilbirnie Hotel, Newquay
3rd – 5th January 2005

If you wish to make a contribution to the scientific programme, please send the following details to the Conference Secretary by **19th November**, either by post or e-mail (MS Word compatible document), using the contact details given at the top of page 1.

Confirmation of acceptance will be sent to authors once the programme is finalised. Abstracts will be accepted for both short papers and posters and will be published in the conference programme.

NAME (CORRESPONDING AUTHOR):

ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE / E-MAIL:

I /WE INTEND TO OFFER A SHORT PAPER/POSTER (DELETE AS APPROPRIATE)

TITLE

AUTHOR(S)

ABSTRACT (MAX.200 WORDS)

CONFERENCE BOOKING FORM
The Ussher Society Annual Conference – Kilbirnie Hotel, Newquay
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Please complete and **return this form with payment to Conference Secretary:**
 Louise Hollick, British Geological Survey, Forde House, Park 5 Business Centre, Harrier Way, Sowton,
 Exeter, EX2 7HU.

NAME:

ADDRESS:

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PHONE: E-MAIL:

I wish to register for the Conference as follows (please tick where appropriate):

'Ussher Society Member' delegate (AVAILABLE ONLY TO PAID-UP MEMBERS)

Both conference days (4th & 5th January) @ £22

Tuesday 4th January only @ £12 Wednesday 5th January only @ £12

Standard delegate

Both conference days (4th & 5th January) @ £30

Tuesday 4th January only @ £16 Wednesday 5th January only @ £16

Full-time Student delegate

Both conference days (4th & 5th January) @ £14

Tuesday 4th January only @ £8 Wednesday 5th January only @ £8

Note: All conference rates include tea/coffee and buffet lunches at the conference venue

Conference dinner - £14 for 3 courses and coffee, at the restaurant in the Kilbirnie Hotel

I wish to attend the conference dinner on Tuesday 4th January

I prefer a vegetarian meal

I intend to join the following field excursion(s)

Variscan Geology of Cornwall (R Shail and B E Leveridge) – Monday 3rd January

Cornish Mining (Richard C Scrivener) - Thursday 6th January

Field excursions must be pre-booked. Limited transport will be available and **no refreshments are included**. There is NO charge for attending either excursion, but depending on numbers, it may be possible to organise an underground visit on the 6th January, for which there may be a small charge (payable on the day).

I enclose a cheque for £..... made payable to L Hollick

ACCOMMODATION INFORMATION
The Ussher Society Annual Conference – Kilbirnie Hotel, Newquay
4th - 5th January 2005

Please note that **it is your responsibility** to make arrangements for, and payment of, the accommodation that you require before, during and after the conference. You may also wish to arrange evening meals at the same time as booking accommodation (where applicable), **bearing in mind any booking you have made (above) to attend the Conference Dinner on Tuesday 4th January.**

Links to information about other accommodation options, and a hotel search-engine, may be found on the Conference website: www.ussher.org from November 1st 2004.

Accommodation at the Kilbirnie Hotel, Newquay – CONFERENCE VENUE

The hotel has kindly negotiated **special rates for Ussher Society Delegates** – please mention the Ussher Society when contacting the hotel to make your reservation.

- ▶ Single room, or two persons sharing twin/double room (all en suite) - £34 per person per night B&B.
- ▶ Single occupancy of twin or double room - £35 per person per night B&B.

Contact: Kilbirnie Hotel,
Narrowcliff
Newquay
Cornwall, TR7 2RS E-mail: enquirykilbirnie@aol.com
Tel: 01637 875155 Website: <http://www.kilbirniehotel.co.uk/>

Demand for rooms at the Kilbirnie is likely to be high, so please book early to avoid disappointment

The Kilbirnie Hotel offers a range of evening meals in the bar/restaurant; bookings for meals may be made at the same time as your accommodation reservation. Please bear in mind that you may have made a reservation for the **Conference Dinner** above, to be held on the evening of Tuesday 4th January.

Invernook Hotel

The hotel has kindly negotiated **special rates for Ussher Society Delegates** – please mention the Ussher Society when contacting the hotel to make your reservation.

- ▶ Rooms all at £22.50 per person per night B&B

Contact: Keith and Ros Hill
Invernook Hotel
8 Berry Road, Newquay
TR7 1AT
Tel: 01637 872436 E-mail: invernookhotel@btconnect.com

Minerva Hotel

The hotel has kindly negotiated **special rates for Ussher Society Delegates** – please mention the Ussher Society when contacting the hotel to make your reservation.

- ▶ Rooms all at £25 per person per night B&B

Contact: Jo, at Minerva Hotel,
The Crescent
Newquay, Cornwall
TR7 1DT
Tel: 01637 873439 E-mail: minervahotel@btconnect.com

MAP OF NEWQUAY
showing location of conference venue, and hotels listed above

1 Kilbirnie Hotel - Conference Venue

3 Minerva Hotel



2 Invernook Hotel

Map amended from www.multimap.co.uk