

RUSSELL SOCIETY NATIONAL ASM WEEKEND

Friday 21st April to Sunday 23rd April 2017

at The Lodge Hotel, Tal-y-bont, Conwy. LL32 8YX. Tel. 01492 660766

BOOKING FORM

Name(s): _____

Email: _____

THE PREFERRED METHOD OF COMMUNICATION FOR REST OF INFO

Address: _____ Postcode: _____

Telephone: _____ Mobile: _____

RS Branch: _____ **Are you booked into The Lodge?** _____ Sharing with: _____

Friday evening three course meal £25 included for those staying at The Lodge on the DBB rate Number: _____ Total _____

Saturday Symposium:

A symposium booking fee of £26 is **payable by all attendees** Number: _____ Total _____

Trevor Bridges Award entry **YES or NO**

Annual General Meeting **No payment** required for AGM attendance only. Number: _____

Are you likely to bring a donation for the **Society Auction?** _____

AGM Dinner three course meal £25 included for those staying at The Lodge on the DBB rate Number: _____ Total _____

Field Trips: Field trips will be held on the Friday and Sunday. **The use of hard hats, high visibility clothing, lace up safety boots, gloves and eye protection is mandatory for all quarries and working sites.** Allocation will be on a first come first served basis. A voluntary contribution of £1 per visit, paid on the day, is requested to cover costs. Venues may change due to operational requirements.

FRIDAY VISITS	FIRST CHOICE	SECOND CHOICE
Great Orme Copper Mine. CASH fee of £6.75 paid on the day (but £1 discount if we have 10+ attendees). Meet [SH772831] at 11AM		
Sygun Copper Mine Underground Adventure. CASH fee of £9 paid on the day (but 20% discount if we have 10+ attendees). Meet [SH60584855] at 11AM		
Bangor University Collection Viewing. Meet Brambell Hall [LL572UW] at 11AM		
Dolyhir Quarry. Meet Car Park [SO 245 580] at 10AM		
Cavendish Mill. Meet [SK 205 753] at 10AM		
Dyserth Quarry SSSI. Meet [SJ 061 791] at 11AM		

SUNDAY VISITS	FIRST CHOICE	SECOND CHOICE
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Sygun Copper Mine Underground Adventure. CASH fee of £9 (but 20% discount if we have 10+ attendees). Meet [SH60584855] at 11AM		
Bangor University Collection Viewing. Meet Brambell Hall [LL572UW] at 11AM		
Benallt Mine SSSI. Meet [SH 222 279] at 11AM		
Frongoch Mine SSSI. Meet [SN 719 742] at 11AM		
Mynodd Nodol SSSI. Meet [SH 861 384] at 10:30AM		

Monies enclosed:

Friday evening meal £25 per person included for those staying at The Lodge DBB rate so you DO NOT PAY	
Symposium booking fee of £26 payable by all attendees	
AGM Dinner £25 per person included for those staying at The Lodge DBB rate so you DO NOT PAY	
TOTAL MONIES ENCLOSED WITH THIS BOOKING

Booking Please complete and post the booking form to Harry Critchley at the address below. **Please provide an email address**-your booking will be acknowledged *via* email on receipt and **we shall send you all other information by email** to save postage costs. Completed forms should be sent with full payment (cheques payable to **"The NW Russell Society"**) to: **NWR Secretary. H. Critchley. 23 Frynt Close, Bolton. BL6 5BU.**

THE RUSSELL SOCIETY NORTH WEST BRANCH

Hosts the 2017 National ASM Weekend

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The North West Branch will be hosting the Russell Society 2017 National ASM Weekend at The Lodge Hotel, Tal-y-bont, Conwy LL32 8YX. The symposium theme is ‘M⁵ at the Lodge’ as we look at ‘Minerals, Mines, Memorabilia, Macro 3D and Microphotography’, beginning with a pyromorphite link with the previous ASM in Durham. There will be displays and illustrated talks on these subjects along with visits to sites and sights in the area. Full details of all the activities for the weekend will be on the Society website at www.russellsoc.org, soon. If you have any interesting minerals from the North Wales area please can you bring them along for display.

Accommodation Members are requested to arrange their own accommodation, The Lodge Hotel, Tal-y-bont, is full (bar cancellations or shares). There are a good number of B&B, guest houses, a Premier Inn, and other hotels in the area.

Friday Afternoon Visits and Field Trips A selection of visits to show mines, museums and institutions is arranged.

Great Orme Copper Mine Visit 11am-group rate 10 people pre paid is £5.75 or £6.75 for individuals.

Sygun Copper Mine Underground Adventure 11am- 20% discount if 10+ off Adult fee £9 & Seniors fee £8.

Visit to the museum of the Bangor University 11am to view their collection.

Dolyhir Quarry. Meet Car Park [SO 245 580] at 10am

Cavendish Mill. Meet [SK 205 753] at 10am

Dyserth Quarry SSSI. Meet [SJ 061 791] at 11am

Friday Evening at the Lodge Two presentations and a meal have been organised for Friday evening. **17:30** ‘Solving a mystery regarding the early history of witherite’ by Tom Cotterell and **18:15** ‘3D Macro Photography’ by John Chapman. These will be followed at **19:15** by a three course meal £25 (drinks extra).

This meal is included for those staying at The Lodge on the DBB rate. A pay bar will be open for the purchase of wines and other drinks. There will be the opportunity for the traditional specimen and other mineralogical related material exchanges (please bring some). There may be time to show a DVD the ‘Great Orme Copper Mine’.

Saturday Symposium ‘M⁵ at the Lodge’ 08:30 Registration: **09:15** Introduction: ‘Durham ASM to Wales ASM’ link looking at Pyromorphite by Charles Lamb: Morning Coffee: ‘Synthetic and Natural Occurrences of Linarite and Pyromorphite in Wales’ by Stephen Plant: ‘Britannia Mine’ by Tim Coleman: Finger Buffet Lunch: ‘Mining Memorabilia’ by Philip Taylor: ‘Mineral Photography Workshop’ lead by Roy Starkey and Frank Ince: afternoon tea will be served during this workshop: Russell Society AGM. There is a fee of £26 payable by all attendees at the symposium. This fee includes coffees and teas, finger buffet lunch on Saturday and the AGM weekend information booklet. The Society AGM will follow the afternoon events at ~16:30, there is no fee for AGM attendance only.

Russell Society Annual Dinner This will be a three course meal at £25 (drinks extra). **The dinner is included for those staying at The Lodge on the DBB rate.** Vegetarian choice will be available. The menus will be made available once the hotel has published them and will be sent to delegates. A pay bar will be open for the purchase of wines and other drinks. This will be followed by the ‘Presentation of the Trevor Bridges Award’ (all are encouraged to bring an entry for this competition) then the ‘Auction of mineral specimens and mineralogical ephemera in aid of Society funds. Donations for the auction will be gratefully accepted.

Sunday Visits and Field Trips A number of visits to mines, museums and institutions is arranged for the Sunday.

Great Orme Copper Mine Visit. 11am - group rate for 10 people pre paid is £5.75 or £6.75 for individuals.

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Activities for ‘partners’ include castles, tramways, mountain and lake railways, zip world, bounce world, woollen mills, gardens, garden centres, electric mountains, craft centres, waterfalls, slate works, hiking trails.

THE NORTH WEST BRANCH LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT

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