Call for Papers

Commemorative Meeting to Celebrate the Life and Work of Robert F. Symes OBE, 1939-2016

A conference to be held on Thursday 8 December, 2016 at Burlington House, Piccadilly, London, UK.

Convenors:
Richard Moody
Kingston University.
Roy Starkey
The Russell Society.
Andrew Fleet
NHM London.
Jenny Bennett
Ussher Society.

A one-day meeting is being convened under the auspices of Geological Society and HOGG in association with the Geologists’ Association, The Ussher Society, The Russell Society and the Harrow and Hillingdon Geological Society.

The meeting will celebrate the life and achievements of the late Dr Robert (Bob) F. Symes, formerly Keeper of Mineralogy at the Natural History Museum, London who died earlier this year.

Papers on any aspect of Bob’s mineralogical research, museum activities, or contributions to the wider field of earth science education and public outreach will be considered for presentation and/or publication. Suitable subjects include the mineralogy of the Mendip Hills, the minerals of Cornwall and Devon and the North of England; supergene mineral geochemistry, the formation of orbicular rocks, museums and the history of local groups.

Speakers currently scheduled include Richard Scrivenor, Roy Starkey and Dick Moody.

A programme for the meeting, with details for online registration, will be published by mid-October. Those interested in contributing a talk or poster, and/or an article for publication, are asked to make contact before 31st August with one of the convenors: Dick Moody (e-mail: rtj.moody@virgin.net; mobile telephone: +44 (0) 7973273623); Roy Starkey (e-mail: roy.starkey@gmail.com; home telephone: +44 (0) 1527 874101); Andrew Fleet (e.mail: ajfleet@btinternet.com).

Authors are requested to send an abstract of 500 words by no later than Friday the 31st August, 2016 to rtj.moody@virgin.net.

Accepted abstracts will be printed in the Conference Abstracts Book which will be made available to authors and delegates on the day of the conference.

Specific papers may be considered for inclusion in a special publication.

There will be a registration fee of £20.00 to cover teas and coffee, and an evening reception.